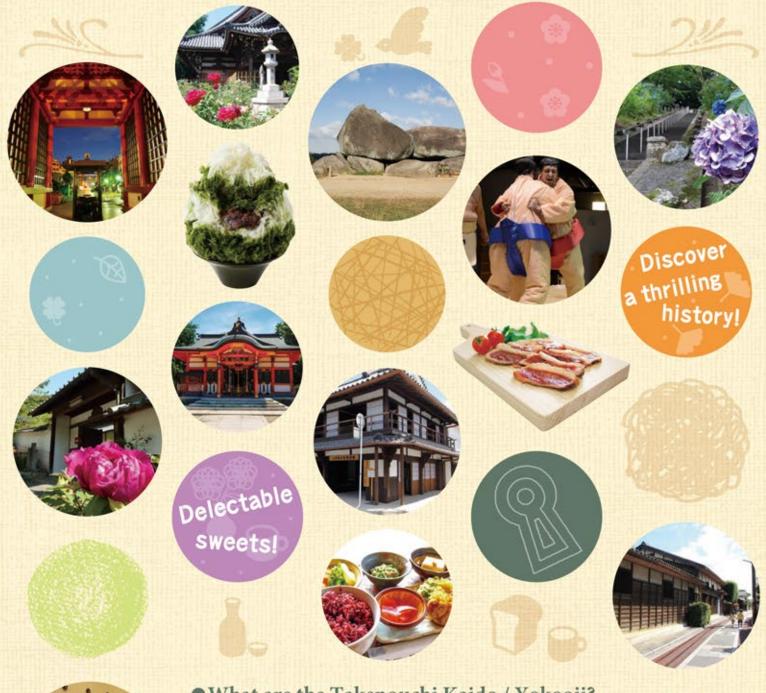




Takenouchi Kaido/ Yokooji
Guide to Attractions







- What are the Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji?
 - Learn about Japan Heritage.
- Recommended sightseeing routes for cyclists that are sure to please.
- Admire nature's beauty throughout the year.
 - Enjoy local delicacies and popular sweets.



For 1400 years, the Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji have continued to thrive even as their roles have changed over time.

What is "Japan Heritage"?

"Japan Heritage" refers to cultural assets certified by the Agency for Cultural Affairs that represent the country's cultural inheritance. Through their historical charm and local characteristics, these assets tell stories about the culture and traditions of Japan. The various regions are focused on comprehensively developing and using these various tangible and intangible cultural assetsindispensable to the telling of our stories-to promote them advantageously throughout Japan and around the world. In so doing, Japan's regions are being revitalized.

Japan-reflecting the long history of more than 1,400 years."

The Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji were certified as the 44th asset of Japan

Heritage in 2017, as "Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji-the oldest public roads in



Tachibana-dera Temple, birthplace of Prince Shotoku



Imal-cho, once an autonomous city, developed as the largest commercial center in central and southern Yamato (present-day central Nara Prefecture).

Ono no Imoko mausoleum, tomb of Japan's first official envoy to the Sui Dynasty of China

What is Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji?

A paragraph appearing in the "Chronicles of Japan" written in November 613 describes the Takenouchi Kaido as "a highway leading to the capital from Naniwa." Thus the highway-linking Naniwazu (the port serving as the gateway of continental diplomacy) and the capital Yamato Asuka-was built more than 1400 years ago.

The Official Story (Outline)

On the days of the spring and autumn equinoxes, the sun rises from Mt. Miwa, passes above Mt. Nijo, and sets in Osaka Bay. For this reason, the straight road from Nara in the east to Osaka in the west is known as the 'Road of the Sun'.

The 'Road of the Sun', which is over 20 meters wide, was built by Empress Suiko in 613 AD. In ancient times, missionaries from China arrived in Asuka City through Naniwa (present-day Osaka) along this road and introduced technology and Buddhist culture.

During the Middle Ages, the road connected many important trading towns, and in modern times it has flourished as a way station for people traveling on pilgrimages to the Grand Shrine of Ise in Mie Prefecture.

The Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji historic road offers travellers, depending on the location, a fascinating variety of scenes and experiences.

Visitors to the heritage sites along this road will be able to encounter and appreciate the historical changes in the area over the past fourteen centuries.

Visit the website of Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji

The website displays a wide range of event information, project details, sightseeing spots, and other attractions. You can also download the entire map as a PDF file to use together with the "Guide to Attractions."





