

Oita City Walking Guide



Nishi-Oita

A city that will make you want to explore!

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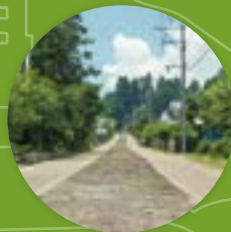


Funai



Hetsugi

Introduction of
14 recommended
walking courses in
Oita City!



Imaichi

Transportation guide

Rental Cycle

- Oita Station Rent-A-Cycle Port
2605-2 Kaname-machi, Oita City Tel. 097-537-5739

Rental Car

- Station Rental Car Kyushu Oita Station Sales Office
1-1-5 Kanaikeminami, Oita City TEL 097-500-8880
- Orix Rent-a-car Oita Ekimae Shop
1-1-15 Kanaike-machi, Oita City TEL 097-534-8694
- Nippon Rent-A-Car Oita Ekimae Sales Office
1-5-1 Kanaike-machi, Oita City TEL 097-534-4500
- Times Car Rental Oita Ekimae Shop
1-2-12 Kanaike-machi, Oita City TEL 097-534-0762
- Nissan Rent-a-car Oita Ekimae Shop
3-10 Kaname-machi, Oita City TEL 097-534-0138
- Toyota Rental Lease Oita Ekimae Shop
1F KCA/Across Plaza Oita Ekinan,
1-3-1 Higashiomichi, Oita City
TEL 097-545-0155

Bus

- Oita Bus TEL 097-532-7000
- Oita Kotsu TEL 097-534-7455

Sightseeing taxi

- Oita Prefecture Taxi Association
TEL 097-558-5759

Tourist information

- Oita City Tourist Information Center
JR Oita Station
TEL 097-532-0723
- Oita City Tourist Association
2-31 Niage-machi, Oita City
TEL 097-537-5764
- City of Oita Tourism Division
2-31 Niage-machi, Oita City
TEL 097-537-7043



Oita - A city that will make you want to explore.

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- Tourist attraction
- ♨ Hot spring
- 🛍 Souvenir
- 📷 Photogenic spot
- 👉 Recommended route (on foot)



Complex facilities of art culture designed by Mr. Arata Isozaki, a gloval architect from Oita City



Crossing the Hallway Bridge

Sculptures are scattered in Yuho Park.

The restroom in Funai Aqua Park is a work entitled "Melting Dream" originally designed for the Oita Toiennale" which was held at an art festival in 2015.

Souvenirs in Oita are available at "Bungo Niwasaki Market" keep a rich assortment of goods in stock, on the first floor. You can also enjoy shopping at Amu Plaza Oita.

Amu Plaza Oita
 1-14 Kanamemachi, Oita City
 097-513-1220
 Amu Plaza City Rooftop Place
 :10:00 AM - 9:00 PM
 Bungo Niwasaki Market
 : 9:30 AM - 9:00 PM *Varies with the store.

A bathhouse of this hot spring reminds us the atmosphere of a nostalgic sento (a Japanese style public bath).



Atami Onsen
 1-3-4 Suehiromachi, Oita City
 097-532-4324
 2:00 PM - 11:00 PM
 Tuesdays
 Junior high school students: 380 yen
 elementary schoolchildren : 150 yen; infants: 70 yen

Course No. 7



Town Walking in Oita

Take a walk downtown

① Red Brick Hall



Red Brick Hall of Oita Bank was designed by Kingo Tatsuno, the architect famous for the Tokyo Station building, which is now a registered cultural asset of Japan.

A number of cultural sites of historic value still remain in the central part of Oita City. These include the ruins of Funai Castle built approximately 400 years ago, works of sculptors representing Japan and Western-style architecture that is reminiscent of the Meiji period (1868 - 1912). Please enjoy the historical heritage that surrounds you.



Kenchan

③ Group of Sculptures at Yuho Park



Seibou Kitamura's work
 One of the artists representing from the Meiji to Showa periods of Japan. He left a number of representative works, including the Nagasaki Peace Memorial Statue.



Midori no Kage (Green Shadow)



Statue of Rentaro Taki

④ Funai Castle Ruins

Ishida Mitsunari's son-in-law Fukuhara Naotaka started constructing Funai Castle approximately 400 years ago, and Takenaka Shigetoshi completed the castle later.



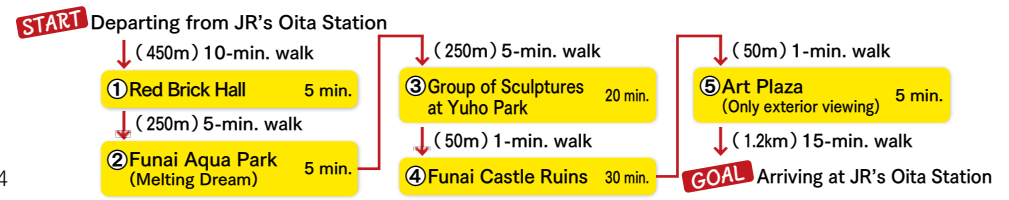
Created by Fumio Asakura
 Born in Oita Prefecture. He was the sculptor called "the Rodin of the Orient" in from the Meiji to Showa periods.



The Hallway Bridge, including the interior, crossing the moat was faithfully reproduced.

Schedule

Required time: Approximately 1 h. 40 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)



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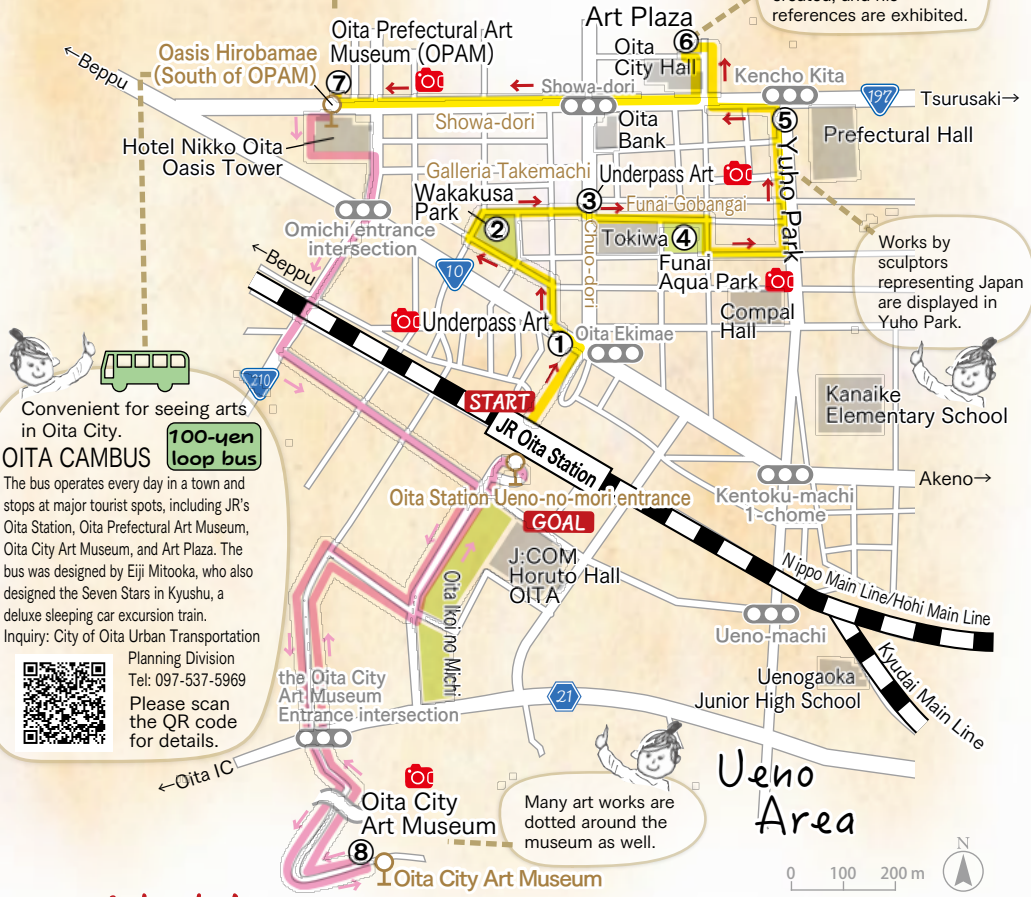
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- Recommended route (on foot)
- Recommended route (by OITA CAMBUS)



The logo of the entrance monument is a popular photogenic spot.

Models of some works which Arata Isozaki who is an architect from Oita created, and his references are exhibited.

Works by sculptors representing Japan are displayed in Yuhō Park.



Convenient for seeing arts in Oita City.

