

East Tokushima

The eastern part of Tokushima Prefecture is closely connected with the Kansai region as the gateway into Shikoku.

In addition to being connected to the Imperial Family from ancient times, many historical figures including the Buddhist monk Kōbō Daishi visited Awa province present day Tokushima prefecture. After 1585, the Hachisuka family ruled Awa province and Awaji island under the name of the "Tokushima domain."

The traditional cultures of Tokushima such as Aizome-dye, Awa Odori and the Awa Ningyo Jōruri traditional Japanese puppet theater have been handed down from generation to generation.

During the Edo period from the 17th century to the 19th century, the Tokushima domain prospered due to the cultivation of indigo-dye, and the "Awa Ai-indigo" became a top branded dye in Japan. The Ai-indigo merchants of the Tokushima domain sold Awa-Ai indigo all over Japan and brought back the dances and songs from these various places to spread it back to the local people.

The home of the Ningyo Jōruri is Awaji, and the Tokushima domain invited Awaji ningyo theater groups to the castle town of Tokushima-jo castle to perform. This became popular in various regions of Awa province.

The Awa-Odori dance festival originated from the Bon Festival dance that was held in the castle town of Tokushima, and it became popular with the times under the influence of other dances and songs from all over Japan, leading to the Awa-Odori of today.









Japan fought Germany in World War I, and about 1000 Germans were sent to a POW camp built in Bando, Naruto City in 1917. They introduced the culture and technology of Germany to the local people and formed some orchestras in the camp They also performed Beethoven's Ninth Symphony for the first time in Japan.



In 1869, the Tokushima domain became the Tokushima Prefecture and started on the road to modernization. During the Showa period(1926 \sim 1989), a series of wars broke out one after another, and in July 1945, the urban area of Tokushima was devastated by a great air raid by U.S. forces. The Awa Odori was revived in 1946 and is now the largest summer festival in Japan.

Since the opening of the Onaruto Bridge and Akashi Kaikyō Bridge, it has become easier to get to Tokushima so many people from around the world can come and visit.



Indigo-Dye

In May 2019, Tokushima's indigo and indigo dyeing culture were designated as a Japanese Heritage. Then, the indigo-blue design was chosen as the official emblem for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games.

In Tokushima prefecture during the Muromachi period from the 14 th to the 16th century, the middle and lower reaches of the Yoshinogawa River frequently flooded, giving way to the spread of indigo cultivation due to the fertile soil and climate carried by floods and turning the land suitable for cultivation. Then, during the Edo period (1603-1867) when cotton clothing spread throughout the country, demand for indigo grew as a dye. With the encouragement of the Tokushima domain to grow indigo plants, an indigo dye named the "Awa Ai" monopolized the market of Japan.

Indigo dye called "Japan Blue"

An Englishman who visited Japan during the Meiji period (1867-1912) called the color of the indigo colored kimono, which was worn by the Japanese people at that time, Japan Blue. Although indigo dyeing declined due to the influence of chemical dyes, the technique has been handed down and its popularity is increasing again.





Let's experience Aizome-indigo dyeing

STUDIO N2



A unique dye from all-natural indigo is created to dye clothing by hand.

Kokuwajima, Muya-cho, Naruto-City TEL: (+81) (0)90-7787-7610

URL:https://www.entwo.com/
Available from 2 people. Open: Mon, Fri, Sat, Sun and holidays. Reservation regd. Approx. 2 hrs. Eco-bag (incl.)

Material dyes) 4,500yen.

Hon Aizome Yano Factory



Continuing to honor and protect the traditional indigo-dyeing techniques since the Edo period.

●Yakami, Aizumi-cho, Itano-County
TEL: (+81) (0)88-692-8584
URL:http://yanokozyo.com/
Reservations must be made a day
before

Aizome Workshop, the Ruafu



Many families take part in the indigo-dyeing experience using the traditional techniques handed down for generations.

●6-42, Yoshinohon-cho, Tokushima-City TEL: (+81) (0)80-2983-7550 URL:http://www.indigo-dyeing.sakura.ne.jp/ Reservations must be made a day

Furushozome Factory



A workshop making handmade original dyes that have continued since the Edo period.

 9-12, Sakoshichiban-cho, Tokushima-City TEL: (+81) (0)88-622-3028
 Reservations must be made a day before

Awa Ningyo Jōruri

Traditional Japanese puppet theater

A traditional performance art in which the storytellers, shamisen players, and puppets come together to perform a play

This puppet theater was loved by both feudal lords and commoners

To the accompaniment of the shamisen, the narrator called Tayu advances the story while the puppets controlled by the three puppeteers perform the "Ningyo Jōruri" play. During the Edo period, the ruler of the Tokushima domain invited a puppet theater group from Awaji Island, the home of Ningyo Jōruri, to the castle town of Tokushima, and had them put on performances around Tokushima prefecture.



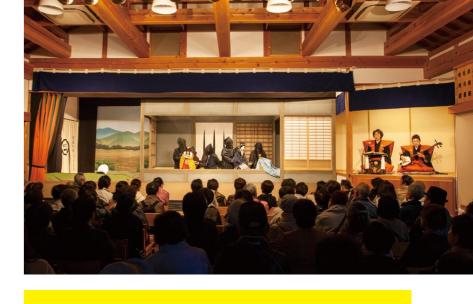
Inugai-Nouson-Butai (The Inugai Rural Theater Stage in Tokushima City)

In Tokushima, the Ningyo Jōruri was often performed at an outdoor farm village stage, so large dolls were used and performed with exaggerated actions, which became a feature of the "Awa Ningyo Jōruri."

Although there are many Ningyo theater groups in Tokushima, Mr. Martin Holman, a scholar of puppet theater from the United States, started a puppet theater group called the "Tokubeiza" in Tokushima City in October 2019. While maintaining the traditions of the Ningyo Jōruri, he is actively working on new forms of this performance art.



Members of the Tokubeiza puppet group. See their Facebook page for info about their activities.



The Tokushima Prefectural Awa Jurobe Yashiki (Puppet Theater and Museum)

A local Ningyo-za theater regularly holds Ningyo Jōruri performances at 11:00 AM and 2:00 PM every day. The museum offers puppet exhibits for hands-on experience controlling the puppets.

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●-184, Miyajima-Motoura, Kawauchi-cho, Tokushima-City
TEL: (+81) (0)88-665-2202
Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM (open until 6:00 PM during summer)
Closed from December 31st to January 3rd

The Matsushigecho Archival Museum of History and Folklore, and the Ningyo Jöruri Theater Archival Museum

Features the historical archives of the town of Matsushige. There is a free performance of the Ningyo Jōruri at 2:00 PM on the 3rd Saturday of every month.

•-11-1, Hiroshima-Yonbangoshi, Matsushige-cho, Itano-County TEL: (+81) (0)88-699-5995 Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (open

until 9:00 on Thursdays) Closed on Mondays (Tuesdays if it is a public Holiday), every 3rd Tuesday of the month (open if it is a public holiday), and from December 28th to



Hyotanjima Water Taxi

The water taxi can be used as a means of transportation to visit cultural sites such as the Awa Odori Kaikan and the Tokushima Prefectural Awa Jurobe Yashiki, as well as to go to nearby restaurants. You can board the water taxi with your bicycle.



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The Awa Odori has a history of over 400 years

Awa Odori is based on the Bon Festival that was performed in the castle town of Tokushima during the Edo period. The indigo merchants from Tokushima brought back with them songs and dances from around Japan, which later developed into Awa Odori.

During the Awa Odori festival, which is held every August in Tokushima, about 1,000 groups (called ren) dance around Tokushima downtown area. The number of people dancing and the number of people watching exceeds one million over the four days of the festival. This is a sight not to be missed. Please come and experience this amazing event and try dancing along. The steps are simple and easy for beginners.

The Summer Awa Odori

Tokushima City Dates: from August 11th to the 15th

TEL: (+81) (0)88-621-5232

(Tokushima City Nigiwai Koryu Division)

Tokushima City's Awa Odori festival is held for five days and from 6 to 10pm between August 12-14 the city center turns into a pedestrian zone and dancing can be seen everywhere. During the daytime, there is a "Selectec Awa Odori" where famous troupes dance in a hall, and or August 11, there is an opening stage performance.

Naruto City

Dates: from August 9th to the 11th

TEL: (+81) (0)88-685-3748 (Naruto Awa Odori Executive Committee)

A performance theater and stage will be located on the west side of Naruto Station.

Yoshinogawa City Dates: from August 14th to the 16th

TEL: (+81) (0)883-24-2274

(Yoshinogawa Chamber of Commerce and Industry)
The area around Kamojima Station
will turn into a field of dancing and
festivities.

Awa City Dates: Early August

TEL: (+81) (0)883-35-4211

(Awa City Tourism Association)
Held at the plaza besides the "Aeruwa" facility.

The Spring Awa Odori

Dates: Sat and Sun in mid-April

TEL: 090-5214-2737

(open on weekdays from 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM) (Hana Haru Festa Executive Committee)



The "Hana Haru Festa" event features performances of the Awa Odori dancing at Aibahama Park.