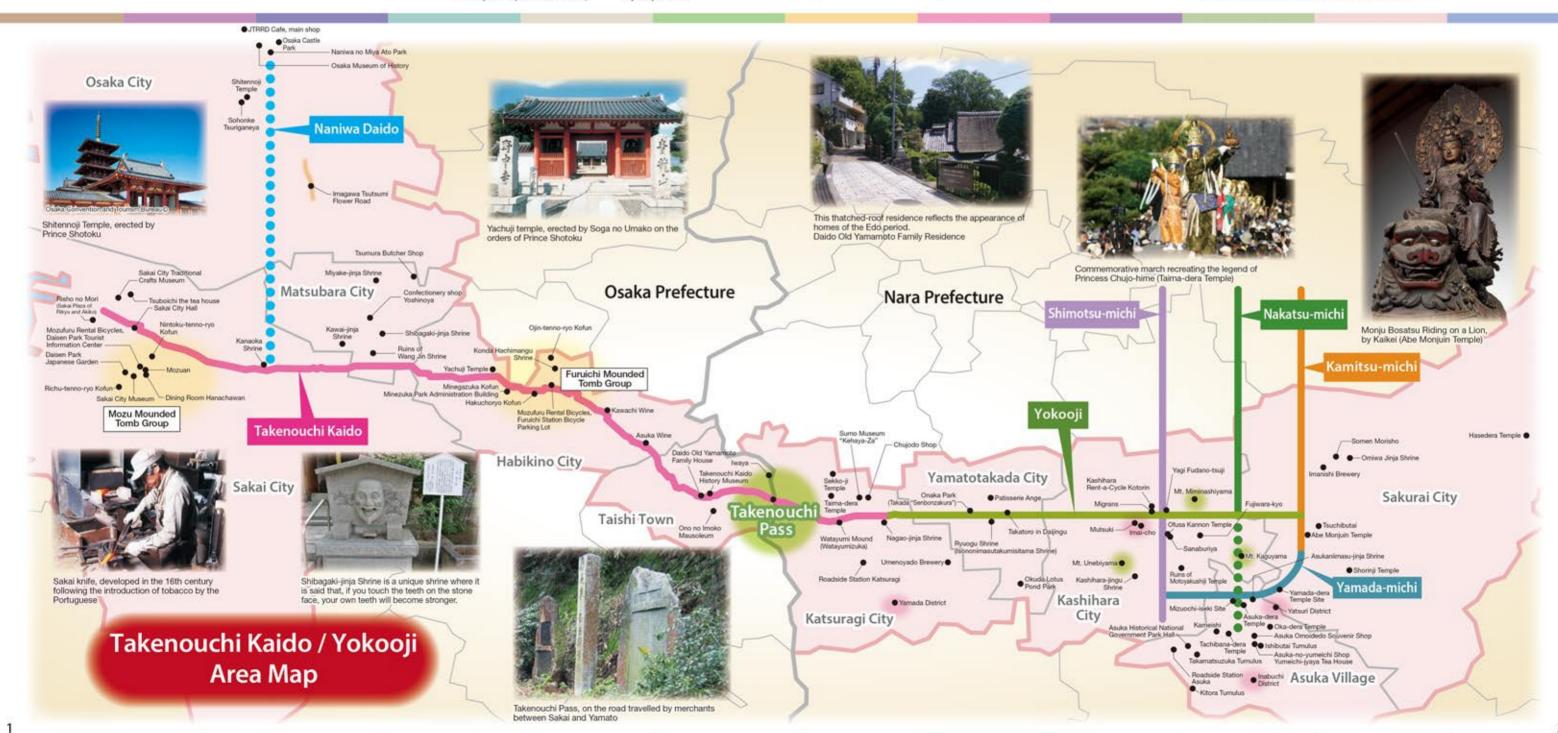
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Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji

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Ryuogu Shrine

Abe Monjuin Temple

spectacular Honbo Garden is pen to the public.

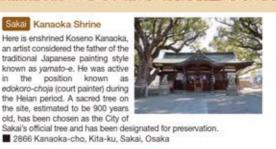
1-11-18 Shitennoii, Tennoii-ku.

Open: Varies by time of year ¥ Free (Separate admission fee for main temple building. garden, and Treasure Half)

Sakai Kanaoka Shrine

eum, one can experience the charm of Sakai by reflecting on the lives of Sakai's own distinguished historical figures, Sen no Rikyu and Yosano Akiko. Partake of tea and sweets while seated in a conventional chair, or experience the traditional formal manners of the tea ceremony in the tearoom facing the site of the Sen no Rikyu esidence, (reservations required.)

2-1-1 Shukuin-cho Nishi, Sakai-ku, Sakai, Osaka Open: 9:00-18:00 ¥ General admission 300 yen Closed: 3rd Tuesdays of the month (open on national holidays, closed next day) and New Year's holiday



Matsubara Shibagaki-jinja Shrine

The ancient shrine marks the ruins of the Tajihi-Shibagakinomiya Palace of Emperor Hanzei. According to legend, the emperor had beautiful teeth, and hus was considered the god of teeth. A shrine to teeth is located in the precincts, where a stone face with lished teeth can be seen

7-12-22 Ueda, Matsubara, Osaka



This ancient temple was built in 612. The principal image is believed to be Taima Mandala by Princess hujo-hime who is said to have oven Buddhists' Western Paradise with lotus thread in one night, Every April 14, visitors crowd the temple for perikuvo eshiki, a marching ceremony to honor the dead.

Katsuragi Taima-dera Temple

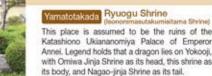
 1263 Taima, Katsuragi, Nara Open: 9:00-17:00 Main Hall, Kondo Hall, Lecture Hall



Watayumi Mound

hometown of his pupil Naemura Chiri Basho composed a haiku. A stone tablet inscribed with his haiku was put on display. A former brewery on this site has been ollection of haiku can be seen here

604 Takenouchi, Katsuragi, Nara



15-33 Katashio-cho, Yamatotakada.

When haiku poet Matsuo Basho visited the turned into a resting room for visitors. A



Sakurai Abe Monjuin Temple

This is one of the oldest temples in lapan, constructed at the time of the Talka Reform, The principal image the largest Bodhisattva Maniushri in Japan, has been designated national treasure.

645 Abe, Sakurai, Nara

¥ Main Hall: General admission 700 ven



Experience history close enough to touch.

Numerous Attractions

ANALAS PROPERTIES

Imanishi Brewery Enjoy a tasting of five carefully selected

sake samples from this brewery renowned

for its choice products such as

Mimurosugi. Lectures are presented to

highlight the sake brewing process and

how to read a label, (reservations required

Taishi Takenouchi Kaido History Museum

The exhibit shows the relationship between

Japan's oldest official road and Taishi Town.

display in the second exhibition room

■ 1855 Yamada, Taishi-cho, Minami

¥ General admission 200 yen

E 0721-98-3266

So much to see and do!





This continental-style cave temple comprises large and small caves constructed during the Nara period. No records of this temple exist in the literature, and details of the ruins of this temple remain a mystery.

