KAGAWA BONSAI

Kagawa Bonsai Flourishing Around the World
About Kagawa Prefecture

Shikoku is Japan’s fourth largest island, southwest of Japan’s main island Honshu, and is divided into four prefectures: Kagawa, Tokushima, Ehime and Kochi. Situated in the northeast part of Shikoku, Kagawa is the Japan’s smallest prefecture and is connected to Honshu by the Seto Ohashi Bridge which crosses the Seto Inland Sea at the north. Kagawa is blessed with rich nature and a gentle climate which is warm through the seasons with little rain and long sunshine durations. Attracted by such abundant climate and geographic advantage, the Japanese government and private sectors set up many of their branches and offices in the capital of the prefecture, Takamatsu City and make the city as a hub of Shikoku.

Location of Kagawa Prefecture

By air

Domestic routes
Tokyo Haneda (75 minutes)
Okinawa Naha (110 minutes)

International routes
Seoul Incheon (105 minutes)
Shanghai Pudong (135 minutes)

By sea (regular services)
Takamatsu Port – Busan, Korea
(3 services/week)
Takamatsu Port – Shanghai, Dalian, and Qingdao, China (1 service/week)

Profile of Kagawa
Population: 992,594 (as of July 1, 2011)
Area: 1,876 km²
Capital of the prefecture: Takamatsu City
Annual rainfall: 986.5 mm
Annual sunshine duration: 2,009.3 hours

Points of interest

Ritsurin garden
Ritsurin garden is the largest of the gardens designated as Japanese Special Place of Scenic Beauty. The landscape containing 6 ponds and 13 miniature hills in the park are sophisticatedly arranged to harmonize with the dark green pine forests of Mt. Shuin in the background. The beauty has been praised around the world, and recently received three stars, the highest ratings of the Michelin Travel Guide’s Japan Section.

Islands of Seto Inland Sea
Japan’s largest inland sea, the Seto Inland Sea, is dotted with beautiful islands of various sizes. Of the islands, the second largest island, Shodoshima, which has a warm annual climate perfect for growing olives, and Naoshima, which is well known around the world as a sanctuary of modern art, draw attention of many tourists.

Konpira shrine
A god of the sea, affectionately called the "Konpira in Sanuki" from old days, is enshrined. The notable stone steps at a passage to shrine consist of 785 steps to the main shrine, and a total of 1,386 steps to the inner shrine. Souvenir shops and Udon shops are set up on both sides of the passage. Other tourist spots such as the old Konpira Grand Theatre (Kanamaru-za) and Takadoro (all lanterns) are located in the suburb of this shrine.

Sanuki Udon noodles
Due to its advantage in availability of fine ingredients including high quality flour, salt, small dried sardines and soy source, producing Udon has been popular in Kagawa. The product bearing the old name of the prefecture, "Sanuki" is well-known throughout Japan. It is said that there are about 800 Udon restaurants in the prefecture. Many tourists across the country visit Kagawa for just tasting Sanuki Udon.

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Bonsai produced in Kagawa Prefecture

Kagawa Prefecture is the Japan’s largest producer of pine bonsai with an 80% of the total domestic market share. In addition to the beautiful tree forms, pines grown in well-drained sandy loam in Kagawa are popular for their “hardy build and resistance to root rot”. Their popularity is not limited to Japan, and as exports to foreign countries increase, these Kagawa Bonsai are gaining popularity around the world as “BONSAI”.

History of Bonsai from Kagawa

Producing Bonsai in Kagawa Prefecture has a long history and is said to start about 200 years ago during the Edo period when wild trees in the mountains and along the coast were potted and sold. The mild Seto-uchi climate, with little temperature variation throughout the year, long sunshine duration and little rainfall and excellent pruning and grafting techniques accumulated through seedling production of fruit trees and mulberry have made this area suitable for growing Bonsai. The main production centers are the Kinashi and Kokubunji districts in the western part of Takamatsu City. In addition to the main products, Pinus thunbergii, Pinus thunbergii var. corticosa and Pinus parviflora are produced in the regions.

Data on producing Bonsai in Kagawa

(As of 2008, Source: Agricultural Products Distribution Division of Kagawa Prefectural Government)

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<th>Plantation area</th>
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<td>Shipped quantity</td>
<td>97,000 trees</td>
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<td>Number of producers</td>
<td>227 farms</td>
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*In addition to Bonsai consists of Pinus thunbergii, Pinus parviflora, Pinus thunbergii var. corticosa, the data above includes miscellaneous trees such as Acer palmatum, Zelkova serrata and Rhododendron indicum.

Overseas exports

(Source: Kobe Plant Protection Station, Sakaide Branch)

Transition of exports of bonsai and plants produced in and shipped from Kagawa Prefecture

Recent activities for exporting Bonsai from Kagawa

JETRO Bonsai Export Conference

In November 2010, JETRO Kagawa invited prominent bonsai dealers from four countries in Europe: Belgium, Italy, France and Netherlands to meet them with ten bonsai growers from the Kinashi and Kokubunji districts of Takamatsu City, Kagawa Prefecture, with an aim at creating a business opportunity for the both parties. The culture of Japanese bonsai has spread in Europe and market for Bonsai with a certain level of scale is expected in the region.

