



2012 **11/24**

- Meeting place: Miyajimaguchi Sambashi Bridge (behind the souvenir-shop “Momiji-honjin”)
- Meeting time : 08 : 30
- Participation fee : JPY 10, 000
- Expected number of participants: first registered **10** persons.



Eco tour

“Nature of

Miyajima island

discovered from

the sea”



Initiated by: Association for promotion of tourism in Setonai region
Organization bureau: “Setonaikai Ecotourism Association”

What is Eco Tour “Nature of Miyajima discovered from the sea” ?

Miyajima is an island situated in the Eastern part of Hiroshima Prefecture, 2 km off the coasts of Ono city. The island is recognized by Japanese state as a place of historical importance and a major tourist attraction. Itsukushima Shrine, legendary Misen Mountain and its relation to Buddhist philosopher Kobo Daishi, objects of arts and crafts varying from Heiyan to Edo Period and numerous historical monuments of Miyajima island constitute an important part of national cultural heritage.

In 1996 Itsukushima Shrine was recognized as part of World's cultural heritage. It is also one of the three main tourist spots of Japan. The way from Sambashi to Itsukushima Shrine lays among the old wooden houses that form a charming atmosphere which is said to represent traditional Japan. The half of the local population is managing ryokans or small restaurants and work in tourism. The purpose of this eco tour is to live an exciting experience discovering beautiful nature and authentic culture of the island.

Program of the tour

- 8 : 30 Gathering at Miyajimaguchi Sambashi
- 9 : 00 Departure from Miyajimaguchi Sambashi by ferry
- 9 : 00~ 9 : 30 On board : Big Bird Perch~Oomoto shrine~Shore seef~Round shaped sandbank~ Kamimuro shore~Shrine maiden's rock~7th building of Mitokoura shrine
- 9 : 30~ 9 : 50 Disembarkation : Shimotani tidal march
- 9 : 50~10 : 45 Walk : 6th building of Suya ura Shrine~pointed sandbank~sea-eroded trail ~long beach (Tidal marsh) , Embarkation.
 ※Explanations and experiment on a long beach (about 10 min.)
- 10 : 45~11 : 00 On board : Kogo headland~5th building of Yamashirohama Shrine~ Yobuzaki Shrine
- 11 : 00~11 : 50 Disembarkation : Aonori beach, Observation of brakish waters, 4th building of Aonoriura Shrine, Embarkation
- 12 : 00~13 : 30 Disembarkation : Lunch, Koshibosoura mapping experiment, Sea-eroded cavern and gate.
- 13 : 30~15 : 00 On board : 3rd building of Koshibosoura Shrine ~ 2nd building of Takanosu shrine ~Hogo track~Tsutsumigaura shrine ~1st building of Suginoura shrine~Horai island.
- 15 : 00 Return to Miyajimaguchi Sambashi • Farewell.