OITA CAMBUS 100-yen loop bus

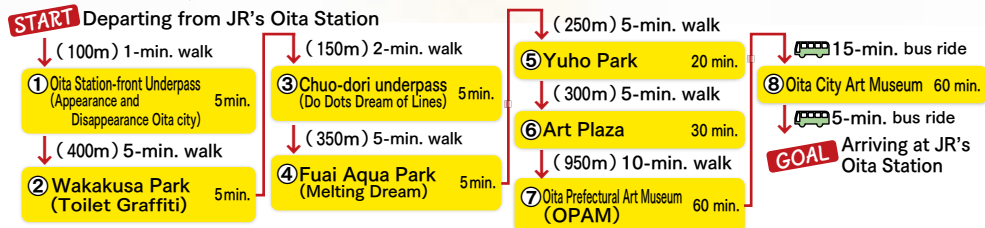
The bus operates every day in a town and stops at major tourist spots, including JR's Oita Station, Oita Prefectural Art Museum, Oita City Art Museum, and Art Plaza. The bus was designed by Eiji Mitooka, who also designed the Seven Stars in Kyushu, a deluxe sleeping car excursion train.

Inquiry: City of Oita Urban Transportation Planning Division
Tel: 097-537-5969

Please scan the QR code for details.

Schedule

Required time: Approx. 4 h. 5 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)



Enjoy with all Your Five Senses!

Art tour

Course No. 2
Central Area
Ueno Area



⑥ Art Plaza

- 3-31 Niagemachi, Oita City
- 097-538-5000
- 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM (Until 6:00 PM for Arata Isozaki architecture exhibition room)
- New Year's holiday period (December 28 through January 3) * Opens if an event is held.
- Available



The Art Plaza was designed by Arata Isozaki, a global famous architect.

⑧ Oita City Art Museum

"Oita City Art Museum" is familiar as a museum where people can enjoy seeing and learning the arts.



The object of an elephant is the symbol of the museum.

Oita Prefectural Art Museum (OPAM) was designed with the concept of a museum where the five senses meet.

⑦ Oita Prefectural Art Museum (OPAM)

- 865 Ueno, Oita City
- 097-554-5800
- 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (The last admission time is 5:30 PM.)
- Every Monday (the next weekday if Monday falls on a national holiday.) * The museum is open on the first Monday of every month and the second Tuesday will be closed (except when a special exhibition is held, in which case, that Tuesday will be open).
- Approx. 130 vehicles

- 2-1 Kotobukimachi, Oita City
- 097-533-4500
- 10:00 AM-7:00 PM and until 8:00 PM on Fridays and Saturdays(The last admission is 30 min. before closing time.)
- Open 356 days a year, in principle (except for temporary closing days for inspection)
- Outdoor parking lot (for 143 vehicles)
Underground parking lot (for 107 vehicles)



This art that visitors can enjoy touching the work of Marcel Wanders, a Dutch designer.

Why don't you enjoy seeing the art works while strolling around the town!?



The restroom in Funai Aqua Park is a work entitled "Melting Dream" originally designed for "the Oita Toilennale" which is an art festival held in 2015. In the public restroom of Wakakusa Park, you can see the graffiti of the restroom which stands out at dusk.






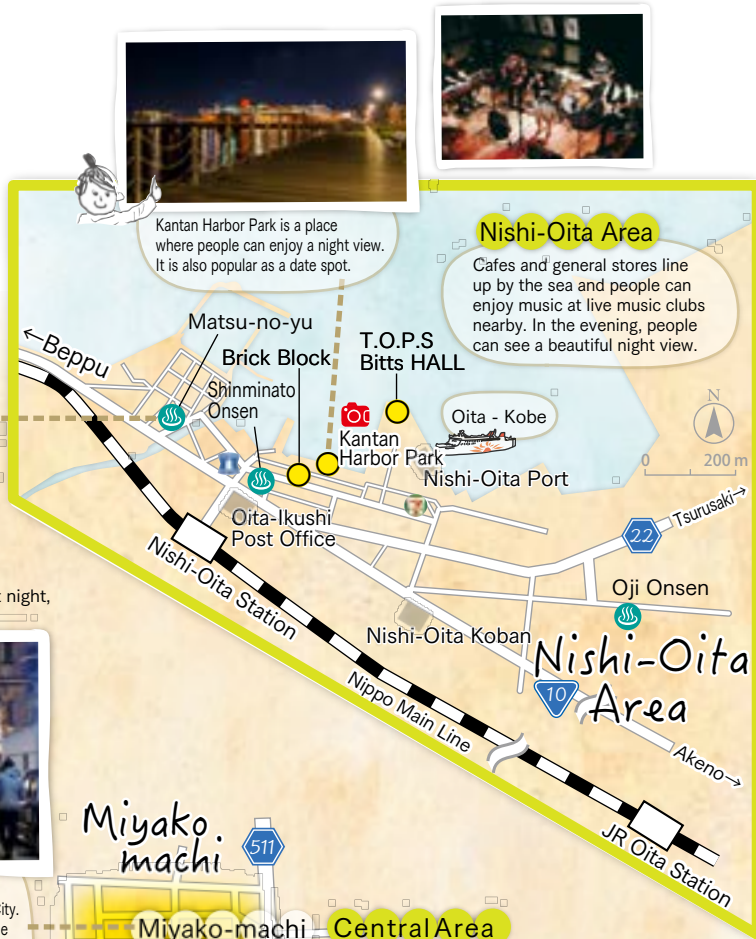
Artist Hiraku Suzuki has created an art space with his work entitled "Do Dots Dream of Lines" on the Chuo-dori underpass.

1 On the underpass of Oita station, people can see Takuro Osaka's works of light under the theme of light under the theme of work: Appearance and Disappearance Oita city

Machinaka Art

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-  Tourist attraction
-  Hot spring
-  Photogenic spot



Miyakomachi is a town crowded at night, particularly on the weekends.



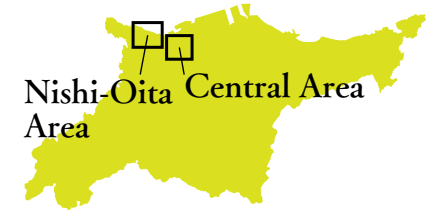
Miyakomachi is the largest entertainment night district in Oita City. traditional open-air food stools on the street are also popular. Why don't you enjoy yourself in a friendly atmosphere with local regular customers?



There are various kinds of many restaurants, ranging from Japanese restaurants serving delicious blowfish, Italian restaurants, and Japanese-style pubs to cafes.

Enjoy delicious drinks and music Nightlife

Course No. 3



There is an area where eating and drinking facilities concentrate within a walking distance from Oita Station. Visitors can enjoy a wide variety of drinking spots, ranging from a fancy bar to a pub with a local atmosphere. In the Nishi-Oita Area, there is also a unique spot where you can enjoy night view and music along the sea. It may be good to end the day with taking a bath in a hot spring.

What you should eat when you come to Oita!

Oita City has a lot of delicious food, including fresh seafood such as national-brand "Seki-aji and Seki-saba" mackerels and "Oita blowfish", and Oita's local cuisine, which ranges from "toriten" (chicken tempura) and "dango jiru" (dumpling soup) to "torimeshi" (savory Japanese rice with chicken). Spend a pleasant time at stylish cafes and bars.



Please scan the QR code to get information about eating and drinking establishments in Oita City!









Website of Oita City Tourist Association

Night Spa



CITY SPA TENKU is a hot spring bathhouse located on the highest floors of the Oita Station Building. Visitors can see the night view from the open-air bath at height of 80 meters above the ground.

CITY SPA TENKU

-  19F - 21F (Reception at 19F), JR Oita City., 1-14 Kanamemachi, Oita City.
-  097-513-2641
-  11:00 AM - 0:00 AM (Last admission at 11:00 PM for the healing plan and 11:30 PM for the bathing plan)
-  Closed several times a year for maintenance.
-  Bathing plan: 1,500 yen for adults and 900 yen for 3-year-old children to elementary schoolchildren; Healing plan: 1,900 yen (users are limited to those over junior high school age.)
* Special rates may apply to certain periods.
-  The usage of the parking lot of JR Oita City (Users are free of the charge for 5 hours)

Let's go to night spots in Oita!



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- Tourist attraction
- Cafe
- Meals
- Photogenic spot
- Recommended route (on foot)

Disclose the history of Otomo Sorin Walk around historical Funai area associated with the Otomo clan

Course No. 4

Central Area



A replica of a map originally made in the 16th century is displayed in front of the statue of Sorin Otomo. Why don't you find the location of "Bunge" on this map?

