

OASIS FOR URBAN LIFE

Tranquil Parks and Gardens, and Amusement Facilities

Makuhari Seaside Park in the center of New Town is a calm and peaceful green space about four times the size of Tokyo's Hibiya Park. Residents and visitors adore the tranquility the park and its many park attractions. Especially popular is "Mihama-en"—a park within a park that changes splendidly from season to season.

The Messe Mall in the Business & Research Zone is a wonderful spot for long, relaxing walks, or even just to sit down and rest. Several businesses in the Mall now keep their facilities open to the public for visitors to enjoy.



① Sharp High Technology Hall

- ◆ A space where people can interact with state-of-the-art electronic technologies related to the liquid crystal solar battery. Visitors can learn about the components and mechanisms of the liquid crystal solar battery through video images and presentation technologies still unavailable in daily life. A range of products, from the very first broadcast TV in Japan to the latest liquid crystal products, are on exhibit.



② Seiko Instruments showroom

- ◆ Allows us to experience, hands-on, the likes of electronic dictionaries and displays for sports-related bulletin.



③ "Mihama-en" Japanese Garden

- ◆ Covers around 1.6 hectares
- ◆ A sprawling Japanese garden within Makuhari New City that aims to bring together Japanese and global cultures. The park features a lake and a spring, while different areas remind us of the mountains, the rivers, the ocean, and the forest.
- ◆ Within the park is the "Shoraitai" sukiya-style teahouse that is built using Kitayama cedar from Kyoto.



④ Makuhari Seaside Park

- ◆ Planned area of approximately 71.9 ha
.....About four times the size of Tokyo's Hibiya Park
- ◆ A city park that combines greenery with the ocean. Within the park are flower beds that bloom in each of the four seasons, expansive and relaxing lawns, a quiet and serene Japanese garden, as well as the Chiba Marine Stadium. At the edge of the park is an expansive man-made beach.



⑤ Chiba Marine Stadium

- ◆ The ground itself uses a water-absorbing artificial turf and is 15,018 sq. meters in size. The baseball diamond measures 99.5 m on each wing, and 122 m in the center
- ◆ The ground has seating capacity for 30,011
- ◆ The multipurpose stadium is the home ground of the Chiba Lotte Marines baseball team and, in addition to baseball, can be used to stage other sports such as soccer or American football, as well as events such as outdoor concerts.



⑥ Marines Museum

- ◆ After waiting 31 years to bring a title home, Chiba Lotte Marines finally won the Japan World Series championship in 2005. This museum was opened to commemorate this achievement, to promote fan services, and to improve the home-town team, the symbol of Chiba.



⑦ Messe Mall

- ◆ The South Mall opened in October of 1989, followed by the North Mall in September of 1995 and then the Central Mall in June 1996
- ◆ The Messe Mall is an open space located at the center of the Makuhari New City's Business & Research Zone. It is a long, thin city park that runs north to south and in which people can relax and stroll. Under both the North and South blocks is public underground car parking with a capacity of 280 cars under the South Mall (Parking Lot 1) and 459 under the North Mall (Parking Lot 2), giving a total capacity of 739 cars.