

■ Site of Kabasaki Battery (Municipally Designated Historic Site)

The Kabasaki Battery was constructed to defend Uwajima Bay over a ten-month period from March to December 1855.

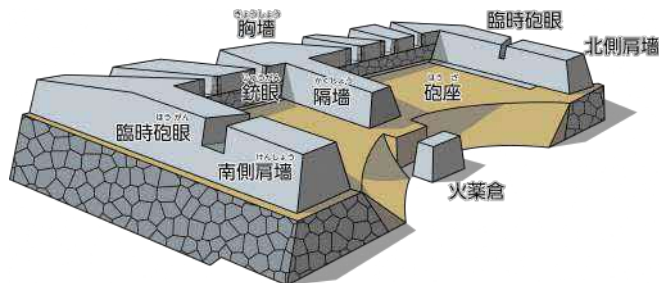
The Uwajima Domain planned a network of coastal batteries at four locations: Misho-Hisayoshi, Ebisuyama, Kaminada, and Kabasaki. The Hisayoshi Battery, designed by Takano Choei, was completed in 1850. Construction of the Kabasaki and Ebisuyama batteries within Uwajima Bay was later planned, but the project was temporarily suspended following a major earthquake in 1854. The work resumed after financial support was provided by the benefactor Ninomiya Chobei Ariaki.

The Kabasaki Battery was built using Dutch engineering methods. In addition, Japanese artillery specialists devised a layout that allowed for two extra cannons in addition to the five main cannons facing the bay.

In July 1866, the battery fired a ceremonial salute toward the warship carrying British Minister Sir Harry Parkes upon his arrival in Uwajima. A return salute was also fired in January of the following year when Sir Ernest Mason Satow visited the area.

In 1992, historical research and archaeological excavation surveys were conducted to support restoration efforts. Based on these findings, structures such as the parapet have been restored and are carefully maintained today.

*This site is located within the grounds of this museum and available for viewing.



■ Visitor Information

● Opening Hours

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
(Last admission at 4:30 p.m.)

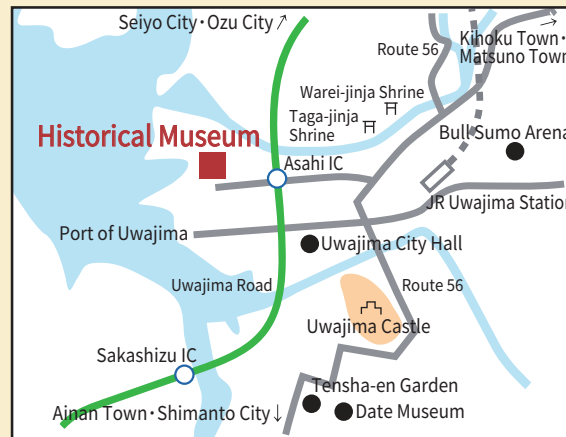
● Closed

Tuesdays (or the following day if Tuesday is a national holiday)
Year-end and New Year Holidays (December 29 – January 3)

● Admission

Free

■ Access Information



● By Car (Free Parking Available)

From Matsuyama City:
Exit Uwajima Road at Asahi IC and turn right
From Ainan Town:
Take Route 56 or exit Uwajima Road Sakashizu IC

● By Public Transportation

From JR Uwajima Station:
Take a city bus bound for Akamatsu (about 6 minutes) and get off at Sumiyoshi-cho Bus Stop

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