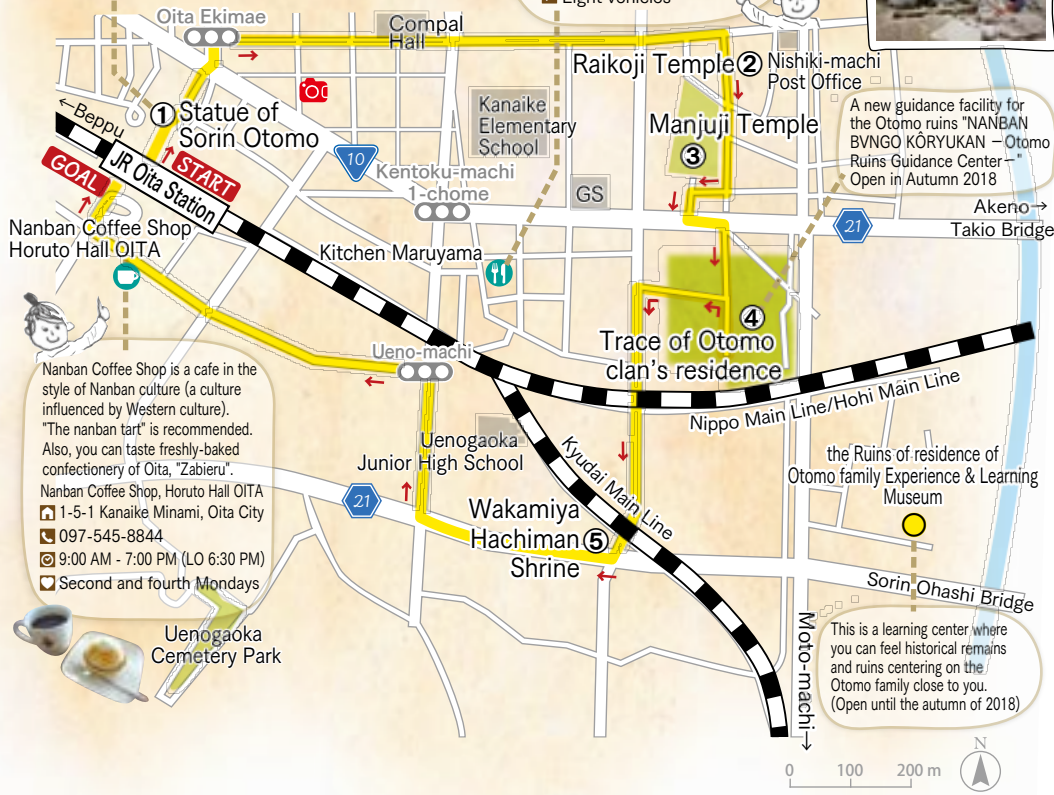


It is said that this is a birthplace of Oita toriten (chicken tempura) which has been familiar to Oita citizen.

Kitchen Maruyama
 1-6-15 Kentokumachi, Oita City
 097-537-5538
 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM
 Sundays, Mondays, and holidays
 Eight vehicles



A new guidance facility for the Otomo ruins "NANBAN BVNGO KORYUKAN - Otomo Ruins Guidance Center" Open in Autumn 2018



The map in the Funai Central Plaza in front of JR's Oita Station is a replica of a world map produced in the 16th century.

① Statue of Sorin Otomo



Statue of Sorin Otomo stands in the Funai Central Plaza in front of JR's Oita Station.

About 450 years ago, Lord Otomo Sorin, who ruled the Bungo Province, invited St. Francis Xavier to Funai (now Oita City) and protected Christianity. St. Francis Xavier was the first Christian missionary to venture into Japan. Sorin proactively promoted overseas trade as well, and deepened exchanges with Europe and mainland Asia, and brought Western culture into the prefecture.

② Raikoji Temple

In 1501, Otomo Chikaharu, the 18th generation of the Otomo family, built "Raikoji" Temple as a temple of the Seizan branch sect of the Jodoshu.



④ Trace of the residence of Otomo family



A trace of the garden of the residence of Otomo family which is now fully revealed by excavation. (Scheduled to be presented to the public during the spring of 2020)

③ Manjuji Temple

In 1306, Otomo Sadachika, the fifth head of the Otomo clan, built Manjuji Temple. The building was reconstructed in the present location in 1633. The precincts of "Manjuji Temple" include the Kunisaki Tower, designated a tangible cultural property by Oita City.



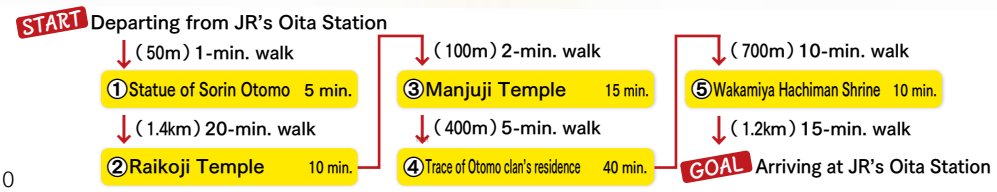
⑤ Wakamiya Hachiman Shrine

"Wakamiya Hachiman Shrine" received great esteem from Otomo Yoshinao, the first principal of the Otomo family, and his successors.



Schedule

Required time: Approx. 2 h 15 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)





Ueno-Motomachi Area

The area flourished as the center of Bungo province

Walk around historical Ueno and Motomachi areas

The Ueno-Motomachi area located in the south side of JR's Oita station once flourished as the center of Bungo Province. Many valuable ruins remain in this area, including Buddha figures carved on a rock which was designated a national historic site as representing Oita Prefecture, also historical shrines, temples, and Ruins of the Second Otomo Palace.

① Yasaka Shrine



Yoshinao, the first head of the Otomo family, built the Yasaka Shrine in the hope of protection from the plague. After that, the shrine was worshipped by the Lord of Funai.

⑤ Oita Motomachi Stone Buddha



"The Oita Motomachi Stone Buddha" are Buddha figures carved on a rock designated as a national historical site. The images were engraved on a tuff cliff and also go by the name of Iwayakushi. They include a standing statue of Vaisravana and a statue of Acala as well as a seated statue of Bhaisajyaguru.

③ Ruins of the Second Otomo Palace (Uenoharu Palace)



Even now, a trace of the large-scale moat and foundation remain, which tell of the appearance of the highly protective residence in the period of warring states.

Enjuji Temple



"Enjuji Temple" was built by Otomo Sadamune, the fifth generation of the Otomo family. There is a mausoleum of Hineno Yoshiaki, the lord of Funai Castle, in the precincts. This mausoleum is a well-known building for not using any nails.

② Kongohokaiji Temple



It is said that Kongo Hokaiji Temple was founded by the Buddhist priest Gyoki under the order of Emperor Shomu in 727.

Iwayaji Temple Stone Buddha



Iwayaji Temple Stone Buddha consists of 17 statues carved on a rock.

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○● Tourist attraction

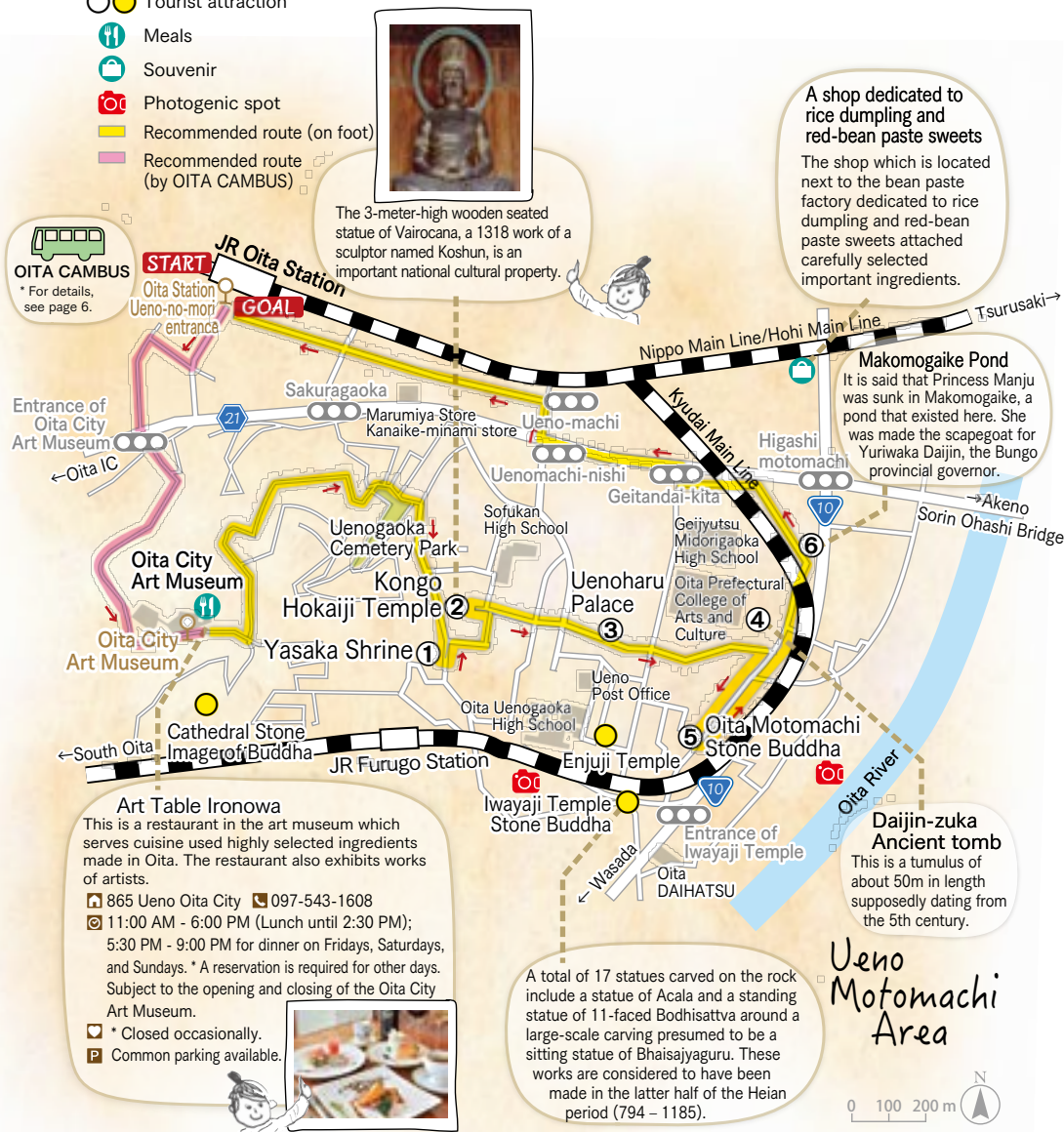
🍴 Meals

🛍 Souvenir

📷 Photogenic spot

👉 Recommended route (on foot)