Yamada, Taishi-cho. Minamikawachi-gun, Osaka (near Manyo Forest on Mount Nijo)

Kashihara Yagi Fudanotsuji

This is the intersection of Yokooji and Shimotsu-michi. It is a key intersection on Japan's ancient transportation routes. In early-modern times, this area became quite crowded with pilgrims to Ise Grand Shrine and Mount Omine,

2-1-1 Kita-Yagi-cho, Kashihara,



now considered Japan's

oldest representation of Buddha. ngineers from Baekje were involved in the construction of the owers, building tiles, and Buddhist halls, and their apprentices eventually took part in the construction of temples across Japan.

■ 682 Asuka, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara Open: 9:00-17:15 (April-September) / 9:00-16:45 (October-March) ¥ General admission 350 ven



Unwind with sake or a glass of wine. Relax Breweries with a mellow atmosphere

Brewery Tour: Experience Japanese sake brewing

Since 1893, this popular sake brewery has been preparing umami from the waters flowing under Mount Katsuragi.

Touring this brewery and viewing the sake brewing process is a truly nove experience.

20 Higashimuro, Katsuragi, Nara Open: Tours (reservations required) 10:00-11:30 / 13:30-16:00 Duration: 30 to 60 minutes

Closed: Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays (July & August only), Unscheduled days (Brewery visits are subject to availability between December and February.)



by phone at least 1 day in advance) Time required: About 30 minutes: 500 ven Another attraction is the Guided Holy Land Sake Cup Tour. By walking to Omiwa Shrine or another site together with kurodo (skilled sake brewers) and Miwa parishioners, one can experience the unique relationship between sake and the gods in this holy land, (reservations required 3 days in advance) Time required: 2-2 1/2 hours, 3,000 yen

510 Miwa, Sakurai, Nara

(May close on an irregular schedule. 10:00-16:00 Closed: Sundays 图 0744-42-6022



This eco-friendly wine is made from repurposed agricultural products, such as organic compost from squeezed grapes. View the winemaking process in the factory.

1104 Asuka Habikino, Osaka Open: 9:00-17:00

Closed: Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays (May be open on some dates.)

Tours (Reservations required. Some dates not available Please contact us.) 图 072-956-2020





Taima no Kehaya, the founder of the sport of Sumo. Everyone can try his or loincloth or costume on a dohyo that is the same size as its official counterpart. A variety of artifacts are on display on the second floor.

83-1 Taima, Katsuragi, Nara Open: 10:00-17:00 General admission for adults. 300 ven: Children, 150 ven Closed: Tuesdays and Wednesdays TE 0745-48-4611

"Asukabito-no-yakata"

Why not take a stroll in Asuka dressed in traditional

6-3 Koshi. Asuka-mura Takaichi-Gun, Nara ¥ Rentals, 3,000 yen an

国 0744-54-3240



Ride a bicycle back through time...

The area adjacent to the Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji

burial mounds (known as kofun in Japanese).

is dotted with many mounded tombs, or ancient

A bicycle tour of the mounds is a great way to see

Cycle Through History

Yamato Sanzan

During the era from Empress Jito to Empress Genmei, Fujiwara Kyo thrived as the capital of Japan. The three sacred mountains known as Yamato Sanzan are located at the approximate center of Fujiwara Kyo. Feel the ancient winds as you cruise on an easy bicycle ride through this remarkable scenery.

Kashihara City Hall Annex (10F, Migrans) ▼1.5 km Mt. Miminashiyama ▼1.5 km Fujiwara-kyo

Ruins of Kashihara-jingu Shrine ▼0.9 km

Institute of Kashihara ▼ 0.6 km Emperor Jimmu ▼ 1.6 km Imai-cho w 1 1 km

Mt. Miminashiyama

Peaking at 139.6 m, this is the northernmost of Yamato Sanzan. Some believe it is actually a turnulus constructed in ancient times, formed as a dome-shaped mound on a square base. Mt, Miminashiyama Park, located south of the mountain, is well maintained.

Mt. Unebiyama

Rising 198.8 m, this is the highest of Yamato Sanzan. Mt. Unebiyama, signifying "rolling fire," was so named because of its many winding ridges.

Mt. Unebiyama

Mt. Kaguyama

Described as Amano Kaguvama in Manyoshu (the oldest anthology of tanka poetry), this mountain rises to a height of 152.4 m. The most sacred of Yamato Sanzan, it is said to feature a power spot at the Shrine of the Three Pillars

Get cycling information here.

Kashihara Rent-a-Cycle Kotorin Kashihara City Tourism Exchange Center

Kashihara Navi Plaza 1st Fl., 1-6-8 Naizen-cho, Kashihara, Nara Open: 9:00-18:00 Closed: Open year-round 0744-47-2270



Kashihara City Hall Annex (10F, Migrans)

Take the central elevator at Kashihara City Hall to access the free observation deck.

1-1-60 Naizen-cho, Kashihara, Nara

Closed: Open year-round



The country's key facilities, including the Daigokuden (main administrative building) and Chodoin (government office), were situated at the center of Fujiwara Kyo. For 16 years until the transfer of the capital to Heijo, it was the first emulation of the Chinese capital.

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In 1890, Kanpei-taisha (a large-scale state shrine) was built by Emperor Meiji to enshrine the Emperor Jimmu, considered Japan's first emperor, and his empress.

934 Kume-cho, Kashihara, Nara

Tour the Ancient' Yamato Sanzan and Fujiwara Kyo Tour **Burial Mounds** tance: 10.8 km Time required; about 1 hour Yamato-Yagi Station Motoyakushiji Temple Sakai, Osaka ▼ 0.3 km

The Museum, Archaeological

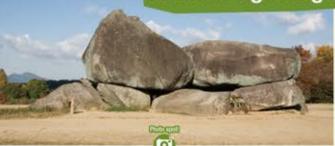
Mausoleum Tumulus Yamato-Yagi Station

Rental Bicycles



Kashihara-jingu Shrine

Asuka Pilgrimage



Ishibutai Tumulus

This seventh-century kofun, or turnulus, was formed by stacking about 30 megalithic stones to form a stone chamber. The fill has been lost and the exposed upper surface is flat, so it referred to as a "stone stage." One theory holds that this is the burial mound of Soga no Umako.

