

Hamamatsu Town Area



This is the downtown area where JR Hamamatsu Station, the entrance to the city, is located. Here you can enjoy shopping, eating and drinking, while walking around the area. From downtown, some tourist spots such as Hamamatsu Castle and the Museum of Musical Instruments may be visited leisurely on foot.

Hamamatsu Castle & Hamamatsu Castle Park MAP 06 A1

This castle is called the "Castle of Success", because Tokugawa Ieyasu, the first "Shogun" (General) of the Tokugawa family, lived here for 17 years as a youth. Towards the end of March, approximately 500 cherry trees surrounding the Castle Tower begin to bloom and many people gather here for cherry blossom viewing. The art museum and the "Shointei" tea house around the castle attract visitors as well.



☎ 053-453-3872

- 👤 Adults ¥150, free for jr. high school students and younger, disabled people, and those aged 70 and older
- 🗓 Dec.29~31
- 🕒 8:30~16:30 (Hamamatsu Castle)

Hamamatsu City Museum of Musical Instruments MAP 07 D3

This museum is the only public museum of musical instruments in Japan, maintaining an exhibition of approximately 1,200 musical instruments from all over the world. The traditional Japanese musical instruments, such as Koto, Shakuhachi (Japanese bamboo flute), as well as the European luxury pianos from the 19th century are well worth seeing.



☎ 053-451-1128

- 👤 Adults ¥400, high school students ¥200, free for jr. high school students, disabled people, and those aged 70 and older
- 🗓 The 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month (closed Thursday instead if Wednesday is a national holiday), New Year's holidays, and other special holidays for facility maintenance
- 🕒 9:30~17:00

ACT Tower Observation Gallery 展望回廊 MAP 07 D3

The observation deck on the 45th floor of the Act Tower stands 185 meters above the ground and offers one of the best views in the Tokai district. Visitors can enjoy the breathtaking view of the entire urban area, the Enshu Coast in the south, the Southern Alps in the north, and on a clear day, Mt Fuji!



☎ 053-451-1111 (Okura Act City Hotel Hamamatsu)

- 👤 Adults (jr. high school students and older) ¥500, elementary school students ¥300
- 🗓 Saturdays & Sundays
- 🕒 10:00~18:00 (last admission - 17:00)

Hamamatsu City Art Museum 美術館 MAP 06 A1

This art museum patterned with bricks is located within Hamamatsu Castle Park. In addition to works by local artists, the collection includes many glass pictures and some of the early Japanese woodblock prints of Hiroshige Ando.



☎ 053-454-6801

- 👤 Adults ¥300, high school students ¥150, free for elementary and jr. high school students (extra fee is required for special exhibitions)
- 🗓 Mondays (Tuesday instead if Monday is a national holiday), days following national holidays, New Year's holidays (Dec.29~Jan.3), and exhibit change days
- 🕒 9:30~17:00

Hamamatsu Science Museum 科学館 MAP 07 D3

Displays are classified into 6 themes including nature and space. Live concerts and other events are held here in the 20 meter diameter planetarium.



☎ 053-454-0178

- 👤 Adults ¥500, high school students ¥350, free for jr. high school students and younger (extra fee is required for the planetarium and special exhibitions.)
- 🗓 Mondays (Tuesday instead if Monday is a national holiday), days following national holidays, New Year's holidays, and extra holidays
- 🕒 9:30~17:00 (from end of July to end of August-until 18:00)

Let's walk around in downtown Hamamatsu!

Kajimachi Boulevard MAP 06 B3

This is one of the main streets in central Hamamatsu. The street is lined with different shops including the Zaza City shopping center which has a movie theater, stores selling popular clothing brands, and cafes.



Chitose and surrounding area MAP 06 B4

Hamamatsu's No.1 nightlife scene! Around Chitose you can find popular eel restaurants and many stylish bars and pubs all lined up side-by-side.



Yurakugai and Sakanamachi Streets MAP 06 B3

Leading to Kajimachi Boulevard, these streets are crowded, especially with young people. You can enjoy shopping at various stylish boutiques. Pubs, live music houses, and bars make it a lively and exciting night time location.

Bengara Yokocho MAP 07 C34

Select restaurants from all over Japan are gathered in this complex.



☎ 053-458-1313

- 👤 Free (food and drink expenses are necessary at each restaurant)
- 🗓 Open throughout the year
- 🕒 11:00~midnight

Ku-Ru-Ru

Why not use the "Ku-Ru-Ru" bus to tour the downtown area on a convenient circular route!?



Fares

Single ride

- adults (junior high school students and older) ¥100
- children (elementary school students) ¥50
- ※ Two preschool children per each paying passenger are free.

One day pass

- adults (junior high school students and older) ¥200
- children (elementary school students) ¥100
- ※ The pass is available for any route.