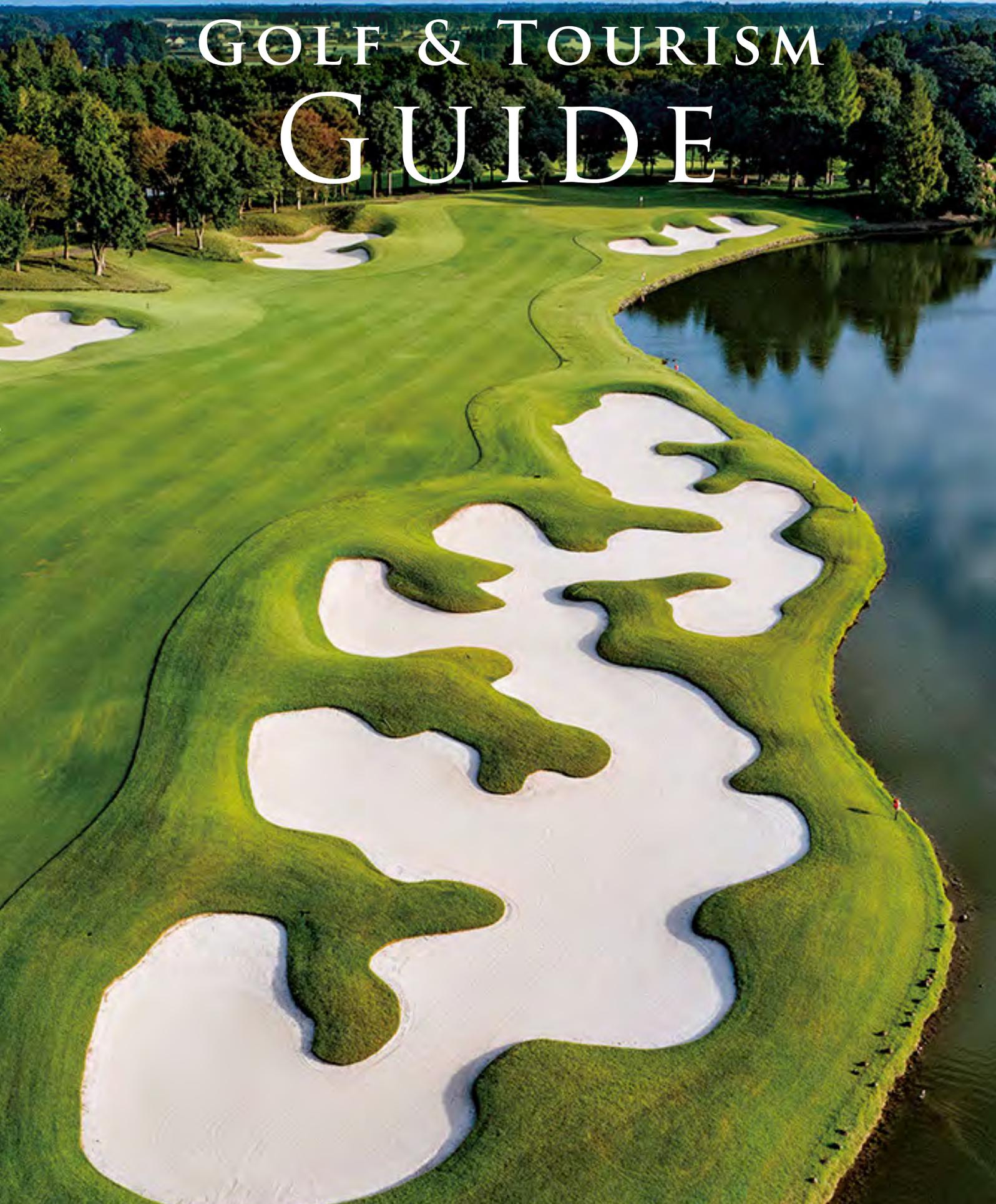


# IBARAKI

GOLF & TOURISM

# GUIDE





## **Ibaraki is an area in which the amazing golf courses of Japan are mainly concentrated**

According to data announced by R&A in 2019, Japan ranks No.3 in the world after America and Canada. It has more golf courses than Scotland and England, where it is said that golf first originated. And a total of 114 of Japan's golf courses are located in Ibaraki Prefecture. Ibaraki accounts for just 1.6 percent of Japan's total landmass, which means it has an extremely high density of golf courses.

## **The main feature is many courses with flat and beautiful water hazards**

Ibaraki Prefecture is located in the northern part of the Kanto Plain on Japan's largest flatlands. Its entire coastline faces the Pacific Ocean to the east. In addition, it is blessed with Kasumigaura and other lakes. Golf can be played on these courses throughout all four seasons, taking advantage of these topographical merits since there is hardly any snow cover, even during the middle of winter. Many courses are favoured with land formations that provide wide and flat fairways. The clever layout of lakes and creeks enables shots to be enjoyed against beautiful panoramas throughout all four seasons. It goes without saying that many golf clubs boast championship courses that provide the stage for Japan's major tournaments.



## **Convenient access from overseas and from the center of Tokyo**

Narita International Airport, the gateway to Japan, is located to the south of Ibaraki, and the prefecture also plays host to Ibaraki Airport, which serves international flights. In addition, a convenient railway network and a series of expressways link the prefecture with the center of Tokyo. It also has easy access to Tokyo Station, the starting point for the nation's shinkansen bullet trains, and Haneda International Airport, thereby providing smooth travel.

