

Welcome to Minamishimabara!

Experience a Homestay with Local Farmers or Fishermen



The city of Minamishimabara is located on the southern edge of Nagasaki Prefecture. Surrounded by the sea and the mountains, Minamishimabara is blessed by a rich natural environment, fundamental for the prosperity of its three key industries: Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery. With the intent to promote tourism and make the most of these resources, the city offers work-and-stay experiences, hosted by local farmers and fishermen.

During their stay the host family warmly welcomes the guest and treats them like a family member. In exchange, the guest is expected to work in the fields and, according to the season, help in planting or harvesting rice or vegetables. If the host is a fishing family, the guest will help in fishing activities. Both the guest and the host can enjoy cooking meals together using freshly gathered local products. The time spent together will likely deepen the relationship between the guest and the host, so that they'll most likely even shed tears while saying goodbye...

How about trying out a homestay by local people and experience the charming atmosphere of Minamishimabara, all at once?

The Key Points of a Homestay Experience in Minamishimabara!



Real

This homestay plan is offered in a highly productive area for Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery, thus the guest can experience everyday life of the townspeople and enjoy the freshness of real local products.

Safe

All the host families have obtained a permission from the public health center to offer a simple accommodation and they all have a liability insurance. Furthermore, all hosts have attended a safety management training on sanitary hygiene, therefore the guest can be sure to stay by a safe host.

Cool

This homestay plan combines both the working experience and the night stay, so the guest has enough time to overcome the language barrier and the chance to experience the excitement of spending quality time with the host family.



【Homestay Schedule】 (Example)

※ The schedule will be adjusted according to the guest's arrival time

[1st Day]

- 14:00 **Meeting at a Specified Place**
After arrival, transfer to the host family
- 14:30 **Arrival at the Host Family's House**
Self introductions, explanation of the host family's rules, etc.
- 15:00 **Help Working with the Host Family**
Experience various activities according to the season: farming/fishing, cooking home-made meals using harvested products, etc.
- 17:30 **Cook & Eat Dinner, Clean Up**
Cook dinner together with the host family
- 19:00 **Bath Time**
A public bath/hot spa may be available in the neighborhood
- 20:00 **Chat Time**
Converse to deepen the relationship with your host
- 22:00 **Bed Time**

[2nd Day]

- 6:30 **Wake Up, Prepare & Eat Breakfast, Clean Up**
- 8:30 **Leave the Hostfamily**



【 Work Plan 】 (Example)

- Farm:** vegetables' seed planting, rice cultivation, harvest
- Fishery:** yellowtail feeding, fishing, fish dressing
- Forestry:** thinning, pruning, lawn-mowing, wood-chopping, making personal chopsticks
- Others:** cooking local cuisine, canle feeding



【Homestay Plan Fees】

Includes: 1 night, with two meals (Dinner, Breakfast) and a half day of work with farmers/fishermen

- 9,000yen (tax excluded) **Adult** (12 years old or older)
- 7,000yen (tax excluded) **Child** (It is younger than 11 years old 7 years old or older)
- 4,000yen (tax excluded) **Child** (It is younger than 6 years old 3 years old or older)

※ All the above homestay plan fees include an insurance premium.

※ Reservation is available starting at a minimum of 2 applicants.



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