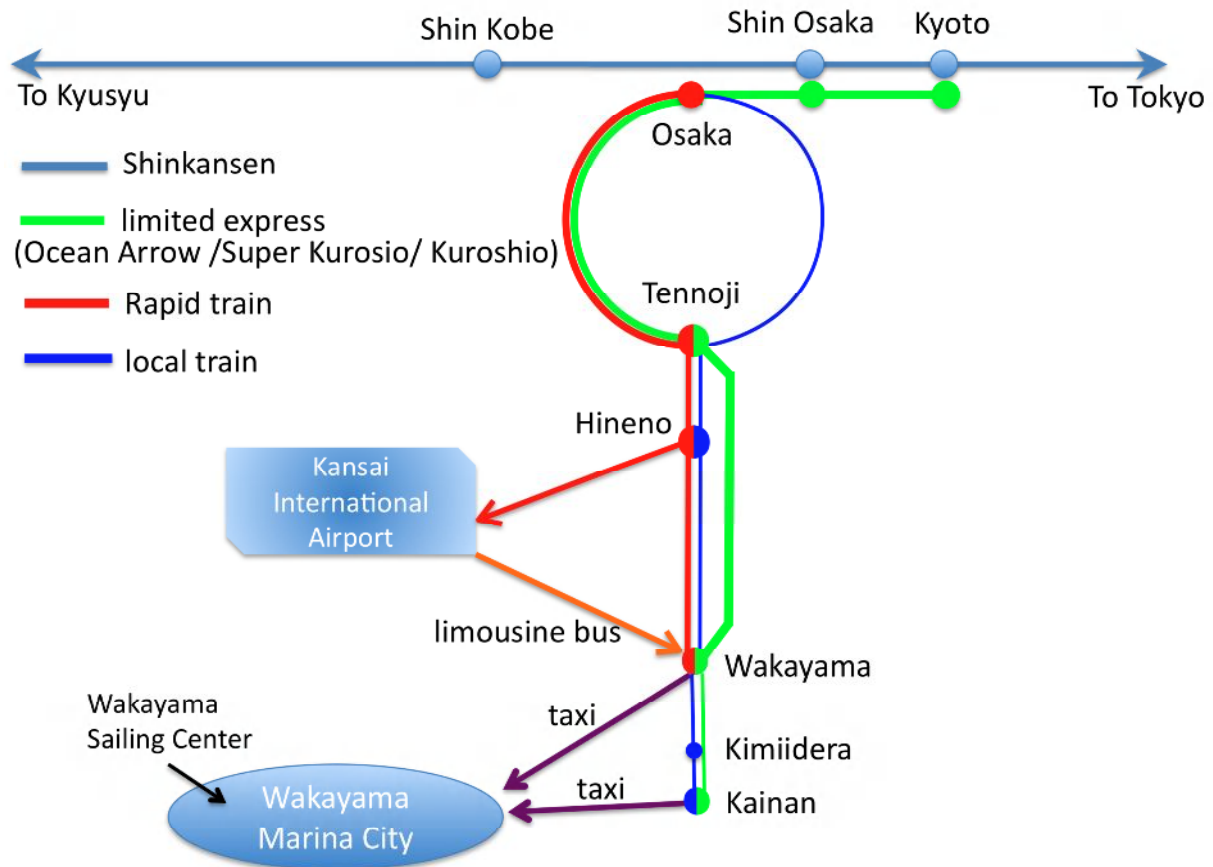


Access Information to Wakayama

Wakayama Sailing Center, the venue of the Tasar Worlds 2009, is in Wakayama Marina City which is a famous leisure island located in south of Wakayama city. We hope that this information would be a help to get to the Tasar Worlds 2009.



By air

The nearest international airport to Wakayama is Kansai International Airport. From the airport we recommend you to take a limousine bus. The fare is just 1100 JPY and you'll be free from complicated transit with your large luggage.

Bus stops are located outside the International Arrivals floor of the Passenger Terminal Building (1st floor center). Tickets can be purchased from ticket vending machines behind the bus stops. A limousine bus to Wakayama runs every 30 minutes from the bust stop No.3.

It takes about 40 minutes to JR (Japan Railways) Wakayama station. It is the first stop and you won't miss it.

Time schedule and location of the bust stop is available from the following link.

*official website of Kansai International Airport.

<http://www.kansai-airport.or.jp/en/access/bus/index.html>

bus stop#3



ticket vending machines



From JR Wakayama station - taxi

The easiest way to go to Wakayama Sailing Center or your hotel from JR Wakayama station is taking a taxi. As you get off a limousine bus, you'll see a taxi stand.

It takes about 20 – 30 minutes to Wakayama Marina City and the fare will be 3000 – 3500 JPY.



