

Recommended Night View Spots in Kitakyushu



Mt. Sarakura

One of Japan's new three greatest night view spots

One of Japan's most famous nightscape spots. It takes about 10 minutes to reach the summit, 622 meters above sea level, via a combination of funicular and slope car. The 200-degree view at night from the observation deck has been described as a "ten billion dollar view."

Cable car

Times Apr. to Oct. 10 am to 10 pm (last ascent 9:20 pm)
Nov. to Mar. 10 am to 8 pm (last ascent 7:20 pm)
*Please call the office on Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 as the operating hours are different.
*Slope cars connect to outgoing and incoming cable cars.

Closed Every Tue. (excl. holidays and events)

Fares Cable cars and slope cars operate together throughout the round trip.
Adults 1,230 yen Children 620 yen

Tel Sarakura Tozan Railway Co., Ltd. 093-671-4761

P Available (tariffs apply)



Yahatahigashi Ward

You can find
the photo spots
on the map!

Kitakyushu Night View MAP

Japan's new top 3 cities for night views

since 2018
Revised in 2022

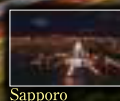
Japan's New Three Most Spectacular Night Views No.1 in Japan

Kitakyushu boasts a large number of fascinating features, including historical, cultural, and natural ones, as well as specialty foods.

In addition, when covered with a veil of darkness, the city appears completely different than in the daytime.

Why not spend some luxury time enjoying the brilliant night view of Kitakyushu, one of Japan's new three greatest night view cities?

In 2022,
Kitakyushu was recognized as the best of
"Japan's New Three
Most Spectacular Night Views"
by a vote of about
6,100 nightscape tourism
specialists nationwide.



Japan's New Three Most Spectacular Night Views

The Yakei Convention & Visitors Bureau conducts a nationwide poll of nightscape tourism specialists to revitalize nightscape tourism in Japan and abroad and awards the top three cities as "Japan's New Three Most Spectacular Night Views."

Mekari Park Observation Deck 2

The Observation Deck offers views of the Mojiko Retro District and Shimonoseki across the Kanmon Straits, with a spectacular prospect of the Kanmon Bridge below.

P Available (for free)



Moji Ward

Great, photogenic spots!!

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Full of Kitakyushu nightscape info!



<https://www.gururich-kitaq.com/en/night-view>

Taxis

Tour of evening scenic spots from major stations and hotels.
(Requires reservation)

Taxi services

★ symbol marks a wheelchair-accessible cab company.

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| ★ Daiichi Kotsu Taxi Tel: 093-521-3216 | ● Hikari Taxi Tel: 093-671-1236 |
| ★ Katsuyama Taxi Tel: 0570-08-5280 | ★ Hokko Daiwa Taxi Tel: 093-871-2525 |
| ● Kitakyu Nishitetsu Taxi Tel: 093-652-3402 | ● Yashima Taxi Tel: 093-611-1555 |
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Limited-time

Illuminations

Kokura Illumination



Winter scenes brighten the areas around Kokura Station and Murasaki River in the city center. Every year the city is bathed in light with many light installations.

Period Early Nov. to mid-Jan.

Tel Kokura Illumination Executive Committee Office
093-541-0191

Mojiko Retro Romantic Illumination Festival

In winter, the romantic streetscape of Mojiko Retro District becomes even more evocative with twinkling lights.



Period Early Nov. to mid-Mar.

Tel Mojiko Retro General Information
093-321-4151

Japan 100 Moons

In October 2021, "the moon seen from Kokura Castle and Garden" and "the moon seen from Mt. Sarakura" were recognized as one of "Japan 100 Moons".



The moon seen from Kokura Castle and Garden



The moon seen from Mt. Sarakura



Japan 100 Moons

The list aims to promote the charm of the "moon" in various parts of Japan worldwide and turn Japan's famous moon-viewing spots into tourism resources. As of May 2022, 100 locations nationwide, including two in Kitakyushu, have been certified and registered.