Photo:  
The Royal Golf Club (top)  
PGM Ishioka Club Jack Nicklaus Golf Course (bottom)

Introducing 24 golf courses suitable for overseas golfers from the most wonderful golf courses in Ibaraki, Japan.



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## 1 Bobos Country Club Kujigawa Course

With a number of distinctive and unique holes, this course offers golfers a wide variety of playing experiences. In addition, a hotel annexed to the course makes it a great location for meetings, research activities, and study and observation trips.

This course, rich with ups and downs typical of hilly courses, has a variety of interesting aspects. There are two-tiered greens, valley crossings, super downhill shots, and par-4 holes where it is possible to make the green off the tee. This course provides unique attractions to players by offering experiences that are not available elsewhere. The hotel is annexed to the clubhouse and has 49 rooms, a swimming pool, and banquet halls, making it an excellent location to combine business with pleasure.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,304 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (20 places for practicing drives, 300 yards)
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Only shoes with soft spikes are allowed
Dress Code	None
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available Hotel annex (50 rooms)

4933, Yamagata, Hitachiomiya, Ibaraki 319-3111  
Phone: 0295-55-9555  
<https://www.kujigc.com>



## 2 Shin Seizansou Country Club

With a backdrop of a splendid landscape overlooking the Pacific Ocean, this course demands a precise, accurate strategy.

The course, designed by Pete Dye, who also worked on TPC Sawgrass in Florida, fully represents the unique style of its creator. Although it is located on hilly terrain, at first sight, it resembles a typical links course. However, intrinsic undulations peculiar to the British-American style, distinctive floating green islands, and other hazards force a player to make bold decisions and precise shots. This course is definitely worth trying at least once.



18 Holes, Par 72, 7,004 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 new Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (7 places for practicing drives, 70 yards), area for practicing approach shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Spikeless shoes are recommended
Dress Code	Jeans, sandals, sneakers, and T-shirts are prohibited
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, JCB
Other Facilities	Lodge (31 rooms), log house (8 units)

1063, Shimookadocho, Hitachiota, Ibaraki 313-0002  
Phone: 0294-70-1234  
<https://www.unimat-golf.jp/seizansou/>



### 3 Ibaraki Royal Country Club

Enjoy powerful tee shots on this flat and vast course.

At this course, most of the holes have wide fairways with an open view and putting greens visible from the tee. The diversity of large greens is impressive, including narrow-stretched greens, wide greens, and uniquely-shaped greens. Three-tiered and other undulating greens make the course highly strategic. The course also has lodges for accommodation, and there are BBQs in summer and charcoal-grilled meals in a traditional sunken hearth to enjoy in winter.



18 Holes, Par 72, 7,079 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	With caddie (reservation required) Using golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (13 places for practicing drives, 240 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals, and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with soft spikes are recommended
Dress Code	None
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners, NICOS, SAISON (using automatic payment machines)
Other Facilities	Lodge (14 rooms)

1695, Mashiicho, Hitachiota, Ibaraki 313-0008  
Phone: 0294-72-6666  
<http://www.ibarakiroyalcc.com/>



### 4 Mana Golf Club

Surrounded by a natural oak and cherry blossom forest, this course has 18 distinctive flat holes.

On this course, many of the front nine holes are flat and straight with most of the putting greens being visible from tee-off, whereas the back nine holes are long, with winding doglegs, ponds, and other hazards. This strategic course encourages players to challenge themselves by coming back, again and again, to try new things after improving their skills. Players of different levels can fully enjoy the true delight of golf here.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,837 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (7 places for practicing drives, 50 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	None
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX
Other Facilities	Accommodation (24 rooms with a maximum capacity of 80 guests)

168, Nishishiogo, Hitachiomiya, Ibaraki 319-2225  
Phone: 0295-53-1144  
<https://www.managolf.jp>



### 5 Spa & Golf Resort Kuji

A resort facility with a golf course, accommodation, hot spring baths, and a restaurant serving local food.

A strategic but well-balanced course layout with all 18 holes suitable for orthodox players. Approximately 890m<sup>2</sup> vast bent grass greens with beautiful undulations and seven skillfully laid out lakes of different sizes make this course enjoyable both for beginners and golfers with a single-figure handicap. There are also two kinds of accommodation – a resort hotel and a villa – both equipped with natural hot springs baths.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,732 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using remote-controlled golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (14 places for practicing drives, 200 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals, and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with soft spikes are recommended
Dress Code	None
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available Kuji Spa Resort Hotel, Golf Villa (with hot spring baths)

1398, Iwatecho, Hitachiota, Ibaraki 313-0112  
Phone: 0294-76-1711  
<https://www.spagolf-kuji.jp/>



### 6 Naka Country Club

This highly strategic course consisting of 27 holes, each with its peculiar characteristics, is to be enjoyed by everyone, from beginners to professionals!

The course layout is comparatively flat despite its hilly location and has a total of 27 holes equally divided into three courses. The eastern course, bounded by large pine trees, is filled with a quiet calm atmosphere. The lakes and bunkers of the vast flat middle course are key points requiring strategic tactics. The western course, with the second and third holes separated by a pond, and the especially tough seventh hole, demands precise shots.



27 Holes, Par 72, 9,888 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 2 Bentgrass greens

Play Style	Using remote-controlled golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (12 places for practicing drives, 140 yards)
Rentals	Club rentals, and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with soft spikes are recommended
Dress Code	Jeans, sandals, T-shirts, and other casual attire are prohibited
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners

690, Wakabayashi, Hitachiomiya, Ibaraki 319-2222  
Phone: 0295-53-1161  
<https://www.naka-cc.co.jp/>



## 7 Windsor Park Golf and Country Club

A championship course with a British-style clubhouse and 18 holes elegantly arranged.

