



Conservation of Wetlands

By being designated as Ramsar Sites, Shinji-ko and Nakaumi are internationally recognized as valuable wetlands. Despite being highly regarded, several environmental concerns exist, such as degradation of water quality and red tide. For that reason, it is important for each individual to take part in caring for the environment. So why not try and do something now?

Wise Use of Shinji-ko and Nakaumi

The Ramsar Convention strives not only to conserve wetlands, but to promote their wise use. Hence, the term 'wise use' is emphasized by the Convention.

Efforts are now being made to ensure that Shinji-ko and Nakaumi are used wisely.



Fishery of Corbicula Clams in Shinji-ko may be considered a good example of 'wise use'. Since days gone by, the fishermen of Shinji-ko have always agreed with each other on the amount of clams taken and fishing time to prevent over catching. In addition, the small clam dredging device (Joren) has openings big enough for smaller clams to escape. This is how the fishermen here use creative means so that everyone can enjoy Shinji-ko's clams for a long time to come.



Symposium held to raise awareness



Products are branded to increase commercial value (Shinji-ko's Seven Delicacies)



Offering various recreation and tourism opportunities



Interacting with wildlife on nature tours



Testing the quality of water



Restoring the environment of wetlands