

Excursion Itinerary

(②Ishinomaki, Onagawa Course)

Date and time	Itinerary	Notes
March 10 th 2025 (Monday)	<p>08:30 departure from Sendai Station East Exit to Ishinomaki and Onagawa by chartered bus</p> <p>10:15 Arrival at Okawa Elementary School, the remains of the earthquake - Plaintiffs' families or their bereaved relatives will be guided on a tour of the facilities - Departure 11:30</p> <p>Route 398, Rias Blue Line driving</p> <p>(Visit the museum along the coastline in Ogatsu-cho on the way)</p> <p>12:30 Arrive in Onagawa Town - Tour - Depart 14:30</p> <p>(Free lunch at Sea Palpia, walk around, visit the old Onagawa Police Station)</p> <p>From Onagawa to Ishinomaki City while viewing Mangokuura from the car window</p> <p>(On the way, drive along the Uomachi raised road in Ishinomaki City)</p> <p>15:15 Arrive at Ishinomaki Minamihama Tsunami Reconstruction Memorial Park - Tour the park - Depart 16:30</p> <p>(Walk around Kadonowaki Elementary School, Ganbarou, Ishinomaki signboard, etc.) Ishinomaki signboard, etc.)</p> <p>17:30 Arrive at Sendai Station East Exit and disband</p>	

②Ishinomaki, Onagawa Course (March 10th all day) JPY7,000

• Okawa Elementary School

Source) Ishinomaki HP



The Okawa Elementary School is a place for memorializing and mourning the victims of the disaster, and it is open to the public as a place for disaster prevention education, where people can learn about the events of the disaster and the importance of evacuation, as well as disaster prevention and mitigation, decision-making and action, and life.

Website: [Ishinomaki City Okawa Elementary School Ruins | English | 石巻市震災遺構](#)

※On the day, the plaintiff's family or the bereaved family will guide you.

• Seawall Museum

Source) Seawall Museum HP



Using the power of art to transform gray sea walls into a colorful series of murals.

This is an art museum in Ogatsu-cho, Ishinomaki City, Miyagi Prefecture.

On March 11th 2011, the Great East Japan Earthquake hit, causing a 20-meter tsunami to hit Ogatsu-cho, which was devastated, with 80% of the town destroyed. After the disaster, an art project and architecture project was launched to paint murals on the huge sea wall that was built to surround the coastline of Ogatsu-cho, with a maximum height of 10 meters and a total length of about 3.5 km. By creating murals on the coastline, where the sea view has been blocked by the wall, and involving local residents and people from all over the country, we will create a new landscape and build a new relationship between people and the seawall.

The beautiful coastline of Tohoku is a source of pride for Japan. In Japan, where beautiful scenery is being lost every day due to redevelopment and other factors, this is an activity that does not rely on large-scale power, but rather continues to create scenery that we, the people who live there, can all agree is ideal.

Website: [SEAWALL MUSEUM SHOP](#)

・ SEAPAL-PIER

Source) SEAPAL-PIER HP



The venue for lunch

Website: <http://onagawa-mirai.jp/>

• Former Onagawa Police Box

Source) Tohoku Tourism Promotion Organization H P



The former Onagawa Police Box is a two-story reinforced-concrete building whose foundation was ripped out of the ground by the receding tsunami wave produced by the Great East Japan Earthquake. It is one of the rare cases in the world where a reinforced-concrete building collapsed or was topped over by a tsunami.

Local authorities decided to preserve the site in order to pass on the memories and lessons of the disaster, highlight the progress of reconstruction, and ensure that future generations will not experience the same grief.

On the wall surrounding the former police box, panels describing the town before the earthquake, the damage caused by the disaster, and the process of the reconstruction are displayed.

Website: https://www.tohokukanko.jp/en/attractions/detail_1006325.html

• Ishinomaki Minamihama Tsunami Memorial Park

Source) Ishinomaki Minamihama Tsunami Memorial Park HP



The Reconstruction Memorial Park that will be built will serve as a key reconstruction memorial park for Miyagi Prefecture and the entire disaster area, not only for this area but also for all the lives that were sacrificed by the Great East Japan Earthquake. It will be a place of reconstruction and repose of souls, and a base to pass on the memories and lessons of the Great East Japan Earthquake to the next generation. Furthermore, it will be a symbol of recovery from the Great East Japan Earthquake by wishing people gather in what used to be an urban area and deepen bonds between people.

Website: <https://ishinomakiminamihama-park.jp/en/>

• Kadonowaki Elementary School Ruins

Source) Ishinomaki City HP



As the only school building in Japan that still bears the scars of the tsunami and fire, Kadonowaki Elementary School is a reminder of the importance of training and evacuation procedures in times of peace, and also a reminder of the preciousness of life and the importance of living in harmony with nature.

Website: [Ishinomaki City Kadonowaki Elementary School Ruins | English | 石巻市震災遺構](#)

・ Gannbarou! Ishinomaki

Source) Secretariat of the Great East Japan Earthquake Oral History Network HP



This sign was written by local volunteers a month after the Great East Japan Earthquake, in order to encourage the areas that did not want to be defeated by the tsunami. The sign is currently being displayed as a facility for passing on the lessons of the disaster to future generations, and is being rebuilt every five years with local junior high school students as a way of continuing to pass on memories and records. It is providing a “place” as a base for passing on the lessons of the disaster within the Ishinomaki Minamihama Tsunami Reconstruction Memorial Park. Furthermore, the Minamihama Satellite Studio has been set up to enhance the base for distribution, and storytelling activities are also being carried out. Website : <https://www.thr.mlit.go.jp/shinsaidensho/facility/miyagi-3-028.html>