

The north-flowing "Kuroshio" ocean current brings a rich ocean harvest to Tosashimizu City in the southeastern part of Kochi, Japan.

Fishermen on small boats catch kinmedai one by one with fly fishing gear. The fish are handled very carefully, and in the evening of the same day they are packed for shipping to cities in the USA.



Kinmedai (alfonsino) is a deep sea fish. Generally, kinmedai is difficult for daily fishing operations because most of the fishing grounds are far away from the ports. However, Tosashimizu's location has an advantage for kinmedai fishing because there are good fishing areas within a half day trip distance from the port. Thus, kinmedai landed there can be kept very fresh for shipping to the US market.