254 Shimasho, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara

Tachibana-dera Temple

This is one of the seven great temples erected by Prince Shotoku, His seated statue is enshrined as a principal image of the main hall, which is called Taishiden (a temple dicated to the Imperial Prince Shotoku).

■ 532 Tachibana, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara



Oka-dera Temple

Officially named Ryugai-ji, this temple is Seiryu, Byakko, and widely known as the first sacred place in Japan that wards off evil. Its principal mage is one of the three large Buddhas orming Japan's largest clay statue, Nyoirin Kanzeon Bosatsu, which stands 4.6 m tall. 806 Oka, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-Gun, Nara

A rental bicycle is the best way to explore the kofuns (tumuli, or ancient burial mounds), ruins, and stone artifacts of Asuka Village.



Kameishi (Tortoise Stone)

Legend holds that a snake and catfish battled over the lake that once filled the entire Nara basin. The snake prevailed, later drawing up all the water from the lake. After all the lake turtles had died from lack of water, villagers are said to have taken pity on the creatures and created this turtle stone, or kameishi, for the repose of their spirits. 108 Kawahara, Asuka-mura,

Takaichi-gun, Nara

Kitora Tumulus

This two-level burial mound has attracted interest for its stone chamber containing a continental-style colored omb mural. It depicts an astronomical chart: the twelve signs of the Chinese zodiac; and the gods Genbu,

67 Abeyama, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara

Asuka Circle Tour

Oka-dera Temple

Ishibutai Tumulus

Tachibana-dera

Temple

▼ 1.1 km

stance: 14.1 km. Time required: about 1 hr 20 n

Asuka Station ▼ 0.6 km Saruishi fonkey Stones ▼ 1.5 km Kameishi ortoise Store

▼ 2.0 km Asuka-dera Temple Man-yobunkakan Nara Prefecture Complex of Man-yo Culture

▼ 1.3 km

▼ 3.3 km Kitora Tumulus ▼ 1.6 km Takamatsuzuka Tumulus Asuka Station

Get cycling information here.

Rental Bicycles

Please visit the tourist portal on the web, "Exploring Asuka."

https://asukamura.com/?page_id=72

Takamatsuzuka Tumulus



This two-level round burial mound from the Fuilwara Kyo period marks the final stage of the Kofun period. It suddenly came into the spotlight when a richly colored mural painting of group of women was overed in 1972. 439 Hirata, Asuka-mura,

Takaichi-gun, Nara

Mozu Mounded Tomb Group Tour Distance: 16.3 km Time required: about 1 hr 20 min

Daisen Park Tourist Information Center

images of the Mozu and Furuichi

Mounded Tomb Groups on the theater's

Daisen Park, 2 Mozusekiun-cho,

¥ Adults: 200 yen; high school & university

Closed: Mondays (open on nation; holidays) and New Year's holiday

students: 100 year elementary & middle school students: 50 ven

Sakai-ku Sakai Osaka Open: 9:30-17:15

giant 200-inch screen

▼ 1.8 km Nagayama Kofun ▼ 1.5 km

Mozu Mounded Tomb Group

Sakai City Museum

Hochigai Shrine ▼ 0.5 km Hanzei-tenno-ryo

▼ 0.5 km

Kofun

Ojin-tenno-ryo Kofun,

Otorizuka Kofun

Komuroyama Kofun

Nakatsuhime-no-

mikoto-ryo Kofun

Hajinosato Station

Bicycle Parking Lot,

Kofun

nosato Station

▼ 0.2 km

▼ 0.8 km

Kofun (Mozu Kofungun Theater) ▼ 2.0 km

Furuichi Mounded Tomb Group Tour Distance: 14.0 km

Ingvo-tenno-rvo

Kofun

Koh Site

Tsudo-shiroyama Kofun

AICEL Shura Hall

Chuai-tenno-ryo

Kofun

Hakuchoryo Kofun

onstructed in the second half of the h century, this keyhole-shaped moun

es 23 meters and is 200 meters long

Takenouchi Highway to the north of mound, a reflection of this bear

Maruhoyama Kofun ▼ 1.1 km Nintoku-tenno-ryo ▼ 0.2 km Sakai City Museum

Observation Lobby 21st floor of

Sakai City Hall

Richu-tenno-ryo Kofun

is is the third-large

Gobyovama Kofun ▼ 0.9 km Shring

Ninken-tenno-ryo

Kofun

Minegazuka Kofun,

Minezuka Park

Administration Building

Hakuchoryo Kofun

Furuichi Station

Bicycle Parking Lot

Furuichi Station

Mozu-hachimangu ▼ 1.0 km

· Richu-tenno-ryo

Kofun

Itasuke Kofun

▼ 1.0 km

▼ 0.7 km

▼ 1.7 km Daisen Park Tourist Information Center

Hakayama Kofun &

Mukohakayama Kofun

Habikino City Cultural

Properties Exhibition

Room

Oiin-tenno-rvo Kofur

· · Nisanzai Kofun

Jonoyama Kofun

Gobyoomotezuka

Kofun

▼ 1.8 km

▼ 0.5 km

Sakai-ku, Sakai, Osaka Open: 9:00-16:30 Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday 072-245-6207

(Furuichi Station Bicycle Parking Lot)

information here.

Mozufuru Rental Bicycles

*You can rent and return your bike

at either bicycle rental location.

Daisen Park Tourist

Information Center)

2-160 Mozusekiun-cho,

Rental Bicycles

1-1-15 Furuichi, Habikino. Osaka

Open: 9:00-18:00 (Availability for day of rental: 09:00-16:00) Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday

072-958-0303 Chayama Tenniscourts

Oiin-tenno-rvo Kofun.