👉 Recommended route (by OITA CAMBUS)



The 3-meter-high wooden seated statue of Vairocana, a 1318 work of a sculptor named Koshun, is an important national cultural property.

A shop dedicated to rice dumpling and red-bean paste sweets

The shop which is located next to the bean paste factory dedicated to rice dumpling and red-bean paste sweets attached carefully selected important ingredients.

Makomogaik Pond
It is said that Princess Manju was sunk in Makomogaik, a pond that existed here. She was made the scapegoat for Yuriwaka Daijin, the Bungo provincial governor.

Art Table Ironowa

This is a restaurant in the art museum which serves cuisine used highly selected ingredients made in Oita. The restaurant also exhibits works of artists.

📍 865 Ueno Oita City ☎ 097-543-1608

🕒 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM (Lunch until 2:30 PM);
5:30 PM - 9:00 PM for dinner on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. * A reservation is required for other days.

Subject to the opening and closing of the Oita City Art Museum.

🚫 * Closed occasionally.

🅐 Common parking available.



A total of 17 statues carved on the rock include a statue of Acala and a standing statue of 11-faced Bodhisattva around a large-scale carving presumed to be a sitting statue of Bhaisajyaguru. These works are considered to have been made in the latter half of the Heian period (794 - 1185).

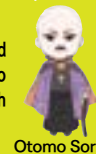
Ueno Motomachi Area

Schedule

Required time: Approx. 2 h 20 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)



Let's install original sightseeing app "Oita Trip" supervised by Oita City and take a walk around the Ueno area with cartoon characters associated with Otomo Sorin, a Japanese feudal lord.



Otomo Sorin



Please Scan the QR code and download the app!

Feel the weight of history from the valuable ruins



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- Tourist attraction
- Meals
- Photogenic spot
- Recommended route (on foot)
- Recommended route (by bus)

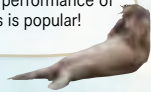
The information corner with a rest facility, where visitors can enjoy local meals of Oita.

- Osaru Chaya (coffee shop)
- 3078-40, Uto Kanzaki, Oita City
- 1F Osaru-kan
- 097-536-2501
- 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
- Closed occasionally
- 1,000 vehicles



Local cuisine set

Unique performance of a walrus is popular!



Kantan Harbor Park is a place where restaurants, cafes, variety stores, a wedding hall, and live music clubs are lined. (Approximately 3.7 km from Tanoura Beach)



There is a popular belief that a good thing will happen when monkeys pass through between their legs.



It is said that Otomo Chikaharu, the lord of Bungo Province and the great-grandfather of Otomo Sorin, founded the Jodo-ji Temple in 1501. The mausoleum of Matsudaira Tadanao (also known as Ippaku) exists in the precincts. It is a registered tangible cultural asset of Japan.

The sacred camphor tree in the precincts is designated as a natural monument of Japan.

Feel the sea breeze by the seaside area.

Enjoy your encounter with animals

Course No. 6



① Mt. Takasaki Natural Zoological Garden



There is a popular belief that a good thing will happen when monkeys pass through between their legs. This chance comes once every 30 minutes, when the monkeys are given wheat for feed. Many monkeys gather at the time of feeding.



Mt. Takasaki Natural Zoological Garden is where visitors can see cute monkeys.

- 3098-1 Kanzaki, Oita City
- 097-532-5010
- 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM (The last admission is 4:30 PM.)
- Open 365 days a year
- 510 yen for adults, 250 yen for schoolchildren and junior high school students, and free for children of kindergarten age or below
- Sarukko Rail: (Roundtrip) 100 yen
- 1,000 vehicles

② Oita Marine Palace Aquarium Umitamago

- Shita Kaigan, Takasakiyama, Oita City
- 097-534-1010
- Normal time (March through October): 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM; Wintertime (November through February) 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (until 9:00 PM during GW, summer vacation, special Christmas periods)
- Approx. 2 days a year
- 2,200 yen for adults and 1,100 yen for school children and junior high school students) 700 yen for 4-year-old to elementary school children
- Mt. Takasaki Parking



You can enjoy a variety of animal shows about every 30 minutes. Try not to miss the popular performance by dolphins and walrus.

③ Tanoura Beach

Tanoura Beach can be seen from the townscape of Oita and Beppu and is recognized as a Sacred Place for Lovers. Visitors can enjoy swimming in summer.



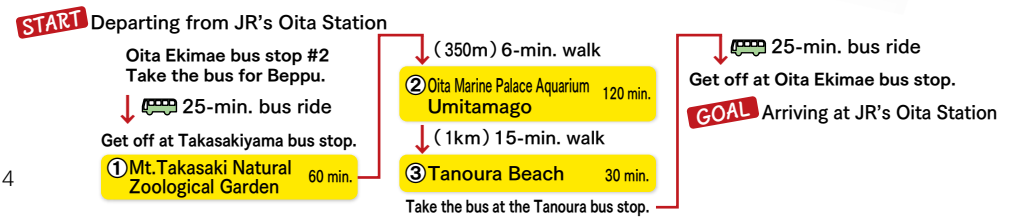
Aso Beach is a new sensational aquarium where visitors can come in contact with living creatures naturally and enjoy with an artistic play equipment.

The cute creatures and beautiful scenery will heal you.



Schedule

Required time: Approx. 4 h 40 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)



[Mark legend]

- ● Tourist attraction
- ☕ Cafe Meals
- 🍴 Meals
- 🛍 Souvenir
- 📷 Photogenic spot
- 📍 Recommended route



Café Anju

Visitors can eat hocho (dumpling soup) on the third Saturday of the month. (* A reservation required.)
Goboman (burdock dumplings), apricot jelly, and apricot jam are also sold.
📍 4407 Nakahetsugi, Oita City
☎ 097-597-0602
🕒 10:00 - 18:00
🗓 Mondays
🚗 6 vehicles

Hetsugi Area

Cooking workshop Matsuda

Chimaki (a cake wrapped in bamboo leaves) with plenty of burdock slices is popular.
📍 4456-1 Nakahetsugi, Oita City
☎ 070-4744-2036
🕒 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
🗓 Sundays, Mondays, and public holidays
🚗 2 vehicles

Hetsugi Gombo no Kai

Hetsugi Gombo no Kai sells goboman (burdock dumplings) and burdock tea 100% made from Hetsugi's burdocks.
📍 4420-2 Nakahetsugi, Oita City
☎ 090-8355-0046
🕒 Saturdays and Sundays: 10:00 - 16:00
🚗 7 vehicles



Hocho is Hetsugi's local cuisine. The white noodle is more than two meters long. It is said that the noodle was originally made in the image of an abalone intestine.

Hidden Lucky Spot!

Eight heart marks are embedded in the back alley of Hetsugi Honmachi, and it is said that happiness will come to people when they find all of them. Why don't you walk and search them?

Schedule Required time: Approx. 2 h. 55 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)

START Departing from JR's Oita Station

Take the bus at Oita Ekimae bus stop #4. (For Usuki, Saiki, Taketa, and Kumamoto)

↓ 30-min. bus ride

Get off at Hetsugi bus stop.

↓ (250m) 1-min. walk

➡ 1 Gobaien (Former retreat of the Hoashi family) 5 min.

↓ (100m) 1-min. walk

➡ 2 Former 23rd National Bank's branch office 5 min.

↓ (200m) 1-min. walk

➡ 3 Shoseki Furokan (named by Hoashi Kyou) 5 min.

↓ (100m) 1-min. walk

➡ 4 Hoashi Honke Sake Brewery 30 min.

↓ (50m) 1-min. walk

➡ 5 Dainan Community Planning Center 20 min.

