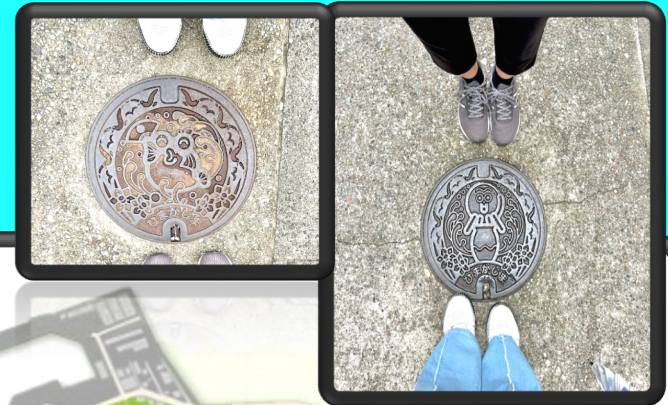


# Our Favorite Place

⑤ Cute Manhole Cove



① Nisshy



⑦ Single Signal



⑨ Lover's Swing



③ Hippari-dako



② The Cute Wall Painted with Children's Handprints



⑩ Shimademo Door



⑪ Himaka Shrine



④ Choshin-ji Temple



⑫ Anraku-ji Temple



⑧ White Watchtower



⑥ Gasshy



# The Greatest Itinerary!

★ East Side

 **13:00 Start!!** ① "Nisshy"



.. 1 min. on foot



**13:10** ② The Cute Wall Painted with Children's Handprints



.. 3 min. on foot



**13:30** ③ Hippari-dako 



.. 1 min. on foot

**14:00** ④ Choshin-ji Temple



.. each time

**14:25** ⑤ Cute Manhole Covers ( in many places )

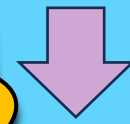


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★ West Side

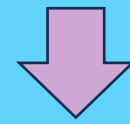
**15:10** ⑥ "Gasshy" 



.. 1 min. on foot



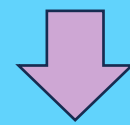
**15:20** ⑦ Single Signal



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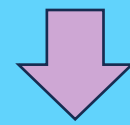
**15:35** ⑧ White Watchtower



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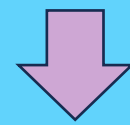
**16:00** ⑨ Lover's Swing



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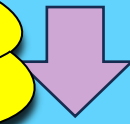
**16:15** ⑩ Shimademo Door



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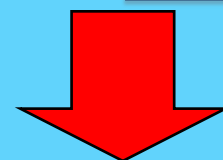
**16:40** ⑪ Himaka Shrine



.. 5 min. on foot



**17:00** ⑫ Anraku-ji Temple



**17:30 Finish!!**





# Let's Know More!

## ① "Nisshy" and ⑥ "Gasshy"

There are two octopus-monuments that welcome visitors to the island. One of them is in the west port, which we call 'Nisshy', raises his right-side hand and another is in the east port, which we call 'Gasshy', raises his left-side hand. You can also have fun time to look for heart mark hidden somewhere in these monuments!



Nisshy



Gasshy



## ② The Cute Wall Painted with Children's Handprints

This colorful wall was painted in the summer of 2023 and is completed with the handprints of children going Himaka Elementary School and local adults! We can see this from the end of May to the end of September.

## ③ Hippari-dako

In front of the store, there is a "Hippari Dako" (octopus sun dried). It is the symbol of prosperous business, and locals hang it outside their houses on New Year's Day as a lucky charm. Come and see it!



## ④ Choshin-ji Temple

This place is where you can see cute ornaments, get your fortune (omikujii), take photos and post on Instagram!



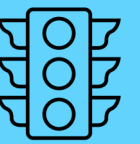
Ornaments

## ⑤ Cute Manhole Covers

Most of the manholes on Himaka Island have the octopus or pufferfish design on it! Let's find and take pictures of cute ones!

## ⑦ Single Signal

It is used in traffic safety classes at elementary schools and changes its color only once a year. You may be lucky to see it!



## ⑧ White Watchtower

In the summer, two lifeguards are there from 9am to 3pm. You can take pictures of the white watchtower with them. Let's sit on the watchtower and take a cool pose for a photo!



## ⑨ Lover's Swing

This place is where couples shout out their wishes to make them come true!