Otorizuka Kofun



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Observation Lobby, 21st floor of Sakai City Hall

Nintoku-tenno-ryo Kofun

orld's three most significant tombs

The top floor of the city hall includes a corridor lobby with a 360-degree panoramic view

and tea corner. Admission is free.

3-1 Minamikawara-machi, Sakai-ku, Sakai, Osaka
Open: 9:00-21:00

Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday

The Takenouchi Kaido

offers a treasure trove of kofun mounded tombs!



Habikino, Osaka (Fujiidera) Furuichi Mounded Tomb Group

A total of 45 mounded tombs can be seen within a 2-km radius located along east-west and north-south axes. Many iron weapons and impressive tomb artifacts have been found in this area.

Oiin-tenno-ryo Kofun

This enormous mounded tomb is the second largest in Japan after the Nintoku-tenno-rvo Kofun. Its volume is the largest of all mounded tombs in Japan. The hills and slopes of the mound are adorned with fuklishi (stones used to cover a mounded tombi and it contains more than 20,000 cylindrical haniwa (clay figures ranged in rows.

6 Konda, Habikino, Osaka





Minegazuka Kofun, Minezuka Park Administration Building

Of all the large keyhole-shaped tomb mounds in the Furuichi Mounded Tomb Group, only this mounded tomb has had its interior excavated for ongoing research, You can learn more about Furuichi Mounded Tomb Group in the adjacent Minezuka Park Administration Building.

2 Karusato, Habikino, Osaka Open: 10:00-17:15 Closed: Thursdays and year-end and







Sekko-ji Temple (Katsuragi)

In bloom from early to late May. About 500 plants of 100 varieties bloom in the precincts, including the American peony, which does not topple over like most peonies. 387 Someno, Katsuragi, Nara



Takada

n bloom from late March to early April.

Onaka Park features 2.5 km of cherry trees that extend along both sides of

In bloom from mid-April to early May.

About 3,000 strains of rhododendron

each full bloom in the precincts. The

blooms on both slopes of the

approach to the Oku-no-in (inner

sanctuary) are especially beautiful.

806 Oka, Asuka-mura,

Takaichi-gun, Nara

the river to the north and south.

Onaka, Yamatotakada, Nara

Rhododendrons

"Senbonzakura"

Oka-dera Temple

(Asuka)

(Yamatotakada)

Ofusa Kannon Temple (Kashihara)

n bloom from mid-May to mid-June. Enjoy this garden's about 3,800 roses of numerous varieties. In recent years, pleasing fragrances have emerged, with a particular focus on elegant English roses with many

■ 6-22 Osa-cho, Kashihara, Nara



Park (Osaka City)

In bloom from late March to early April. About 3,000 cherry trees bloom in this park. About 300 of them are located around Someiyoshino in the Nishinomaru Garden. The cherry blossoms are illuminated at night. 1 Osaka-jo, Chuo-ku, Osaka



Daisen Park Japanese Garden

In bloom from late May to early June. In early summer, the shoreline of the circuit style garden - which is constructed with traditional techniques - is embellished with alpinia root and iris.

Daisen-nakamachi, Sakai-ku, Sakai Osaka



Ono no Imoko Hydrangea Mausoleum

(Taishi)

In bloom from mid-June to mid-July. These flowers bloom serenely on both sides of the stairs toward the Ono no Imoko mausoleum adjacent to Shinaga Shrine.

 Yamada, Taishi-cho, Minamikawachi-gun, Osaka (near Shinaga Shrine)

Winter-flowering Peony

387 Someno, Katsuragi, Nara

In bloom from early December to early January.



Okuda Lotus Pond Park (Yamatotakada)

In bloom from late June to early August.

The Lotus Picking Rite, designated an intangible folk cultural property of Nara Prefecture, is held on the day of Tanabata in early July. These lotus blossoms are offered up at the summit of Mount Omine by mountain ascetics.

469-1 Okuda, Yamatotakada, Nara

Yamada

Sunflowers District

(Katsuragi) In bloom from mid-July to earl August.

The sunflowers blooming in the fields south of Yashikiyama Park

present an exceptional sight. Yamada, Katsuragi, Nara



Water Hyacinth Ruins of Motoyakushiji Temple (Kashihara)

In bloom from late August to late September. During the peak period, about 400,000 pale purple flowers can be seen spread across the paddy fields.

279 Kidono-cho, Kashihara, Nara



Yatsuri District apanese Allspice

In bloom from late January to early

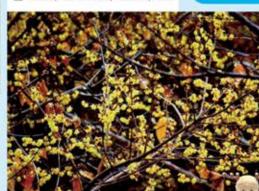
February. The rare Japanese allspice grows naturally along the Yatsuri River behind Asukaniimasu Shrine. The yellow blossoms and sweet fragrance

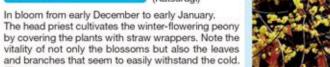
Yatsuri, Asuka-mura, Takaichi, Nara



comfort the spirit.









Sekko-ji Temple

Plum Trees Miyake-jinja Shrine (Matsubara)

In bloom from late February to early March.

Miyake Shrine is renowned for its weeping plums. A tea ceremony and other events are held during the Ume **Festival**

4-1-8 Miyakenaka, Matsubara, Osaka

Hasedera

Temple

(Sakurai)

In bloom from late April to early May.

The peonies of Hase-dera Temple,

known as "The Temple of Flowers."

bloom throughout the four seasons

depending on the variety. They

colorfully embellish the entire shrine

■ 731-1 Hase, Sakurai, Nara

precincts

Ruins of Fujiwara Palace

In bloom from early to late October. Several kinds of cosmos, resembling a beautiful carpet, bloom on the site of the historic capital.