↓ (400m) 5-min. walk

➡ 6 Myoshoji Temple 20 min.

↓ (600m) 10-min. walk

➡ 7 Senshokaku (Former residence of Hoashi Kyou) 5 min.

Take the Hetsugi bus stop. (For Oita Station-front)

↓ 35-min. bus ride

➡ GOAL Arriving at JR's Oita Station

Enjoy a nostalgic feeling Walk through a retro town and its warehouses

Course No. 7

Hetsugi Area



Hetsugi Honmachi was a settlement that existed along the highway connecting Bungo and Hyuga in the Edo period (1603 - 1868). Historic buildings and townscapes still remain in this area that was called Zaimachi in old days. "Hoashi Honke Sake Brewery" is a tangible cultural property designated by Oita City, from which people understand the process of sake brewing.

Hoashi Honke



Hoashi Honke Sake Brewery, where visitors' learn about traditional sake brewing in old days.

④ Hoashi Honke Sake Brewery

Tools of sake making used in old times still remain. Admission fee is free. Syuzougura Nishihiroba Square, which is behind the brewery is well maintained and has become a place of relaxation for people.

- 📍 4381-1 Nakahetsugi, Oita City
- ☎ 097-597-4649
- 🕒 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
- 🗓 Every Monday (If it is a national holiday, it will be the next day) and New Year's holiday period
- 🚗 11 standard-sized vehicles and 2 large vehicles



Volunteer guides Hetsugi-Anzu-no-kai members

⑤ Dainan Community Planning Center (Former Hetsugi Post Office)

The Dainan Community Planning exhibits nanga (lit. Southern paintings) of Hoashi Kyou and Tanomura Chikuden as well as reference materials related to Nakahetsugi.

- 📍 4407-1 Nakahetsugi, Oita City
- ☎ 097-560-2544
- 🕒 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- 🗓 Every Monday (If it is a national holiday, it will be the next day), New Year's holiday period, and Bon festival period
- 🚗 8 vehicles



● Fushunkan (Main building with gallery) Fushunkan exhibits and sells quality goods and artists' works.

- Café Toka Ryusui
- Restaurant Toka Ryusui
- Confectionery Ichirakuan
- LIFE&DELI

LIFE&DELI sells sweets made from burdocks along with selected foodstuffs and miscellaneous goods, ideal for souvenirs.

- 📍 4381 Nakahetsugi, Oita City
- ☎ 097-597-0002

🕒 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

(Cafe: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Restaurant: 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM)

🗓 Every Monday (If it is a national holiday, it will be the next day)

🚗 25 vehicles

You can enjoy the atmosphere of the quiet streets.



- [Mark legend]
- ● Tourist attraction
 - ♨ Hot spring
 - 🍴 Meals
 - 📷 Photogenic spot
 - ➡ Recommended route

Surrounded by the seasonal scenery Experience Japanese traditional culture and history

Course No. 8



① Heiwa Shimin Koen Noh Theater



The flooring materials, including the covered bridge passageway connecting the backstage to the Noh stage of the Heiwa Shimin Koen Noh Theater, used knot-free Japanese cypress aged 200 years or more.

- 📍 1-30 Makimidorimachi, Oita City
- ☎ 097-551-5511
- 🕒 9:00 AM - 9:30 PM
- 📅 Every Monday (the next weekday if Monday falls on a national holiday or a substitute holiday) December 28 through January 3. There may be occasional closed days due to facility management.
- 🚗 138 vehicles

Heiwa Shimin Koen is a comprehensive park built over the years as a facility to meet various needs. The park has an international exchange plaza commemorating establishment of sister city relationships of Oita City with foreign cities, a multipurpose plaza that can be used for events and recreation, and an open lawn space with many features to enjoy. The Noh Theater, as well as the Japanese-style garden that experiences seasonal changes, enables visitors to enjoy the cultural atmosphere of Japan.

② Heiwa Shimin Koen Japanese-style garden



The Japanese-style garden incorporates a pond in the center, as well as a bridge, an artificial miniature hill, and waterfalls.

④ Oita Prefectural Center for Archaeological Research



The Oita Prefectural Center for Archaeological Research includes the Toyonokuni Archeology Hall, where visitors can learn Oita's history from the Old Stone Age to the Edo period (until 1868) through relics excavated in Oita Prefecture, and the BVNGO Otomo Museum, which permanently exhibits various relics from the Otomo's era. Furthermore, visitors can also experience historical earthenware making and observe organizing work on relics.

③ Heiwa Shimin Koen Bukan no Mori (Wuhan Forest)



A park in Heiwa Shimin Koen Bukan no Mori (Wuhan Forest)

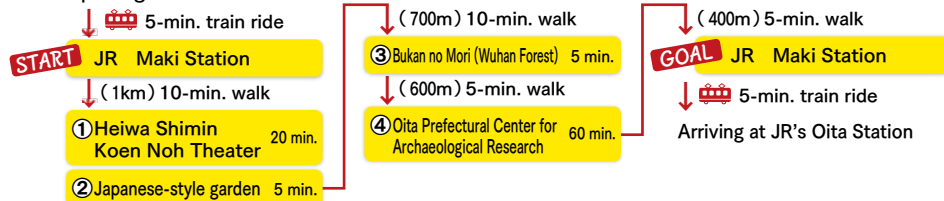
Take a leisurely walk around the park with flowers and greenery.

- 📍 1-61 Makimidorimachi, Oita City
- ☎ 097-552-0077
- 🕒 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (The last admission is 4:30 PM.)
- 📅 Every Monday (the next weekday if Monday falls on a national holiday.)
- 🗓 Yearend and New Year's holiday period
- 🚗 200 vehicles *Large bus parking is available.

Schedule

Required time: Approx. 2 h. 10 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)

Departing from JR's Oita Station



[Mark legend]

- Tourist attraction
- ☕ Cafe
- 🍴 Meals
- 📷 Photogenic spot
- ➡ Recommended route

Shokuji Dokoro Sadoya (restaurant)
Sadoya is a Japanese restaurant famous for fresh fish dishes. The menu also includes torien (chicken tempura).

📍 2-5-21 Nakatsurusaki, Oita City
☎ 097-527-2707
🕒 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
5:00 AM - 10:00 PM
🗓 Mondays 🚗 7 vehicles

Ruins of Sankin-kotai, Gozabune Pier

This place was used for a pier for Sankin-kotai (Attendance transfer of Daimyo in Edo).

Ruins of Workshop Yushukan Hall

This is a place where a workshop existed to repair Gozabune boats used for sankin-kotai.



Ruins of Tsurusaki Castle, Higo Province (the Kumamoto Domain) Ruins of Tsurusaki Ochaya (rest house)

Tsurusaki Ochaya was a rest house that Lord Kato Kiyomasa constructed on the ruins of Tsurusaki Castle during the Otomo family days. In addition, it is said that Woman Warlord Yoshioka Myorinni, who was a superior strategist, won the fight with the Shimazu family.



Statues of Katsu Kaishu and Sakamoto Ryoma

It is said that Katsu Kaishu (1823 - 1899) and Sakamoto Ryoma (1836 - 1867) had stayed in Tsurusaki.

Kitagawa-en
This long-established Japanese tea specialty store was established in 1905. You can enjoy sweets in the cafe space.
📍 3-1-1 Higashitsurusaki, Oita City
☎ 097-521-1181
🕒 9:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Sundays and holidays, 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
🗓 Closed occasionally.
🚗 4 vehicles in the first parking lot and 10 vehicles in the second parking lot

Visit a trace of sankin-kotai (attendance transfer of Daimyo in Edo)

Tsurusaki Historical Road

Course No. 9



① Hoshinji Temple



Kato Kiyomasa, the Lord of Higo Province, constructed "Hoshinji" Temple. "The Sakasa Icho" (lit. upside-down ginkgo tree) in the precincts was famous. The legend has it that a cane that Kiyomasa pierced a ginkgo tree upside down into the ground, and it grew to be a big tree.

Tsurusaki, once an enclave controlled by Higo Province (the Kumamoto Domain), was regarded as an important gateway to the sea. Kato Kiyomasa and other Higo lords left this place for Edo (the capital of Japan in the Tokugawa period) as a part of the sankin-kotai policy.

② Mori Kuso Memorial Museum

"Mori Kuso Memorial Museum" is located next to "Chiraikan", a private cram school, and the former residence of Mori Kuso "Tensyou dou", a Confucian scholar and teacher around the middle of the 19th century. The historical materials, literature, artifacts, etc. of Mori Kuso are exhibited.



③ Ken Hachimangu Shrine



Walking through the town that flourished in the Edo period.