Awa Odori in Autumn

Dates: Sat and Sun in early November

TEL: (+81) (0)88-624-5111 (Tokushima Tourism Association



Enjoy a gorgeous performance of the Awa Odori at the "ASTY Tokushima" hall. Admission is free!

The Shikoku Pilgrimage

Kōbō Daishi, the founder of the Shingon sect of Buddhism, was born in 774 in Kagawa Prefecture and trained in Shikoku when he was young. This pilgrimage is a journey to 88 Buddhist temples on Shikoku that are associated with Kōbō Daishi. Many people start their pilgrimage from Tokushima prefecture.



Sometimes Shikoku residents will offer food, drinks and/or accommodation to those making the pilgrimage as part of a tradition called "osettai" to show their support. Please accept what is offered to you and enjoy interacting with the local people and other pilgrims.

The 20 pilgrimage temples in eastern Tokushima Prefecture



Tokushima Cuisine





Tokushima prefecture is one of the largest Conger

fisheries of the Hamo-conger in Japan,
shipping large quantities to Kyoto and Osaka.



The Ayu-sweetfish grown in the clear streams of eastern Tokushima Sweetfish Prefecture is of superb quality.

in the warm climate of Tokushima

have a lot of umami and flavors.

Chirimen (dried baby sardines)

The Shirasu (baby sardines) caught in Wadajima Island of Komatsushima City is a fresh and popular local specialty.

Awaodori-

One of the top brand free-range chicken in

Image courtesy of Konyamachi Yoshikono

chicken



Awa Gibier (Wild Game)

The wild deer and boar meats from Tokushima Prefecture are not only safe for consumption but also high in protein and rich in iron.





Awabiton-Pork

The pork raised in the clear air and greenery is well-marbled and flavorful.

Sea Bream The fine and high-quality

Naruto sea bream grow in size and leanness from enduring the harsh whirlpools.

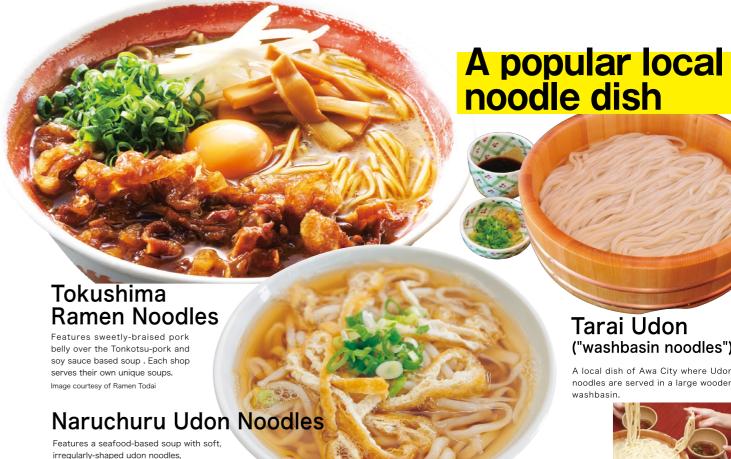




Mametentama

This Kansai-style okonomiyaki features sweet kintoki red beans and tempura for its ingredients.





("washbasin noodles") A local dish of Awa City where Udon

noodles are served in a large wooden



Calendar

Image courtesy of Oi Shokudo

Seafood Fruits and Citrus Vegetables												
Food Name	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Naruto Wakame Seaweed		Harvest		A.								
Naruto Sea Bream			Fish	ing								
Hamo-Conger						ļ	Assorted	Fishing				
Ayu (farmed sweetfish)						· ·	Shipmen					
Chirimen (Shirasu baby sardines)							S	hipment				
Strawberry			Harvest									
Grape							Harv	/est				
Chozō Mikan		Ship	ment									
Mikan (Oranges)								Harvest				
Yuko Citrus										Harvest		
Yuzu Citrus						Har	vest (Sh	ipment	year-rou	nd)		
Sudachi Citrus					Harves	t (Shipm	ent year	-round)				
Naruto Rakkyo					Harv	est						
Naruto Kintoki (Sweet-Potato)							Harvest	(Shipm	ent year	-round)		•
Carrot				Harv	vest							
Lotus Root			Har	vest (Sh	ipment	year-rou	nd)			3		
Bamboo Shoot			Har	vest				100	4			
Sweet Corn						Harvest						

Famous foods and products of Tokushima



Chozō Mikan

Oranges stored during the winter and shipped between February and March are juicier and have higher sugar content.



Image courtesy of Uzushio Shokuhir

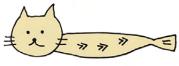
Awa Odori Bamboo Dolls

A doll made from bamboo that vividly expresses the movements of the hands and feet of the Awa Odoridancers



Awa Wasanbon Toh

Tokushima's traditional high-quality sugar made from sugar cane.



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Shishamo Cat Goods

City is a spec
The mascot of Kitajima Town,
with the head of a cat and the
body of a shishamo(smelt fish).

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known for t
ume-plum w
there.



Sudachi

The feature citrus of Tokushima. Its citrus juices can be enjoyed over various kinds of cuisines.



Naruto Kintoki

This sweet potato is characterized by its deep red color, along with its rich sweetness and soft texture.



Naruto

great texture.

Awa Uiro

beans and mochi flour.

The traditional steamed sweets of Tokushima that is made from azuki

Wakame

This seaweed grown in the

strong current of Naruto has

Sakuramomo Strawberry

A rare strawberry made only in Sanagōchi village. It's big, sweet and juicy.



in bread crumbs



Image courtesy of Tani Chikuwa

Yusanbako (play box)

A cute nest of boxes that the children in Tokushima used to bring to view the cherry blossoms.

Aizome (indigo dyeing) and Awashoaishijira Weaving

The Shijira weaving is a special fabric of Tokushima with a rugged surface and keeps the



Ume-Plum Wine

Local Sake

Tokushima is blessed with

nature and its water is flavorful

and used to make delicious local

Misato, Yoshinogawa City is a special district known for the unique ume-plum wines made there.



Tokushima Event Calendar

[Morning Market & Marche]

Tokushima City's Surprise Sunday Market (Every Sunday)
Tokushima City's Marche (last Sunday of every month)
Tokushima City's Tomoni SunSun Market (3rd Sunday of every month)
Komatsushima City's JF Komatsushima Minato Seafood Morning Market (every Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri and Sat)
Sanagochi Village's Shakunage Market (2nd and 4th Sunday of every month)
Matsushige Town's Matsushigete Marche (2nd and 4th Sunday of every month)

January

Tokushima City's Ebisu Festival Kamiita Town's Taisan-ji Temple "Chikaramochi" (Strength Competition)



February

Tokushima City's Tokushima Cast Museum Hina Matsuri Festival Komatsushima City's Yoshitsune Muso-sai Festival Katsuura Town's Original Big



March

Naruto City's Spring Whirlpool Festival Kamiyama Town's Agawa Umenosato Ume Matsuri Festival Yoshinogawa City's Misato Ume-no-Hana Matsuri Festival Katsuura Town's Katsuura Cherry Blossom Festival



April

Tokushima City's Hanaharu Festival (Awa Odori) Naruto City's Otani-Yaki Spring Festa Komatsushima City's Haru-no-Kincho Matsuri Festival

Kitajima Town's Tulip Park (best dates) Ishii Town's Fuji Matsuri Festival Kamiyama Town's Ono Sakurano Stage Performance Yoshinogawa City's Takagai Ishizumi Shibazakura Festival



May

Tokushima City's Machi ★ Asobi (Anime and game events) Aizumi Town's Aizumi Spring Rose Festival Awa City's Open Garden Yoshinogawa City's Funakubo Azalea Park (best dates)

Retracing the Road of Kukai in Yoshinogawa City, Awa City, and Kamiyama Town



June

Katsuura Town's Opening of Ayu-sweetfish Fishing Season Naruto City's Performance of Symphony

No. 9 by Beethoven
Yoshinogawa City's Misato-no-Hotaru (Firefly)
Kamikatsu Town's Fujikawatani Village

Hotaru-Firefly Viewing Party
Opening of Mountaineering Season at Mt.
Benten in Tokushima City



July

Tokushima Ai-no-Hi (July 24)
Tokushima City's Retra Water Festival
Tokushima City's Awa Odori Kaikan
Matsuri Festival

Tokushima City's Yoshinogawa Festival Komatsushima City's Port Festival Sanagochi Village's Hydrangea Festival



August

Ishii Town's Ishii-cho Noryosai (Summer Night) Festival Naruto City's Awa Odori Dancing Tokushima City's Awa Odori Yoshinogawa City's Awa Odori Awa City's Awa Odori Grape Picking in Yoshinogawa City and Awa City



September

Komatsushima City's Tatsue Hachiman-jinja Shrine Autumn Festival (column fireworks) Komatsushima City's Motonei Fireworks Festival

Matsushige Town's Sky Festa Matsushige Tokushima City's Night Zoo



October

Tokushima City's Machi ★ Asobi Komatsushima City's Yokosu Fireworks Festival Komatsushima City's Tengu-Shibaki (Tatue Akiba-jinja Shrine Festival) Katsuura Town's Orange Picking Katsuura Town's Awa Ningyo Joruri Shibai Festival in Katsuura Katsuura Town's Sakamoto-Akari-no-Sato Yoshinogawa City's Daikiku-Ningyo Dolls and Kikuka Flower Exhibition



