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TOURS

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TOUR INFORMATION

1. Special Services runs one tour every Sunday throughout the year.
2. The bus leaves from the Enlisted Messhall at 1200 hours on tours 1 thru 6. Tour No. 7 leaves at 1000 AM and tour No. 8 leaves at 0800 AM. All stop at COM to pick up officer personnel.
3. No reservations are necessary except for tour No. 8. All tours are free of charge.
4. You are encouraged to bring your camera and plenty of film.
5. Tours are open to all personnel supported by MCAF Special Services. You may bring a guest along.
6. The schedule of tours is posted on the Bulletin Board by the MCAF Exchange.
7. In the event a tour is canceled by weather a bulletin will be posted in the Enlisted Mess hall and COM.
8. Reservations may be made for tour No. 8 at Special Services office. Ext. 365

TOUR NUMBER: 1  
 DEPARTURE TIME: 12 Noon Sunday  
 DESTINATION: Island to Nago

This tour runs along Highway # 1 on the western coast of Okinawa to the north of the Island to Nago. Several stops are made at interesting historical and scenic spots: Kadena, Noguni Soka Monument Hija Bashi, Takoyama, Yamada Castle Site, Moon Beach, Kyoda-No-Temiji, Todoroki-No-Taki, Nago Castle Site, Orion Beer Factory, and Nago.

On this tour we visit Orion Beer Breweries Company which is located in Nago. Not only does this trip afford good educational information but it also presents a scenic view, the coastline along the east China Sea to our destination.



TOUR NUMBER: 2  
 DEPARTURE TIME: 1200 Noon Sunday  
 DESTINATION: Nakagusuku Castle

This tour covers part of the central portion of Okinawa and includes, CoCa-Cola plant, Yudori Tombs, Urasoe Castle Site, Awase Benzuro Shrine, Katsuren Castle Site, White Beach, Yakena, and Nakagusuku Castle.



TOUR NUMBER: 3  
 DEPARTURE TIME: 1200 Noon Sunday  
 DESTINATION: Suicide Cliff

This is a very interesting trip through Naha Air Base to Itoman and the south western tip of Okinawa: Itoman, Buckner memorial, Cave of the Virgins, Kompaku Tower, Suicide Cliff, Nanzan Castle, and the Kadeshi Well.

Memorable as the site of war time tragedy, this cliff stands on the seaward side of Mount Mabuni. Here the Japanese Army prepared their final defences in the Okinawan Campaign, establishing their headquarters in a cave on the side of the mountain. There are now many war memorials sponsored by various prefectures of Japan.





TOUR NUMBER: 4  
DEPARTURE TIME: 1200 Noon Sunday  
DESTINATION: Kin Village Area

This tour runs along the east coast to the central portion of Okinawa: Koza City, Chibana, Ishikawa, Kin Village, Kin Mental Hospital and Tubercular Sanatorium, Kannon Temple & Kin Cave, the Kin Wells and Natural Spring Baths and the Kin Elementary School.

One of the oldest on Okinawa, this temple is located on the west side of Kin Village. On the temple grounds is one of the greatest stalactite caves in Okinawa. This temple was established by a Japanese priest who came to Kin in 1522 to drive away a serpent and other evil spirits that wrought havoc into the village.



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TOUR NUMBER: 5  
DEPARTURE TIME: 1200 Noon Sunday  
DESTINATION: Naha City

This is a tour of Naha City and its environs including the ancient capital of Shuri. The tremendous progress made in the several activities common to a thriving city can be appreciated through this tour: Ryukyu Weather Bureau, Tomari Reservoir, International Cemetery, Wakamatsu Commercial Street, Naha Central Post Office, Nami-No-Ue, Ono-Yama Park, Ryukyu Police Department, Government of the Ryukyus Building, Childrens Park, Naha Central Prison Kokusai Boulevard, Kannondo Temple, Tame-Udun mausoleum, Shuri Castle Gate Sonoy Utaki Stone Gate, Shuri Castle Site, Ryuhi Spring, Benzai Ten Pond, Ryutan Pond, and the Shuri Museum.



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TOUR NUMBER: 6  
DEPARTURE TIME: 1200 Noon Sunday  
DESTINATION: Yonabaru

This is a very interesting trip to the southeastern part of Okinawa through the Chinen Peninsula. This tour starts at Futema, passes through Naha, Kokuba River, Kochinda and Gushichan, and around the Chinen Peninsula to Yonabaru: Hananda Natural Bridge, Minatogawa Quarry, O-Shima, Chinen Rice Paddies, Chinen Castle Site, Seifa Utaki, Sashiki Castle Site, and Yonabaru. Yonabaru, the largest town in the southeastern part of Okinawa, is most widely-known for its yearly tug-of-war held in the autumn. The town has always been the trade and traffic center of the southeastern coast; and until 1945, was an important railroad junction. There was a narrow gauge railroad from Yonabaru to Naha and a horse-drawn coach rail to the village of Awase.

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TOUR NUMBER: 7  
DEPARTURE TIME: 1000 AM Sunday  
DESTINATION: Yagaji Island

This scenic tour covers the Motobu Peninsula. The first stop is made at Nago but description of this town will be omitted since it has been covered by tour # 1: Haneji Rice Paddies, Yagaji Island, Hokuzan Castle Site, Toguchi Port, Awa Shrine, and the Yabu Temple.



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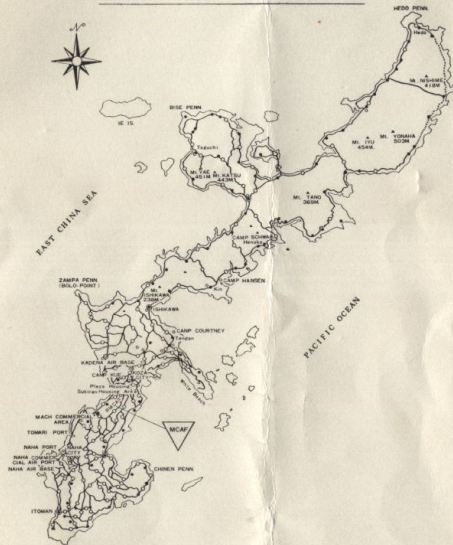


SPECIAL TOUR NUMBER: 8  
 DEPARTURE TIME: 0800 AM Sunday  
 DESTINATION: Most Part of Okinawa

This is an extended tour to the northwestern most part of Okinawa. The tour runs north along the Eastern Coast and returns south down the Western Coast: Nago, Shioya Bay, Okuma, Hedo, Olu, Dana, Sosu, Ada, Aha, Taira, Henoko, and Kin.



### MAP OF OKINAWA



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