

Hachijojima Island, Tokyo, Japan

Technically part of Tokyo, Hachijojima feels like a world apart — twin volcanoes draped in subtropical forest, black-lava coastlines, thermal baths perched above the Pacific, and a culinary identity forged by centuries of island exile.

- Tender or pier (Kaminato/Sokodo Port)
- Typical call: 6-8 hrs
- Currency: Japanese Yen (JPY) — cash essential
- Language: Japanese (very little English)
- Famous for sea turtles & clifftop onsen

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

- Docking:** Usually tender; large ships may dock at Kaminato (Sokodo) Port — no gangway bridge
- Best For:** Snorkeling with sea turtles, volcanic scenery, traditional onsen
- Walk to center:** Minimal at pier; Mitsune town 20-30 min walk or shuttle uphill
- Don't Miss:** Miharashi-no-yu cliffside hot spring & Shimazushi with karashi mustard

Getting around: Taxi ¥1,000–¥2,000 port to town (est.) · Rideshare not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Sokodo Beach Snorkeling — Sea Turtles** — The island's famous 'Hachijo Blue' water visibility can exceed 30 m.
- Miharashi-no-yu Clifftop Onsen** — Perched on a lava cliff with panoramic ocean views, this municipal rotenburo (outdoor bath) is one of Japan's most dramatic hot springs.
- Mount Hachijo-fuji Hike** — Hike the crater rim of this 854 m dormant volcano for sweeping views of both island peaks and the open Pacific.
- Kihachijo Silk Weaving Workshop** — Kihachijo is a centuries-old silk textile unique to this island, dyed from local plants in bold yellows, blacks, and browns.
- Hachijo Historical Village & Museum** — Discover the island's Edo-period exile history — samurai and political prisoners were banished here for centuries, shaping its culture, food, and arts.