November

Tokushima City's Awa-no-Tanuki Matsuri Festival
Tokushima City's Autumn Awa Odori Dancing
Tokushima City's Inukai Rural Stage
Awa and Ningyo Jöruri Performance
Special Public Opening of Tokushima
City's Joroku-ji Temple

Naruto City's Otani Pottery Festival
Aizumi Town's Aizumi Autumn Rose Festival
Yoshinogawa City's Misato Ume-Plum Wine Festival
Kamiyama Town's Kamiyama Artist In Residence



December

Naruto City's Naruto German House Illumination & Christmas Market Tokushima City's Winter Illumination at Tokushima

Tokushima City's Winter Illumination at Tokushima Bunri University Tokushima City's Yumenarie Castle Memorial

Ishii Town's Ishii Winter Illumination
Kamiyama Town's Orono-Akari-no-Objet d'art
Itano Town's Asutamuland Happy Christmas
Yoshinoqawa City's Stone Light-Up at MisatoTakagai

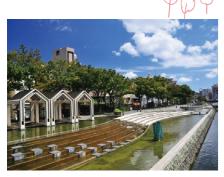


A 1-day walking tour around Tokushima

1.Shinmachigawa / **Awa Paper Waterfront Park**

A waterfront park along the Shinmachigawa River that flows through the center of Tokushima City. LED lights go up and shine at night. There is also a monument of Setouchi Jakucho, a famous writer from Tokushima.

●Minamiuchi-machi, Tokushima-City





A monument to Ms. Jakucho.

2. Hyotanjima (island) Cruise

The central part of Tokushima City is a river island surrounded by rivers and is called Hyotaniima (island) because of its shape. You can go around Hyotanjima (island) on a cruise ship operated by a non-profit organization called the "Shinmachi Preservation Comittee run by citizen volunteers.

•Free boarding fee (but insurance fee is required). The cruise will be about 30 minutes.

Generally in operation every day, but *Operation will be suspended on New Year's Day and during bad weather %As of March 2020 300ven

TEL: Shinmachi Preservation Comittee (+81) (0) 90-3783-2084

3. Tokushima Bizan Ten-jinja Shrine

Many visitors come here to pray for success in entrance exams and academic achievements.

●2-21, Shinmachibashi, Tokushima-City / TEL: (+81) (0) 88-622-9962



"Himemiya-san"

4. Awa Odori Kaikan



A place where you can enjoy authentic Tokushima Awa Odori all year round. There is also a souvenir shop, the Awa Odori Museum, and the Bizan Ropeway Station,



Mr. Hideo Nakamura, chairman of the "Shinmachi River Protection Group."

●2-20, Shinmachibashi, Tokushima-City / TEL: (+81) (0) 88-611-1611

4 daytime performances and 1 evening performance The second Wednesday of February, June, September, December and the year-end and New Year holidays.



★Awa Odori Dancing Experience

After the end of every day and night time performances, there is a time for the audience to



5. Awagin Bizan Ropeway

If you take the ropeway from the Awa Odori Kaikan, you can reach the top of Mt. Bizan in about 6

●(5F Awa Odori Kaikan) 2-20. Shinmachibashi. Tokushima-City / TEL: (+81) (0) 88-652-3617 Open 365 days a year (excluding maintenance days)



6.Summit of Mt. Bizan

From the observation deck, you can see Tokushima city, the sea and Yoshinogawa river. The park on the top of the mountain is famous for its cherry blossoms.



Inotani

Main Store



blossom viewing.

The summit of Mt. Bizan is One of the largest LED also popular for cherry kaleidoscope monuments in Japan.



A famous and established restaurant for Tokushima ramen. Near Teramachi.



●5-3, Otakiyama, Bizan-cho, Tokushima-City TEL: (+81) (0) 88-652-8414 Open from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM / Closed on Thursdays



A store famous for its Japanese sweets the "Taki-no-Yakimochi" made with rice flour and sweet bean paste. The shaved ice is popular in summer.

7. The Neighborhood of Teramachi

An area with many Buddhist temples .lt is popular as a quiet place to stroll.

●Teramachi, Tokushima-City



Some bridges over the Shinmachi River are









from the corner of Teramachi is free to drink.



decorated with LED lighting art.







9. Night at the Bar Alleyway

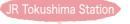
Tokushima's entertainment district has a narrow, old-fashioned street with numerous small and cozy bars. Check out the home page of "Tokushima Uraroji Sakaba Tankyukai (Research Association of Tokushima Back Alleyway Sake Bar)."

●"Tokushima Uraroji Sakaba Tankyukai" URL: https://uraroji.net/



"Oden Bantou" (1, Takajo-machi, Tokushima-shi TEL: (+81) (0) 88-655-2225)





6 minute by walk Shinmachigawa / **Awa Paper Waterfront Park** 5 minute by walk

2 Hyotan jima (island) Cruise Boarding Site 10 minute walk

Tokushima Bizan Ten-jinja Shrine 1 minute by walk

Awa Odori Kaikan

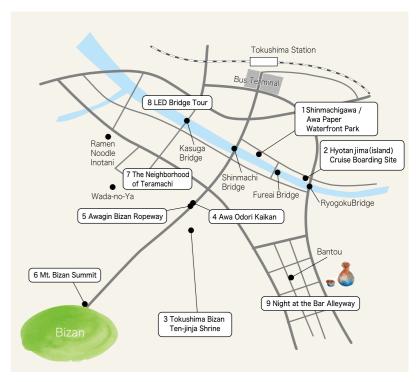
Awagin Bizan Ropeway 1 minute by walk

Mt. Bizan Summit Get down using the ropeway and a 3-minute walk from Awa Odori Kaikan.

The Neighborhood of Teramachi 5 minute walk from Teramachi to Kasugabashi

LED Bridge Tour 10 minute walk from RyogokuBridge to Takajomachi

Night at the Bar Alleyway



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A 1-day tour featuring Indigo Dye

1.The Tokushima Castle Museum

Stores and exhibits valuable historical materials of the Tokushima domain owned by the Hachisuka family during the Edo period. You can also see the daily lives of the indigo merchants in the castle town.

●-1-8, Jonai, Tokushima-cho, Tokushima-City TEL: (+81) (0) 88-656-2525

Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM,

Open until 4:30 PM / Closed on Mondays (Open if it is a national holiday), the day after a national holiday (but will be open on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays), End of Year and New Year holidays



The Goten Garden in Front of the **Former Tokushima Castle**

A garden from the Momoyama period enjoyed by the feudal lords that is rare in Japan. Take a relaxed and leisurely walk. Admission: ¥50 (Visitors to the museum are free to enter the garden).

2. Aizumi Town History Museum, the Ai-no-Yakata

A rare museum in Japan that specializes in the Ai-indigo. This museum was built using the former residence of the Okumura family who was a major merchant of the Ai-indigo. There is also an exhibition of paper dolls that recreates the production process. Exhibit commentary and prologue graphics

●-172 Tokumeimaezunishi Aizumi-cho Itano County TEL: (+81) (0) 88-692-6317 Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Closed on Tuesdays (open if it is a national holiday),



★Hands-on Ai-indigo dyeing experience

Experience indigo dyeing using the all-natural indigo of the Ai-no-Yakata. Try dyeing your own handkerchief. experience fee: 1.000 ven, etc. Trial is available until 3:30 p.m.





There is a natural bluestone bridge that is 10 meters long at the Karesansui rock garden.

Open 11:30am-2:00pm, 5:30pm-22:00 (LO21:00) Please see website for days closed TEL: (+81) (0) 88-678-2253

Farm-Operated

The Aqulier

●-1-119, Okuno-Wada, Aizumi-cho, Itano County

Seasonal Dining

Restaurant

his stylish restau ant, run directly by a hydroponic cult vation company uses plenty of fresh egetables and serves pasta. caccia, herbal tea,

3.Jizo-ji Temple Okunoin, The Gohyaku Rakan

Located 5 minutes away on foot from Jizo-ji Temple, the 5th temple of the Shikoku pilgrimage. Visitors will be fascinated by the rich expressions of the hundreds of life-sized wooden Buddhist statues.

●5. Rakan-hayashihigashi, Itano-cho, ItanoCounty TEL: (+81) (0) 88-672-4111

Open from 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM,Open year-round



4. Aisen-an Temple -Inubushi Kyusuke Statue

The Aisen-an houses have a seated statue honoring Inubushi-Kyusuke, who greatly contributed to the development of indigo in Tokushima.

●-1, Matsutani-Yamanouchioku, Itano-cho, Itano County TEL: (+81) (0)88-672-5888 (Itanocho Cultural Museum)



lnubushi Kvusuke improved the dyeing production

5.Kamiita-cho, Waza-no-Yakata

Kamiita Town is Japan's largest producer of the "Sukumo" indigo dye and has the largest farming area of Ai-indigo. At the Waza-no-Yakata (Museum of Skills), the staff will carefully show visitors on the Ai-indigo dyeing process.