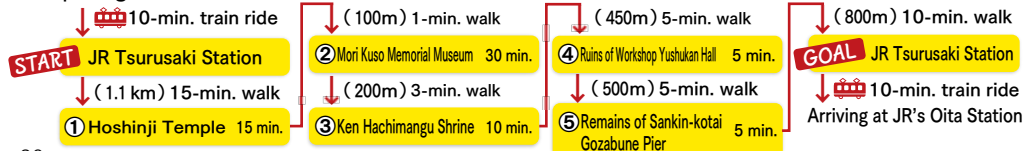


"Ken Hachimangu Shrine" was founded in 1645. Ken Hachimangu Shrine was named after the discovery of a sword that was the missing sacred treasure of Usa Jingu Shrine.

Schedule

Required time: Approx. 2 h 5 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)

Departing from JR's Oita Station



A town where you can enjoy the sea and stars.

Tour Saganoseki



[Mark legend]

- Tourist attraction
- Meals
- Souvenir
- Photogenic spot
- Recommended route (by car)
- Recommended route (on foot)

1 Hayasuhime Shrine
The roof of the shrine and its unique roof tiles in the shape of Urashima Taro (the protagonist of a Japanese fairy tale) is a must-see.

2 Tokuouji Temple
Sakamoto Ryoma (1836 - 1867) and Katsu Kaishu (1823 - 1899) stayed at Tokuouji Temple.

3 Sekizaki Kaiseikan
The Sekizaki Ocean and Astronomical Observatory Hall commands a large panoramic view of the Seto Inland Sea.

4 Sekizaki Lighthouse
Takashima is an uninhabited island of 5.5 kilometers around, where visitors can see a colony of black-tailed gulls designated as a natural treasure. There is a campground on the island.

5 Kurogahama Beach
Kurogahama Beach in Nippo Kaigan Quasi-National Park has been selected as one of Japan's best 100 beaches.

6 Saganoseki Branch Office
Saganoseki is the port where Sakamoto Ryoma (1836 - 1867) landed to enter Kyushu for the first time, the valuable records of which remain in the Nippon Jimbutsushi (a social register).

Other Callouts:
- The Saganoseki Smelter & Refinery of "Pan Pacific Copper Co., Ltd." has been operated for more than 100 years.
- The Bishagoura Sister Rocks commands a fine view, where the sun rises between the rocks tied with a shimenawa (a rope used to cordon off consecrated areas or as a talisman against evil).
- Visitors can enjoy fresh Seki-aji and Seki-saba mackerel procured from the local fishery cooperative every morning.
- Amabe no Sato Sekiaijisekisabakan: 097-575-2338, 949 Shiraki, Oita City. Direct sales store: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Restaurant: 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays: 11:00 AM - Around 9:00 PM. Open 365 days a year. 40 vehicles.

② Tokuouji Temple



Sakamoto Ryoma (1836 - 1867) and Katsu Kaishu (1823 - 1899) stayed at Tokuouji Temple.

① Hayasuhime Shrine



"Hayasuhime Shrine" enshrines a goddess of maritime safety, good luck, and warding off evil.

Saganoseki is the home of national-brand "Seki-aji and Seki-saba mackerels". It is also a place where Katsu Kaishu (1823 - 1899) and Sakamoto Ryoma (1836 - 1867) visited. Furthermore, visitors can observe the stars of each season at the Sekizaki Ocean and "Astronomical Observatory Hall". Rare scenic spots, including "Kurogahama Beach" with black beach stones, are highlights of this town.

③ Sekizaki Kaiseikan



The Sekizaki Ocean and Astronomical Observatory Hall commands a large panoramic view of the Seto Inland Sea.
 4057-419 Saganoseki, Oita City
 097-574-0100
 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
 From 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays and in August.
 Every Tuesday (the next weekday if Tuesday falls on a national holiday) and December 29 through January 3.
 30 vehicles

⑤ Kurogahama Beach



Kurogahama Beach in Nippo Kaigan Quasi-National Park has been selected as one of Japan's best 100 beaches.



Saganoseki Fishing Port

Saganoseki Fishing Port is where national-brand Seki-aji and Seki-saba mackerels are landed.

Enjoy the beautiful view of the seaside.



Fun experience

Inquiry: City of Oita Tourism Division Tel. 097-537-7043



A pleasure boat tour around Takashima Island while watching black-tailed gulls (from mid-April to late-August)
 Takashima Maru Tel. 090-8837-5010 (Captain)
 Teruyoshi Maru Tel. 090-1878-1586 (Captain)
 3,000 yen (half price for elementary school students)
 * Each boat has a capacity of 12 people and leaves with a minimum of three adult passengers.
 * Canceled in times of stormy weather (contact for inquiries).

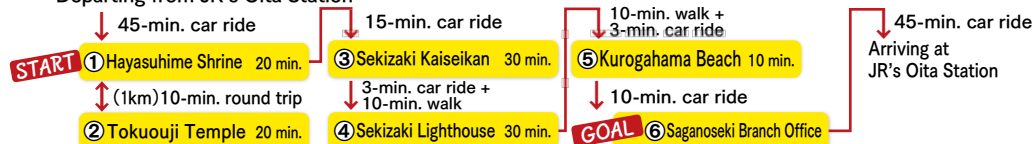


Harvest experience of mature sweet summer tangerines (from mid-April to mid-May)
 Roadside Station Saganoseki Tel. 097-576-0770
 NPO Saganoseki Community Planning Association
 Tel. 097-575-2000
 1,000 yen per person (with 4 kilograms of take-home tangerines)

Schedule

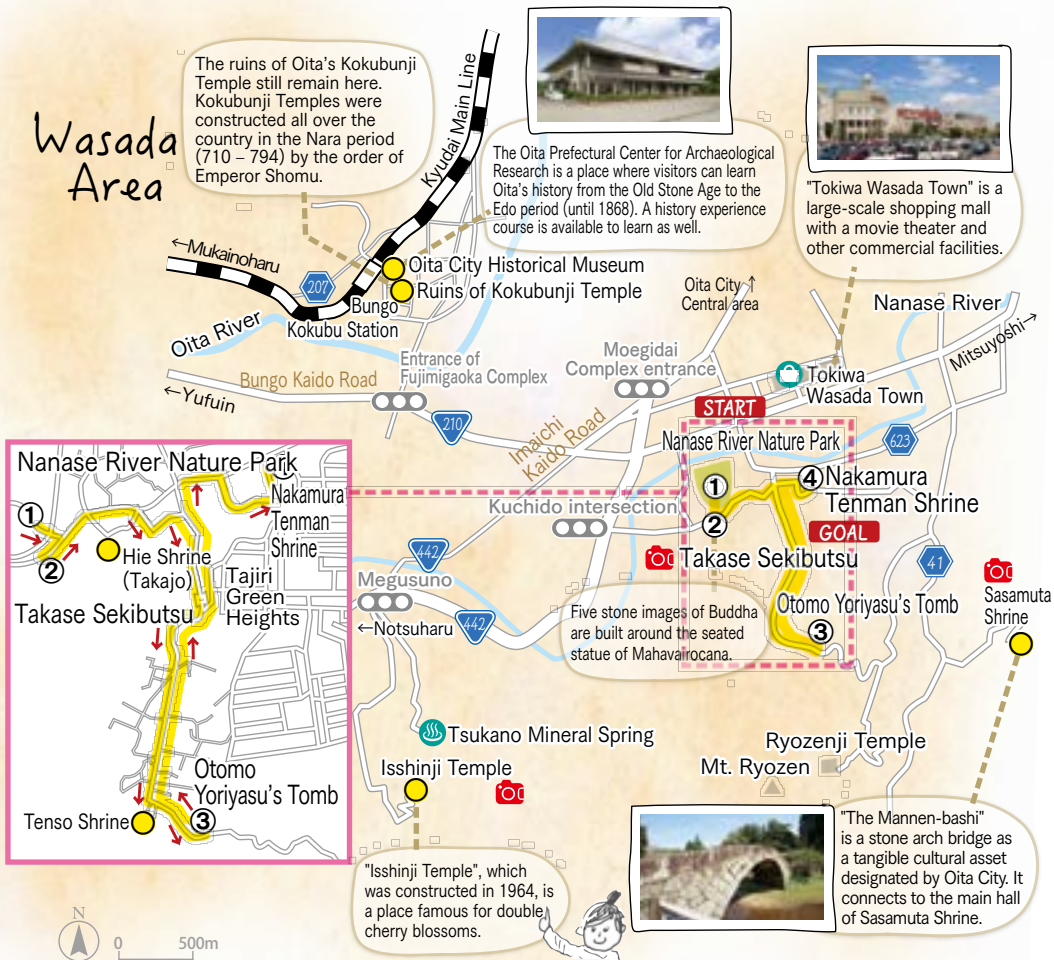
Required time : Approx. 4 h. 20 min. (*The time required is roughly estimated.)

Departing from JR's Oita Station



[Mark legend]

- Tourist attraction
- ♨ Hot spring
- 🛍 Souvenir
- 📷 Photogenic spot
- 👉 Recommended route (on foot)



Schedule

Required time: Approx. 2 h. 40 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)



Seeing healing flowers of wisteria Tour historic sites with abundant nature

Course No. 77

Wasada Area

① Nanase River Nature Park



Nanase River Nature Park is available for a wide range of purposes, including exercises and picnics.