This strategic course is a graceful mix of the beauty of nature and artificial landscapes. With the 18 holes beautifully arranged, the course is renowned for its thorough maintenance and high-quality greens. It can be fully enjoyed by players of different levels, from advanced to beginners. The course is also equipped with GPS-installed remote control carts. An accommodation facility on its premises has 19 rooms for up to 25 guests.



18 Holes, Par 72, 7,007 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie Request for caddie is available
Practice Areas	Driving range (10 places for practicing drives, 250 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals, and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	None
Dress Code	Sandals, T-shirts, Jeans, and sweatsuits are prohibited
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available (inside the clubhouse only) Accommodation (19 rooms)

3473, Shiogo, Higashiibarakigun Shirosatomachi,  
Ibaraki 311-4401 Phone: 0296-88-2221  
[https://www.wpgcc.com/index\\_e.html](https://www.wpgcc.com/index_e.html)



36 Holes, Par 72, 12,487 Yards,  
Forest course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (10 places for practicing drives)
Rentals	Club rentals, and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Spikeless shoes are recommended
Dress Code	Jeans, T-shirts, collarless shirts, sandals, and other casual attire are prohibited
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners, NICOS, SAISON (using automatic payment machines)

1760, Kakuraicho, Mito, Ibaraki 311-4163  
Phone: 029-251-2323  
<https://reserve.accordiagolf.com/golfCourse/mito/>



## 9 Iwase-Sakuragawa Country Club

Enjoy undulating bent greens and straight wide fairways on a course located in a scenic viewing area of 550,000 cherry blossom trees.

While Ibaraki is rich with flat lands, this course offers players the freshness of nature and a stately mountain range view. All 18 holes are straight and flat or downhill, allowing players to check each hazard and think through a game strategy from teeing ground to green. As the course is located in a picturesque area, in spring, players can delight in the game among the rows of cherry blossoms around the course and wild cherry blossoms that cover the mountains in a blaze of color.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,785 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (8 places for practicing drives, 20 yards)
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with soft spikes are recommended
Dress Code	Jacket is recommended
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners

2150, Kadoke, Sakuragawa, Ibaraki 309-1341  
Phone: 0296-75-5678  
<http://www.iwasesakuragawa-cc.co.jp>



## 10 Ishioka West Country Club

Colored by beautiful nature, changing from season to season, this 18-hole course with lakes, skillfully arranged throughout, is rich with strategic features.

This vast dynamic course is situated on a hilly area with a distant view of the Pacific Ocean below. The 18 holes, designed by Jumbo Ozaki Enterprises, are wide and flat. Lakes, creeks, and other hazards laid throughout the spacious course add more charm to the landscape. Here you will enjoy an exciting game surrounded by wonderful natural views that change through the year.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,914 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 2 Bentgrass greens

Play Style	Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (12 places for practicing drives, 200 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	Golf-wear or shirts with collars are required (jackets not mandatory)
Payment	Cash Paypay, LINEpay Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, DC, UC, UFI, TOYOTA TSI CARD
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available

3355, Kamigo, Kasama, Ibaraki 319-0201  
Phone: 0299-45-3775  
[https://reserve.accordiagolf.com/golfCourse/ishioka\\_west](https://reserve.accordiagolf.com/golfCourse/ishioka_west)



## 11 Shimodate Golf Club

It is a flat woodland course where you can enjoy a relaxing game with the magnificent backdrop of famed Mt. Tsukuba, the pride of Ibaraki.

All the greens and fairways on this flat forested course have gentle undulations, with a maximum elevation difference of only 3 meters. Each hole is secluded by primary natural wood and ponds, which means the strategy is an important aspect of the course. The famous point of the course is the stunning second hole, which directly faces Tsukuba Mountain. This exciting course is designed to be enjoyed at full blast by any players – women, seniors, beginners and experienced golfers alike.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,719 Yards,  
Forest course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using remote-controlled golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (7 places for practicing drives, 40 yards)
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with soft spikes are required
Dress Code	Jeans, T-shirts, sandals, and slippers are prohibited
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, AMEX, Diners
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available Accommodation (6 lodges, 3 dome houses)

The Hirosawa City, Moda, Chikusei, Ibaraki 308-0811  
Phone: 0296-20-1111  
<https://shimodate.co.jp>



## 12 Taiheiyo Club Oarai Sherwood Course

Surrounded by dense forests and with lakes scattered around ten of holes, this course provides stunning scenery and some thrilling shots.

This course, blessed with the mild climate of the Pacific coast, offers players the chance to enjoy the game on both fresh summer and warm winter days. Named after Robin Hood's Sherwood Forest, it has hosted PGA senior and women's professional golf tournaments. Freshly-prepared food made with seasonal ingredients can also be enjoyed at any time in the restaurant overlooking the course, one highlight being the lunchtime buffet combining Japanese and Western cuisine.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,506 Yards,  
Forest course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (13 places for practicing drives, 200 yards), area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	Jeans, sandals, and T-shirts are prohibited
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX

3137, Naritacho, Higashibarakigun, Oaraimachi  
Ibaraki 311-1313  
Phone: 029-264-7777  
<https://www.taiheiyoclub.co.jp/course/sherwood/index.html>



## 13 PGM Ishioka Golf Club Jack Nicklaus golf course

A championship course that has hosted numerous men's tournaments.