●-32-4. Izumidani-Harahigashi, Kamiita-cho, Itano County TEL: (+81) (0)88-637-6555

Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM,(Indigo dyeing experience available until 3:30 PM)

Closed on Mondays (Tuesday if it is a public holiday), End of Year and New Year holidays



★Ai-indigo dyeing experience

Even small children can experience indigo dye. Parents and children can also make matching indigo dyed T-shirts.

•Fee: 1,100 yen for a handkerchief, 3,300 yen for a scarf, etc. Bringing your own fabric is 30 yen per



6.Watanabe's

This is the workshop of Kenta Watanabe who cultivates Ai-indigo in Kamiita Town and handles everything from the dye-making to the dyeing, the manufacturing and selling of products. You can

experience indigo dyeing and workshops can be held here. In addition, English and Chinese support is

●-314-10. Sebe. Kamiita-cho. Itano County

URL:https://www.watanabes.jp/ Reservations Only To dye hand towels, handkerchiefs etc.: 3,300yen. Dye cost: 33yen/gram. Inquiries and requests must be



While working in Tokyo, Mr. Watanabe was fascinated by his experience of indigo dyeing and started his practice in Tokushima.



Original products are sold at the workshop and

7. Tanaka Family Residence

A family of indigo merchants that has continued for generations since the early Edo period. The residence took about 30 years to complete from 1854. The vast grounds are lined with indigo-colored lodgings, barns and main buildings. Designated as a nationally important cultural property.

■-Aihata Ishii-cho Myouzai County

TEL: (+81) (0) 88-674-0707

A tour is available only on Sundays and national holidays



The large thatched roof is designed to float in the water when the Yoshino River overflows



All-Natural Hot Spring Gosho-no-Sato ●-1, Yoshidanashinokibara, Donari-cho, Awa City

●-1, Yoshidanashinokibara, Donari-cho, Awa City TEL: (+81) (0) 88-695-4615 Hot bath 10:00am - last order at 9:30pm, Restaurant 11:00am - 2:30pm (last order at 2:00pm) 5:00pm - 8:30pm (last order at 8:00pm) Closed on the 2nd&4th Wednesday of every month



natural hot spring facility located just outside the addition to various kinds of baths. there are

also massages and restaurants featuring Japanese cuisines.

The Tokushima Castle Museum

Approx.13 km About 20 minutes by car

Approx. 15 minutes by car

Approx. 15 minutes by car

2 Aizumi Town History Museum, the Ai-no-Yakata

3 Jizo-ji Temple Okunoin, The Gohyaku Rakan

Approx. 7 km

Approx. 1 km Approx. 5 minutes by car

4 Aisen-an Temple - Inubushi Kyusuke Statue Approx. 4 km Approx, 10 minutes by car

Kamiita-cho, Waza-no-Yakata

Approx. 10 minutes by car Approx. 5 km

Watanabe's

Approx. 7 km **Tanaka Family Residence**

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A 2-day tour of sites north of Yoshinogawa



Walk from JR

1.Otani Yaki Kamamoto. Mori-Toki Pottery

Otani-yaki is the representative pottery of Tokushima Prefecture with a history of about 240 years. The pottery features a glossy finish that is simple, yet powerful. In addition to selling Ōtani-yaki pottery, the shop offers painting and pottery making experiences.

●-24, Otani-Irinokata, Oasa-cho, Naruto City TEL: (+81) (0) 88-689-0022

Open from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

Sundays Open from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM, (Reception open until 3:30 PM). Year-end and New Year holidays (workshop closed on Sundays.) Painting 935 yen~, Hand pottery 2,200 yen, Electric pottery wheel 3.300 ven *Reservations read.



Mori Toki pottery uses the traditional technique of the "sleeping pottery wheel" to make large pots used in indigo dyeing.

2.Honke Matsuura Brewery

Free tours available with sake tasting at this renowned brewery, founded in 1804. Reservation

●TEL: 0120-866-140 (Tours and business hours: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM)

Closed: Jan 1-3

Free of charge for tours (30 min. required)



3.Fukujyu Shoyu

Established in 1826, they have continued to make soy sauce and miso using traditional methods. The soy sauce they offer is free of additives and colorings and fermented for more than a year to create its wonderful flavor and aroma. A tour of the brewery is free (Reservations required), along with sample tastings and shopping.

●8. Ikenotani-Qishi, Qasa-cho, Naruto City TEL: (+81) (0)88-689-1008 Open from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM Tours are 9:00AM~5:00PM closed on Sundays and national holidays



Take a stroll (approx. 5 min.) from Fukuju Shoyu to Awa-Otani Station and take the JR line to Bando Station



Otoriien

●-33-4, Bando-Nishiyamada, Oasa-cho, Naruto-shi TEL: (+81) (0)88-689-3523 Restaurant open from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM and after 5:00 PM to 19:00 PM / Closed on Wednesdays



inn next to the first temple of the Shikoku Pilgrimage. The lotus root dishes of Naruto and their famous udon are popular

A restaurant and

4.The Naruto German House

A memorial hall to preserve the cultural exchange between the German soldiers who lived in the "Bando POW Camp" in Naruto City from 1917 to 1920 and the local people. The facility features the daily lives in the camp. There is also a performance by life-sized dolls of German soldiers.

●-55-2, Hinoki-higashiyamada, Oasa-cho, Naruto City TEL: (+81) (0)88-689-0099

Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM,(Admission until 4:30). Closed on the 4th Monday of every month (the following day if it is a national holiday), end of



The museum also sells German beers and wines

Michi-no-Eki "Daiku no Sato"

It was built by transferring a part of the barracks from the Bando POW camp, a nationally registered and tangible cultural property. You can buy seasonal vegetables, fruits and specialties of Naruto.

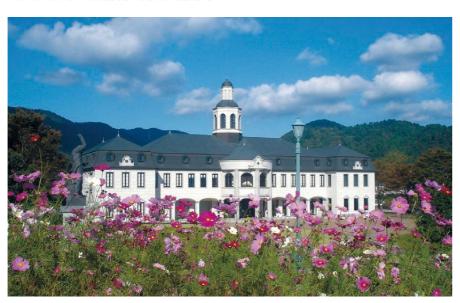
●-53. Hinoki-higashiyamada, Oasa-cho, Naruto City TEL: (+81) (0)88-689-1119

Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Closed on the 4th Monday of every month (the following day if it is a national holiday), end of year



You can eniov authentic sausages from Germany at the



The city of Naruto and Luneberg are working to register the materials related to the Bando Camp as a "UNESCO Memory of the World

5.German Village Park

A large park built on the former site of the Bando POW Camp, From the German House, head south and walk 10-minutes to the entrance of this park. Nearby are stone bridges built by German soldiers.

●-Bando, Oasa-cho, Naruto City

TEL: (+81) (0)88-684-1157 (Naruto City Tourism Promotion Division)





Restaurant

The entrance gate

that was built by German soldiers to mourn eleven comrades, who died.

Funamoto Udon

Oasa Store

—10-1, Hinokinogaminokita, Oasa-cho, Naruto City TEL: (+81) (0)88-689-4358

Open from 10:30 AM Close as soon as sold out, Closed on New Year's day

Village Park

the park, there is a memorial monument

Wednesdays (the next day if it is a national holiday, and open from August 12th to the 15th)

to the German

Day 2 (by car)

TEL: (+81) (0) 88-672-7111

Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM

A large park centered around the "Children's Science

Museum" where you can enjoy nature and science.

There is also a playground zone, a windmill hill and a

(open 1 hour longer during summer) Closed on

You can enjoy walking among the flowers at the

●-45-22, Nato-Kibigadani, Itano-cho, Itano County

6. Asutamuland Tokushima

Established in 1864, they have been making high-quality Awa Wasanbonto sugars from the sugar cane that they grow themselves.

7. Hattori Sugar Refinery

●-270, Saijyo-Higashi-Ubagozen, Yoshino Town Awa-shi

TEL: (+81) 088-696-5270



Closed on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Open if the day is a national holiday (closed the next day)

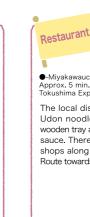
8. Michi-no-Eki, Donari

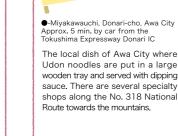
The coffee shop on the second floor has a nice view. You can also experience making udon noodels (reservations required)

28-2. Miyagawauchihirama, Donari-cho, Awa City



TEL: (+81) (0) 88-695-5405 Open from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM (Apr~Oct),10:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Nov~Mar), Closed on Mondays (the following day if it is a national holiday)





windmill hill





A long-established branch of "Naruchuru Udon

Noodles." The broth made from seafood and kelp,

combined with the thin and soft noodles is delicious.

