



# Iwa-Key

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## Iwaki City Monthly Event & Information Guide

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### Comprehensive Multilingual Living Guides

The Council of Local Authorities for International Relations offers a comprehensive guide to life in Japan in 14 languages (Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean, Spanish, Portuguese, Tagalog, German, Vietnamese, French, Russian, Indonesian, Thai, and Burmese) in addition to simplified Japanese. You can find out essential information about various national and municipal procedures when moving to Japan or changing residence within Japan; information about tax, pensions, marriage and divorces in Japan; information about setting up household utilities; disaster prevention and much more.

Information about daily life necessary for foreigners to live in Japan is included on this homepage in several languages.

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It should be noted that the CLAIR guide is a general guide for municipalities across all of Japan. If you would like to find out more about issues relevant to Fukushima Prefecture, the **Fukushima International Association (FIA)** offers useful information on their website in English and several other languages (Link: <http://www.worldvillage.org/>). Additionally, the **Fukushima Revitalisation Station** offers reliable information from the Fukushima Prefectural Government about the safety of food and water in Fukushima and updates about the progress of the decommissioning of the Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant and the overall recovery of Fukushima (<http://www.pref.fukushima.lg.jp/site/portal/>).

Of course in Iwaki City, the **Iwaki International Association (IIA)** is available for consultations about everyday life in Iwaki during the business hours of Iwaki City Hall (Mon-Fri 8:30am-5:15pm). The contact details for the IIA are listed on every issue of Iwa-Key.

### Free Aikido Trial Lesson

Aikido is not a martial art designed for the sake of hurting your opponent. Aikido is also referred to as "moving Zen" and both men and women from small children to the elderly can learn this martial art. Feel free to take this opportunity to participate in a trial lesson if you are interested.

**Date:** 31<sup>st</sup> October (Wed)

**Times:** 5:30pm-6:30pm (Kids); 7:00pm-8:00pm (Adults)

**Venue:** Aikido Tokojuku (18 Ota, Honya, Izumi-machi)

**Participants:** Men and women of primary school age up to around 60 years old

**Applications:** Azuma Oshiyama

TEL: 0246-58-8300 / 090-7263-1752

Email: [touko-j@dream.jp](mailto:touko-j@dream.jp) /

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\*Don't forget to wear clothing that's comfortable for exercise.



### Emergency Contact Numbers



*\*How to check hospital information on Iwaki City's website:*

*Go to Foreign Languages and select English > Living & Area > In times of emergency > Sudden illness > Doctors on duty (daytime on Sundays and public holidays).*

### After Hours and Holiday Emergency Treatment Centre (For Internal Medicine and Paediatrics)

**General Health and Welfare Centre**  
Weekdays: 8pm - 11pm.  
Saturdays: 8pm - 7am (next day).  
Sundays: 2pm - 6pm, 7pm - 11pm.  
Public Holidays: 9am - 1pm, 2pm - 6pm, 7pm - 11pm.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Nov: 9am - 1pm, 2pm - 6pm, 7pm - 7am (next day).  
TEL: 27-1208

Please make sure whenever possible to bring a Japanese-speaker with you when visiting the hospital in Iwaki.

### Emergency Dental Care

**General Health and Welfare Centre**  
Sundays and Public Holidays: 9am to 12pm and 1pm to 4pm.  
Reception closes at 3:30pm.  
TEL: 27-8620.

### Children Emergency, First-Aid Telephone Consultations

Fukushima Prefecture Children Emergency, First-Aid Telephone Consultation Centre (Japanese language only)  
7pm to 8am (next day)  
TEL: 024-521-3790 or #8000

### Confidential Counselling Services for Non-Japanese Residents

**Yorisoi Hotline: Multilingual**  
Mon-Fri, 10am-10pm.  
TEL: 0120-279-226.

**TELL Lifeline: English**  
365 days a year from 9am - 11pm.  
TEL: 03-5774-0992.

Web: <http://www.tell.jp>  
E-mail: [admin@tell.jp](mailto:admin@tell.jp)

**Safety and Consultation Centre for Women (Police Box in front of Iwaki Station): Japanese**  
10am-6pm daily.  
TEL: 0246-25-9344.



