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Tokyo Metropolitan Government

New Video of Tokyo's Hidden Charms: "TOKYO TREASURE ISLANDS", Now Available Online

Introducing the nature and culture of the islands and conveying the diverse attractions of Tokyo, a city that is usually associated with a bustling metropolis

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government (TMG), has been developing the "Enchanting Tokyo" video series (<https://tokyodouga.jp/special/enchanting-tokyo.html>) which aims to show the attractiveness of Tokyo's islands to the world. Following the release of the "Oshima" video in May 2022, the TMG is proud to announce the release of two new videos, "Aogashima" and "Hachijojima."

Aogashima



Aogashima Video : <https://tokyodouga.jp/ahxan8yxxo.html>

Hachijojima



Hachijojima Video : <https://tokyodouga.jp/hdw2aa-tizc.html>

—About TOKYO TREASURE ISLANDS

Tokyo has a total of 11 islands: nine in the Izu Islands (*Oshima*, *Toshima*, *Niijima*, *Shikinejima*, *Kozushima*, *Miyakejima*, *Mikurajima*, *Hachijojima*, and *Aogashima*) and two that make up the Ogasawara Islands (*Chichijima* and *Hahajima*), which are about 1,000 kilometers (621 miles) away from the mainland Tokyo. "TOKYO TREASURE ISLANDS" is part of TMG's efforts to promote these islands to a wider audience.

Aogashima, one of the two new videos, is an isolated island with a circumference of nine kilometers (5.5 miles) where visitors can see a rare double caldera. It was selected as one of the "13 Amazing Natural Wonders You Should See Before You Die" by a US-based NGO. With a population of around 170 people, it is the least populated village in Tokyo. In addition to its natural beauty and culture, lucky visitors can sometimes see pods of whales.

Hachijojima is an island familiar to the residents of Tokyo, offering abundant natural beauty that is accessible from the mainland by a one-hour flight. The island's precipitation, among the highest in Japan, has produced unique natural features such as giant ferns and potholes carved into the bedrock by spring water. In addition to activities such as hiking and fishing, visitors can also

enjoy natural hot springs.

Tokyo has beautiful remote islands with pristine nature, making it easy for visitors to enjoy a tropical excursion even within the metropolis.

Please visit Enchanting Tokyo, with beautiful images of the two islands' stunning nature, uniquely Japanese landscape, culture, and way of life.

* For more information on *Aogashima* and *Hachijojima*, please see Appendix.

About Video Usage

These videos can also be viewed on the “Enchanting Tokyo” page of the TMG’s official YouTube channel.



<https://tokyodouga.jp/special/enchanting-tokyo.html>

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Enchanting Tokyo

<https://tokyodouga.jp/special/enchanting-tokyo.html>

TOKYO TREASURE ISLANDS

<https://www.t-treasureislands.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/en/>

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—— Enchanting Tokyo AOGASHIMA Island



<https://tokyodouga.jp/ahxan8yxxo.html>

Aogashima, located 358 kilometers (222 miles) south of urban Tokyo in the Pacific Ocean, was the only Japanese location selected as the “World’s Top 13 Most Beautiful Views to See Before you Die” by a US-based NGO, thereby attracting attention from around the world. The video “Enchanting Tokyo AOGASHIMA Island” introduces the unique landscape of the island, including the world-famous double caldera and geothermic “*hingya*” steam eruptions. The video also explores the island’s way of life and beliefs that coexist in harmony with nature.

Access

- Airplane (Haneda Airport-*Hachijojima* Airport) 3 flights/day [approximately 55 minutes, one way]
- Helicopter (*Hachijojima* Airport-*Aogashima* Heliport): 1 flight/day [20 minutes, one way]
- Boat (*Hachijojima*, *Sokodo* or *Yaene* Port-*Aogashima*, *Sanpo* Port): 4-5 trips weekly [2 hours and 30 minutes, one way]

—— Enchanting Tokyo HACHIOJIMA Island



<https://tokyodouga.jp/hdw2aa-tizc.html>

Hachijojima, which is less than an hour’s flight from Tokyo, is an island where you can enjoy the great outdoors. With one of the highest precipitation rates in Japan, *Hachijojima* has its own unique environment including giant ferns and potholes carved into the rock by ever-flowing spring water. On the island, you can enjoy hiking as well as running and fishing. After enjoying physical activities, visitors can relax in a natural hot spring surrounded by rich nature, making it the perfect environment for a refreshing weekend getaway.

Access

- Airplane (Haneda Airport-*Hachijojima* Airport) 3 flights/day [approximately 55 minutes, one way]
- Boat (*Takeshiba* Pier, Tokyo- *Hachijojima*, *Sokodo* or *Yaene* Port): Runs daily [10 hours and 20 minutes, one way]