

Visitors Guide

Park Open 9:30 - 17:00 (Last entry to Birdwatching Center at 16:30)

Free Entry

Closed Tuesday and Dec28-Jan1 (closed Wednesday if Tuesday falls on a public holiday) May temporarily open on Jan 1, during summer vacations and other occasions.

Group Bookings All groups are required to book in advance, including those who are not taking part in any events or tours.

MAP

Travel Time
 40min by car from Matsue
 30min by car from Izumo
 10min by car from Izumo Airport
 15min by car from San-in Expressway's Shinji Exit

Free parking
Nearest Station
 Koyukan Shineki Station (Ichibata Train)
 10min walk

* Traffic lights are only shown on Route 23 and Route 431.

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 **Birdwatching**

The Birdwatching Center is a great place to enjoy birding indoors through the window.



Discover various species of wild birds at different times of the year in and around Lake Shinji, the park and biotope pond.

Spring-Summer Birds such as ospreys often perch on the wood pole in the lake. In summer, listen to the oriental reed warbler chirping away on the lakeshore.



Autumn-Winter Winter is the prime time for seeing the largest flock of birds at Green Park. Many species of migratory ducks inhabit Lake Shinji from autumn to winter. Other wintering birds can also be spotted.



Spring&Autumn During their migration, waders such as greenshanks and plovers are seen resting on the lakeshore and in the pond before departing.



From the 2nd floor of the facility, you may be able to see white-fronted geese and tundra swans flocking in paddy fields. In mid-March, white-fronted geese can be seen at times flying over the northern mountain to their breeding grounds.



Exhibits & Events

Special Exhibitions
 In summer and winter, special exhibitions are held with a theme such as wildlife and nature. We also have seasonal exhibitions such as the migratory bird display in fall and land snail collection in the rainy season.



Activities & Events
 Learn something about nature while having fun by taking part in a seasonally-themed craft activity, quiz or a guided tour around the park. There are also special exhibitions. * Held irregularly



Nature Observation Program
 Every month, we hold a nature watch tour, exploring different areas of the park, forest, lakeshore and pond, with a different focus each time (birds, insects, plants, etc.). * Book in advance as numbers are limited



Firsthand Nature Study Program
 Experience birdwatching, hear about the Ramsar Convention, observe wild insects in the park or get involved in a nature study activity. We can accommodate according to your purpose, numbers and visiting hours. * Advance bookings necessary



Nature-oriented park on the shores of Lake Shinji

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Waterbirds congregate in large numbers to this lakeside nature-oriented park

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Experience nature!

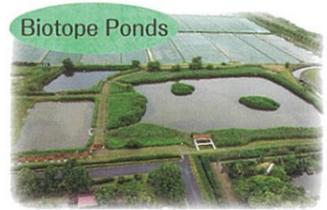
Shinjiko Green Park was designed to conserve the environment inhabited by wildlife and enable visitors to become more familiar with the region's natural environment. We will continue to play an active role in raising awareness in the community about nature conservation by holding nature and wildlife-themed exhibitions and nature watch activities.

Diverse natural settings

In addition to the park forest and pond, there are various features that make up the vast natural landscape such as the waters of Lake Shinji, the shoreline and paddy fields.



Izumo region's native trees are planted here, along with fruit trees favored by wild birds. Tree name labels and information signboards are found here as well.



These ponds were designed to suit waders and shore creatures. The ponds' water depth differs and can be adjusted.



Entry to this area is restricted to conserve the habitat of birds and other wildlife. Visitors can view the Kingfisher Pond and Bird Bath Fountain from the birdwatching window.



Small birds can drink and bathe in this shallow fountain.

Green Park's surroundings:



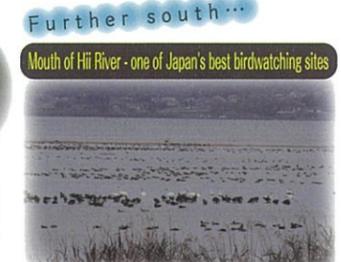
With a distinctive brackish water environment and rich nature, both Lake Shinji and Nakaumi were jointly registered as Wetlands of International Importance under the Ramsar Convention in November 2005.



With the help of local farmers, we fill the paddy fields with water during winter to create a suitable environment for waterfowl such as tundra swans.



The lake shore has a grass bank and a gentle slope. The shallow area beyond sits on an artificial island.



Sandbars, reed beds, and a riparian grove in the wide river mouth area, along with the nearby paddy fields, attract a variety of wild birds including waterfowl species.

Experience & Learn Enjoy a panoramic view of Lake Shinji **Birdwatching Center**



The facility is equipped with binoculars for you to enjoy birdwatching. Our staff are always ready to help you get started. There are lots of new things to try out and broaden your interest in wildlife and nature.



Get to know some interesting facts about Lake Shinji, Lake Nakaumi and the Ramsar Convention. There are also fun exhibits that will lure you to the world of wildlife and nature.