 Takadono-cho. Kashihara, Nara

(Kashihara)

Kawai-jinja Shrine Singko Trees (Matsubara)

In peak color from mid to late November. This small shrine is well loved by the local community. The colors of the ginkgo herald the arrival of the



Taima-dera Okuno-in Temple (Katsuragi)

n peak color from late November to early December. The stone tower, statue of Buddha and autumnal eaves make a splendid combination. Also spectacular is the view of the twin towers from nan-in and its stunning foliage

1263 Taima, Katsuragi, Nara

In bloom from November to February. Heavenly bamboo (nandina), sarcandra

The Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji will take you

to a wide variety of temples and flower-viewing sites.

These sites are yours to enjoy throughout the year!



glabra, and coralberry with its lovely fruit welcome the many visitors at the temple gate and throughout the precincts. 692 Shimo, Sakurai, Nara

Shorini

Temple

(Sakurai)

Inabuchi District Cluster Amaryllis (Asuka)

In bloom from mid to late September. The cluster amaryllis bloom in the rice terraces of

Inabuchi, which have been included among the top one hundred most beautiful rice paddies of Japan. These blossoms complement the nostalgic countryside.

Inabuchi, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara

Popular Sweets and Traditional Local Cuisine

Tsuboichi the tea house Matcha Milk Kintoki Osaka New Year's holiday Matcha Milk Kintoki (Available April to

A diverse selection of traditional confectionary, novel sweets, traditional local cuisine, and unique souvenirs



ous teas and sweets are yours to savor in almachiya (traditional townhouse) of Sakai. A vorite is the matcha-flavored shaved ice. ich is light and cottony, prepared with a ade custom-crafted by a long-established swordsmith. This "weightless shaved ice," which melts in the mouth in a flash, is very 1-1-2 Kukenchohigashi, Sakai-ku, Sakai.

Sales: 10:30-18:00 / Tearoom 11:00-18:00 Closed: Tuesdays (Open on national holidays.) / This tiramisu is offered in a cedar box bearing an impressive pattern of koma-tsunagi (a ring for tying horses, a symbol of Imaicho). Ingredients include homemade candy, matcha mizu-vokan (adzuki-bean jelly), and dried persimmon. (Limited to 10 each day.)

1-9-12 Imai-cho Kashihara Nara Open: 11:00-18:00 (from November to end of February 17:00) Closed: Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays E 0744-47-3717



Kawachi Wine-kan Seasonal Shokado-bento + Wine

Offering a combination of ingredients from each season along with exquisite wines chosen to complement the meal

■ 1027 Komagatani, Habikino, Osaka Open: 10:00–18:00 (from 9:00 on Saturdays, Sundays & national holidays)
Closed: Irregular schedule @072-956-0181



Dining Room Hanachawan

This handcrafted curry dish is designed as a keyhole-shaped mound. The aromas of fruit and spice are exquisite. Available daily until sold out.

■ 2-265 Mozusekiun-cho, Sakai-ku, Sakai, Osaka Open: 11:00-19:00 Closed: Irregular schedule



Tsumura Butcher Shop Kawachi Duck

For 140 years from the early Meiji period, this store has been raising a cross between mallards and domestic ducks. Fresh, safe and delicious Kawachi duck meat can also be purchased here.

*No meals are served. 8-10-24 Bessho, Matsubara.

1 072-334-1111

Osaka Open: 9:00-17:00 Closed: Sundays and irregular day



至5年 東市茶屋

Asuka-no-yumeichi Shop, Yumeichi-jyaya Tea House "Kodaimai Gozen (Wild Rice set menu)" Enjoy a meal of ancient rice and local seasonal vegetables cooked with time and care by local housewives. The Asuka Nabe dinner is available during winter. ■ 154-3 Shimasho, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara

(until 17:00 on Saturdays, Sundays & national holida Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday

Somen Morisho

Miwa Somen

These noodles can be enjoyed adjacer

to the Ninotorii Gate of Omiwa-jin

Shrine. The persimmon-leaf sus

Weekdays: 10:00-16:30 / Saturdays

Sundays & national holidays: 9:30-17:00

(Irregular schedule) E 0744-43-7411

dinner is also recommended.

■ 535 Miwa, Sakurai, Nara

Closed: Mondays & Tuesdays

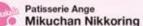


Chujo mochi rice cake ("wormwood mochi") is a bite-size treat made from palm-sized rice cake. This traditional recipe has been handed down since olden days in the village of Taima. This delicacy is shaped to resemble peony petals.

55-1 Taima, Katsuragi, Nara Open: 9:00-18:00 (until sold out)

Closed: July / Mid-August-August 31 / December 31-early January (E) 0745-48-3211 (Toll-free: 0120-483-203)





Mikuchan the mascot of Yamatotakarla has been collaborating with this cake shop, a favorite of local residents for many years. It offers a variety of baked goods ranging from plain and matcha to caramel with unique ingredients, including specialty vegetables of Yamatotakada such as kikuna, shirona, and spinach, which are blended into their products. 2-9 Hongo-cho, Yamatotakada, Nara 🔑

Open: 8:30-20:00 Closed: New Year's Day, January 2

0745-52-4227

Confectionery shop Yoshinoya

Strawberry Daifuku



Head office: 1st Fl., Tatsuta Bldg., 3-4-5 Temma, Kita-ku, Osaka Open: 12:00-17:00 Closed: Mondays

TE 06-6882-4835 Utsubohonmachi Branch: 1-7-13-1 FL, Utsuboho Nishi-ku, Osaka Closed: Thursdays

TE 06-6444-3365

10744-22-2243





Mozu Kofungun Souvenir Shop Mozuan

This shop offers a selection of unique souvenirs related to kofun and Sakai, including kofun cushions, kofun tote bags, and Mozu-Furu sablé shortbread.

Osamezuka Kofun Square in Daisen Park 2-150-4 Mozusekiun-cho, Sakai-ku, Sakai, Osaka Open: 10:00-17:00

Closed: Open year-round E 072-350-5899



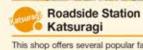




Manju Bun Temple Bell

The Tsuriganeva shop was established in Shitennoji, Osaka, in 1900. The Manju Bun Temple Bell adopts the motif of the large bell of Shitennoii Temple, renowned as the best in the world. This Osaka specialty is a store original. The flavor of this delicacy has remained unchanged since the shop was founded.

