



- **JR Train** JR Kure Line from JR Hiroshima Station by Kure Rapid Liner (Approx. 32 minutes) Walk from JR Kure station (Approx. 5 minutes)
- **Car**
 - Hiroshima-Kure Road (Kure Line) from Hiroshima (Approx. 20 minutes) From Kure IC (Approx. 5 minutes)
 - Hiroshima Expressway-Hiroshima Kure Road from Sanyo Expressway (Hiroshima-higashi JCT) (Approx. 30 minutes) From Kure IC (Approx. 5 minutes)
 - Higashihiroshima-Kure Expressway from Sanyo Expressway (Takaya JCT) (Approx. 40 minutes)
- **Bus**
 - From Hiroshima Bus Center to JR Kure Station (Approx. 46 minutes) Walk from JR Kure station (Approx. 5 minutes)
 - From Hiroshima Airport to JR Kure Station (Approx. 60 minutes) Walk from JR Kure station (Approx. 5 minutes)
- **Ferry** Walk from Kure Chuo Sanbashi (Central Pier) (Approx. 1 minute)

Open Hours **9:00 to 18:00** ● Last admission to exhibition rooms: 17:30
Library: 9:00 to 17:00

Closed **Tuesday** ● The museum is closed on a Wednesday if a nation holiday falls on a Tuesday.
● Open every day from April 29 to May 5, from July 21 to August 31, and from December 29 to January 3

Admission Fee **Adults: ¥500 High school students: ¥300 Elementary and junior high school students: ¥200**
Groups (20 people or more) Adults: ¥400 High school students: ¥200 Elementary and junior high school students: ¥100

Walk from the Yamato Museum (Approx. 10 minutes)

Irifuneyama Memorial Museum
(Former Official Residence of Commander-in-Chief of the Kure Naval Station)
4-6 Saiwai-cho, Kure City Tel: +81-(0)823-21-1037 www.irifuneyama.com
Irifuneyama Park is an historical symbol sites of Kure accentuating the dawning of modern Japan. At its center is the Former Official Residence of the Commander-in-Chief of the Kure Naval Station (National Important Cultural Property). Other sites dotted throughout the park include the Former Kure Naval Arsenal Clock Tower, the Former Detached Room of the Residence of Fleet Admiral Togo, the Local History Museum and the Museum of Historical Materials.



Kure Maritime Museum
YAMATO MUSEUM
5-20 Takara-machi, Kure City, Hiroshima 737-0029
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<https://yamato-museum.com/>



ENGLISH

Message from the great Battleship Yamato

Conveying History to the Future

Once Kure flourished as a naval port city with the Naval Arsenal that built the battleship Yamato.

After the war, Kure built many of the world's largest tankers by merging the technologies developed before the war with the new post-war technologies. It helped Japan develop into the world's biggest shipbuilding country.

Kure Maritime Museum, "Yamato Museum" introduces the "History of Kure" and a broad range of "Science and Technologies" including shipbuilding and steelmaking which have served as a foundation for the modernization of Japan, with a perspective on the efforts of our predecessors and lifestyles and cultures at that time.

This museum builds dreams and hopes for the future by educating people about the history of Modern Japan and by having them acknowledge the importance of peace.

It also helps children understand the wonders of science and technology.



YAMATO MUSEUM

Kure Maritime Museum





Yamato Hiroba

One-tenth scale model of the battleship Yamato measuring 26.3 meters in length has been reconstructed to resemble as closely as possible the actual ship based on drawings and photographs. As a symbol of the Yamato Museum, this model hands down to posterity the importance of peace and the splendor of science and technology.

●Bulbous bow

A bulbous protrusion on the bow reduces wave-making resistance and increases range. This technology is still used in marine engineering nowadays.

A History of Kure

After the establishment of the Kure Naval Base in 1889 and the Kure Naval Arsenal in 1903, Kure flourished as a naval port city. In this section, you can see the design blueprints for Yamato, the largest battleship of all time, including details about its technology and history. The exhibition also features the notes and articles left behind by the crew who went on a special suicide attack mission bound for Okinawa. You can also learn about the life in the city during the war, the air raids on Kure, its postwar reconstruction as a harbor city with peacetime industry, and the history of the present-day Kure as one of the greatest shipbuilding cities in the world. The exhibition features information panels and some preserved documents.



B Large Objects Exhibition

Authentic highly valued items such as a Zero fighter, a Kaiten human torpedo and a Type 93 Torpedo are displayed.



Zero Fighter Type 62



Kaiten Human Torpedo Type 10 (trial model)

C Shipbuilding Technology

Here we examine some principles of science and technology through hands-on learning with a focus on the ship. You can experience a ship handling simulator and a test tank for ships to learn about the characteristics of waves.



D Future Prospects

This display presents the potential of science and technology relating to the earth and the universe.

It also features various messages to the future generations from the museum's honorary director and others. The Yamato Theater presents videos about the battleship Yamato.



Museum model tour for Visitors

(Time required: Approx. 1.5h.)

Yamato Hiroba (Approx. 10 min) → A History of Kure (Approx. 30 min) →

B Large Objects Exhibition (Approx. 15 min) → C Shipbuilding Technology (Approx. 20 min) → D Future Prospects (Approx. 15 min)

Museum Multilingual Audio Guide



- Enjoy 20 topics (including audio content, images and videos).
- Audio Guide is only needed on the 1st floor.
- Service available in the Museum Wi-Fi area.
- Audio guide is available in four languages (Japanese, English, Chinese and Korean).



Android



iPhone

4F

Observation Terrace

Conference Room

Restroom

Citizen's Gallery

Library



View from Observation Terrace

3F

C Shipbuilding Technology

Restroom

Experiment Workshop Room

D Future Prospects (Yamato Theater)

Messages to future generations



Terrace

1F/2F

A History of Kure

Restroom

Museum Shop

Yamato Hiroba

Entrance

Yamato Hall

B Large Objects Exhibition

To the 2nd floor (Ramp)



Museum Shop

Salvaged Items of Battleship "Mutsu"

