

Ashimui, Okinawa's oldest sacred place, is said to be created by the god. Its four grandiose rocky peaks were formed by elevation of the limestone layer happened 200 million years ago and erosion over the long time since then. The royal family of Ryukyu Dynasty prayed here for their prosperity, harvest and maritime safety. Daiseikirinzan, located in Ashimui, is the place for you to pray and talk with Mother Nature.

- Shinokuse**
Approx. 250m above sea level
- Afuri**
Approx. 240m above sea level
- Shijara**
Approx. 240m above sea level
- Iheya**
Approx. 200m above sea level



Ashimui from Cape Hedo, the northernmost point of Okinawa Island

Recommended stopovers in Kunigami Village



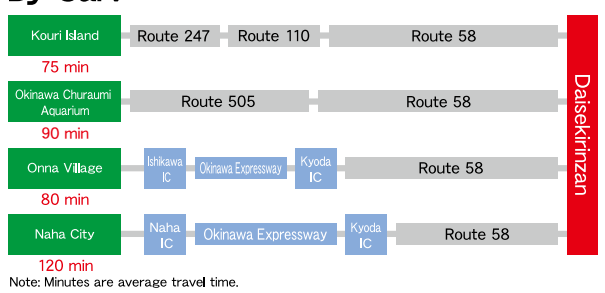
Cape Hedo
(approx. 5-min drive from Daiseikirinzan)
The northernmost cape in Okinawa Island with a panoramic view of towering elevated coral cliffs, great ocean, and even Yoron Island of Kagoshima.

Yuiyui Kunigami Roadside Station
(approx. 25-min drive from Daiseikirinzan)
You have everything here: restaurant, food stand, open-air market, tourist information center and store with local products. Try its popular "Inobuta" wild-boar-pig noodle, a Kunigami specialty.



Watch out for Okinawa Rails while driving.

By Car:



Note: Minutes are average travel time.

Entrance Fee **Adult: 820 yen, Child (4-14 years of age): 520 yen.**
Discount for a group of 15 or more: Adult 740 yen, Child 470 yen.

Opening Hours **9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (Final entry 5:00 p.m.) Apr. - Sept.**
9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Final entry 4:00 p.m.) Oct. - Mar.

Open all year round Comfortable walking shoes are recommended to fully enjoy the nature.

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Yambaru national park
A memorable visit to the earth of 200 million years ago
Daiseikirinzan



Wild Life in the forest



Ilukanda (Rusty-leaf Mucuna) Best in: Mar. - Apr.	Wax Plant Best in: June - Sept.	Golden Spider Lily Best in: Sept. - Oct.
Fewflower Codonacanthus Best in: Oct. - Jan.	Japanese Silver Leaf Best in: Nov. - Dec.	Shell Ginger Best in: June - Aug.
Chestnut Tiger	Jewel Bug	Ryukyu Tree Lizard
Okinawa Rail <small>(Photo courtesy of Hidehito Nakazato)</small>	Ryukyu Robin	Ryukyu Wild Boar

Yambaru, a subtropical forest

The northern area of Okinawa Island called "Yambaru", literally meaning "mountains and fields", is where a vast nature of subtropical forest still flourishes. You can find aerial roots dangling from Chinese Banyan trees and gigantic Cycads soaring in the sky. Enjoy yourself immersed in the pristine forest with subtropical trees and plants.

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