Approx. 0.4 km Approx. 5 min. by foot

Otani Yaki Kamamoto, Mori-Toki Pottery Approx. 0.6 km Approx. 7 min. by foot

Honke Matsuura Brewery

(across the road)

Approx. 15 min. by car

Approx. 0.4 km Approx. 5 min. by foot (Awa-Ōtani Station) (Bandō Station) approx. 2 km Approx. 25 min. by foot

Fukujyu Shoyu

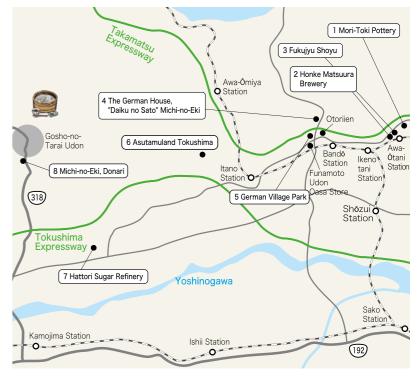
The Naruto German House

Approx. 1 km Approx. 10 min. by foot **German Village Park**

Asutamuland Tokushima

Approx. 8 km Approx. 15 min. by car **Hattori Sugar Refinery** Approx. 8 km

Michi-no-Eki, Donari



A 2-day tour along the east coast of Shikoku





1.Wadaiima Ote Coast

The coast on the east of Cape Wadajima near an Self-Defense Force base is popular among anglers. You will find the eatery "Komatsuya."

Ote Coast Wadaiima-cho, Komatsushima City



The coast has a view of both Ohnaruto Bridge and Awaji Island.



Whitebait Rice Bowl

●Wadajima Fishery Cooperative Chirimen-no-mise TEL:0120-4147-52 Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM,Closed on Sundays

Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Liosed on Sun and national holidays

●JF Wadajima Fishery Cooperative Women's Association Amimoto-ya
TEL: (+81) (0) 80-6287-8000
Open from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, on Sundays (from May to December)



Fishing season is between May and December; you can eniov whitebait rice bowl at eateries in cluding "Chirimen-no-

2.Hama Shoyu Jozojo

Established in 1897, the brewery uses domestic chemical-free soybeans, Tokushi-made wheat and rice, and natural salt to devote time and effort in producing soy sauce and miso. The brewery also offers miso-making workshop.

●34 Wakamatsu, Tatsue-cho, Komatsushima City TEL: (+81) (0) 885-37-1128 Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Irregular holidays





Miso is made by mixing soy beans, koji (malted cereals)

3.Komatsushima Station Park

At 5 meters tall, the world's largest tanuki statue will greet you at the plaza; at the rear is a cascade that gushes out water with the clap of your hands. The statue was made after an old legend related to Komatsushima's tanuki.

●Komatsushima-cho, Komatsushima City TEL: (+81) (0)885-32-2118 (Komatsushima City Hall)



Aisai-hiroba

●47-3 Sumiyaqadani, Tatsue-cho, Komatsushima City TEL: (+81) (0)885-38-0112 Open from 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM



market on a hill, offering locally arown fresh produce.

4. Tokushima Shinsen Nattoku-ichi

A complex facility comprised of restaurants and recreational sites by the sea. There is a BBQ area, a fishing pond where you can later eat your catch, and shops that sell Tokushima's local products.

●2-14 Higashiokinosu, Tokushima City TEL: (+81) (0) 88-676-3335(Restaurant Wabisabi) Open from Open weekdays 11am-3pm (last order 2:30pm), 5pm-9pm (last order 8pm), weekends and holidays 11am-9pm (last order 8pm) (Wabisabi) *Holidays differ depending on other facilities and





Mr. Akihiro Hama, patriarch of Hama Shoyu (to the left).

5.Awa Shirasagi Ohashi and **Komatsu Coast**

Awa Shirasagi Bridge is one of the largest river bridges in Japan, and was designed to protect creatures and migratory birds in the tideland. Komatsu Kaigan, which is located in the northeast, is a popular coast among surfers and swimmers.



It commands a view of the Yoshino River and the



6.Tsukimigaoka Seaside Park

You can see the planes taking off and landing at Tokushima Awaodori Airport up close. The park operates as a picnic / BBQ / moon-viewing site and dog park. Staying overnight at the cottages is also

●42 Yamanote, Toyooka, Matsushige-cho, Itano County TEL: (+81) (0) 88-699-6697 *Application required on the day for use of barbeque facilities URL: https://www.tsukimigaoka.com/





cake baking classes offered on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays are popular (reservation reauired)



7. Ohnaruto Bridge Promenade:

A promenade built above the sea on Ohnaruto Bridge. At the observatory, you can watch the whirling waves 45 meters below via a glass floor.

 Within Naruto Park (Naruto-cho, Naruto City) TFI: (+81) (0) 88-683-6262

Open from 9:00AM to 6:00 PM, (between March and September); 8:00AM to 7:00PM (Golden Week Holiday and Summer Holiday): 9:00AM to 5:00PM (between October and February) (last admission should be made 30 minutes before closing time) Closed on 2nd Mondays of March, June, September





●Address: 9 Higashiyama, Nakashimada, Seto-cho, Naruto. TEL: (+81) (0) 88 - 661 - 5566 Open: 11:00 ~ 17:00 Closed: Tuesday (Open on public holidays, with substitute holidays)



Their signature product, the Naruto Kintoki Cream Sandwich (To the Moon, To Naruto), won the top prize at the Setouchi Souvenir Competition 2018. At the cafe, you can enjoy lunch and sweets made with local ingredients along with the spectacular view of Uchinoumi Sea.

8.Otsuka Museum of Art

The museum displays around 1,000 masterpieces of Western art ranging from ancient times to the present, replicated on full-scale porcelain tiles. You can appreciate Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper" and Picasso's "Guernica" here.

●Within Naruto Park (Naruto-cho, Naruto City) TFI: (+81) (0)88-687-3737

Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM

(tickets are sold until 4:00PM) Closed on Mondays (the next day if Monday falls on holiday); successive



holidays in January; temporary closure may takeplace; open everyday on August



9.Uzushio Kisen

It takes about three minutes to reach near the whirling waves from the port; from the ship you can watch the waves swirl. The boarding area is right next to Otsuka Museum of Art.

●65-63 Fukuike, Tosadomariura, Naruto-cho, Naruto City

TEL: (+81) (0) 88-687-0613

Open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, (Last ship departs on 4:30PM) No holidays





Senjojiki Observatory Deck, Naruto Park is a perfect spot to take commemorative photos.





Terrace Cafe

●16-45 Oge, Tosadomariura, Naruto-cho, Naruto City (AoAwo Naruto Resort 1F) TEL: (+81) (0) 88-687-2580 Open from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM,*Hours may vary depending on menu items. Drinks 10:00 - 22:00, Lunch 11:00 - 15:00, Dinner 17:00 - 21:00, etc.



Located on the first floor of the hotel, the site commands a fine view of the ocean and Awaji Island. Enjoy local dishes and pastry.



Wadaiima Ote Kaigan

Approx. 10 min. by car Approx. 6 km Hama Shoyu Jozojo

Approx. 7 km Approx. 15 min. by car **Komatsushima Station Park**

Approx. 11 km Approx. 25 min. by car Tokushima Shinsen Nattoku-ichi Approx. 8 km Approx. 15 min. by car

Awa Shirasagi Ohashi - Komatsu Kaigan

Approx. 25 min. by car Approx. 12 km Tsukimigaoka Seaside Park

Approx. 18 km Approx. 30 min. by car Ohnarutokyo Promenade: Uzu-no-michi (a short walk)

Naruto Park Senjojiki Observatory Approx. 1.5 km Approx. 3 min. by car

Otsuka Museum of Art

Approx. 200 m **Uzushio Kisen**

7 Uzu-no-Michi 9 Uzushio Kisen Awaji Island (11) Observatory Deck. 8 Otsuka Museum of Art Expressway \ Terrace Cafe Ohge Station (AoAwo Naruto Resort) Halleluiah Sweets Kitchen Tokushima Awaodori Airport 6 Tsukimigaoka Seaside Park 5 Komatsu Coast (192) 5 Awa Shirasagi Ohashi 4 Tokushima Shinsen Nattoku-ichi 3 Komatsushima Station Park 439 Station 1 Wadaiima Ote Coast 2 Hama Shoyu Jozojo (55)

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A 2-day tour of rural villages



1.Okawara Plateau

This highland--which is within the village of Sanagochi about 30 minutes by car from Tokushima Station--commands a marvelous view from an altitude of 1,019 meters. Hydrangea blooms in the summer, and during clear nights, the beautiful starry sky spreads out before your eyes.

●Okawara, Sanagochi-Village

TEL: (+81) (0) 88-679-2111 (Sanagochi Village Office)



2.Michi-no-eki Onsen-no-Sato Kamiyama

Located near Kamiyama Onsen, this is where sightseeing in Kamiyama-cho starts. Its farmer's market offers locally grown fresh veggies and edible wild plants at budget prices.

●151-1 Nishiuetsuno, Jinryo, Kamiyama-cho, Myozai County

TEL: (+81) (0) 88-636-7077

Open from 9:00AM to 5:00PM *Open with shortened hours Closed on 3rd Tuesday of the month (open if Tuesday is a national holiday), New Year's Day



3.KAMIYAMA BEER

A small beer brewery operated by Irishman Mr. Manus Sweeney and artist Ms. Sayaka Abe. They produce a unique beer using locally grown citrus fruits and plum trees.

●280-1 Nishiuetsuno, Jinryo, Kamiyama-cho, Myozai County (near Kamiyama Onsen)



Ms. Sayaka Abe designed the bottle labels and exterior walls of "KAMIYAMA BEER."