### Legal Consultations:

Iwaki City Hall provides free general legal consultations on Wednesdays (excluding first Wednesday of month). Please contact **City Hall (Hometown Revitalisation Division TEL 0246-22-7438)** and confirm the date, time and place. Reservations are required for consultations.

For Iwaki City Council of Social Welfare consultations (held at the **Social Welfare Centre**), please contact 0246-23-3320.

### Iwaki International Association (IIA)

Official Website: <http://www.ia-fukushima.or.jp>  
TEL: 0246-22-7409 Email: [info@ia-fukushima.or.jp](mailto:info@ia-fukushima.or.jp)  
(The IIA is also on Facebook and Twitter)

**The Tourism Exchange Division and the IIA are open to the public. Please feel free to drop by, call, or e-mail us anytime.**



# Iwaki Festivals and Events

Event	When & Where	Details	Inquiries
Kawamae Station Illumination and Food Stalls	Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> – Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 4:30pm-9pm on the 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2pm-7pm on the 6 <sup>th</sup> Kawamae Station	Kawamae is just 30 minutes from Iwaki Station via the Ban'etsu Line. Stalls serving food using buckwheat flour as well as Kawamae's green pheasant croquette will be installed in front of the small station. Illuminative ornaments made by local junior high school students will also decorate the area.	Kawamae Branch Office of Iwaki City Hall TEL: 0246-84-2111
Iwaki Yumoto Onsen Moon Festival	Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct; from 6pm Yumoto Station, Joban	Small charcoal grills suitable for up to 4 people will be set up in the carpark next to Yumoto Station (¥3000 per person, application required). Enjoy some charcoal-grilled yakiniku under the moonlight while viewing various performances.	Yumoto Hot Springs Tourism Association TEL: 0246-42-4322
Iwaki Community Exchange Festival	Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 10am-3pm Iwaki Green Base, 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Forest Park, Joban	This community festival aims to promote exchange between Iwaki residents and those affected by disaster through food and traditional culture. There will also be sports and Paralympic sports workshops.	Fukushima Prefectural Government Iwaki Regional Promotion Bureau TEL: 0246-24-6253
Machinaka Concert in Taira	Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 10:30am-8pm Iwaki Station and surrounding areas in Taira	Over 285 bands, both local and from all over Japan, will perform on 15 stages around Taira over two days. Enjoy a day of free outdoor music including rock, pop, folk and jazz.	Iwaki Machinaka Concert Executive Committee TEL: 0246-47-0130. Website: <a href="http://www.iwaki-machicon.com/">http://www.iwaki-machicon.com/</a>
Kunitama Shrine "Doburoku" Festival	Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 10am-3pm Kunitama Shrine, Nakoso	Doburoku is a type of sake with a cloudy consistency. In this festival, locals try to grab and a handful of minced salmon mixed with the lees of doburoku. Those who consume the salmon-doburoku mixture are said to be blessed with a year free of illness.	Kunitama Shrine TEL: 0246-65-2384
Tuna Festival	Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct; from 10:30am Seiko-kan, Nakanosaku, Onahama	Experience cutting up a whole tuna and making a fresh tuna rice bowl dish using all of the fish. Participation fee is ¥1600 for adults and ¥800 for children of junior high school age or below.	Nakanosaku Project TEL: 0246-85-5846
Saury Festival	Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct; from 11am West side plaza, Iwaki La La Mew, Onahama	Purchase any item at La La Mew and present the receipt so you can receive a free whole saury (one for each person) and enjoy cooking and eating it. Limited to the first 1000 participants.	Iwaki La La Mew TEL: 0246-92-3701
Ueda Patio Street Market	Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 9am-4pm Ueda Patio Street, Nakoso	Ueda Shop Owners' Association TEL: 0246-62-5539	
All Day Rugby Event	Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct; from 9:45am Iwaki Green Field, 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Forest Park, Joban	Try out lifting or kicking a goal in the rugby workshops or relax with some yoga. There is also a female rugby exhibition match followed by a Top League professional rugby match at the venue.	<a href="http://www.top-league.jp/ticket/">http://www.top-league.jp/ticket/</a>
