



Ancient trading route

Island with a scenic view from high ground



Several beaches on this island



A remote island you can get to in 30 mins by boat.



## Henza Island

This is a small island with a circumference of 7 km and a length of 4.7 km, connected to Katsuren Peninsula by the Mid-Sea Road. The island flourished as a transit point for trade in the pre-war era. Even today, the city continues with events related to the ocean, such as the dragon boat race. Along the seashore, there is 300-meter-long seawall artwork painted by local elementary and junior high school students.



### Henza Island Event Sangwacha

Sangwacha is the biggest event on Henza Island, held from March 3rd to 5th in the lunar calendar. It's a traditional occasion and even tourists can participate in the ceremony called Nanzamoi.



## Miyagi Island

This island with a circumference of 12 km is connected to Henza Island by a bridge, and it has a beautiful view from 121 m above sea level. Kafu Banta, located on the grounds of the Nuchimasu salt factory, is also called the "Cape of Happiness" because Kafu Banta in the Okinawan language is made up of happiness (*kafu*) and cape (*banta*).



### Hotspot of Miyagi Island Nuchimasu salt factory

You can join the factory tour to learn how they produce Nuchimasu salt, which is registered in the Guinness Book of World Records for its mineral content. The factory has a factory store and a café.



## Ikei Island

This is a flat island with a circumference of 7 km, connected to Miyagi Island by Ikei Bridge. Ikei Beach, located right off Ikei Bridge, has some of the clearest waters in Okinawa, and you can enjoy paddling in the water any time without there being any effect from the tide. Odumari Beach is a 100% natural beach located on the west side of Ikei Island.



### Hotspot of Ikei Island Nakabaru Village Ruins (designated as a national historic site)

Located around the middle of Ikei Island, this site dates back to the Final Jomon Period, and the remains of pit-dwellings, stone axes, earthenware, and shell ornaments have been discovered there. Today, the pit-dwelling site has been reconstructed and is open to the public.



## Tsukun Island

Located about 4 km away from Katsuren HeshikiyaPort, the island is also known as "Carrot Island" as it has flat land suitable for carrot growing. It is also known as an island of music and the birthplace of "Akainko," a musician who popularized the *sanshin* (Okinawan stringed instrument).



### Hotspots of Tsukun Island Ninjin Observatory (carrot tower) and Tumai Beach

From the carrot-shaped observatory tower, you can get spectacular 360-degree panoramic views. Tumai Beach, a 1-km white sand beach on the west side of the island, is also very popular among tourists.