URI:http://www.kamiyamabeer.com/

Open taproom: 12:00PM to 6:00PM on Saturdays and Sundays (hours may change, so check website before visiting); irregular holidays for the shop; 10 table seats available

> Each pint of craft beer has a flavor unique to its

4. Shosan-ji Temple, the 12th temple of Shikoku Pilgrimage

This temple is the second highest among 88 temples of Shikoku Pilgrimage. The approach to the temple is lined with tall cedars which are over 500 years old: it is cool and quiet here even in summer.

■318 Naka Shimobun Kamiyama-cho Myozai County TEL: (+81) (0) 88-677-0112



lt takes about 10 minute on foot from the parking lot to the



●58 Kitauetsuno, Jinryo, Kamiyama-cho, Myozai County TEL: (+81) (0) 88-676-1415 Open from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Open for lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.Daily specials end as soon as they are sold out.
Closed on Tuesdays * No smoking



A well-established coffee shop representing Kamiyama. offering home roasted coffee.Rinkaku restaurant. Lunch 11:30~ Dinner 5:30~ Reservations read. You can also eniov Japanese cuisine made from seasonal ingredients.

5.Noka-minshuku Saraya

A farmer's inn made by renovating an old house built more than 150 years ago. Meals cooked by the owner, which use local products, is superb. Acitvities include wild veggie picking, playing at riverside, and soba noodle cooking class.

●240 Nishinoma, Jinryo, Kamiyama-cho, Myozai County TFI: (+81) (0) 88-636-7767

Lunch: Open from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM,(Reservation required at least 2 days in advance for 2 or more people.) Lunch-1500yen. Overnight stay w/no meal- 5800yen.

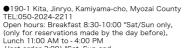




Reservation is required for lunch; menu is decided according to the customers' request.



Kamaya



TEL:050-2024-2211 IEL:050-2024-2211
Open hours: Breakfast 8:30-10:00 *Sat/Sun only, (only for reservations made by the day before). Lunch 11:00 AM to -4:00 PM (last order 3:00) *Sat, Sun and holidays - by 6:00 PM (L.O 5:00). (open if it is a holiday) Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays (Open falls on a national holiday)



Meals are made from homegrown rice, vegetables cultivated without chemical fertilizers / pesticides, and local produce. Rice is cooked in "kamado" (old Japanese cooking stove)



Avoid driving in moutainous regions at night / winter when visiting Kamikatsu-cho from Kamivama-cho: Drive toward Komatsushima.

6.Kashihara's Tanada

Around 500 terraced paddy fields of every size scatter the area at the altitude of between 500 m and 700 m ·

●lkumi, Kamikatsu-cho, Katsuura County

TFI: (+81) (0) 885-46-0111

(Industrial Section, Kamikatsu Town Office) * Park your car at the parking lot; it is about 200 m to the fields.



Cafe polestar

●32-1 Hirama, Fukuhara, Kamikatsu-cho, Katsuura County TEL: (+81) (0) 885-46-0338 Open from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM, (LO 4:00) Closed on Thurs, Fri and Sat



Cafe 🖳

Offers tasty set menu meals and Carefully prepared curries and cakes. The business practices zero waste living deployed by Kamikatsu-cho.

7. Tsukigatani Onsen Tsuki-no-yado

A hot spa located along Katsuuragawa River; you can enjoy the scenery of nature from the bath house. At the restaurant, savor local dishes of Kamikatsu-cho.

●71-1 Hirama, Fukuhara, Kamikatsu-cho, Katsuura County TEL: (+81) (0) 0885-46-0203

hot spa: Open from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM, restaurant : Lunch 11:30am-2pm Dinner 4:30pm-7:30pm last order Onsen fee: 650 ven for adults and various accommodation plans available URL: https://www.e-kamikatsu.jp/



The source comes from A suspension bridge next to a mountain where Kōbō the hot spring. At a foot of Daishi, a high priest, the bridge is the meadow of received training. "Happa Business" (local leave-picking business).



◆Address: 71 Fukuhara, Furukawa, Kamikatsu-cho, Katsuura-gun.TEL:080-3165-7153 Open:lunch - Sun·Mon 12:00~15:00(L.0.13:00), dinner-Wed ~ Sun 18:00~2:00 (L.0.21:00) bar L.0.23:00 Closed:Tuesday



This restaurant uses an abundance of local ingredients, such as river fish and wild plants, that are rare in Italian cuisine. Eniov conversation with the chef in a charming old nouse surrounded by the nature of Kamikatsu.



8. RISE&WIN Brewing Co. **BBQ&General Store**

A brewery practicing zero waste living deployed by Kamikatsu-cho. You can enjoy craft beer and BBQ made with local products.

■237-2 Hirama Masaki Kamikatsu-cho Katsuura

TEL: (+81) (0)885-45-0688

Open from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM,

(reservation required after 5:00PM); Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays





9.Shokoku-ji Temple, Fudo-no-taki

Shokoku-ji is a temple on top of Katsuura-cho's mountain There is a waterfall Fudo-no-taki which features a vertical drop is 15 meters. The waterfall can be observed from behind.

●126 Nodao, Hoshitani, Katsuura-cho, Katsuura County TEL: (+81) (0) 885-42-2552 (Katsuura Town)









Okawara Plateau

Approx. 22 km Approx. 40 min. by car Michi-no-eki Onsen-no-Sato Kamiyama

Approx, 1 km Approx. 3 min. by car

KAMIYAMA BEER Approx. 12 km Approx. 30 min. by car

Shosan-ji Temple, the 12th temple of Shikoku Pilgrimage Approx. 10 km Approx. 25 min. by car

Noka-minshuku Saraya

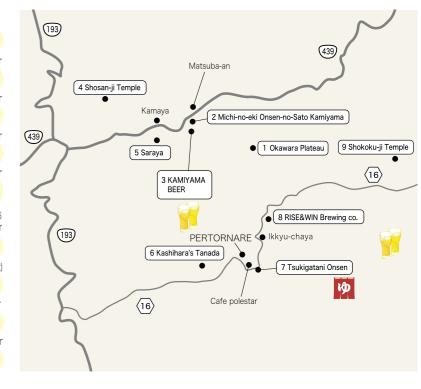
Veer to the direction of Komat ushima-shi and take Prefectural Road 16 Approx. 56 km Approx. 1 hour and 30 min. by car Kashihara's Tanada

Approx. 7 km Approx. 25 min. by car (parking lot) Tsukigatani Onsen Tsuki-no-yado

Approx. 3 km Approx. 5 min. by car RISE&WIN Brewing co. BBQ&General Store

Approx, 25 min, by car Approx, 13km

Shokoku-ji Temple, Fudo-no-taki



A 2-day tour of mountains and rivers





1.Awa-no-Dochu (Earth Pillars)

The dochu is a landform that is rare in the world. About a million years ago, seismic activity uplifted the earth to accumulate layers of earth and sand. Over a long period of time through wind and rain, these layers were eroded into these pillars made of earth. The largest of these is the Hatogatake, a nationally designated natural monument of earthen walls that reach as high as 10 meters. They are lit up at night.

- Sakuranooka, Awa-cho, Awa City

TEL: (+81) (0) 883-35-4211 (Awa City Tourist Association), Light-up Time: in Summer (May to August) Sunset to 10:00 PM, in Winter (September to April) Sunset to 9:00 PM

2. The Hall of Awa Japanese Handmade Paper

It is said that paper making in Awa began here at Oe (present-day Yoshinogawa City) in the 8th century. Inside, you can observe the process of making handmade Japanese paper and have hands-on experience making postcards, other attractive features are the gallery and museum shop.

 141, Kawahigashi, Yamakawa-cho, Yoshinogawa City TEL: (+81) (0) 883-42-6120





Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Closed on Mondays (Tuesdays if Monday was a public holiday)

3. The Misato Produce Museum, the Misatoya

The local specialty of Misato, Yoshinogawa City is plum, and the store offers umeshu-plum wines made by 5 local breweries and handmade umeboshi-plums, as well as seasonal wild plants and vegetables. Guests can also enjoy dining here too.

•- 463-3, Misatotouge, Yoshinogawa City TEL: (+81) (0) 883-26-7888

Open from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM, Closed during the Year-End and New Year's Holidays



A natural artwork of earth pillars made from nature. There is also a hiking trail.





The umeshu-plum wines made with various kinds of ume-plums have a unique taste at each brewery.

4. The Misato Hotarukan (Firefly Museum)

The entire region of Misato is home to the hotaru (fireflies), which are nationally protected species. At the Hotaru-kan, you can learn about the ecology of fireflies, the climate, and the history of Misato. The best time to see fireflies is from late May to mid-June every year.

●- 82-1, Misato-Muneda, Yoshinogawa City TEL: (+81) (0) 883-43-2888



Open from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM (open until 9:30 PM during the firefly festival), Closed on Tuesdays (Wednesdays if Tuesday was a national holiday) and Year-End and New Year's holiday (Open every day during the firefly



When the firefly season is here, the street lights are turned off in Misato and turns dark at night.

5. The Stone Masonry of Takagai

Various stone-built terraced fields are scattered around Takagai village, with the highlight being a view extending to the mountain tops. In spring, the Shibazakura (Phlox subulata) blooms all over the stone masonry along with a festival being held to commemorate the occasion.

