



About measures in response to COVID-19 (15th update)

Greetings

Guntû operates as a passenger cruise ship in the Seto Inland Sea under license by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism. Our travel experience as a “little inn floating on the Seto Inland Sea” is made possible through the daily support of people across the Setouchi region.

There are no doctors or nurses on board.

In addition, guntû journeys may include excursions to islands with limited access to medical infrastructure and professionals.

In order to ensure the safety of all passengers on board, as well as residents in the Setouchi region, we ask for our guests' understanding and cooperation with measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Before making a travel application, as well as before embarking, please be sure to read the following conditions.

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1. Boarding conditions

Passengers, as well as accompanying family members and travelers, who fall under the following categories will be unable to board guntû.

- A) Have had a temperature of 37.5°C/99.5°F or greater and/or symptoms inclusive of but not limited to: coughing, sore throat, difficulty breathing, chest pains, and abnormal sense of taste or smell within 7 days prior to the date of embarkation.
- B) Close contact with a person(s) who has been infected with COVID-19, or who appears likely to be infected* within 7 days prior to the date of embarkation.
 - * Contact by touch without necessary infection prevention measures or proximity within 1 meter for greater than 15 minutes (excluding temporary contact within public areas, such as transit)
- C) Have been diagnosed with COVID-19 and have been hospitalized or recuperating at home or in a hotel or other facility, and have been discharged or have completed their recuperation period within 7 days prior to the date of embarkation.
- D) Users of medical devices for respiratory diseases (oxygen cylinders, oxygen concentrators, etc.) who are likely to develop severe symptoms from a COVID-19 infection.
- E) Have a temperature greater than 37.5°C/99.5°F as measured during the boarding procedures on the day of departure.
- F) Received a “positive” result in the antigen test administered during pre-boarding reception.

* For those who fall under A-F, we will NOT charge cancellation fees. The passenger will bear the expense of transportation and local accommodation.

* Residents of Japan should submit a copy of their passport or residence card prior to departure.

* If you have any underlying medical conditions, especially respiratory diseases, please consult with your physician before making a reservation.

2. Before departure

In order to ensure the health, safety, and comfort of our passengers and crew aboard guntû, antigen tests will be administered to guests prior to boarding. The cost of testing is included in the tour price.

Antigen testing for COVID-19

Antigen tests will be administered on the day of departure in the Setouchi Lounge. Boarding will be contingent upon a “negative” result.



3. On day of departure

After arriving at the Setouchi Lounge, guests will be asked to fill out a health questionnaire and cooperate with a temperature check and antigen test.

Guests will be requested to present identification in the form of one photo ID (copy acceptable) or two non-photo IDs (original only) *¹, in accordance with the guidelines of the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport, and Tourism. Guests must disinfect their hands with alcohol-based disinfectant before boarding. The use of masks is optional.

Guests found to have a temperature above 37.5°C /99.5°F or a “positive” result in the antigen test (and accompanying passengers and close contacts) *² will be unable to board the ship. We will not charge a cancellation fee but accommodation and transportation to and from Bella Vista Marina will be at the guest’s expense.

*1 Boarding procedures may take longer when identity cannot be confirmed.

*2 The determination of who constitutes a close contact will be made by the local public health center.

4. While on board

Please alert our crew as soon as possible if you feel sick while on board. We will administer antigen tests to you and any close contacts.

Passengers who test positive, as well as their close contacts, will be quarantined until the ship returns to Bella Vista Marina. Other guests will be asked to remain in their cabins. In the case that the test returns a “negative” result, the captain may still determine that the symptoms require quarantine or disembarkation at the nearest port.

5. Enhancing hygiene and cleanliness onboard guntû

Public areas such as handrails and the elevator are frequently sanitized. In addition, disinfectant spray is available at various locations around the ship.

For the most up-to-date information regarding our safety protocols, please refer to “About measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19,” which can be found on the top page of guntû’s website <<https://guntu.jp/en/>>, or via the QR code to the right.





6. Crew

Our crew members are required to conduct twice-daily temperature checks and health checks, as well as regularly scheduled PCR tests and antigen tests.

Crew members may wear gloves, masks and mouth shields during service depending on circumstances.

7. Visitors

In principle, we do not allow visitors to board. For authorized people who need to be on board for business purposes, we will carry out the same procedures described in (6).

8. To guests

In order to ensure all passengers a safe and pleasant journey, we kindly ask for your cooperation with the following measures.

- Be aware of your own health condition, observe etiquette regarding coughing and sneezing
- Wash hands carefully
- Make use of the disinfectant spray placed throughout the ship
- Respect social distancing measures

In the event of non-cooperation with the Company's infection prevention measures, crew or staff members may warn you as part of their duty to ensure safety and maintain order on board, or ask you to disembark from the ship.

If you would like more information concerning COVID-19, please check the webpage:
<https://www.mhlw.go.jp/english/>

Please note that the above conditions are subject to change depending on the future epidemic situation.