

Tsuruga, Fukui Prefecture, Japan

Once the port of refuge for Jewish and Polish refugees fleeing persecution, Tsuruga pairs deep humanitarian history with Sea of Japan seafood, towering wooden torii gates, and sweeping pine-fringed beaches.

 Pier (docked)

 Typical call: 8-10 hrs

 Japanese Yen (JPY)

 Japanese (limited English)

 Famous for seafood

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier — Kanegasaki Wharf, ~3 km from city center

Best For: History, seafood, shrines, pine grove beaches

Walk to center: ~3 km (30 min); free shuttle usually runs on cruise days

Don't Miss: Port of Humanity Museum & Kehi Jingu Shrine torii gate

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  ¥1,700–¥2,500 to city center ·  **Rideshare**  Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Port of Humanity Museum** — This deeply moving museum chronicles Tsuruga's role sheltering Polish orphans in the 1920s and Jewish refugees carrying...
- Kehi Jingu Shrine & Torii Gate** — One of Japan's three great wooden torii gates — standing 11 meters tall and rebuilt in 1645 — marks the entrance to...
- Kehi no Matsubara Pine Grove** — One of Japan's three most scenic pine groves: 17,000 pines border a crescent white-sand beach on the Sea of Japan.
- Nihonkai Sakana Machi Fish Market** — The largest seafood market on the Sea of Japan coast, with 70+ stalls selling fresh catches, grilled mackerel, Echizen...
- Red Brick Warehouses (Akarenga)** — Built in 1905 by Standard Oil and beautifully restored, these warehouses hold restaurants, shops, and a detailed...

BEST WALKS

- Pier to Red Brick Warehouses** 5 min · flat · free — Step off the ship and head straight to the restored 1905 warehouses for coffee, local snacks, and a peek at the Meiji-era diorama...
- Anime Statue Street & Kehi Jingu** 25 min walk from station · easy · free — From Tsuruga Station, follow the main boulevard lined with 28 bronze anime statues all the way to the towering wooden torii gate and...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		65°	49°	1d
Jun		80°	66°	2d
Aug		90°	77°	2d
Sep		82°	71°	2d
Oct		72°	57°	2d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 5:23AM–6:28PM · Jun 4:39AM–7:12PM · Aug 5:14AM–6:45PM · Sep 5:38AM–6:03PM · Oct 6:02AM–5:20PM

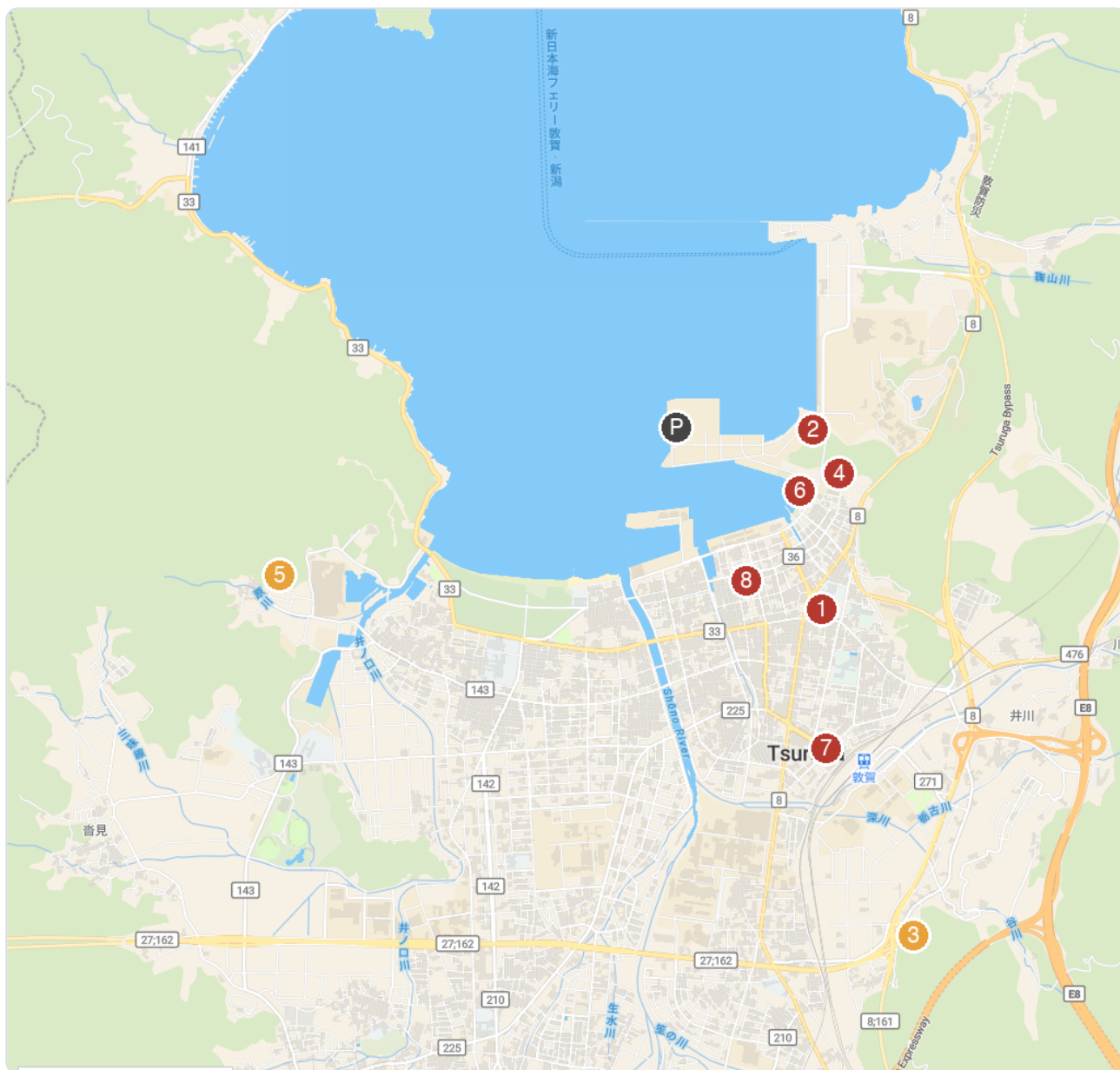
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring yen cash. Many food stalls, local buses, and temple offerings are cash-only. ATMs at the post office or 7-Eleven accept foreign cards.

Tsuruga, Fukui Prefecture, 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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| <p>1 Kehi-jingu Shrine Historic Shinto shrine with a massive, ancient wooden torii gate.</p> <p>3 Atomic Power Museum ATHOME Interactive museum explaining nuclear power generation and energy science.</p> <p>5 Saifukuji Temple Zen Buddhist temple with a nationally designated scenic garden.</p> <p>7 シンボルロード Street lined with bronze statues of famous anime characters.</p> <p>P Cruise port / terminal</p> | <p>2 Kanegasaki Castle Ruins Remains of a historic castle, site of a famous siege.</p> <p>4 Konzen-ji Historic Buddhist temple known for its beautiful garden and architecture.</p> <p>6 Kanegasaki Park Scenic park offering cherry blossoms, views, and castle ruin access.</p> <p>8 Tsuruga Municipal Museum Museum showcasing Tsuruga's local history, culture, and folklore.</p> |
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