The 11th Asia-Pacific Bonsai and Suiseki Convention and Exhibition in Takamatsu (ASPACE)

The 11th Asia-Pacific Bonsai and Suiseki Convention and Exhibition in Takamatsu will be held for the first time in Japan from November 18 to 21, 2011, for which Sunport Takamatsu, Kagawa Prefecture will serve as the main venue. This prestigious convention was first held in Bali, Indonesia in 1991. Enthusiasts of Bonsai and Suiseki from more than 40 countries including that in Asia, Australia, the United States and Europe will gather at this international convention which spotlights Bonsai and Suiseki. In addition to a conference by representatives from around the world, the convention will consist of an exhibition, demonstrations and workshops about Bonsai, lectures about Suiseki and site-visit tours to Bonsai farms.
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Application for field inspection
Year of application: 2011
Registered material: Taxus cuspidata (50)
Export destination: Taiwan

Ideue Kikkoen
461-1 Kinashii, Kinashi-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 761-8026
TEL: +81-87-881-2910 FAX: +81-87-881-2910
Contact: Mr. Fumio Ideue (owner)
Application for field inspection
Year of application: 2011
Registered material: Juniperus chinensis (30)
Export destination: Taiwan, South Korea

Kandaka Shojuen
428-1 Yamaguchi, Kinashi-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 761-8025
TEL: +81-87-882-7217
E-mail: kandakashojuen@gmail.com
Contact: Mr. Keiji Kandaka (owner)
Application for field inspection
Year of application: 2011
Registered material: Pinus parviflora (60), Juniperus chinensis (40)
Export destination: None

Kandaka Sojuen
124-2 Yamaguchi, Kinashi-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 761-8025
TEL: +81-87-882-0116
E-mail: kandakasojuen@gmail.com
Contact: Mr. Hidetoshi Kandaka (owner)
Application for field inspection
Year of application: Before 1990
Registered material: Pinus parviflora (300)
Export destination: Italy, Netherlands, France, Belgium, etc.

Kokubunji Bonsai Trading Corporation
3-1967 Nii, Kokubunji-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 769-0101
TEL: +81-87-870-6690 FAX: +81-87-870-6695
E-mail: hide-nii@ja8.so-net.ne.jp
Contact: Mr. Hidetoshi Nii (General Manager)
Application for field inspection
Year of application: 2009
Registered material: Pinus parviflora (2)
Export destination: None

The Bonsai farms above and on the next page are listed in alphabetic order. indicates farms registered for inspections for exporting their products.
Directory of Bonsai farms in Kagawa applying for Field Inspection.

**Konishi Shorakuen**
http://www.kinashi-bonsai.com/konishi/

217 Sato, Kinashi-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 761-8023  
TEL:+81-87-881-2912  FAX:+81-87-881-2912  
E-mail : konishi@kinashi-bonsai.com  
Contact : Mr. Yukihiko Konishi (owner)  
Application for field inspection  
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**Konishi Yukinori**

722 Iida-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 761-8023  
Contact : Mr. Yukinori Konishi (owner)  
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**Matsuda Seishoen**

165-2 Sato, Kinashi-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 761-8023  
FAX:+81-87-881-0105  
E-mail : matsudaseishoen@yahoo.co.jp  
Contact : Mr. Mitsuo Matsuda  
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**Nakanishi Chinshoen**
http://chinshoen.jp

148 Sato, Kinashi-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 761-8023  
FAX:+81-87-882-9578  
E-mail : info@chinshoen.jp  
Contact : Mr. Yoichi Nakanishi (owner)  
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**Oro Kyokushoen**

51 Sato, Kinashi-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 761-8023  
FAX:+81-87-882-9376  
Contact : Mr. Satoru Oro (owner)  
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* indicates farms registered for inspections for exporting their products to the EU and the United States.  ●The Bonsai farms listed here sell Bonsai trees to the EU.  ● indicates farms registered for inspections for exporting their products to the EU and the United States.  ●The Bonsai farms listed here sell Bonsai trees to the EU.

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### Sanshoen Bonsai Export

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TEL: +81-87-874-1378  FAX: +81-87-874-6002
E-mail: sanshoen@lime.ocn.ne.jp
Contact: Mr. Hiroyoshi Yamaji (owner)

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### Seifuen

1868-5 Nii, Kokubunji-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 769-0101

Contact: Mr. Kyoichi Hiramatsu (owner)

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### Setomatsuen

972 Sato, Kinashi-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 761-8023
TEL: +81-87-882-5770  FAX: +81-87-816-4778
E-mail: sph866669@room.ocn.ne.jp
Contact: Mr. Masahiko Akazaki

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### Souju

1964-5 Nii, Kokubunji-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 769-0101
FAX: +81-87-874-3087
E-mail: info@soju.co.jp
Contact: Mr. Yoshimi Mashima (executive)

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### Sojuen

2404-1 Kokubu, Kokubunji-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 769-0102
FAX: +81-87-874-0181

Contact: Mr. Yoshimi Kobayakawa (owner)

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*Note: The data is as of summer in 2011.*
# Conditions for exporting Bonsai from Japan to overseas (cargo)

(in regards to *Pinus parviflora*, *Pinus thunbergii*, *Pinus thunbergii* var. *cortisosa*, *Juniperus chinensis*, *Taxus cuspidata*, *Rhododendron indicum*)

(Data as of September 1, 2011)

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(Source: Kobe Plant Protection Station, Sakaide Branch)

**Symbols in the list**

○ Export is available under the condition that an object plant is inspected in Japan and Plant Quarantine Certificate is attached.

P An import permit must be obtained from the destination country before the export inspection.

The export inspection is conducted following the conditions listed on the import permit.

☆ Export is possible if special conditions (implementing field inspection, etc.) are satisfied.

× Imports of the plant are prohibited by destination country.

\* 27 countries in the EU: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, UK

**Note 1:** All efforts have been made to provide information in the list as accurate as possible, however, for just in case, please contact the authorities in the destination country in advance of exporting to confirm their latest requirement.

**Note 2:** For making a reference about export procedures including import permits from destination countries, please directly contact agricultural authorities, plant quarantine offices in the countries.

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