This highly strategic course was designed by Jack Nicklaus, the "Emperor" of golf, who proclaimed it "the best golf course I know in Japan". It has hosted the Acom International, a men's professional tournament, consecutively for eight years, and the Honma Tour World Cup in 2015 and 2016. It will also be a competition ground for the DP World Tour (PGA European Tour) held in Japan in April 2022 for the first time. Today, the course is renowned for being the leading tournament course in Japan.



18 Holes, Par 72, 7,071 Yards,  
Forest course, 1 Bentgrass (SR1020) green

Play Style	With caddie Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (18 places for practicing drives, 330 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	Jacket is required (except from May to October)
Payment	Cash Paypay, LINEpay, auPAY Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX

1050-1, Seraku, Omitama, Ibaraki 311-3401  
Phone: 0299-58-5111  
<http://www.pacificgolf.co.jp/ishioka/>



## 14 Kasumigaura Country Club

A tree-lined course with impressive beautiful views, wide flat fairways, an island green, and many holes all surrounded by small lakes.

Most holes on this course are straight with putting greens visible from the teeing grounds, which make for comfortable shots onto the wide fairways. The main feature of the course is the 18th hole, with an island green surrounded by a lake. Another feature is the diversity of scenic layouts, including an impressive 100-yard bunker. The golf carts are equipped with GPS navigation systems and are permitted on the fairways, making the course comfortable and enjoyable for a wide range of players, from women and seniors right through to expert golfers.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,798 Yards,  
Forest course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	With caddie (reservation required), Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie (English is available)
Practice Areas	Driving range (14 places for practicing drives, 180 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals, and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	Smart casual for golf clubs and courses
Payment	Cash Paypay Credit Cards: VISA, JCB, AMEX, UC

1000, Serizawa, Namegata, Ibaraki 311-3501  
Phone: 0299-55-2311  
<https://booking.pacificgolf.co.jp/guide/43.html>



## 15 The Royal Golf Club

A world-class championship course, with the longest hole of 705 yards.

This luxurious 8,143-yard course, located on flat ground with less than two meters in height difference, is a beautiful waterside course with abundant lakes. All fairways are wide enough to encourage powerful drives, although options get narrowed down from the second shot, made more difficult by the ever-present mounds and lakes throughout the course. The accumulated wisdom of various specialists in every feature, from layout design to interior details, makes this a truly world-class golf course.



18 Holes, Par 72, 8,143 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using golf carts with caddie are required
Practice Areas	Driving range (20 places for practicing drives, 350 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	Yes (Please visit our club's website for more details)
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners, DC, UC, UFJ, NICOS, SAISON
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available (inside the clubhouse only) Accommodation (14 rooms)

200, Okura, Hokota, Ibaraki 311-2117  
Phone: 0291-39-7511  
<https://the-royal-golf-club.com/>



## 16 Central Golf Club New Course

Designed by Tom Watson, the landscape design of this course has left a lot of primary natural woodland. Although being rather short, this strategic course requires changing tactics depending on the drop area of tee shots.

Tom Watson has designed this course to put all 14 clubs to use. The beauty and inexplicable charm of the course makes players want to come back for the challenge again and again. Although it is relatively short, the strategic characteristics of the course are enhanced by the cunningly located hazards, and there are also four tee grounds, each of which requires a different strategic approach. Some holes may look easy at first sight but are actually quite difficult, and vice versa, this is what keeps players interested and coming back for more.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,817 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie (displays in English and Korean are available)
Practice Areas	Driving range (7 places for practicing drives, 40 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	Sandals, T-shirts, jeans, and sweatsuits are prohibited
Payment	Cash Paypay, LINEpay Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available

1006-9, Komaki, Namegata, Ibaraki 311-3816  
Phone: 0299-73-0077  
[https://reserve.accordiagolf.com/golfCourse/central\\_new/](https://reserve.accordiagolf.com/golfCourse/central_new/)



## 17 Central Golf Club

Opened in 1974, this course with a long tradition has been selected as the stage for many official professional and amateur tournaments, such as the Japan PGA Championship and the Japan Open Golf Championship.

There are 36 holes on the eastern and western courses, surrounded by numerous pine, cedar, camphor, and birch trees. Although the eastern course has a spacious layout with many holes for full-force shots, there are dangerously located cross bunkers and slightly undulating fairways as well. The western course is designed more strategically, with gentle up- and downhill making it harder to grasp the distance, water hazards, and dog-legs. These two true championship courses are waiting for you to try your hand.



36 Holes, Par 73, 14,391 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 2 Bentgrass greens

Play Style	Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie (displays in English and Korean are available)
Practice Areas	Driving range (23 places for practicing drives, 240 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	T-shirts, jeans, and sweatsuits are prohibited
Payment	Cash Paypay, LINEpay Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available

2196, Aso, Namegata, Ibaraki 311-3832  
Phone: 0299-72-1155  
<https://reserve.accordiagolf.com/golfCourse/central/>



## 18 Kasumigaura International Golf Course

This course is conveniently located with good connections to metropolitan Tokyo and GPS-equipped carts, allowed on fairways.

This woodland course was designed by Shiro Akaboshi, one of the prominent Japanese golf course designers. With lush pine forests secluding the holes, lakes of different sizes arranged throughout, and high-rimmed bunkers enhancing strategic complexity, this course is raising competitive spirit among players. Along with the delights of playing golf, the course also combines beautiful natural sceneries. With the backdrop of Ibaraki's famous peak, Mt. Tsukuba, to the north, this course offers seasonal blooming. Players can admire plums in March, cherry blossoms in early April, and rhododendrons from mid-April.