Fukushima Rice Field Art Project in Yotsukura	Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct; from 10am Wonder Farm, Yotsukura	It is now time to harvest the rice that was planted in May this year as part of this art project where rice was planted to make an Iwaki FC logo pattern. You must apply by sending a private message to the event sponsor's Facebook page.	Website: <a href="http://fukushima-tanboart.com/">http://fukushima-tanboart.com/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/fukushima.tanboart/">https://www.facebook.com/fukushima.tanboart/</a>
Mahalo Laiki Day! 2018	Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 10am-4pm Iwaki Flower Centre, Taira	This event aims to promote Iwaki Laiki rice through products that use this rice or rice flour. This event coincides with the Flower Centre's Autumn Festival. Free shuttles buses to the venue will operate from the north exit of Iwaki Station.	Iwaki Flower Centre, Taira TEL: 0246-22-5667 Email: <a href="mailto:flowercenter@jobankaihatsu.co.jp">flowercenter@jobankaihatsu.co.jp</a>
Iwaki All Genre Motor Festival	Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 11am-4pm Aquamarine Park, Onahama	With over 300 cars ranging from sports cars and motorbikes to American 4WDs lined up along the portside of Onahama, this is the perfect event for car enthusiasts. Entry is free.	Email: <a href="mailto:motorfes.iwaki@gmail.com">motorfes.iwaki@gmail.com</a> Website: <a href="http://allcar-iwaki.com/">http://allcar-iwaki.com/</a>
Nakata Caves Public Viewing	Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 1pm-3pm Nakata Caves, Numanouchi, Taira	The ancient Nakata Caves were discovered in 1969 and are a nationally designated historical site. The caves have been closed after the 2011 earthquake, but will temporarily reopen to the public on this day.	Cultural Promotion Division TEL: 0246-22-7546
Rediscover Ena	Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 9am-3pm Ena Port Area, Onahama	This local festival aims to liven up the port town with waterfront walking, leisure boats and performances. You might also want to try the local "Ena Burger" speciality.	Ena Regeneration Project TEL: 090-3982-2841
Izumi Hometown Festival	Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct; 8:30am-3pm Main street in front of Izumi Station, Onahama	There will be a number of traditional performances including a samurai servant procession. The Izumi Iwaki Odori will be held on the night before the main festival (20 <sup>th</sup> October) from 6:30pm.	Izumi Community Hall TEL: 0246-56-6045
Iwaki Winery Harvest Festival	Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct; 10am-4pm Iwaki Winery Garden Terrace & Shop, Uchigo	Iwaki Winery Garden Terrace & Shop TEL: 0246-36-0008	
Hisanohama Fishing Port Revitalisation Festival	Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct; 9am-2:30pm Hisanohama Fishing Port	Help support the local fishing industry's revitalisation with a seaside festival featuring fishing boat rides (first 250 arrivals only), local marine products, performances and free chan chan yaki (grilled salmon and vegetable dish).	Hisanohama-Ohisa Branch Office of Iwaki City Hall TEL: 0246-82-2111
Kodama Dam Light-up and Night Tour	Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 6pm-8pm Kodama Dam, Ogawa	In addition to the autumn lightup, you can go on a night-time tour inside the dam corridors.	Kodama Dam Maintenance Office TEL: 0246-83-2861
Autumn Festival in Ogawa	Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 8am-2:30pm Ogawa Community Hall	Enjoy some light walking through Ogawa village, a concert and stalls selling, local produce.	Ogawa Branch Office of Iwaki City Hall TEL: 0246-83-1111
Autumn Open Day	Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct; 10am-3pm Iwaki Seaside Nature Centre, Hisanohama	This Autumn festival includes a taiko performances, games and workshops including fire making, and free imoni soup for the first 500 arrivals. The facility's hot baths will also be open to visitors. Free shuttles buses depart from Iwaki and Yotsukura Stations, Nakoso and Onahama Community Halls.	Iwaki Seaside Nature Centre TEL: 0246-32-7700

\*The event information above may be subject to cancellations or changes. Before attending any events, please confirm with the event sponsors in advance.

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