The Wasada area is surrounded by abundant nature with many cultural properties and historic sites. Every year, a lot of visitors visit "Sasamuta Shrine", where beautiful wisteria flowers have been designated as a natural monument. "Takase Sekibutsu" (a stone image of Buddha) with the original vivid coloring on a designated historic site is a must-see. Visitors can also enjoy the city's only spa in the area.

② Takase Sekibutsu



"Takase Sekibutsu" was made around the end of the 12th century.

③ Otomo Yoriyasu's Tomb



Otomo Yoriyasu was the third head of the Otomo family and the first member of Otomo family who entered Bungo Province.

④ Nakamura Tenman Shrine



The enshrined deity of "Nakamura Tenman Shrine" is Sugawara Michizane, a scholar, poet, and politician of the Heian Period (794 - 1185).



Sasamuta Shrine

Visitors can see beautiful wisteria flowers that are approximately 450 years old in the precincts of "Sasamuta Shrine". The shrine holds a wisteria festival in May.

📍 1644 Soda, Oita City
☎ 097-569-4182

* Bus riders should keep in mind that the number of buses is limited.

Tsukano Mineral Spring



Tsukano Mineral Spring is a public bathhouse maintaining the atmosphere of an traditional hot spring bathhouse.

📍 Megusuno, Oita City
☎ 097-541-0008 (Sansuiso)
🕒 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM
🗓 Open 365 days a year
💰 200 yen for adults, 100 yen for schoolchildren, and 100 yen per liter for drinking use

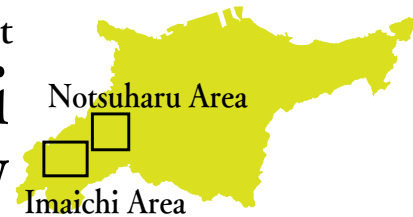
Feel the nature of each season that will heal you.



[Mark legend]

- Tourist attraction
- Meals
- Photogenic Spot
- Recommended route (by car)
- Recommended route (on foot)

Walking on the stone pavement Notsuharu and Imaichi Historical Highway



You can enjoy a wide range of menu items, ranging from a reasonable lunch to kaiseki cuisine (a traditional multi-course Japanese dinner), that attach importance to the ingredients, including vegetables that are locally grown and quality tableware.



Wakazuma no Mise
"The jumbo inari" (a big pouch of fried tofu filled with vinegared sushi rice) is the most popular menu item. You can also enjoy local cuisine, including "dango jiru" (dumpling soup).

- 2654-2 Imaichi, Oita City
- 097-589-2570
- Summer: 7:30 AM - 6:00 PM
- Winter: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- * Closed occasionally.

Notsuharu Area

Okubo
Okubo is a shop where you can eat "Notsuharu-zushi", a specialty of Notsuharu in which sushi rice is wrapped with vinegared cabbage.

- 2654-2 Imaichi, Oita City
- 097-589-2570
- Summer: 7:30 AM - 6:00 PM
- Winter: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- * Closed occasionally.



Uzo Sanso provides relaxing facilities surrounded by nature. You can enjoy meals, including shishinabe (boar stew), and stay overnight, and also enjoy playing sports. (Reservation is required.)

Imaichi Area

Imaichi stone pavement
Maruyama Shrine

Countryside Station Higurashi chaya
They sell fresh local vegetables and carefully prepared food, such as tofu.

- 2563-1 Imaichi, Oita City
- 097-589-2818
- 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Year-end and New Year's holiday period



the residence of Goto family



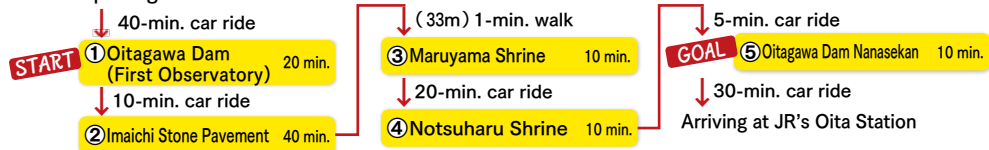
the residence of Goto family
The historical residence of the Goto family is a typical sugoya-type house (a house with no protrusions) in Oita Prefecture. It is an important national cultural property.

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Schedule

Required time: Approx. 3 h 20 min. (* The time required is roughly estimated.)

Departing from JR's Oita Station



① Oitagawa Dam (also known as Nanase Dam)

"The Oitagawa Dam", located approximately 21 km upstream of the Nanase River in the Oita River Water System, is under construction. It is scheduled to be completed around 2019.



The Notsuharu and Imaichi areas, where Ryoma (1836 - 1867) and Kaishu (1823 - 1899) stayed, prospered as a post town for sankin-kotai (a daimyo's alternate-year residence in Edo). A part of the Imaichi Stone Pavement of the historical road connecting Tsurusaki and Kumamoto remains. Why don't you walk on the historical road, thinking of what happened here a long time ago?

③ Maruyama Shrine



Maruyama Shrine is where the Lord of Higo Province prayed for the safety of sankin-kotai (a daimyo's alternate-year residence in Edo).

② Imaichi Stone Pavement



The stone pavement is a prefecture-designated historic site used for sankin-kotai (Attendance transfer of Daimyo in Edo). This is a part of the Higo Kaido Road, where a two-meter-wide stone pavement with a distance of 660 meters remains.



④ Notsuharu Shrine

Notsuharu Shrine enshrines the guardian deity of Gion Shrine and the spirit of Lord Kato Kiyomasa.

⑤ Oitagawa Dam Nanasekan



- 2501-10 Shinkai, Megusuno, Oita City
- 097-586-4491
- 8:30 AM - 5:15 PM
- Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, and year-end and New Year's holiday period
- Notsuharu Promotion Office of Oitagawa Dam Construction (Nanasekan)
- * Bus riders should keep in mind that the number of buses is limited.

Nanasekan is an exhibition hall that explains the purpose of the Oitagawa Dam and the necessity of preserving its surrounding environment.

It's a historical road used for sankin-kotai (Attendance transfer of Daimyo in Edo).



[Mark legend]

- Tourist attraction
- ♨ Hot spring
- 🛍 Souvenir
- Course of approx. 8.5 km
- Course of approx. 5.0 km

Many cherry blossom trees are planted on the riverbeds of the Oita River, and they will bloom with the arrival of spring.

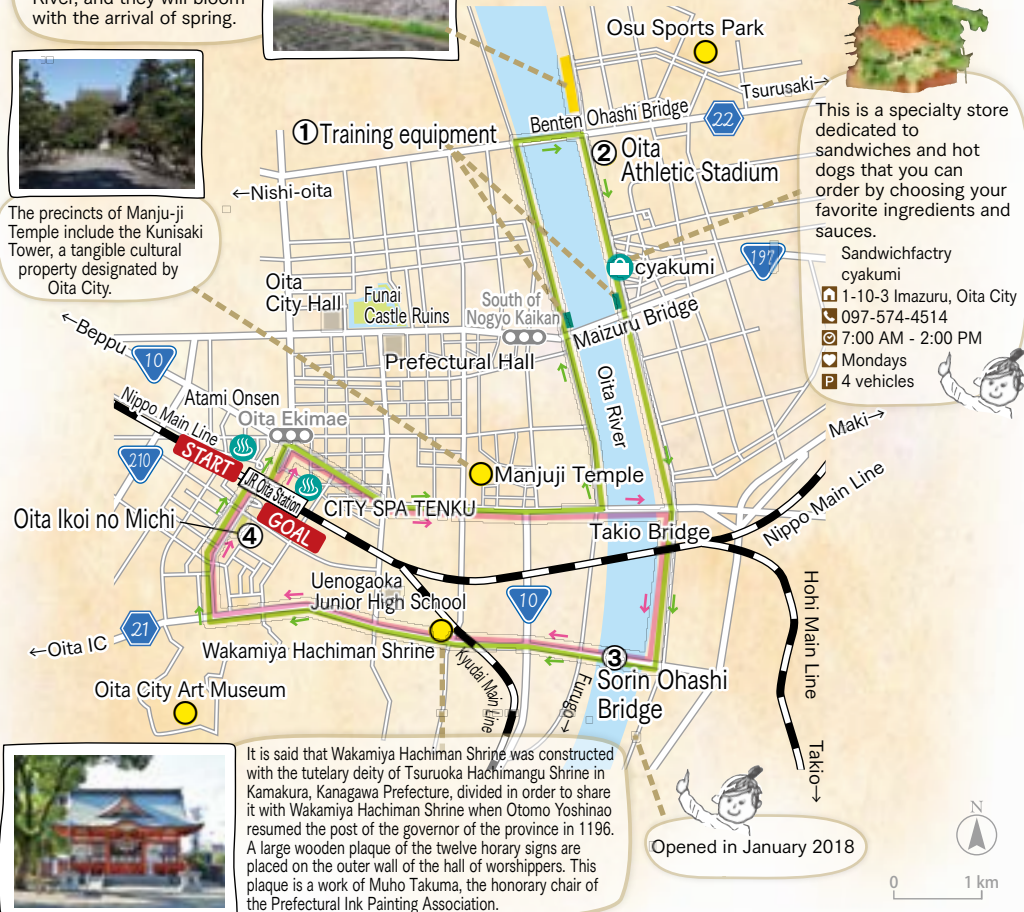


The precincts of Manjuji Temple include the Kunisaki Tower, a tangible cultural property designated by Oita City.