18 Holes, Par 72, 7,080 Yards,  
Forest course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	With caddie (reservation required) Using golf carts without caddie (display in Chinese is available)
Practice Areas	Driving range (6 places for practicing drives, 40 yards)
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	None
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners

368, Shimohara, Tsukuba, Ibaraki 305-0063  
Phone: 029-836-1154  
<http://www.kasumigaura-kokusai-golf.com>



## 19 Bando Golf Club

The long-established club opened in 1964. Here, carts on fairways are allowed any time, regardless of the weather.

This flat woodland course with spacious fairways has almost no elevation. Cedars and other trees pleasantly split the layout, with other trees planted here and there serving as hazards. Left and right dog-legs enhance the diversity of the holes' layouts, which also adds to the thrill and challenge of playing this course. Two-seater carts are available to use on fairways, even on rainy days, making play comfortable in any weather. Another merit of the course is its convenient access: it is located 40 km from central Tokyo.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,222 Yards,  
Forest course, 2 Bentgrass/Zoysia grass greens

Play Style	Using golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (10 places for practicing drives, 70 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with soft spikes are required
Dress Code	None
Payment	Cash only

3377, Yuda, Bando, Ibaraki 306-0607  
Phone: 0297-35-0711  
<http://www.bando.golf/>



## 20 Joso Country Club

Close to Tokyo, this flat course set among rivers and woodland and equipped with carts has two starting times (morning or afternoon) and a no-break system.

Enjoy this waterway, forested flat course with carts equipped with multilingual GPS navigation. Each hole here is secluded with trees, and skillfully arranged small rivers and lakes make it difficult to reach a good score without carefully working out attacking tactics. This course is designed with the accuracy of shots in mind rather than distance. The convenient access – only 45 minutes by car from central Tokyo – makes the course even more attractive.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,396 Yards,  
Forest/riverbed course, 2 Bentgrass/Tifton grass greens

Play Style	Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie (displays in English and Korean are available)
Practice Areas	Area for practicing approach shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with soft spikes are recommended
Dress Code	Yes
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available

262, Hoshito, Bando, Ibaraki 306-0623  
Phone: 0297-38-2301  
<https://www.joso-cc.com/>



## 21 Asia Toride Country Club

A riverside course relatively near Tokyo where you can enjoy Segways.

Asia Toride Country Club offers players two-in-one excitement: driving a Segway as a "one-seater cart" (of course, using Segways on fairways is also allowed) and playing golf. This 27-hole golf course is located on the banks of the largest river in Japan, Tone River, within a 50-minute drive from central Tokyo. This course, which combines wisely arranged bunkers, creeks, and ponds throughout the wide flat fairways, requires a high level of strategy but can be enjoyed by every type of player.



27 Holes, Par 72, 9,458 Yards,  
Riverbed course, 1 Zoysia grass green

Play Style	Using Segways or golf carts without caddie
Practice Areas	None
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with soft spikes are required
Dress Code	Jeans, sandals, and T-shirts are prohibited
Payment	Cash only

1340, Ina, Toride, Ibaraki 302-0026  
Phone: 0297-72-0727  
<https://www.asia-toride.com/>



## 22 JGM Seve Ballesteros Golf Club

A championship course, where many great games took place in numerous tour tournaments.

Opened in 1984 and designed and supervised by David Thomas and Seve Ballesteros, this course has 18 tough holes which bring the spirit of challenge. The elevation difference is about 20 m with gentle undulations, which makes a play both difficult and exciting. Each hole has a large Bentgrass green and is completely secluded by natural pine trees. This championship course is where players can enjoy the true delight of golf, surrounded by scenic views.



18 Holes, Par 72, 6,914 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using remote-controlled golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie
Practice Areas	Driving range (21 places for practicing drives, 250 yards), area for practicing approach shots, area for practicing bunker shots
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	Jacket is required (except summer season)
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available

3043, Shika, Inashiki, Ibaraki 300-0623  
Phone: 029-894-2411  
<https://www.jgmseve.co.jp>



## 23 JGM Kasumigaoka Golf Club

A 27-hole course stretching over rolling-hilly terrain on the lakeshore of Kasumigaura Lake, overlooking Mt. Tsukuba.

There are three 9-hole courses in the east, the south, and the west. The doglegs and hazards of the eastern course are hidden among tranquil scenery. The southern course has narrow fairways and pleasant to play greens. And the western course is the hardest one, where the score directly depends on the quality of the tee shot. Generally, there are not so many undulations here, and many holes have doglegs. With a wide variety of holes, this course can be enjoyed by players of any age and gender.



27 Holes, Par 72, 8,345 Yards,  
Hilly terrain course, 1 Bentgrass green

Play Style	Using remote-controlled golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie
Practice Areas	None
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited
Dress Code	None
Payment	Cash Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available

2002, Shika, Inashiki, Ibaraki 300-0623  
Phone: 029-894-2112  
<https://www.jgmkasumigaoka.co.jp/>



## 24 Tsuchiura Country Club

A “hidden gem” on the lakeshore of Kasumigaura with 55 years of history.

The beautiful location of the course, secluded by a pine grove, and the impressive layout are the reasons why the course is being called a “hidden gem”. Each of the eastern, western, and southern courses has a distinctive look. The course is mostly flat with almost no elevation differences, which makes it easy to play for women as well as for seniors. It also has convenient access both from metropolitan Tokyo and Narita International Airport.