●- 310, Misato-Oogami, Yoshinogawa City TEL: (+81) (0) 883-43-2888 Mima Treasure Hunting Expedition (The Misato Hotarukan)



The Shibazakura Festival is held from early to late April every year



There is also a light-up event in December.

6.Hands-on Farmhouse-Inn and Restaurant, the Dokomoyama

A farmhouse-inn where you can have hands-on experience in making dye from the indigo grown in the fields to the actual indigo dyeing process. In addition, there are various other hands-on experiences offered such as soba noodle making and pizza baking in a stone oven.

●- 14-2, Misato-Maruyama, Yoshinogawa City TEL: (+81) (0) 883-43-2970

Overnight stayw/2 meals: 7,500 yen (5,000 yen for elementary school students and under, free for infants), accommodation capacity for 9 persons (limited to 1 group per day)



7. Kawashima Park and Iwanohana Observatory



A park in the area surrounding Kawashima Castle (restored circa 1981). The view of the river and mountains from the Iwanohana Observatory is fantastic. Beautiful cherry blossoms show up in spring.

Shiroyama, Kawashima-cho, Yoshinogawa City



TEL: (+81) (0) 883-22-2226 (Business, Commerce and Tourism Division, of Yoshinogawa City) *Kawashima Castle is currently closed.

Awa-no-Dochu

The Misato Produce Museum

The Misato Hotarukan

The Stone Masonry of Takagai

The Dokomoyama

The Kawashima Sensuikyo Bridge

Kakiharazeki-Weir

Yoshinogawa-Daijuzeki-Weir

The Hall of Awa Japanese Handmade Paper

Approx. 20 min. by car

Approx. 10 min. by car

Approx. 10 min, by car

Approx. 15 min, by car

Approx. 9 km

Approx. 5 km

Approx. 2 km

Approx. 4 km

Approx. 15 km

Approx. 6 km

Approx, 11 km



Mr. and Ms. Inoue of the Dokomovama. The indigo dyed clothes are homemade.

8. The Kawashima Sensuikyo Bridge (Low-Water Crossing)

This 3-meter wide and 285-meter long low-water crossing is located close to the Yoshinogawa river and has a nice view of the surroundings. You can enjoy a view of the rapeseed plants blossoming during spring.





largest river island. Currently the island is uninhabited.

North of this low-water crossing is Zennyuji Island, Japan's



This complex includes a farm, a manufacturing factory, a cafe, and a pastry

shop called

"Saison de

Cinquieme." It also regularly holds nature-friendly events such as harvesting

9.Kakiharazeki-Weir

A 790-meter long weir that crosses the Yoshinogawa River, built about 100 years ago. You can see many birds tracking the fishes swimming here.

- Kakihara, Yoshino-cho, Awa City

TEL: (+81) (0) 883-35-4211 (Awa City Tourist



10. Yoshinogawa-Daijuzeki-Weir

A 1.000-meter long and 30-meter wide stone weir that was built on the Yoshinogawa River in the middle of the 18 century. The view from the clear stream is pleasant and relaxing.







Noted Flowers and Scenery Spots · · Parks and Recreation

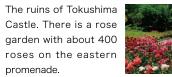


Eastern Tokushima has many attractive tourist attractions such as its magnificent nature and historical buildings. Here are some recommended spots you should visit.





Tokushima Central Park Rose Garden



1, Jonai, Tokushima-cho, TokushimaCity



Tokushima Botanical Garden

You can observe the seasonal flowers and trees that suit the climate

of Tokushima.



Tokushima City

(+81) (0) 88-636-3131 45-1, Nyudo, Shibuno-cho, TokushimaCity Open from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM



Eska Hill Naruto

Climb the 68-meter escalator to enjoy the view of the Naruto Strait.



Naruto City

(+81) (0) 88-687-0222 65, Tosadomariura-Fukuike, Naruto-cho, NarutoCity / Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Irregular Holiday / Round-Trip: Adult ¥400, Elementary and Junior Highschool Students ¥100, Infants free of charge



Naruto Skyline



Toride Naruto

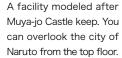


Hanamiyama

An 8-km long driveway where you can enjoy the Uchino Sea



Tosadomariura, Naruto-cho, NarutoCity to Kushiki, Kitanada-cho

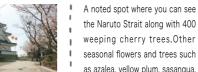


Naruto from the top floor.



Naruto City

60-8, Hayasakiminamitono-machi, Muya-cho, NarutoCity / Open from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Saturdays, Sundays and National



and camellia can also be enjoyed. (+81) (0) 88-687-3555 234-35, Tosadomariura-Ooge, Naruto-cho,



Kitajima

Tulip Park



Higaino, Nakamura, Kitajima-cho,



Hyakute Levee

A popular walking course with a view of the Imagirekawa River.



Nakamura-Kuwanosaki, Kitajima-cho, ItanoCounty

Aizumi Town Rose Garden

Approximately 300 kinds and 1,100 roses are planted here, with the variety and number being the largest in the

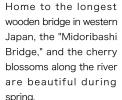


Aizumi Town

263-88, Yakamihara, Aizumi-cho, ItanoCounty



Shohojigawa River Park



Yakamihara, Aizumi-cho, ItanoCounty



Sakuradutsumi Park

The cherry blossoms bloom beautifully during spring in this big park.

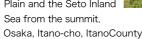


51-1, Higashinakatomi-Nishihouji, Aizumi-cho,



Observation Deck

There are clusters of around 2,000 asebi (Japanese pieris). You can overlook the Tokushima Plain and the Seto Inland





Hirama, Fukuhara, Kamikatsu-cho,

Mt. Irodoriyama

A place for agricultural

experience and cultivation

research. The view from

"Irodori Bridge" is superb.

and Irodori Bridge



Cherry Road Line

The owner of the Murata

road of cherry blossoms.

Mt. Kotsuzan



Egawa and Kamojima Park



Kamojima, Kamojima-cho, YoshinogawaCity



From Kawashima-cho, YoshinogawaCity to Misato (along Prefectural Road Route 43)





Jifukuji-no-Fuji



This mountain(alt.1,133m) is a popular place to hike.

Yuumayama, Yamakawa-cho, YoshinogawaCity



within the precincts.

321, Ishii, Ishii, Ishii-cho, MyozaiCounty



Wild Bird Forest

Okunoi, Yamakawa-cho, YoshinogawaCity

Matsushima

From late March to

early April, a thousand

Someiyoshino cherries

and Yaezakura cherries

(Livestock Research Institute)

Funakubo

Clusters of about 1,200

azaleas grow here, where

the entire surface of the

mountain turns red during

May.

Azalea Park

Senbonzakura (1,000 cherry trees)

Izumidani, Kamiita-cho, ItanoCounty

You can observe about 50 kinds of wild birds including the Japanese white-eye and Meadow



area of 7.18 hectares is complete with playground equipment. You can enjoy

cherry blossoms during spring and the autumn leaves in autumn.

Jonouchi, Ishii, Ishii-cho, MyozaiCounty



Surrounded by valleys and mountains, there are various facilities such as the Forest Learning Center and observatory.

(+81) (0) 88-678-0114 459-1, Anooji, Kamiyama-cho, MyozaiCounty

on the Ikuna Roman Kaido Road

Cherry Blossoms



Amagoi-no-Taki Waterfall

Ishii, Ishii, Ishii-cho, MyozaiCounty

One of the 100 best waterfalls of Japan. The waterfall is 45-meters



Jinryo-Ishido, KamiyamaTown Myozai County



Shikokusangaku Botanical Garden, Gakuiin-no-Mori

Many rare flowers and trees such as the rhododendron are planted here. You can also enjoy camping here.



Mt. Yamainudake

Oaza Ikumi Kamikatsu-cho, KatsuuraCounty

The moss covered rock

formations are amazing.

You can also enjoy a mini

pilgrimage to the 88

along the Ikunatanigawa River, where you can enjoy a boat ride when the cherry trees are in bloom

There are around 400

cherry trees blooming

(+81) (0) 90-8970-6728 35-3, Ikuna-Kaminoki, Katsuura-cho, KatsuuraCounty



Kanjo-gataki Waterfall

The waterfall has a drop of about 80 meters



Masaki, Kamikatsu-cho, KatsuuraCounty



Tokushima City

Tokushima ڃ Bunkanomori Park

There are 6 cultural facilities such as museums and a library

Ohnaruto Bridge

A museum featuring

whirlpools and bridges to

introduces the culture and

nature of Tokushima

(+81) (0) 88-687-1330



(+81) (0) 88-668-1111 Mukoterayama Hachiman-cho, TokushimaCitv

Crossing Memorial Hall (AKA: Eddy

65. Tosadomariurafukuike, Naruto-cho, NarutoCity

4:30 PM) *May change due to season / Admission

Fee: Adults ¥620, Junior and Highschool Students

¥410, Elementary School Students ¥260

Matsushigate

This place is popular due to its weekly market

of local foods from around Tokushima as well

as other events that are held here. There

are also shared offices and a craft space.

making it a hub for local interaction.

