

# Surviving the Trip

*Iwakuni to Kansai Airport*



### **Important items required for your trip**

Travel voucher from TMO for train tickets

A Shin time table

Yen for meals and transportation

Passports & ID Cards

Leave papers or Orders

Plane tickets or confirmation codes

### **Directions from MCAS Iwakuni to Shin-Iwakuni**

From the Main Gate: Proceed to 3-corners.

At 3-corners, turn left.

Take the first right at the stop light. Proceed on this street for approximately 1 kilometer.

You will cross over the river and come to a T intersection with a light. Turn left.

Proceed on this street for approximately 1 kilometer.

At the second traffic light, turn left.

You will stay on this street for 3.2 kilometers.

You will pass by the Kintai Bridge and turn left at the 4th traffic light.

You will cross over the Kintai River and turn right at the end of the bridge.

Follow this road for 3.9 kilometers.

At the first traffic light, there will be a Yamazaki store on your right, turn left.

Overhead there will be a small sign which reads Iwakuni Shin Station 900m.

Turn right at the second road.

The Shin Station will be the 7th left turn or the first left turn after the Station Hotel Ogiya, which is an 8 story white building on your left.

### Travel Tips

If possible, purchase your tickets a day prior from the Japanese Railway Station. This will put less strain on your trip as you can better plan your journey without the hassle of time constraints.

If you are traveling with children, you can drop off your luggage a day prior with IT&T for transportation to the Airport for a nominal fee.

Japanese Railways accept most major credit cards, but have some Yen for meals and incidentals.

When in doubt about which ticket to use, locate an attendant. He or she will ensure you use the appropriate tickets and they can even point you in the right direction.

## **SURVIVING THE TRIP: IWAKUNI TO KANSAI AIRPORT**

This booklet is designed to give you step by step instructions to get you and your family to Kansai International Airport with the least amount of headaches.

The process is simple. You will take the Shinkansen from Iwakuni to Osaka Shin Station and then catch an airport express train to the airport.



Your first step begins with transferring your voucher into train tickets. Take your voucher to the ticket counter at Shin Iwakuni and let them know which trains you would like to take by using the Shin timetable provided by the Transportation Management Office. It is best to do this the day before you travel.

Your next step is transportation to the Shin Iwakuni Train Station. If you plan on taking a taxi, call 99-21-1111 or stop by the taxi stand across from the Crossroads Mall on Southside or in front of the Mini Mart on Northside. The cost of the taxi ride is approximately 3,000 Yen. You can also drive and park your car at the Shin station or have a friend drop you off. Directions are located on Page 1.



Once you arrive at the Shin Station, find the turnstyle on the left side of the station next to the ticket counter. Place your tickets in the card slot like that pictured on the left. Wait for the doors to open before proceeding.

The platform for your train is located on the left. But, you can double check the train monitor. The monitors are usually in English and Japanese. Match up your train number with the numbers listed. It will show which platform your train will be arriving on.



From Iwakuni, you will take the Kodama Line. This will take you to Hiroshima where you will need to transfer to the Nozomi Line bound for Tokyo. This train stops at Shin Osaka.

You will notice car numbers on the deck. These numbers let you know where to stand to board your train. You have about three minutes to board your train so it's imperative to be at the proper car number.

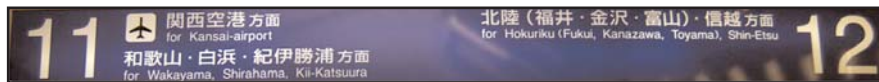


Boarding the train is simple once you get to the correct number. Seats are assigned unless you purchase unassigned seating. These are first-come, first-served. You can place your luggage in the overhead bins or behind the seats at the end of the car. Keep in mind that luggage space is limited on board the shin. The train ride to Hiroshima is about 20 minutes.

In Hiroshima, your connecting train is usually on the same platform or the platform adjacent. Just check the monitor, like that pictured at right. Repeat the train boarding process and sit back and enjoy your ride. The ride to Osaka is about 90 minutes.



After exiting the train in Osaka, bear to your right and head downstairs. Once downstairs, turn left toward the turnstiles. Before entering the turnstiles, you may find it necessary to find an attendant. He or she will assist you with inserting the proper tickets and can point you in the right direction.



After exiting through the turnstiles, follow the signs to the Kansai Airport. The Kansai Airport express train is located on the left side at Track 11.

The express train is the same as boarding the shin. Match up your car number with the numbers on the deck and wait for your train. The express train has luggage racks for you to store your luggage located just inside the door. This train ride is approximately 45 minutes and the airport is the last stop.

After departing the Airport train, you will need to go upstairs to get to the airport. The escalators are located in the middle of the platform.



Once you get upstairs, you will pass through the turnstiles and turn left. International terminals are located straight ahead. There are two international departure terminals, North and South. The North is on your left and the South is on right.



Before entering the airport terminal, you need to check the airport information sign and locate your airline to determine which terminal you will be departing from. The airport information sign is in English.

After locating your terminal, cross over the roadway to the airport following the signs to your designated terminal. Going through the doors of the terminal, you will go up the escalator and turn left to get to the ticketing area. Before reaching the ticket counter, you will need to clear security.



After checking in, you are free to roam about the airport. Kansai International Airport has restaurants for every taste, Italian, Chinese, American or traditional Japanese.



You will need to check into the departure area at least one hour before your flight. You will have to go through customs and then take a train to your departure area. Good Luck and Enjoy your flight!

## Understanding Your Tickets