27 Holes, Par 72, 10,125 Yards,  
Forest course, 2 Bentgrass greens

Play Style	Using golf carts with GPS navigation system without caddie (display in English is available)
Practice Areas	Driving range (14 places for practicing drives, 180 yards)
Rentals	Club rentals and shoe rentals are available
Shoe Specifications	None
Dress Code	Jeans, sandals, and T-shirts are prohibited
Payment	Cash Paypay, LINEpay Credit Cards: VISA, Master, JCB, AMEX, Diners
Other Facilities	Free WiFi is available

419, Horinouchi, Inashiki, Ibaraki 300-0635  
Phone: 029-894-2311  
<https://reserve.accordiagolf.com/golfCourse/tsuchiura>

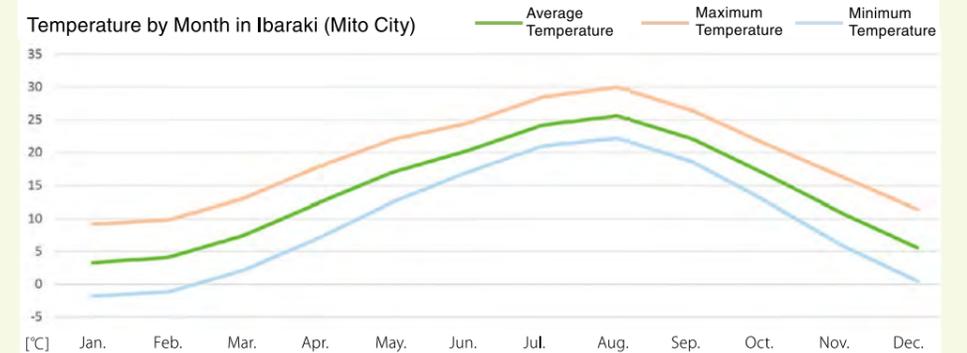


### Transportation Network Time Required

- Narita International Airport ⇒ Mito City
- Approximately 1 hour 15 minutes by car
- Narita International Airport ⇒ Tsuchiura City
- Approximately 50 minutes by car
- Ibaraki Airport ⇒ Mito City
- Approximately 40 minutes by bus
- Ibaraki Airport ⇒ Tsuchiura City
- Approximately 35 minutes by bus
- Tokyo Station ⇒ Mito City
- Approximately 1 hour 25 minutes by express train
- Tokyo Station ⇒ Tsuchiura City
- Approximately 70 minutes by car
- Approximately 50 minutes by express train
- Approximately 1 hour by car
- Haneda International Airport ⇒ Mito City
- Approximately 2 hours 15 minutes by bus



### Ibaraki Weather



	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average Temperature [°C]	3.3	4.1	7.4	12.3	17.0	20.3	24.2	25.6	22.1	16.6	10.8	5.6
Maximum Temperature [°C]	9.2	9.8	13.0	17.8	22.0	24.5	28.5	30.0	26.4	21.2	16.3	11.4
Minimum Temperature [°C]	-1.8	-1.2	2.1	7.0	12.5	17.0	21.0	22.2	18.6	12.5	5.9	0.5
Precipitation (Monthly Total) [mm]	54.5	53.8	102.8	116.7	144.5	135.7	141.8	116.9	186.3	185.4	79.7	49.6
Windspeed (Average) [m/s]	2.1	2.3	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.1	1.9	1.9
Sunlight Hours (Monthly Total) [Hours]	195.4	174.3	182.7	183.5	186.1	137.8	150.8	179.4	138.7	140.6	153.7	178.0
Snowfall Days (Monthly Total) [Days]	6.2	6.9	5.5	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	3.1

\* The figures shown are the average figures for Mito City (center of the Prefecture) over the past thirty years (1991 to 2020).

# Sightseeing in Ibaraki



## Hitachi Seaside Park

A park spread over 215 hectares on the coast of the Pacific Ocean. Visitors can enjoy an enormous quantity of flowers and blossoms throughout all four seasons, including nemophila flowers, daffodils, and tulips in the spring, poppies and roses in early summer, zinnias and sunflowers in midsummer, kochia and cosmos in the fall, and ice tulips in the winter, etc. In particular, the 5,300,000 blue nemophilas that are spread out facing the spacious beach provide a scene that is reminiscent of a fantasy world. Hitachi Seaside Park is a popular sightseeing spot visited by many tourists from both Japan and overseas.

<https://hitachikaihin.jp/en/>



## Kairakuen Garden

Famously known as one of the nation's representatives for Japanese gardens, it is also one of Japan's three major gardens. It is a popular scenic spot for overseas and Japanese visitors. This garden is well-known for plum blossoms with approximately 3,000 plum trees from around 100 different species blooming between February and March. The garden also has many other must-see features during all four seasons. A visit here to experience the beauty of traditional Japanese gardens is highly recommended.

<https://ibaraki-kairakuen.jp/en/language/>



## Ushiku Daibutsu (Ushiku Great Buddha)

A statue of Buddha standing 120 meters tall is registered in the Guinness Book of Records as "the world's tallest bronze Buddha statue". This statue is approximately three times taller than the Statue of Liberty in New York. It is possible to enter the Buddha and enjoy the magnificent scenery from observation windows located in the chest at the height of 85 meters above ground level, which provides views in all four directions. Sutra-copying experience is also very popular.

