

**Floor 4** Cultural Exchange Exhibition Hall **Paid**

Trace the formation of Japan within Asia's history

Subtitled "Ocean Ways, Asian Paths," this exhibition hall is divided into five chronological themes. You can explore this space in any order – take a look at whatever interests you!

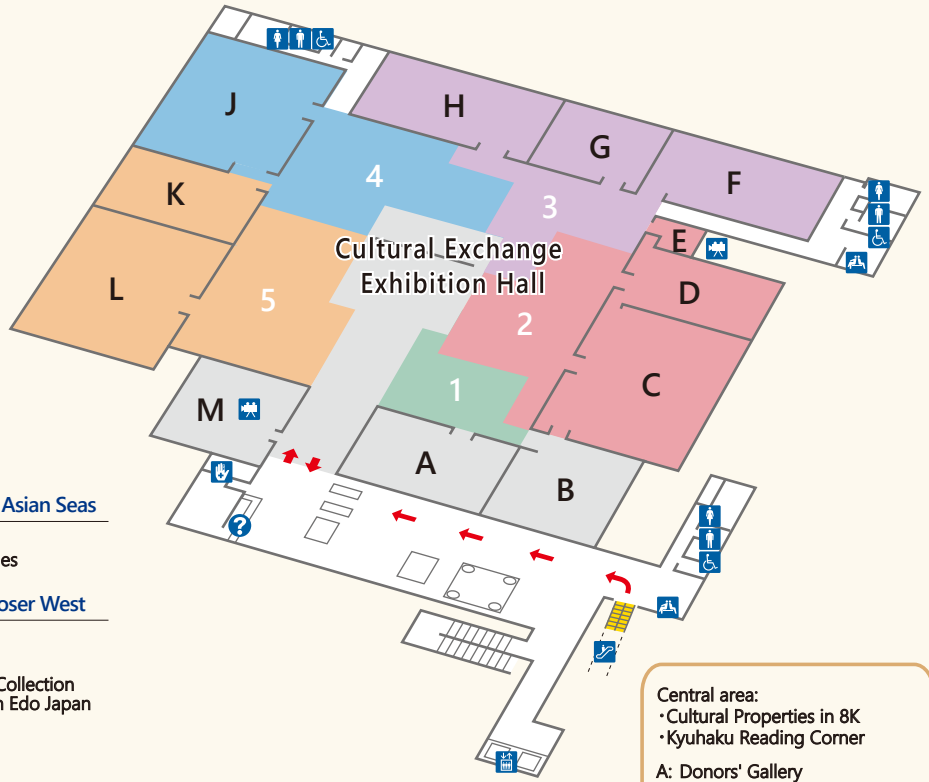
**1 Jōmon People: Advancing Towards the Sea**  
35,000 years ago – 4th century BCE

**2 From Crop to Country**  
4th century BCE – 7th century CE  
C: From East Asia to Ancient Japan  
D: Ancient Tomb Rituals  
E: Screening Room

**3 The Age of the Envoys**  
7th – 12th century  
F: Asian Deities and Buddhas  
G: A Short Trip to Asia  
H: Envoys and the Silk Road

**4 Merchants of the Asian Seas**  
12th – 16th century  
J: Medieval Exchanges

**5 Smaller World, Closer West**  
16th – 19th century  
K: Kyushu Ceramics: The Tanakamaru Collection  
L: Myriad Cultures in Edo Japan

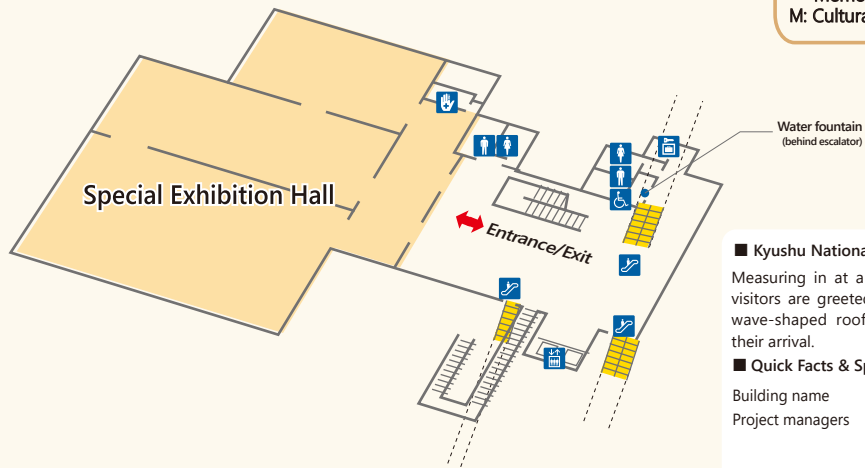


**Central area:**  
• Cultural Properties in 8K  
• Kyuhaku Reading Corner  
**A:** Donors' Gallery  
**B:** Asian Ethno-Forms: The Kaneko Kazushige Memorial Gallery  
**M:** Cultural Exchange Theater

**Floor 3** Special Exhibition Hall **Paid**

Treasures from Japan and beyond

This space plays host to objects carefully selected from collections both in Japan and abroad, bringing the world into our halls for our visitors.



**■ Kyushu National Museum**  
Measuring in at a staggering 160×80 m<sup>2</sup>, visitors are greeted by the gently sloping, wave-shaped roof of the museum upon their arrival.

**■ Quick Facts & Specifications**

Building name	Kyushu National Museum
Project managers	Agency for Cultural Affairs, Fukuoka Prefecture, Kyushu National Museum Establishment Foundation
Architects	Kikutake Architects, Kume Sekkei
Floor area	(Construction) 159,844 m <sup>2</sup> (Building) 14,623 m <sup>2</sup> (Net floor area) 30,675 m <sup>2</sup>
Floors	(Underground) 2 (Above ground) 5
Dimensions	(Height at peak) 36.1 m (Eave height) 35.0 m
Planning	September 1999–March 2001
Construction	March 2003–March 2004

**Floor 2** Staff Area (off-limits to visitors)

**Floor 1** Entrance Hall



**Exhibition hall rules**

- Please do not eat or drink in the exhibition halls.
- Be mindful of no-photography zones.
- Do not touch the exhibits unless otherwise indicated.
- Please do not take or make calls in the exhibition halls.

**General museum rules**

- Please do not eat or drink outside our designated spaces.
- Smoking is strictly prohibited inside the museum. Please use our smoking areas outside.
- Secure your umbrellas in the spaces provided. Please do not bring umbrellas inside the museum building.



**Legend**

Information	Ticket counter	Nursing room	Café	Elevator	Accessible restroom	Calm Corner	Men's restroom
Coin lockers	Cloakroom	Restaurant	Escalator	First aid room	Rest area	Women's restroom	

Interactive Exhibition Gallery

**Ajippa** **Free**

Get up close and personal with Asian and European cultures that had historical ties to Japan! This space features interactive and engaging displays for young and old alike.

**Paid** Areas with this icon require a ticket. Please purchase your ticket at our ticket counter before entering.