



## PORT OPERATIONS & DEVELOPMENT



### Resumption of the Cruise industry in Japan

Central government of Japan is currently outlining a guideline to each port authorities for accepting cruise ships. Once each port authority receives this basic guideline from the government, they may add their own protocols to prevent from virus cluster.

Details are yet to be mapped out. Meanwhile, the first ships to try this out are Japanese flagged cruise ships Asuka II, Pacific Venus and Nippon Maru. The central government says that all cruising, domestic cruise liners must resume first for both trial and economical protection purpose.

Based on the trial, foreign flagged cruise will be advised on how they can resume operations in Japan under the same or additional measures that Japanese cruise liners are advised to maintain.

We advise for all cruise liners who plan to call in Japan in 2020 to keep Wilhelmsen Japan updated of potential deployments.

### Hiroshima Port Ujina (Gaibo) pier terminal by Spring 2022

Hiroshima port is currently planning to build dolphin bollard at Ujina Gaibo No. 5 pier providing 110m extra to seaside – a total length 390m. A maximum is yet to be set. GRT for this pier will depend on the safety study of ships planning to call there. If everything goes according to plan, this will be finalized by April 2022.

Ujina Pier is closer to city center, while Itsukaichi is currently serving the larger ships (container pier) closer to UNESCO-marked Miyajima Island.

By April 2022 it is planned to have a cruise terminal there as well. It is estimated to have 400m<sup>2</sup> waiting space, and 1000m<sup>2</sup> for CIQ purpose.

### Kobe additional jetway at Shinko 4O-1/2

By March 2021, port of Kobe's Shinko 4O-1/2 plan to built jetway/boarding bridge so cruise ships passengers can head directly in to the cruise terminal. This has been requested by local customs in order for cruise ships to call at 4O-1/2 pier of Shinko.

Please note cruise ships who call at 4Q-1/2 have priority for turnaround operations. Ships at 4O-1/2 are for transit calls only and must transit only through the jetway. Max GRT is set to 75,000 for 4O-1/2 for now.





## PORT BOOKINGS & ITINERARY



### No new bookings accepted at Ishigaki for rest of 2020 till March 2021

Ishigaki port will no longer accept new bookings for the island for the rest of 2020 till March 2021. This is due to COVID-19 and the port is awaiting further instructions from the Japanese government. This means that:

- Currently booked port calls remain
- New bookings and ship name change (of same branded ship) cannot be processed at the moment
- Time change requests are accepted

One main point is the island community is worried if a ship with pandemic patients onboard arrives, they may not be able to assist due to limited hospital services.

Wilhelmsen advises all cruise liners not to change their itineraries as of now.

### Tokyo Harumi Pier update

Tokyo port's "Harumi Pier" may be able to reopen some time in 2023 or later. Their plan is to remove the current terminal and make a larger 1-floor terminal more useable for turnaround operations as compared to today's limited free-space within the terminal for CIQ and luggage laydown.

### Tokyo Harumi Pier update (continued)

As of now, Wilhelmsen advises all cruise liners not to depend on Harumi pier as an alternative to call to or do turn-around operations. We will announce when there is any official statement from Tokyo port.

### All Yokohama bookings stopped

Yokohama port have currently stopped their berth bookings for all port calls.

Port authorities say each cruise liner must understand new measurements to prevent infectious diseases such as COVID-19 to be agreed on before making a port call. They will release all port calls, holding them till end of August until an agreement is understood and signed by each cruise liner. If cruise liners have not agreed by end of August, their port calls will be released, and cruise liners must find alternative berths.

Please note as of now the regulations are not yet announced, they are to be announced by end of July. Cruise liners who have booked Yokohama will be contacted directly from Wilhelmsen Japan once the announcement is out.

### Kyushu 2022 booking statuses

The popular ports in Kyushu area have recently opened their bookings for 2022.