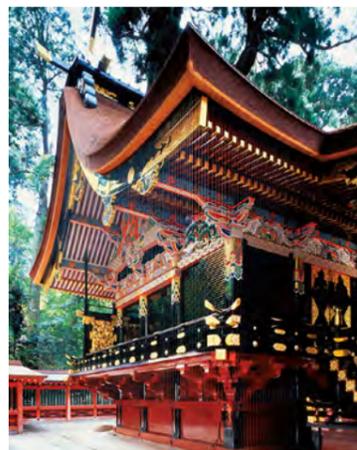
<https://daibutu.net/index.html>  
(Japanese Only)



## The Kashima Jingu Grand Shrine

The Kashima Jingu Grand Shrine is the most historical shrine in eastern Japan. Although Japan has many shrines, up until recently, only three shrines were considered to be worthy of this title—Ise Grand Shrine, Katori Shrine, and Kashima Shrine—and the extensive lineage and history behind this shrine make it a very special place. The shrine is also famous for being a power spot, with its sacred 1,300-year-old tree standing approximately 40 meters tall, and a pond for washing the hands before praying through which more than 400,000 liters of spring water flow every day.

<http://kashimajingu.jp/>  
(Japanese Only)



## Ryujin Big Suspension Bridge

The Ryujin Gorge is still linked today to a legend of a dragon. The Ryujin Suspension Bridge is suspended across this beautiful V-shaped ravine above the Ryujin Dam. The span of the bridge is 375 meters, which is one of the longest pedestrian bridges in Japan, and being suspended 100 meters above the surface of the dam enables visitors to enjoy amazing views and spectacular panoramas throughout all four seasons. The height of the bridge also makes dynamic bungee jumping a popular attraction.



<https://ohtsuribashi.ryujinky.jp/index.html>  
(Japanese Only)



## Fukuroda Falls

The falls is one of Japan's three topmost waterfalls. It boasts a height of 120 meters and a width of 73 meters. When the falls cascade down through the four stages of rock walls, it has a gentle sight from afar as if white lace is being drawn over the falls, but it provides spectacular scenery when seen close as the water hurts itself majestically at the rocks. It also displays different expressions depending on the season, with the autumn colors of the fall and the fantastic sight of icefalls on frigid winter days are especially recommended. In addition, it is known as a power spot for soothing the soul, with a hiking course and hot spring baths located nearby.

<https://www.daigo-kanko.jp/en/fukuroda-falls.html>  
(English Only)



## Mt. Tsukuba

Mt. Tsukuba is the only mountain rising from the wide-open Kanto Plains. In addition to providing views of the Plains, it is also possible to see Mt. Fuji from the top of the mountain. It has two peaks, and flourished as a sacred mountain from ancient times. The mountain plays host to more than 1,000 different species of rare trees and plants, and it is known as a treasure trove for botanists.





## Gourmet Cuisine and Hot Springs

### Seafood

Ibaraki Prefecture has 190 kilometers of coastline facing the Pacific Ocean, and it is blessed with abundant seafood. The Nakaminato Fish Market is a prominent sightseeing market in Japan, and it is visited by approximately one million sightseers.

### Monkfish

The monkfish are favored as high-quality fish in countries on the Mediterranean Sea. This fish are also popular and indispensable fish in Ibaraki Prefecture. Feel free to enjoy monkfish cuisine prepared in typically Japanese styles.

### Hitachi aki Soba Noodles

Ibaraki prefecture, one of Japan's prominent producers, have been cultivating Hitachi aki Soba for a long time. Therefore, they have become a high-quality brand product. It is renowned among Japan by its distinctive color, taste and fragrance.



Agriculture and fisheries prosper in Ibaraki Prefecture, and it is a treasure trove of food ingredients, including seafood and the fruits of the land. In addition to authentic Japanese cuisine made with fresh seasonal ingredients, it is also possible to taste the local cuisine that is characteristic of each region.



### Hitachi Beef

Beef from brand cattle raised by designated producers in Ibaraki Prefecture. Its main feature is soft, fine-textured red meat with a full flavor. It is shipped to high-class hotels and Japanese restaurants in America and Southeast Asia, and it is therefore highly acclaimed not only in Japan, but also overseas.



### Melons

Ibaraki prefecture is blessed with the fertile agricultural land of the Kanto Plain. It harvests large quantities of fruit and vegetables, including being the No.1 producer of melons that are highly acclaimed for their quality. Freshly-picked ripe melons are an amazing experience that one can only have in the areas that produce them. Melon picking during which it is possible to taste fresh, newly-picked fruit is also a popular pastime.



### Sake (Japanese Rice Wine)

The elements that determine whether a sake tastes good or bad are the water and rice from which it is made. Ibaraki prefecture has rich supplies of freshwater abundant in minerals that are perfect for brewing rice wine. It also produces a unique species of rice designated for sake. Owing to this, it plays host to 41 breweries, the most in the Tokyo metropolitan area, and it is possible to enjoy sake specifically designed to their individual preferences.



### Local Beer (Draft Beer)

In the same way as rice wine, the high-quality water resources available in Ibaraki prefecture are used for brewing beer. There are several breweries that make all types of craft beer, including ale, weizen, and pilsner, that match up perfectly with local cuisine.