## ⑩ Shimademo Door

You can take pictures that reflects the sea and sky, and the blue and green of the island!



## ⑪ Himaka Shrine

You can get a Gosyuin (red ink stamp) which is written on this shrine's name (same as the island's name). Most Japanese shrines have Gosyuin, and some people collect them. You can get Gosyuin at every temple and shrine on this island.



Gosyuin

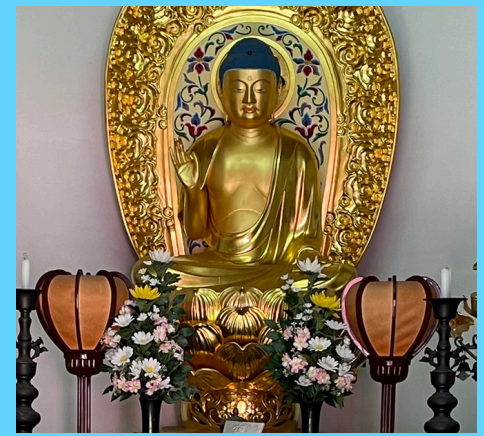


## ⑫ Anraku-ji Temple

The Octopus Amitabha enshrined here is said to have been caught in a fisherman's net and pulled up. At that time, a large octopus was holding the statue as if protecting it, so that's name is "Octopus-Amitabha". Also, Ema (votive tablet) we can buy there is designed the picture of octopus!!



Ema

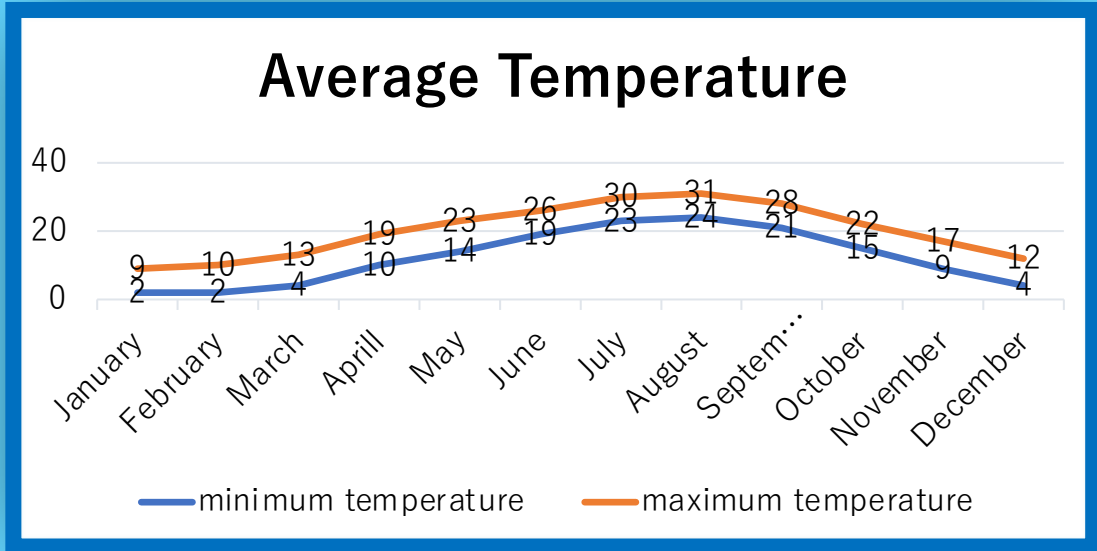
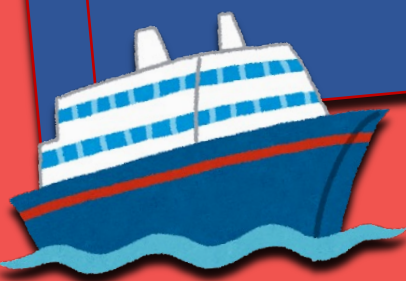


The Octopus Amitabha





# Let's Learn about Himaka Island!



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- Population : About 2000
- Area : 0.73km<sup>2</sup>
- The circumference of the island : 5 km (It takes one hour from the west end to the east end on foot.)
- It takes about 20 minutes from Kowa Port by ferry.

We have made this map in English because we hope that many people will discover many charms of Himaka Island.

Enjoy visiting our favorite places and take great pictures!!



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