This is a specialty store dedicated to sandwiches and hot dogs that you can order by choosing your favorite ingredients and sauces.

- Sandwichfactory cyakumi
- 1-10-3 Imazuru, Oita City
- 097-574-4514
- 7:00 AM - 2:00 PM
- ☑ Mondays
- ☑ 4 vehicles



It is said that Wakamiya Hachiman Shrine was constructed with the tutelary deity of Tsuruoka Hachimangu Shrine in Kamakura, Kanagawa Prefecture, divided in order to share it with Wakamiya Hachiman Shrine when Otomo Yoshinao resumed the post of the governor of the province in 1196. A large wooden plaque of the twelve horary signs are placed on the outer wall of the hall of worshippers. This plaque is a work of Muho Takuma, the honorary chair of the Prefectural Ink Painting Association.

Opened in January 2018



Recommended courses

Course of approx. 8.5 km

Square in front of Funai Central Gate of Oita Station → Takio Bridge → Maizuru Bridge → Benten Ohashi Bridge → Sorin Bridge → Oita Iko no Michi → Ueno no Mori Gate of Oita Station

Course of approx. 5.0 km

Square in front of Funai Central Gate of Oita Station → Takio Bridge → Sorin Bridge → Oita Iko no Michi → Ueno no Mori Gate of Oita Station

Course No.13

Central Area

Why don't you run or walk this road? Morning Jogging & Walking Map

Jogging and walking on your journey will allow you to enjoy the pleasures of running in unfamiliar places in addition to keep in good health and changing your mood. In the course of running along the riverbeds of the Oita River, as a first-class river, you can enjoy the changing landscape.



Enjoy jogging and walking where bridges over the rivers serve as landmarks. Training equipment is installed on the riverbeds near the Maizuru Bridge.

③ Sorin Ohashi Bridge



The Sorin Ohashi Bridge was opened in January 2018. The bridge was named after the ruins of Otomo family, including the ruins of the residence of Otomo family and former Manjuji Temple, near the bridge, and the name was selected as the result of a public appeal.

② Oita Athletic Stadium



"The Oita Athletic Stadium" is the goal of the Beppu-Oita Marathon and the Oita International Wheelchair Marathon.

① Training equipment (Oita River's health equipment)



Loosen your body with the training equipment near the Maizuru Bridge. The equipment is installed on both sides of the river.

④ Oita Iko no Michi



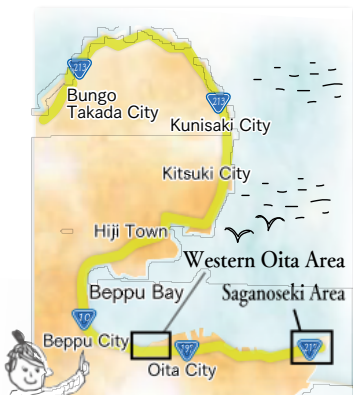
Oita Iko no Michi is a 100-meter wide, 444-meter-long symbolic road in front of the south gate of Oita Station. The road includes a grass plaza full of greenery and serves as an activity base for citizens and is a popular place for gathering and relaxation.





Cycling lightly while feeling the sea breeze by the seaside area.

Cycle along Beppu Bay



Why don't you run on the road (one of Japan's scenic byway) along Beppu Bay and Kunisaki Peninsula by bicycle?
This bay coast road, with few ups and downs, runs from the Kunisaki Peninsula to Saganoseki through Beppu and Nishi Oita. You can enjoy exhilarating cycling with feeling the ocean breeze blowing on your face. It is a recommended course where you can experience the beauty of the coastline.

You can enjoy your meal while watching Beppu Bay from the restaurant featuring glass walls on all sides.
 [Mark legend]
 ○ ● Tourist attraction
 ♨ Hot spring
 🍴 Meals
 📷 Photogenic spot
 🚲 Recommended route (Bicycle)

- 📍 Restaurant A-ZOO
Takasakiyama-Shita Kaigan, Oita City
2F Umitamago
☎ 097-514-3434
🕒 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
🚪 Closed with the Umitamago facilities (Approximately twice a year)
🚗 800 vehicles



The Kanzaki Onsen Tenkai-no-yu Hot Spring is a spa with a nice view overlooking Beppu Bay.



Why don't you enjoy exhilarating cycling while enjoying the scenery?

Betsudai Kokudo, a national highway connecting Oita City and Beppu City, provides a cycling road running along the coastline. It is a flat road where beginners can feel free to cycle. You can actively cycle in Oita while visiting sightseeing spots, such as the cycle hub Tanoura Beach.

Oita Marine Palace Aquarium Umitamago
Mt. Takasaki Osaru-Kan
Restaurant A-ZOO
Tanoura Beach
Mt. Takasaki Natural Zoological Garden
Yusuhara Hachimangu Shrine
Kanzaki Onsen Tenkai-no-yu
Matsu-no-yu
Oji Onsen
Kantou Harbor Park
Nishi-oita Port Ferry Terminal
Kasuga Shrine
Mr. Max Nishioita store
MOS Burger
Rental Cycle Port at Oita Station
Nishi-Oita Area

Betsudai Kokudo, a national highway, is also used as the course of the Beppu Oita Mainichi Marathon in February.

Drop-in Spot
Refresh yourself at a hot spring if you feel tired!
 ♨ Kanzaki Onsen Tenkai-no-yu
 ♨ Matsu-no-yu
 ♨ Oji Onsen

- Recommended courses**
- JR's Oita Station ~ JR's Beppu Station 24-km round trip
 - JR's Oita Station ~ Nishioita (Mt. Takasaki) 16-km round trip
 - JR's Oita Station ~ Sagaseki (Sekizaki) 64-km round trip



② Tanoura Beach



③ Kantan Harbor Park

Kantan Harbor Park is a stylish spot where cafes and sundry shops line up.



- 📍 Kanzaki, Oita City
☎ 097-537-5976
(City of Oita Parks and Recreation Division)
🕒 9:00 AM - 11:30 PM
🚗 245 vehicles
(804 vehicles in swimming season)

Tanoura Beach, located in the middle point of the course, is equipped with a cycle hub where rental bicycle air pumps are available.

① Rental Cycle Port at Oita Station



You can rent a bicycle once at 200 yen at the Bicycle Rental Port, close to JR's Oita Station.
 📍 2605-2 Kanamemachi, Oita City
 ☎ 097-537-5739
 🕒 7:30 AM - 7:30 PM
 🗓 Open 365 days a year
 💰 Rental charge: 200 yen per day (per time)
 * 400 per day for a power-assisted bicycle per day.

Bicycle Road Saganoseki course

Recommended cycling road
— Cycling along an light rail track



This is a route with a distance of approximately 10 km from JR Kozaki Station to the Saganoseki Bus Center along an light rail track near a beautiful coastline where cyclists can enjoy feeling the sea breeze.
 • Inquiry: City of Oita Urban Transportation Planning Division Tel. 097-537-5690



Run while enjoying the refreshing scenery.



Tourist application helps you enjoy your trip to Oita even more!

– Oita City’s tourist application “Oita Trip” has launched!! –



Oita City’s original “Oita Trip” app for tourists is now available. This app includes a number of exciting features such as a stamp rally at different tourist spots, information on locations where you can get secret items from Oita City’s Tourism Ambassador, Rino Sashihara, as well as introductions to Oita’s best places to take pictures by famous instagrammers. These perks are only available through this app. Download the app and enjoy your trip in Oita even more!

[How to download Oita City’s tourist app “Oita Trip”]

[Supported models]

- Smartphones and tablet terminals with Android OS 4.4 or higher installed
- Smartphones and tablet terminals with iOS ver.8.0 or higher installed

* Communication and packet fees will be charged to users.



Scan this QR code with your device to download the application.

Use augmented reality (AR) to see what Funai Castle must have looked like in its time.



The City of Oita’s official “Funai Castle AR” app gives you a glimpse of the Funai castle using augmented reality. Use your smartphone or tablet and check out a historical landmark that has been selected as one of Japan’s top 100 castles.

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[Supported models]

- Smartphones and tablets installed with Android OS 5.0 or higher
- Smartphones and tablets installed with iOS ver.9 or higher

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Android



iOS



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Oita City Tourism Promotion Videos

“SARU TABI” and “Mini Trip Oita City” can be viewed from below.



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SARU TABI



Mini Trip Oita City

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