### Hot Springs

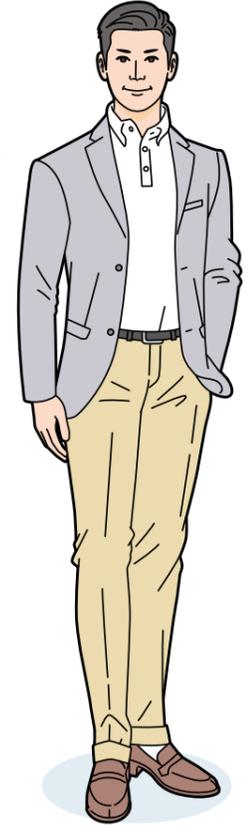
Ibaraki prefecture also has plentiful hot springs. Hot spring water with various types of mineral content depending on the region can be found throughout the prefecture in mountainous areas, along the coast of the Pacific Ocean, and in the flatlands surrounding Mt. Tsukuba. There are also many unique and distinctive hot spring hotels where you can enjoy natural hot bath while staying during your golf trip.



# The Etiquette of Golf Manners and Customs in Japan

Golf is a popular sport in many countries of the world. It is regarded as a sport for ladies and gentlemen, and it has various kinds of rules and manners that differ from country to country. Although the basic rules are the same across the globe, there are different ways to enjoy it in each country and region. In Japan, for example, some people play golf because they want to get as much enjoyment out of it as possible; in contrast, others play because they wish to show as much hospitality to their clients as possible, and this has resulted in specific rules on golf courses that are not found in other countries. The following are basic golf rules and manners introduced to Japan's unique golf culture. There are details about golf customs that visitors from overseas are required to understand and the points to note when playing in Japan. Having read and understood these details, we hope you enjoy playing golf in Ibaraki Prefecture.

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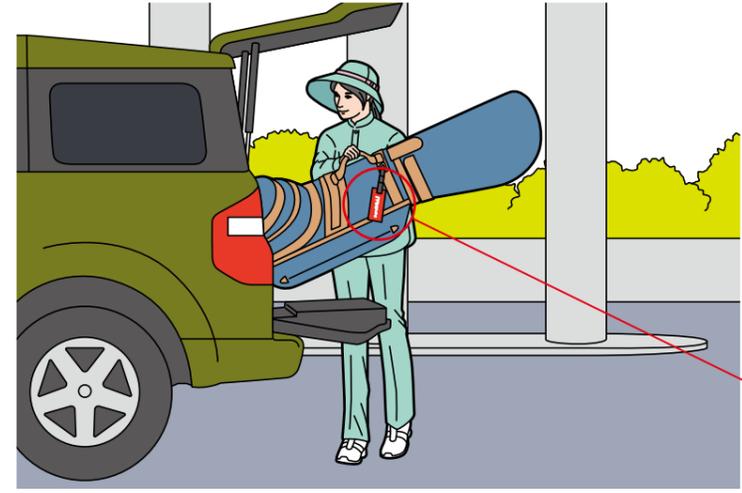


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### Proper clothing attires are required

Golf courses in Japan establishes dress codes. There is some strict attire protocol when visiting the clubhouse, aside from wearing jackets (except in summer). Jeans, T-shirts, sandals, and other such clothing, which may be acceptable overseas, must be avoided in Japan. Most golf courses in Japan also ban shoes with metal spikes, so you need to prepare rubber, soft-spike shoes or spikeless shoes.



### Staff members will assist you with golf bags

Members of the course staff will remove the bag from the trunk of your car and transport it to the starting point by cart. It is not necessary to pay a tip for this service. However, unloading and reloading the bag yourself on self-carry courses is required.

**Important: Make sure your golf bag has a nameplate. Failure to observe this will mean that the staff members do not know to who the bag belongs to, and they will be unable to load it onto the cart.**

### Check-in at the front reception

Receptions are similar to those found in hotels are located just inside the clubhouses. Here you can check-in and receive your score card holders and locker keys. **Please make sure that you check-in at least thirty minutes prior to your reserved start at the latest.** After check-in, move to the locker room and change in the locker assigned to you. You will need to show your score card holder when taking lunch and when making purchases at the shops on the course, with the total amount being paid together at the time of check-out, so make sure you keep it with you at all times when on the course facilities.



### Place all valuables in the safety deposit box

Safety deposit boxes are located near the reception on golf courses in Japan. If you arrive at the golf course with your passport, airline tickets, or any other valuables, make sure you store them in a safety deposit box, not your locker. If no safety deposit boxes are available, you may ask the receptionist to look after them when you check in.

### Lunchtime break is required at the half turn

In Japan, it is customary to play the first nine holes in the morning and the second nine holes in the afternoon after taking a lunch break for approximately one hour (although at some courses this rule may be avoided). This enables players to enjoy food prepared with fresh Ibaraki-produced seafood and other ingredients, as well as local specialty cuisine, in attractive restaurants.



### Refresh yourself in a hot bath after holing out

After playing your round, it is possible to bathe away your perspiration and refresh yourself in a hot bath. Usually golf courses in Japan have large baths equipped with shampoo, body soap, towels, etc. One of the rules of hot springs and other public baths in Japan is to wash your body prior to getting into the bath (use the pails located by the bath to scoop up water and pour it over your body). Therefore, it is unnecessary to wash your body in the shower before getting into the bath. Another rule is that towels must never be placed inside the bathwater. Also, please, be aware that some golf courses do not allow guests with tattoos to use public baths.



### Make your payment during check-out at the reception or with automatic payment machines

It is customary in Japan to pay all costs at the reception when you leave. These costs will include the total sum of the expenses incurred when taking lunch, or purchasing items at the shops. Many courses have also installed automatic payment machines. In this case, you will need to swipe your score card holder over the scanner incorporated in these machines and pay accordingly. Most golf courses accept credit cards, as well.



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