Tsukuba Space Center (TKSC)

Visit Guide
Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency

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http://global.jaxa.jp/
http://global.jaxa.jp/about/centers/tksc/index.html
(Tsukuba Space Center)

Self-Guided Tour (Space Dome/Planet Cube)

Open
10:00～17:00 (Spaca Dome opens from 9:30)
Admission
Free

Reservation
Prior contact to Tour Reception Desk for reservation is required if you come in group of 10 or more people or by chartered bus. If you come in group of 9 or less, no prior reservation is required.

Tour Reception Desk
TEL:029-868-2023 (10:00～16:30)
FAX:029-868-2851
CLOSED:Monday(irregular), Year-end and New Year holidays (from Dec.29 to Jan.3), and facility maintenance day (irregular).
Please check our opening days on the web.
→http://global.jaxa.jp/about/centers/tksc/

Guided Tour (Advanced reservations required) 70mins.
The tour will take you to “KIBO” Flight Control Room and the Astronaut Training Facility. You can see realtime operations of “KIBO”, the Japanese Experiment Module on the International Space Station, and know about astronauts’ selection, training, and healthcare.

■ Admission
Adult (18 years old or over)
Except high-school students
500 yen (tax included)

High-school students and 17 years old or younger
(Exclusive student ID.
Free

Teachers leading a school trip (for educational purposes sponsored by the school) with students who are high-school students or younger (Please show your teacher's ID)
Free

People with disabilities and one attending person
(Physical, rehabilitation, mental, or A-bomb disability certificate.
Free

■ Reservation
• Phone Tour Reception Desk ☎029-868-2023 (10:00～16:30)
• Web http://fanfun.jaxa.jp/visit/tsukuba/tour.html#visit_tour

■ Notice
English tour
If you would like a tour in English, early reservation is strongly recommended because the English tour is not always available for schedule conflict reasons.

■ Individual tourist
You will board Tsukuba Space Center's tour bus.
Weekdays and Sat., Sun., National Holidays
11:30 15:00

■ Group tourist
If you come to TKSC by chartered bus, the bus is used to transport you to the tour site.

Weekdays and Sat., Sun., National Holidays
10:00 11:30 13:30 15:00
Number of bus available for tour
2 1 2 1

Notice to TKSC visitors ●Please take your trash with you. ●Do not damage or destroy exhibits, facilities, devices, or buildings. ●Smoking is prohibited in TKSC except in designated areas. ●Eating and drinking are prohibited inside and around the Space Dome and Planet Cube, but permitted at E-2 building and cafeteria (C-2). The cafeteria is open only on weekdays and can be used by all guests with registration. ●Pets are not allowed except for service animals. ●TKSC is not responsible for any accidents, damages, or injuries that may happen to visitors.
00 Dream Port
Beautiful 1/1,000,000 scale model of the Earth welcomes you.

01 MAMORUHOSHI
Overview of the Tsukuba Space Center and introduction of satellite activities.

02 Utilization for Communications and Positioning
Overview of the mission and its achievement of Communication Satellites and Positioning Satellites including a test model of the Data Relay Test Satellite “KODAMA” (DRTS).

03 Satellites Opening up the Future
Hot topics of satellites — Satellites launched recently and to be launched in the future.

04 The Challenging History of JAXA’s Space Development
The history of Japan’s space development and accumulated numerous achievements, showing an example of Engineering Test Satellite “KIKU” (ETS) series.

05 Utilization for Earth and Environment Observation
Overview of the mission and its achievement of Earth Observation Satellites including a test model of the Advanced Land Observing Satellite “DAICHI” (ALOS).

06 Human Space Activities Space Environment Utilization
Overview of the International Space Station (ISS) project and utilization of the space environment, showing a full-scale model of the Japanese experiment module “KIBO” on the ISS and a test model of the H-II Transfer Vehicle “KOUNOTORI” (HTV).

07 Vision
Large floor screen shows the movements of spacecrafts in orbit.

08 Space Transportation Systems
Overview of Japan’s launch vehicles showing the actual LE-7A and LE-5 rocket engines used in combustion tests and these 1/20 scale models.

09 Space Science and Solar System Exploration
Overview of space science & Lunar and Planetary exploration showing a test model of the Selenological and Engineering Explorer “KAGUYA” (SELENE) and 1/2 scale model of the HAYABUSA.

10 Fundamental Research and Development
Introducing Fundamental research & development and our new challenges of space utilization by displaying “real” equipment used for spacecraft.

Audio guidance
Audio guidance is available at the Space Dome.

http://tkscdome-guide.com