Japan 100 Moon's website: <http://japan100moons.com/>





Wakato Bridge

A pioneer of long suspension bridges in Japan, the 627-meter deep red bridge connects Wakamatsu and Tobata wards. Once said to be the longest suspension bridge in the East, it has remained a symbol and an overpowering presence of the whole city since its construction in 1962. The illumination of the bridge began in December 2018. The bridge was designated as a nationally important cultural property in February 2022.

Times Illuminated: Sunset to 22:00 (all year round)



Tobata Ward



Mt. Takato Park

From the 124-meter-high observatory, you can see the magnificent Wakato Bridge over Dokai Bay and a panoramic view of factories from Yahata to Tobata and Kokura. The double-decker observatory allows visitors to enjoy the nightscape even on rainy nights.

P Available (for free)



Wakamatsu Ward



Tobata Gion Festival

Along with Hakata Gion Yamakasa and Kokura Gion Festival, the festival is one of the three major summer events in Fukuoka Prefecture. The fantastic pyramids of light make a stunning appearance. Held annually over three days before and after the 4th Saturday in July. It was registered as an Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO in 2016.



Tobata Ward



Mojiko Retro Observation Room

The hall offers a breathtaking panoramic view, 103 m high, of the Mojiko Retro area and Kanmon Straits!

Times 10 am to 5 pm (last admission 4:30 pm)
Open until 9 pm on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and public holidays (last admission 8:30 pm)

Fares Adult - 300 yen
Elementary or junior high school student - 150 yen

Tel 093-321-4151 **P** Available (tariffs apply)



Moji Ward



JR Mojiko Station



The building is a nationally important cultural property. In March 2019, the building was restored to its original 1914 construction. It also has a restaurant and café.



Moji Ward



Adachi Park

This nature park overlooks downtown Kokura. The park offers a night view with a combination of urban lights and natural features, such as the strait and mountains seen over the downtown area. It is recommended that you visit the park at twilight to enjoy a beautiful contrast between mountain silhouettes and urban lights.

P Available (for free)



Kokurakita Ward

Kokura Castle

Built in 1602. The castle features a "karazukuri" style keep and "nozurazumi" stone walls and is famous for retaining the ambiance of Kokura, which prospered as a key city on land and sea.

Times Illuminated: Sunset to 22:00 (all year round)

P Available (tariffs apply)



Kokurakita Ward

Kitakyushu Factory Night View

A night view of factories and plants that mysteriously emit magnificent light is a feature unique to this city of manufacturing.

With factories and plants in the steel, chemical, energy, and other industries, Kitakyushu is an ideal place to enjoy a factory night view with various aspects.

Kitakyushu also offers various ways to enjoy a factory night view, for example, from an observatory park, from across the sea or river, or from a boat.



View of Tobata Ward's factories at night from Mt. Takato Park (Wakamatsu Ward)



Wakamatsu Ward



Regular night-view cruise services in Dokai Bay



Kanmon Kisen



Koyo-machi, Wakamatsu Ward



Wakamatsu Ward

Kitakyushu Regular Night-view Cruise Services

A nightscape navigator presents the factory nightscape and attractions of Kitakyushu aboard the boat!

Factory night view course

Duration of cruise About 110 min.
Services available 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Saturdays and Sundays every month (Apr. to Sep.) Departure at 19:00; [Oct. to Mar.] Departure at 18:30
¥ Adult - 2,500 yen; Child - 1,250 yen

Route Kokura Port → Factory night view in Kokura → Dokai Bay → Wakato Bridge
Ferry pier for Aomoshima and Umeshima Islands

Kanmon night view & factory night view course

Duration of cruise About 90 min.
Services available 4th Saturdays and Sundays every month (Apr. to Sep.) Departure at 19:00; [Oct. to Mar.] Departure at 18:30
¥ Adult - 2,500 yen; Child - 1,250 yen

Route Moji Port → Kanmon Bridge → Kanmon Strait
Kanmon ferry pier Marine Gate Moji → Factory night view in Kokura

Inquiries Kanmon Kisen TEL 093-331-0222 <http://www.kanmon-kisen.co.jp>

* Seat reservations are required by your desired cruise date. The services sometimes fill to capacity, so it is recommended that you make reservations as early as possible.