- **Nagasaki** opened 2022 Q3-Q4 bookings this month for normal transit calls. Results out in August. 2023 bookings and onwards are available for Japanese turnaround calls and world cruise.
- **Shimonoseki** opened up 2022 bookings this month as well. Only limited days are available.
- **Hakata (Fukuoka)** is planning to open port calls from September 2020 - 2022. They will provide priority to ships who have Japanese turnaround port calls, followed by regular transit calls.
- **Kitakyushu (Hibiki)** 2022 bookings will most likely open from Oct 2020. Limited days available.
- **Yatushiro** 2022 will be prioritized for Royal Caribbean Group. Bookings most likely to be opened for other liners by end of 2020.
- **Sasebo** 2022 yet to be opened. Priority to be given to Carnival Group ships. Other liners to be served by end of 2020.
- **Kagoshima, Beppu, Aburatsu** welcomes ships anytime.

## PORT COST / SUBSIDIES



## PORT PROMOTION



### Incentive of Kisarazu Port

TOKYO BAY KISARAZU 

#### ► Port Cost at Kisarazu Port

- When cruise ship call at port, various port charges are incurred. At Kisarazu port, the local organizations will incur port charges on behalf of the foreign cruise line. Foreign cruise line can cut down the operating costs greatly.

[Comparison of Port Charges between Kisarazu Port and Yokohama Port (ms Koningsdam)]

費用項目	Kisarazu	Yokohama
Port Dues	 About 2,200 USD ⇒100%exemption (Free!)	 About 2,400 USD ⇒50~100%exemption
Wharf age	 About 2,700 USD ⇒100%exemption (Free!)	 About 9,100 USD ⇒50%exemption
Pilotage Fees (Maximum amount)	 About 7,800 USD ⇒100%exemption (Free!)	 About 7,800 USD ⇒NO exemption
Line Handling Fees	 About 1,700 USD 100%exemption (Free!)	 About 1,000 USD ⇒NO exemption
Towage Fees	 About 3,100 USD 100%exemption (Free!)	 About 1,800 USD ⇒NO exemption
<b>Total Cost</b>	 <b>0 USD (ALL FREE!!)</b>	 <b>About 31,300~32,500 USD</b>

※However, within the scope of fiscal year



Port of Kisarazu has a good incentive program for first time Cruise ships callers - almost all port costs are to be exempted.

Currently pier capacity of both Tokyo and Yokohama have gone down (Harumi pier & Yamashita pier) – Kisarazu which is located on the east side of Tokyo bay is a good alternative for quick turnaround with just 30 mins drive to Haneda Airport and 1hr to Narita Airport. The port also has an outlet store – a perfect stop for disembarking passengers and crew to do some shopping.

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## PORT COSTS

### Port of Yatsushiro / RCL Japan claim USD 10 head tax

The Port of Yatsushiro has a brand new cruise pier called "Kumamon Cruise Terminal" – name is based on their local mascot. The pier is partly financed by RCL Japan Holdings LTD.

The port has announced on behalf of RCL Japan that they will claim USD 10 per passenger as "Head tax". This will start from Jan 2021.

The procedure is unknown as to how this will be paid - if it is a direct cost to RCL Japan Holdings LTD, or paid through Yatsushiro Port Authority. Japan also does not accept USD, which could indicate that it may be changed to Japanese Yen instead.

Please plan for this additional cost of USD 10 / JPY 1,000 per passenger visiting this port in your future budgets.

Children between 0-5 years old are free, while children between 6-12 years old will be charged USD 5.

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## WSS SERVICE UPDATE



### Incoming Japanese Crew change under COVID-19

Currently Japanese crew flying into Japan from a foreign country are highly advised to do a 14-day quarantine at the first airport they arrive at before further domestic travel. Wilhelmsen Japan offers services to arrange transportation, hotel and diet settlement for crew staying in quarantine.

### 550 views on our Cruise Dashboard

We are happy to see our Cruise Dashboards are actively being used. The page for berth availability have now over 550 views, almost 1 year after we actively released this.

If you or any of your team members need [access to our webpage](#), feel free to contact us anytime for account setup.

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