■ 1-5-2 Daido, Tennoji-ku, Osaka Weekdays: 8:00-18:00 / Sundays and national holidays: 8:00-17:00



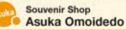
TEI 0745-48-1147

This shop offers several popular favorites, including karafurun roll cakes and maaburun cheese cream & cookies.

1257 Ota, Katsuragi, Nara Agricultural direct retail sales shop: 8:30-19:00 / Forest Café: 9:00-18:00

Restaurant: 11:00-18:00 This facility provides travel information and offers a multipurpose square, washrooms, and 24-hour parking. Closed: Open year-round (Not applicable to some stores in the facility)





Offering unique haniwa figurines and Buddha statues made with a 3D printer as well as "a

row of four gods" made with tatami material. ■ 1218 Oka, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara Open: 10:00-18:00

Closed: Tuesdays (Open on national holidays. TEI 090-1482-3330







In the old days, when the rice planting was done, it was common to prepare kinako-mochi (roasted-soybean powdered mochi) and offer it up to the gods of the rice fields in gratitude. The texture of the grain is unique because it is made from whole wheat with a granular feel that has long been popular in Yamato.

243 Nawate-cho, Kashihara, Nara Open: 9:00-17:00 Closed: Tuesdays Closed: Irregular schedule 图 06-6771-0044



Roadside Station Asuka

■ 6-3 Koshi, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara

Asuka General Information Center

at the General Information Center, "Asukabito-no-Yakata."

Asukabito-no-Yakata: 8:30-18:00 (Varies by season.) Asuka Yume Shop, direct retail sales of agricultural products,

Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday 19 0744-54-3240

Popular souvenirs such as "Asuka Sanpo" confections are available



Tourism Associations & Tourist Information Centers

Osaka City

Tourist Information OSAKA

 Central Concourse, JR Osaka Station 1st Fl., 3-1-1 Umeda, Kita-ku, Osaka 530-0001 Open: 7:00-23:00 Closed: Open throughout the year

Information Center NAMBA

 Nankai Terminal Bldg. 1st Fl., 5-1-60 Namba, Chuo-ku, Osaka 542-0076

Open: 9:00-20:00 (Dec 31-Jan 3: 10:00-18:00) Closed: Open throughout the year

Sakai City

Sakai Tourism & Convention Bureau

 1-1-35 Kaino-cho Nishi, Sakai-ku, Sakai, Osaka 590-0950 Open: 9:00-17:30

Closed: Saturdays, Sundays & national holidays 饱 072-233-5258

Sakai Station Tourist Information Center

 3-22-1 Ebisima-cho, Sakai-ku, Sakai, Osaka 590-0985 Open: Sakai Station Building, 1st Fl.: 9:00-18:00 Beside West Exit ticket gate: 10:00-19:00 Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday 恒 072-232-0331

Sakaihigashi Tourist Information Center

 39-1 Mikunigaoka-miyukidori, Sakai-ku, Sakai, Osaka 590-0028 Open: 9:00-19:00 Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday 恒 072-238-7174

Daisen Park Tourist Information Center

 2-160 Mozusekiun-cho, Sakai-ku, Sakai, Osaka 590-0802 Open: 9:00-17:00 Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday 間 072-245-6207

Matsubara City

Matsubara City Tourism Association

 1-1-1 Ao, Matsubara, Osaka 580-0043 Open: 9:00-17:30 Closed: Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays / year-end and New Year's holiday 恒 072-330-8201

Habikino City

Habikino City Tourism Association

Habikino City Hall Tourist Section 4-1-1 Konda, Habikino, Osaka 583-8585 Open: 9:00-17:30 Closed: Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays / year-end and New Year's holiday 恒 072-947-3725

Habikino tourist information office

 1-1-19 Furuichi, Habikino, Osaka 583-0852 Open: Weekdays: 9:30-17:00 Saturdays, Sundays & national holidays: 9:00-17:00 Closed: Thursdays, year-end and New Year's holiday

Taishi Town

Taishi-cho Tourism and Community Development Association

88 Yamada, Taishi-cho, Minamikawachi-gun, Osaka 583-0992 Open: 9:00-17:15 Closed: Mondays, Tuesdays & year-end and New Year's holiday 10 0721-21-1600

Katsuragi City

Katsuragi City Tourism Association and **Tourist Information Center**

Premises of the Sumo Museum of Katsuragi City KEHAYA-ZA 83-1 Taima, Katsuragi, Nara 639-0276

Open: 10:00-17:00 Closed: Tuesdays & Wednesdays (Open if Tuesday or Wednesday is a national holiday.) 間 0745-48-4611

Information Center, Roadside Station Katsuragi

- ★ On Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays, volunteer guides are available in the information center inside Roadside Station Katsuragi.
- 1257 Ota, Katsuragi, Nara 639-2153

Yamatotakada City

Yamatotakada City

100-1 Onaka, Yamatotakada, Nara 635-8511 Open: 8:30-17:15

Closed: Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays / year-end and New Year's holiday 图 0745-22-1101

Kashihara City

Kashihara City Tourism Exchange Center, **Tourist Information Office**

1st Fl., Kashihara City Tourism Exchange Center 1-6-8 Naizencho, Kashihara, Nara 634-0804 Open: 9:00-19:00 Closed: Open year-round (EL) 0744-47-2270

Kashihara City Tourism Association

2nd Fl., Kashihara City Tourism Exchange Center 1-6-8 Naizencho, Kashihara, Nara 634-0804 Open: 9:00-19:00 Closed: Open year-round TE 0744-20-1123

