# AMANEMU



# Season's Greetings

We are delighted to share the festive season with you in our ryokaninspired retreat resting in the forested hills of Ise-Shima. Here, we invite you to relax and rejuvenate as you prepare for the new year ahead.

Inspired by the serene beauty of our surroundings, we have curated a festive programme filled with unique activities and exclusive experiences, all imbued with the warmth and spirit of Aman and designed to help you create unforgettable memories with your loved ones this season.

If you would like to take part in any activities or reserve a table for our special dining experiences, please do not hesitate to contact our activities team, who can assist with any special requests.

We wish you a joyful holiday season and a happy 2026.

Your Amanemu Family



## DAILY EVENTS

## 1 - 31 DECEMBER 2025

Christmas Cocktail

FESTIVE

THE LOUNGE

11:00

Imbued with festive spirit, Amanemu's talented mixologists have created an uplifting, holiday-inspired cocktail, available to try throughout the season.

Lantern Lighting

FESTIVE

RESORT PATHWAYS

18:00

Join us for our magical nightly ritual as we light the takeakari (bamboo lanterns) that line the resort's pathways every evening throughout the festive season.

Fireworks

EXPERIENCE

SUNKEN TERRACE

15 AND 31 DECEMBER 2025

Marvel the vast night sky as it comes alive with a spectacular firework display spanning across Ago Bay. Make memories with loved ones, admiring the kaleidoscope of colour from our cosy Sunken Terrace.

Sai-Shi Mai Dancing

EXPERIENCE

SUNKEN TERRACE

23 AND 26 DECEMBER 2025

At dusk, a mystical ritual called Sai-Shi Mai is performed on the Sunken Terrace against the serene backdrop of Ago Bay. Embrace the prayers and joy in each movement, from those wishing for world peace to those seeking a bountiful harvest, while taking a moment to share gratitude for the blessings of the sun and those performing the sacred dance.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

## 24 & 25 DECEMBER 2025

## Christmas Dinner

CULINARY

THE RESTAURANT

17:30 - 21:00

Since ancient times, the divers and fishermen of Ise-Shima have looked to the stars to guide their way across the sea. 'True North', a symbol of unwavering direction, has long served as a guiding light for their navigation.

This year, Amanemu's Christmas dinner celebrates celestial bodies with dishes made from ingredients rooted in the nature and traditions of Ise. Offering a taste of the blessings of the sea and land and instilling a sense of hope for the coming year, each plate is a moment to return to one's origin and set a course toward the future.

Seven-Course Dinner (23 - 25 December)

Amuse-Bouche, Appetiser, Hot Appetiser, Soup, Fish, Dessert, Petit Four

Nine-Course Dinner (23 - 25 December)

Amuse-Bouche, Appetiser, Hot Appetiser, Soup, Pasta, Fish, Meat, Dessert, Petit Four

## Wreath Making

LIBRARY

FESTIVE

THREE SET TIMES PER DAY

14:00 - 15:00 15:00 - 16:00

16:00 - 17:00

Learn how to design and make your own traditional Christmas wreath led by a local florist. A creative way to embrace the festive spirit, guests will combine beautiful, seasonal flora and fauna to create their own expressive piece.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

31 DECEMBER 2025

Countdown Party

THE LOUNGE

FESTIVE 23:30 - 00:30

Come together in the final hours of 2025 and enjoy a traditional Japanese drum performance by local musicians, alongside traditional Toshikoshi soba noodles and Champagne before the official countdown begins. In local tradition, noodles are thought to bring good luck for the year ahead and the custom of eating them on New Year's Eve dates to the Edo period. The evening culminates with an impressive firework display (weather permitting) to mark the arrival of 2026.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

JANUARY 2026

## Osechi Breakfast

THE RESTAURANT/ IN-ROOM CULINARY

1 JANUARY 2026 | 07:00 - 10:30

Osechi, a traditional Japanese New Year breakfast, comprises an assortment of colourful dishes, each holding a special meaning. Come together and enjoy this nourishing New Year feast in the Restaurant, or in the comfort of your own private suite.

# Kagami Biraki Ceremony

GARDEN

FESTIVE

1 JANUARY 2026 | 14:00 - 15:00

Celebrate 2026 with *Kagami Biraki* – a traditional Japanese New Year's ceremony where a cask of sake is smashed open with a wooden mallet and its contents served to everyone as a gift. *Kagami* refers to the lid while *biraki* means 'to open'. The round lid is said to symbolise harmony and breaking it can bring good fortune for the year ahead.

## Japanese Calligraphy Class

LIBRARY

FESTIVE

2 JANUARY 2026 | 10:00 - 16:00

Take part in our guided kakizome class – the first calligraphy of the year – in the serene setting of Amanemu's Library. Give form to your hopes and wishes for the year ahead and reflect on 2026's achievements with this mindful practice.

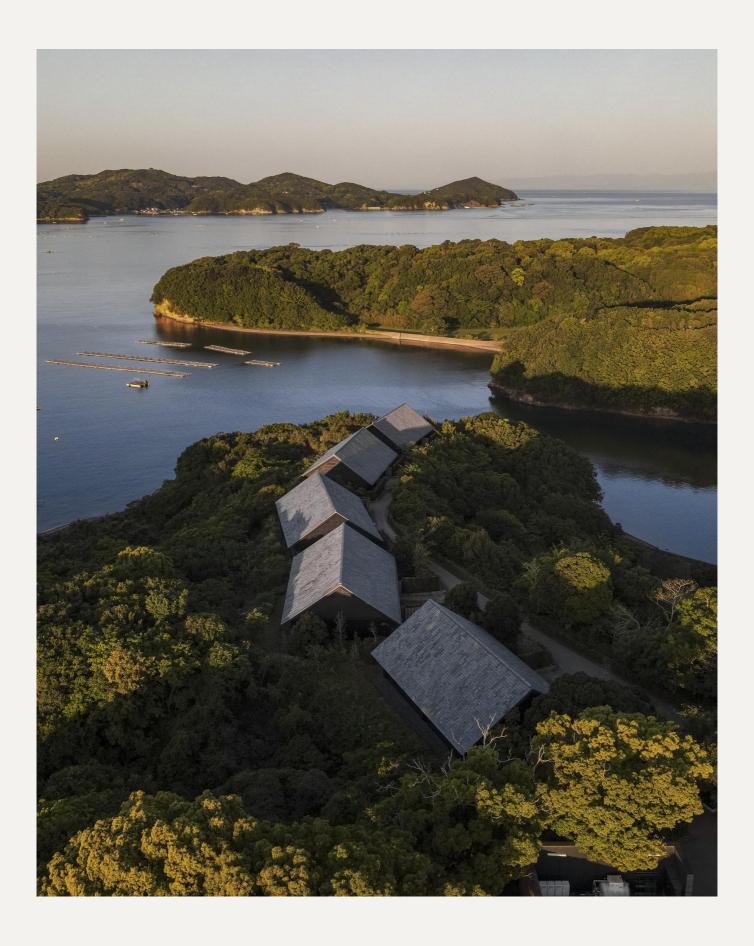
## Rice Cake Pounding

GARDEN

FESTIVE

2 JANUARY 2026 | 14:00 - 15:00

To bring good fortune for the year ahead, guests are invited to come together and taste freshly pounded rice cakes – and have a go at pounding the rice themselves.



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