Taxi stand seen from the bus stop



Taxi stand at
JR Wakayama Station (East exit)

From JR Wakayama station - train

If you like a bit of adventure, you can take a JR (Japan Railways) local train from Wakayama station (platform #4) to Kainan station where closer to Wakayama Marina City. It takes 13 minutes and costs 230JPY from Wakayama station to Kainan station. You can take a taxi from Kainan station to Wakayama Marina City and it'll cost about 1000JPY.

If you stay at Kimiidera Garden Hotel Hayashi, do not go to Kainan station and get off at Kimiidera station. You can walk from Kimiidera station to the hotel.

By train

Some may spend days in Japan before the event and take a train from Tokyo, Kyoto, Osaka or other areas to Wakayama. It takes about 80 minutes from Osaka to Wakayama by a rapid train and the fare is 1210JPY. Additional fee for express ticket is necessary to take a limited express.

A limited express (Kuroshio / Super Kuroshio / Ocean Arrow)

If you take a Bullet train (Shin-kan-sen) from areas such as Tokyo, Nagoya or Kyusyu, get off at Shin-Osaka station or Kyoto station. From those stations, you can take a limited express (Kuroshio / Super Kuroshio or Ocean Arrow) to Wakayama station. It runs once an hour and takes about 60 minutes from Shin-Osaka station to Wakayama station. Some of the expresses go to and stop at Kainan station. You are lucky if you can take that to Kainan station.

It will be a comfortable trip on the limited express but you need to buy an express ticket 1650JPY in addition to the fare from Shin-Osaka, 1210JPY.

A rapid train

From JR Osaka station or JR Tennoji (ten-no-ji) station, you can take a rapid train. It runs 2-3 times an hour. It takes about 90minuts from Osaka to Wakayama and the fare is 1210JPY. Additional fee for express ticket is not necessary. A trip by a rapid train is not bad. It is reasonable and not too slow. If you are at Shin-Osaka station, you may take a limited express or you may move to Osaka station and take a rapid train.

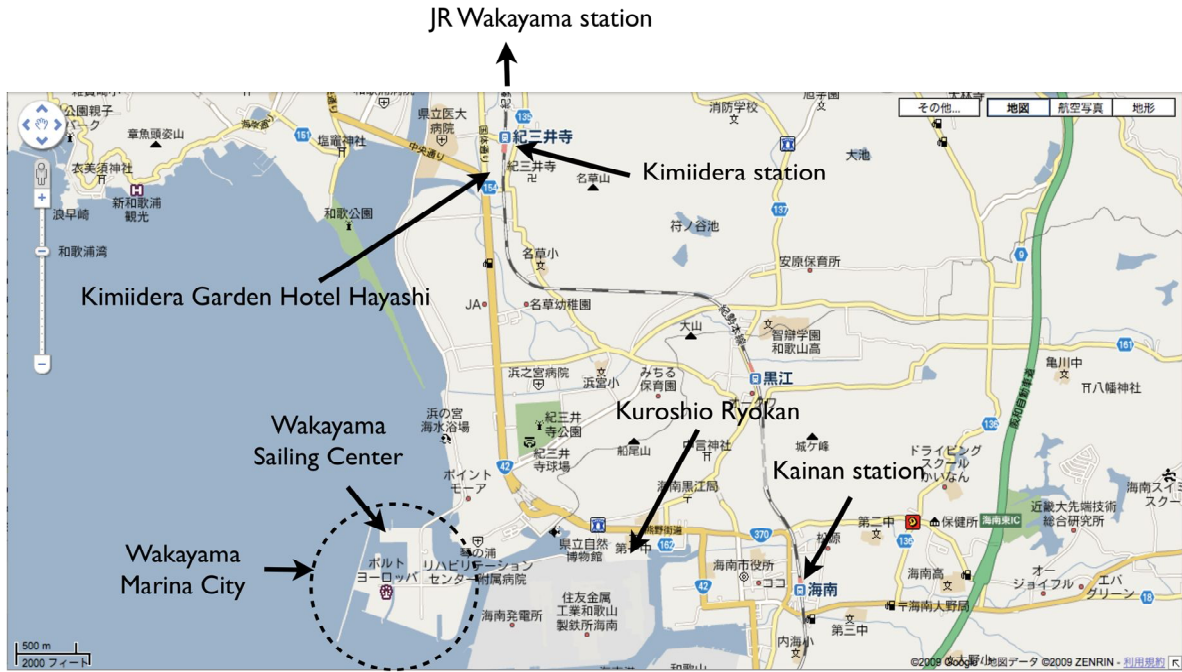
Be careful that you won't get on the first four cars in traveling direction, which will be uncoupled at Hineno station and go to Kansai International Airport. English announcement in the train will help you.

When you get off at JR Wakayama station, you can go out from any one of two exits. A taxi stand is available at the outside of each exit.

Map

Following maps show the locations of Wakayama Sailing Center, your hotels and Kainan station for reference.

Map – area



Map – enlargement