Kashihara Tourist Information Center Jingumae

■ 1st Fl., Shoko Keizai Kaikan 652-2 Kumecho, Kashihara, Nara 634-0063 Open: 9:00-19:00 Closed: Open year-round 围 0744-27-2070

Sakurai City

Sakurai City Tourism Association

2nd Fl., Sakurai Shoko Kaikan 260-2 Kawai, Sakurai, Nara 633-0063 Open: 8:30-17:15 Closed: Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays / year-end and New Year's holiday 恒 0744-42-7530

Sakurai Tourism Information Office

■ Kintetsu Sakurai Station premise 190-2 Sakurai, Sakurai City, Nara 633-0091 Open: Jan/Feb/Mar/July/Aug/Dec: 8:30-17:15 Apr/May/June/Sept/Oct/Nov: 8:15-17:00 Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday III 0744-44-2377

Hase Tourism Center

■ 1593-2 Hase, Sakurai, Nara 633-0112 Open: 9:00-17:00 Closed: Tuesdays, Wednesdays & year-end and New Year's holiday 10 0744-44-3331

Asuka Village

Asuka Sightseeing Association

6-3 Koshi, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara 634-0138 Open: 8:30-18:00 (Varies by season) Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday IB 0744-54-3240

Information on Volunteer Guides

Osaka City NPO Osaka Volunteer Guide Council

■ Premises of Osaka-jo Castle Park Center, 3-11 Osaka-jo, Chuo-ku, Osaka 542-0002 Open: 10:00–15:30 Note: No response is available outside these hours #El 090-3059-6923 / 090-3493-9269

Sakai City NPO Sakai Tourist Volunteers Association

 4th Fl., Kawaramachi Ueno Bldg., 2-3-29 Nakakawara-machi, Sakai-ku, Sakai, Open: 10:00-16:30 Reservation deadline: About two weeks in advance. 旭 072-233-0531

Matsubara City Matsubara Town Guides

 Matsubara City Tourism Association, 6th Fl., Matsubara City Hall, 1-1-1 Ao, Matsubara, Osaka 580-0043

Open: 9:00-17:30 Closed: Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays / year-end and TE 072-330-8201 New Year's holiday

Habikino City Habikino (matiarukigaidonokai) Walking Guide

■ Premises of Tourism Association, 4-1-1 Konda, Habikino, Osaka 583-8585 Open: (Weekdays 9:00-17:30) Habikino City Tourism Association, premises of Tourism

Taishi Town Association of Taishi Guides

 88 Yamada, Taishi-cho, Minamikawachi-gun, Osaka 583-0992 Open: 9:00-17:15 Closed: Mondays, Tuesdays & year-end and New Year's holiday 恒 0721-21-1600

Katsuragi City Tourism Volunteer Guide Association, Katsuragi City

■ Premises of the Sumo Museum of Katsuragi City KEHAYA-ZA, 83-1 Taima, Katsuragi, Nara 639-0276

Open: 10:00-17:00 Booking deadline: 10 days in advance Closed: Tuesdays, Wednesdays & year-end and New Year's holiday 10 0745-48-4611

lotakada City Yamatotakada Cultural Property Volunteer Guide Association

■ Premises of Lifelong Learning Section, Yamatotakada City Board of Education 1-15 Nishimachi, Yamatotakada, Nara 635-0096 Open: 8:30-17:15 Booking deadline: one week in advance Closed: Saturdays

Sundays and national holidays / year-end and New Year's holiday 📵 0745-53-6264

hara City Volunteer Guides, Kashihara City Tourism Association

■ Premises of Kashihara City Tourism Association, 2nd FL, Kashihara City Tourism Exchange Center, 1-6-8 Naizencho, Kashihara, Nara 634-0804 Open: 8:30-19:00 Booking deadline: one week in advance Closed: Open year-round 19 0744-20-1123

Sakurai City Tourism Volunteer Guide Association, Sakurai City

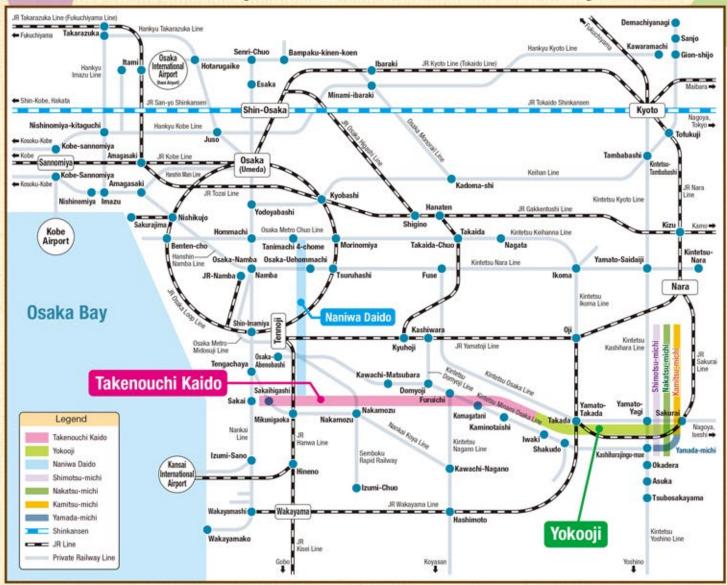
 Premises of Sakurai Tourism Urban Planning Section, 432-1 Odono, Sakurai, Nara 633-0062

Open: 8:30-17:15 Booking deadline: one week in advance Closed: Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays / year-end and New Year's holiday 🔞 0744-42-9111

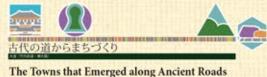
Asuka Village Volunteer Guides, Asuka Sightseeing Association

6-3 Koshi, Asuka-mura, Takaichi-gun, Nara 634-0138 Open: 8:30-17:00 Booking deadline: 10 days in advance Closed: Year-end and New Year's holiday 10 0744-54-3240

Access Map for Takenouchi Kaido / Yokooji







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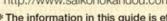
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