(+81) (0) 88-699-5030

Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (last admission





This is the lowest natural mountain in Japan; it has an altitude of 6.1-meters. A market called Benten-ichi is regularly held here.

8-1 Benzaiten, Katanokami-cho, TokushimaCity

tonaru SETO

A cultural complex renovated from

the former Seto elementary school

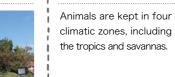
and kindergarten building by

architect Tomoya Masuda. You can

enjoy Awa Odori performances,

(+81) (0) 88-688-0151





(+81) (0) 88-636-3215 22-1 Nyudo, Shibuno-cho, TokushimaCitv Open from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM (last admission 4:00 PM) Closed on Mondays Fee: adult ¥600 (middle school students or younger are free)

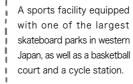
Tokushima Zoo

STELLA PRESCHOOL ANIMAL KINGDOM



UZU PARK

Naruto City



(+81) (0) 88-685-8111 48-1 Aza-Suberiiwahama, Okuwaiima, Muva-cho, Naruto Citv. Tokushima Pref. Open: 7:00 - 20:00 Holiday: None. Open all year round *However, it may not be open to the public during certain events. Fee: Free of charge **Rental bicycles require a deposit of 1,100 yen at the time of reservation Parking: Approx. 1,300 cars. Access: 8 min. drive from Naruto-Kita IC

Naruto City

Address: 220-1 Jimawarisan, Donoura, Seto-cho, Naruto.Open:10:00 ~ 17:00 Closed: Monday Parking capacity:200 cars Access:Approx.16 minutes from Naruto train station by car

experiencing the dance, and raft fishing in the Uchinoumi Sea.



Hinomine Tokushima City and Komatsushima City Omiko Regional Park

Features various facilities such as tennis courts and one-day campsites.

Family

courts, outdoor stages.

and a heated pool etc.

🛓 Sports Park



+81) (0) 88-662-6030 7-1. Omiko. Obara-cho. TokushimaCity Tennis Court open from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM (open until 5:00 PM during December to the end of February)



Shiokaze Park

There are playground equipment modeled after airplanes and a wooden deck where you can see



Shinko, Komatsushima-cho, KomatsushimaCity

Ikimono Fureai-no-Sato Sanagochi Village

(Animal Interaction) Nature Center



Komatsushima Komatsushima City Cycling Stadium

10 Sanbangoshi, Hiroshima, Matsushige-cho,

Itano-gun Open: 9:00 - 20:00 Holiday: January 1 (and

other temporary closures) Admission: Free Parking:

173 cars Access: 5 min. drive from Matsushige Smart

IC, 10 min. drive from Tokushima Awaodori Airport

Visitors can watch the cycling competition while enjoying a view that faces the stadium.



(+81) (0) 885-32-0290 5-57, Yokosu-cho, KomatsushimaCity



(+81) (0) 88-694-6557



Kamiita Town

7, Tenno, Shichijo, Kamiita-cho, ItanoCounty Open from 10:00 AM to 8:30 PM (open until 4:30 PM on Sundays and Holidays)



5-8. Okawara, Sanagochi-son, MyodoCounty

Open from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (campgrounds open during April 25th through September 30th) / Closed on Mondays



Katsuura Town

One of the best paragliding areas in Japan. Experience the exhilarating great outdoors



114, Higashibarao, Mitani, Katsuura-cho, KatsuuraCounty / Open year-round (peak season is during May to September Sat, Sun, and national hol, *Reservations read.

Tadukawakeikoku Katsuura Town 🚍 Valley

You can enjoy the natural boulders in this beautiful valley with lush trees and clear streams.

Tanano, Katsuura-cho, KatsuuraCounty



ా (Dinosaur Village)

Kyoryu-no-Sato

A site where dinosaur fossils were discovered. There are various dinosaur objects scattered here.

also enjoy camping in the

great outdoors



Tanano, Katsuura-cho, KatsuuraCounty



Paintings on the theme of 20-century humanity and works of art related to Tokushima are exhibited.

(+81) (0) 88-668-1088 Mukouteravama, Hachiman-cho, TokushimaCity / Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM / Closed on Monday



Tokushima Prefectural Archives

A facility that collects and stores private documents compiled by the Tokushima prefectural government.

(+81) (0) 88-668-3700 Mukouterayama, Hachiman-cho, TokushimaCity / Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM / Closed on Monday

The Tokushima

A workshop of Tenguhisa,

a puppeteer who was a

Key supporter of the Awa

Monday through Wednesday

Ningyo Jōruri.

Tenguhisa Museum

172, Wadaiuchi, Kokufu-cho, TokushimaCity

Open from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM / Closed



on Monday



Mukouterayama, Hachiman-cho, TokushimaCity

/ Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM / Closed

Tokushima Prefectural Tokushima City

There are works by literary figures and calligraphers associated with Tokushima such as Jakucho Setouchi.

Tokushima

The museum exhibits

materials related to the

nature, history, and culture

of Tokushima as well as a

complete skeleton of a

(+81) (0) 88-668-3636

on Monday

Prefectural Museum

(+81) (0) 88-625-7485 2-22-1, Nakamaekawa-cho, TokushimaCity Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM / Closed



A tour of the 10 cultural facilities of Kokufu Town, where many historic sites and cultural properties still

Shōzui -io

The site and residence of

the Miyoshi clan, a Sengoku

feudal lord of the Awa

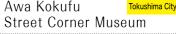
Province, Excavated

articles are also exhibited.

(+81) (0) 88-641-3466

Castle Ruins

(+81) (0) 90-6283-8760 The TokushimaCity Kokufu-cho area reservations required



Awa Deko Ningyo Kaikan

Mukouterayama, Hachiman-cho,

TokushimaCity / Open from 9:30 AM to 5:00

Tokushima Prefectural Tokushima City

Torii Ryuzo Memorial Museum



Materials and manuscripts

of Dr. Ryuzo Torii, a pioneer

of anthropology and

archaeology are exhibited.

(+81) (0) 88-668-2544

PM / Closed on Monday



Tokushima Cit

(+81) (0) 88-665-5600 . 226-1, Miyajimahonura, Kawauchi-cho. TokushimaCity / Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM / Closed on Sundays and the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month

Ichinomiya-jinja Shrine Tokushima City and Ichinomiya-jo Castle Ruins

The largest mountain castle in the prefecture. The main hall of the Ichinomiya-jinja Shrine is a designated important cultural property.



244, Nishicho, Ichinomiya-cho, TokushimaCity

TOKUSHIMA WOODEN TOY MUSEUM

This is the largest "wood education museum" in Japan, with a space where visitors can play with carefully selected toys and a dedicated wood education

room for children under 3 years old. Visitors can also experience local culture (+81) (0) 88-672-1122

45-22, Kibigadani-Nato, Itano-cho, Itano-Country / Open from 9:30 AM to 4:30PM(Scheduled from Jul 1 - Aug 31 to 5:30 p.m.) / losed on Wednesday

History and Folklore, Ningyo Joruri Shibai Museum

Matsushige Town Museum of Matsushige Town

They exhibit artworks and cultural properties related to the history of Matsushige Town and the Awa Ningyo

Joruri puppet theater (+81) (0) 88-699-5995

1-1, Hiroshima-Yonbangoshi, Matsushige-cho / Open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (until 9:00 PM on Thursday) / Closed on Mondays (open if Monday is a national holiday).3rd Tuesday of the month (open on national holidays), from Dec. 29 to Jan. 4

Joroku-ji Temple A treasure house of

important cultural properties such as the Sammon Gate built in the 16th century and the wooden seated statue of Sho Kannon

(+81) (0) 88-654-0334 32, Joryo, Joroku-cho, TokushimaCity

Yoshitsune Cavalry Statue

A 6.7-meter tall statue of Minamoto no Yoshitsune on a horse stands on the top of the mountain

Hatayama, Shibo-cho, KomatsushimaCity



of History and Folklore The facility exhibits the

daily necessities of the past such as the Awa Wasanbon sugars, Awa Ai-indigo, etc.

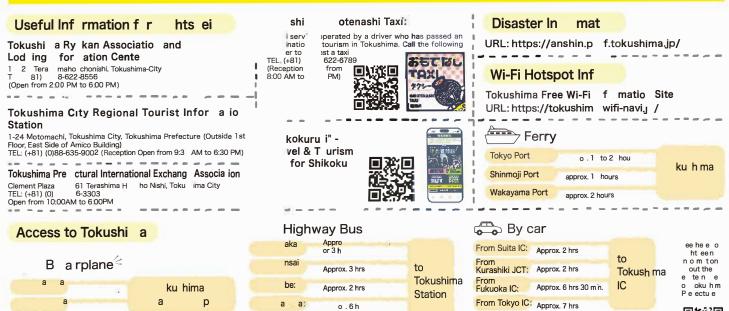
(+81) (0) 88-694-5688 8-1, Izumidani-Haranakasuji, Kamiita-cho, ItanoCounty / Open from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM / Closed on Monday, 12/28 - 1/4

29-2, Higashi-Katsuchi, Shozui, Aizumi-cho

ItanoCounty / Exhibition room open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM(Closed on Dec 29-Jan 3.)

Kamiita Town Museum Kamiita Town





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