

Kaminohama Route

Western Panoramic

A trek to the western part of Zamami Island that takes in a local landmark and a gorgeous beach before climaxing in cliff-top views over the Keramas

Route: Zamami Harbor – Kaminohama Viewpoint – Zamami Harbor
Distance: 6 km (round trip)
Total time: 80 mins
Level: Easy

Overview

This walk goes from Zamami Harbor in the center of the island to Kaminohama at the island's western tip. The road sometimes hugs the coast and sometimes veers a little way inland. It passes by one of the island's major beaches, allowing for a refreshing dip or just a pause to enjoy the sea breezes en route.

Detail

Head west out of Zamami in the direction of Ama Beach. The first landmark you will come to after about 10 minutes is the Statue of Marilyn, the Zamami-born dog whose love life was the subject of the 1980s Japanese movie *Shiro and Marilyn*. The sea wall near the statue is a popular spot for enjoying the sunset.

Press on for another 10 minutes and you will come to Ama Beach. If you fancy popping in for a swim or for a snorkel (recommended since this beach is a favorite with sea turtles), bear in mind that the beach is quite shallow and best enjoyed at high tide.

The last 20 minutes of the walk take you inland, with a greener and more rural feel. Eventually, you will emerge on the cliff tops of the Kaminohama Viewpoint, where you can enjoy sweeping views that encompass Tokashiki, Amuro, Agenashiku, and Gahi to the southeast, the sacred island of Kuba to the southwest, Yakabi to the west, and Tonaki to the northwest. The sunsets here are magnificent.

SUGGESTED PHOTO(S)

1. View from Kaminohama (Hero image)
2. Road out of town
3. Marilyn
4. Ama Beach

5. Road between Ama and Kaminohama

6. Kaminohama