BEST WALKS

- Sokodo Beach & Pier Stroll** 20 min · flat · free — From the pier, walk the short waterfront path to Sokodo Beach for a look at the crystal-clear 'Hachijo Blue' water and the volcanic black rock shoreline.
- Hachijo Botanical Garden Loop** 1-1.5 hrs · gentle · free — A pleasant subtropical forest walk with paths through tree ferns, hibiscus, and banyan-like strangler figs.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)			
	Mon	High	Low
Apr		65°	61°
Jun		74°	71°
Aug		82°	79°
Sep		80°	77°
Oct		74°	71°
			Rain
			12d
			17d
			12d
			18d
			17d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Apr 5:11AM–6:10PM · Jun 4:31AM–6:51PM · Aug 5:03AM–6:26PM · Sep 5:24AM–5:47PM · Oct 5:45AM–5:07PM	
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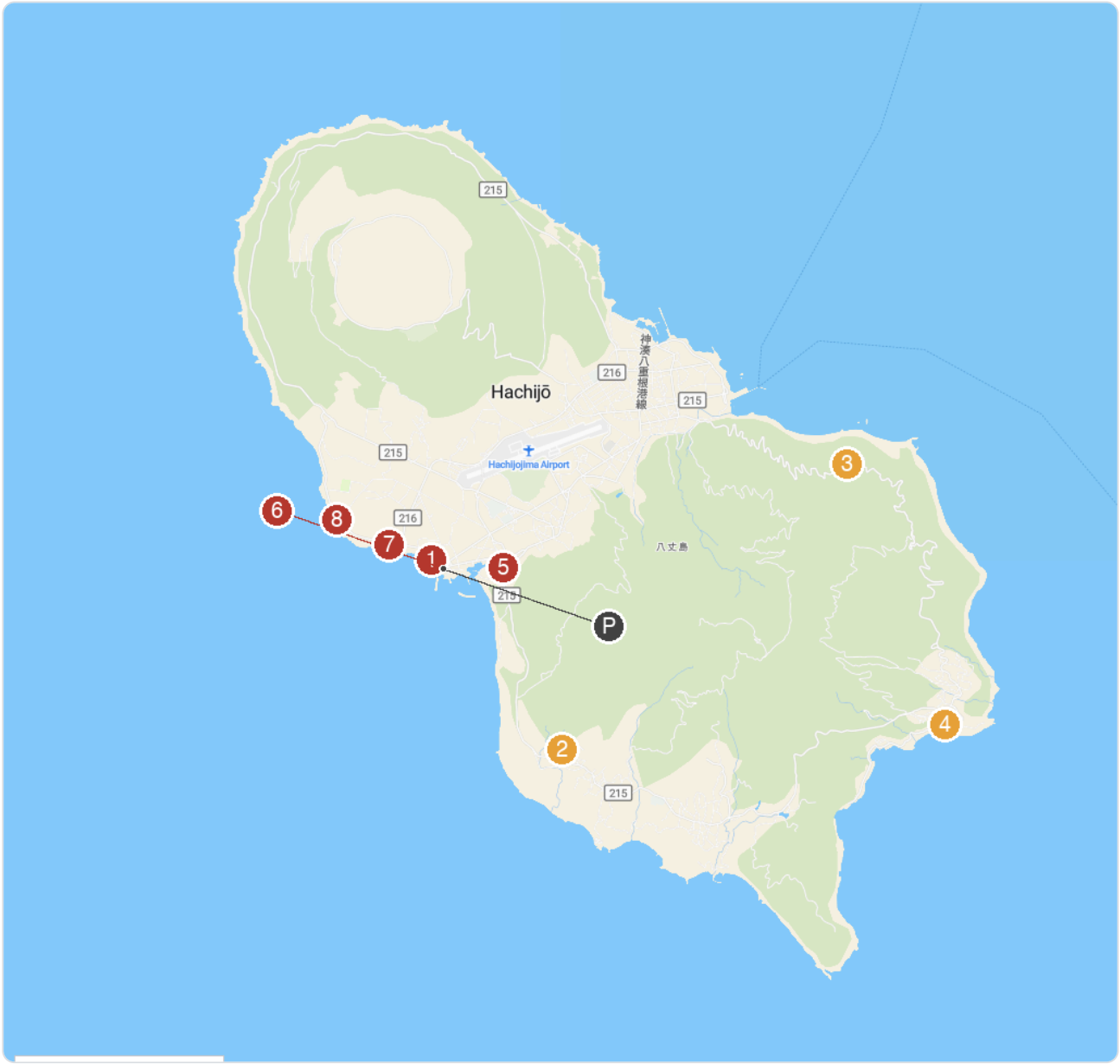
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Cash only. Very few shops or restaurants on Hachijojima accept credit cards. Stock up on yen before boarding; the island's only international ATM is at the post office with limited hours.
- Expect a tender — and possible cancellation. Pacific swells regularly prevent landing. Don't book expensive non-refundable independent activities; verify the port call is confirmed before you leave the ship.
- Rent an E-bike. The island is hilly — a standard bicycle is brutal. E-bike rentals near Sokodo Port are affordable and let you reach the onsen, lava coast, and mountain trailheads independently.
- Try Shimazushi. The island's signature sushi uses karashi (yellow mustard) instead of wasabi — it's a genuine regional specialty you won't find on the mainland. Any local restaurant will have it.
- Bu-Supa pass = great value. The bus + hot spring day pass (~1,000 JPY) covers unlimited bus rides and free entry to several municipal onsen including Miharashi-no-yu.
- Download offline maps and Google Translate. English signage is limited and most locals don't speak it. Offline Japanese translation on your phone will save you throughout the day.

Hachijojima Island, Tokyo, Japan — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Yakengahama Coast Swimming Area | A beautiful coast perfect for swimming and relaxing. | 2 Fureai-no-Yu Hot Spring | A public hot spring for a relaxing soak. |
| 3 Noboryo Pass Observation Park | Park offering panoramic views of the island and ocean. | 4 Miharashi-no-Yu Hot Spring | Outdoor hot spring with stunning ocean views. |
| 5 Ubaihomei Shrine | A traditional Japanese shrine with historical significance. | 6 Yaene Archaeological Site | Ancient ruins revealing Hachijojima's historical past. |
| 7 Ōkataura Barbecue Square. | Designated area for enjoyable outdoor barbecues. | 8 Nanbara Senjoiwa Coast | Unique coast with vast, flat volcanic rock formations. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |