Fukuchiyama, Kyoto

Tourist Guidebook



"Kirin-no-Irumachi (Town of the Kirin)" by Konno Fumiyo (manga artist and resident of Fukuchiyama City

Fukuchiyama Castle

The Tamba base build by Akechi Mitsuhide

Fukuchiyama Castle dates back to 1579, when Akechi Mitsuhide was ordered by Oda Nobunaga to build a castle here as a frontline base for his attack on western Japan, after subduing Tamba.

The good government of Mitsuhide, including offering tax exemptions and efforts for flood control on the Yuragawa River, laid the foundation for the Fukuchiyama City of today, and he is still loved by local citizens as a great leader.

Beautiful in all four seasons











Akechi Mitsuhide (1528?-1582)

vassal to Oda Nobunaga, but his early life remains a mystery in large part. He is known for his good government over his domain and also for being a well-educated intellectual. He would eventually defeat his lord Oda Nobunaga in the "Honnoji Incident" which is said to be the greatest mystery in Japanese history.

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Castle seal

The characters for "Fukuchiyama Castle" is taken from an old document of the Kutsuki family, Akechi family.

Currently available for sale at the Fukuchiyama Castle Main

(¥300 per sheet, including tax)

Gourmet



City Walk Sightseeing



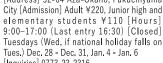
Fukuchiyama Castle (Castle Tower)

[Address] 5 Naiki, Fukuchiyama City [Admission]Adult ¥330, Junior high and elementary students ¥110 [Hours]9:00-17:00 (Last entry 16:30) [Closed] Tuesdays (Wed. if national holiday falls on Tues.) Dec. 28 - Dec. 31, Jan. 4 - Jan. 6 [Inquiries]0773-23-9564



Sato Taisei Memorial Art Museum

[Address] 32-64 Aza-Okano, Fukuchiyama Tues.) Dec. 28 - Dec. 31, Jan. 4 - Jan. 6 [Inquiries] 0773-23-2316





A place to take a break, just east of Fukuchiyama Castle.

There are also seven stores, including food and boutiques.

[Address] 6 Hori Imaoka, Fukuchiyama City



Jagahana-onyabu (Akechi Yabu)

Said to have been built by Mitsuhide as a measure against the frequent flooding of the Yuragawa River, and popularly known as Akechi Yabu.

Map numbers are linked to the numbers on the Fukuchiyama City Map on pages 14 and 15.



Stone Walls



10 mins walk

time at which the castle was built. The stone walls are also known as "converted stones", which utilize stones that form part of other stone structures such as memorial towers and tombs. These were probably this may have been the case, but it is believed that incorporating them into the stone walls was a way of showing control, destroying the temples that were the symbols of the former powers.

Fukuchiyama City Chisui (flood control) Museum

[Address] 39 Shimoyanagi, Fukuchiyama City [Admission] Free [Hours] 9:00–17:00 (Last entry 16:30) [Closed] Mon. and Tues. (Wed. if national holiday falls on a Tues.) Dec. 27 - Jan. 4 [Inquiries]0773-22-4200



Akechi Mitsuhide Memorial (Goryo Shrine)

Mitsuhide was enshrined alongside the deity Inari originally enshrined here. This is a symbolic place where he is remembered as a good ruler who exercised good government.

[Address] 238 Nakano, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-22-2255

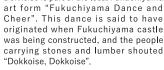


Visit the Fukuchiyama Castle and Goryo Shrine associated with Mitsuhide. Detailed descriptions by local guides are also available. • Every Sunday from 13:00. • Meet Place: Tourist Information Center at the North Exit of the JR Fukuchiyama Station. • Time required – about 2 hrs and 30 mins [Inquiries] 0773-22-2228

City Walk Tour - Free to participate!



Local Performing Arts - Fukuchiyama Dance Dokkoise is part of the local Fukuchiyama art form "Fukuchiyama Dance and





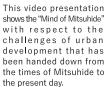
Igaito! Fukuchiyama Fan Club







The Mind of Akechi Mitsuhide - By Chris Peppler





Oni in Mt.Oe

According to legend,

Mt. Oe is the home of Oni (Japanese demon),

and in 2007 this area was designated as the

Tango-Amanohashidate-Oeyama Quasi-National Park.

You can see colorful autumn leaves and beautiful sea of clouds

in the autumn from Onitake Inari Shrine,

located at the eighth station on Mt. Oe.

Conditions for sea of clouds Viewing

- (1) Early mornings from the end of October to December
- (2) The morning after a day with good daytime weather and radiative cooling

Igaito! Fukuchiyama Photo Contest 5 Award Winners



Futasegawa Keiryu (mountain stream)

From season to season, the dynamic scenery of rocky outcrops and clear streams will take your breath away. This area is surrounded by a walking trail, where you can look down on the mountain stream from a suspension bridge that connects the valley.



Mt. Oe Onigawara (Japanese roof gargoyle) Park

Located in front of Oe Station, this park has been created by people from all over Japan who are interested in Oni. The row of 72 gargoyles that were crafted by Oni makers (gargoyle craftsmen) from all over Japan is quite a sight to behold.



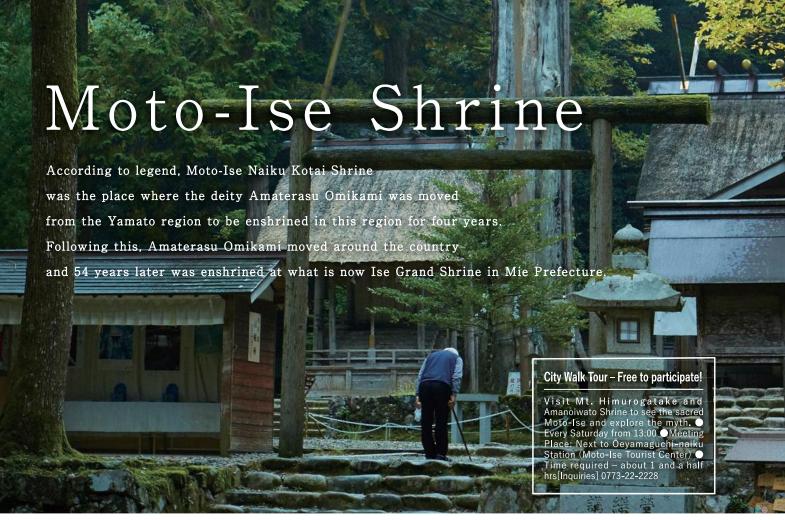
Japanese Oni Exchange Museum

This is a museum where you can learn about Oni. Visitors can learn about Oni from Japan and all over the world, including Onigawara (Japanese roof gargoyle), Oni masks and local performing arts. The three volumes of the "Shuten Doji Picture Scroll" will be open to the public on a limited monthly basis until February 28, 2023, and special acrylic stands of picture scrolls featuring Minomoto no Yorimitsu and Shuten Doji are available for purchase. The world's largest Onigawara sits in front of the museum. [Address] 909 Busshoji, Oe-cho, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-56-1996 [Admission] Adult ¥330, High school students ¥220,Junior high and elementary school students ¥160 [Hours] 9:00–17:00 (Last entry 16:30) [Closed] Mondays (Tue. if holiday falls on Mon.) , the day after a holiday, year-end and New Year holidays (Dec. 28 - Jan. 4)



There is a video to learn about the story of Shuten Doji. The online video "Reincarnated to Exterminate Oni" is now available!





Toyouke no Okami, the agriculture deity who descended to Tango is enshrined at the Moto-Ise Geku Toyouke Grand Shrine, and together with the Amanoiwato Shrine these form Moto-Ise Sansha (Three Shrines of Moto-Ise).

Moto-Ise Sansha (Three Shrines of Moto-Ise) - Resting Place of the Mysteries of the Ancient World



Moto-Ise Naiku Kotai Shrine

[Address] 217 Naiku, Oe-cho, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-56-1011





Moto-Ise Geku Toyouke Grand Shrine

[Address] 60 Amadauchi, Oe-cho, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-56-1560





Amanoiwato Shrine

[Address]206-1 Busshoji, Oe-cho, Fukuchiyama City





Make your wish come true
Mt. Himurogatake – Holy Place where the Sun Sets

Can be seen from the Yohaijo (worship place) on the approach to Amanoiwato Shrine from the Inner Shrine. At the summer solstice, the sun rises between the Ise Meoto-iwa (couple rocks) and sets at the top of this mountain, producing a mysterious connection. Legend says that if you pray to the gods, your wishes will come



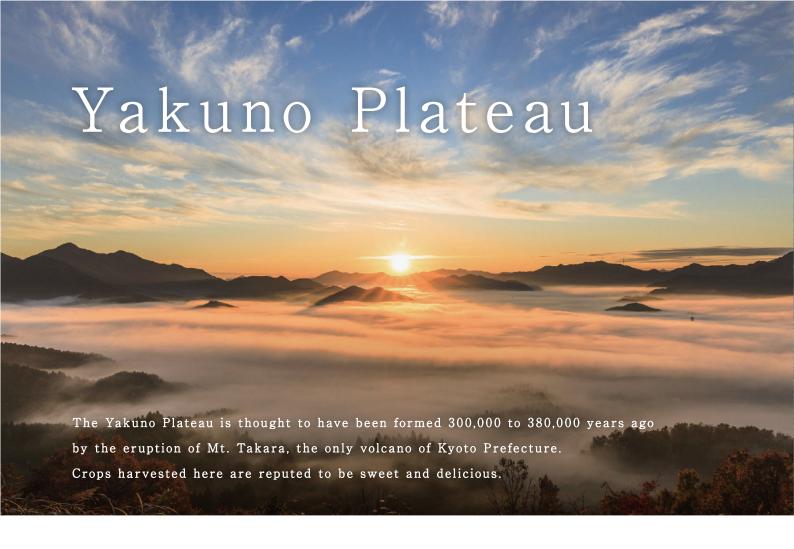
Oe Washi (Japanese paper) Denshokan Museum

[Address] 1883 Futamata, Oe-cho, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-56-2106 [Admission] Adult ¥200, High school students ¥150, Junior high and elementary students ¥110 (Workshop fee: letter pad/small paper ¥810, large paper (certificate size) ¥1,020) [Hours] 10:00–16:00 [Closed] Monday-Friday, except holidays, Dec. 28 – Jan. 3. (Open on Sat & Sun, plus national holidays)



Ashiginu Ookumo no Sato

This is a reproduction of the former Hirano Family Residence, the family that flourished during the Meiji period due to water transportation on the Yuragawa River and has been designated as Tangible Cultural Property by Kyoto Prefecture. Next door is the Ookumo residence hall training facility. [Address] 1936 Kita-Ariji, Oe-cho, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-57-0168 [Closed] Mondays, the day after a holiday





"Nosho no Sato Yakuno" Michi-no-Eki Rest Area

You can also experience the culture and nature of Yakuno with a direct sales shop for agricultural products, a store for Japanese sweets, and a facility where you can experience lacquer painting. There are restrooms that are available 24/7, and a parking area (for 170 standard vehicles, 5 large vehicles, 3 disabled parking spots and quick EV chargers).



Yakuno Basalt Rock Park

The natural beauty of this area was created by the flowing lava from Mt. Takara. It is lit up every night (from evening to 21:00).[Address] 8098-1 Ogura, Yakuno-cho, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-37-1103(Yakuno Branch Office, Fukuchiyama City)



Shah Observed from the Takarayama Park Observatory

The light that pours down on the hazy landscape from Mt. Takara on the Yakuno Plateau is known as "Shah", which spreads over the mystical scenery of the Yakuno Plateau.

"Nosho no Sato Yakuno" Michi-no-Eki Rest Area - This is the place





Yakuno Plateau Market

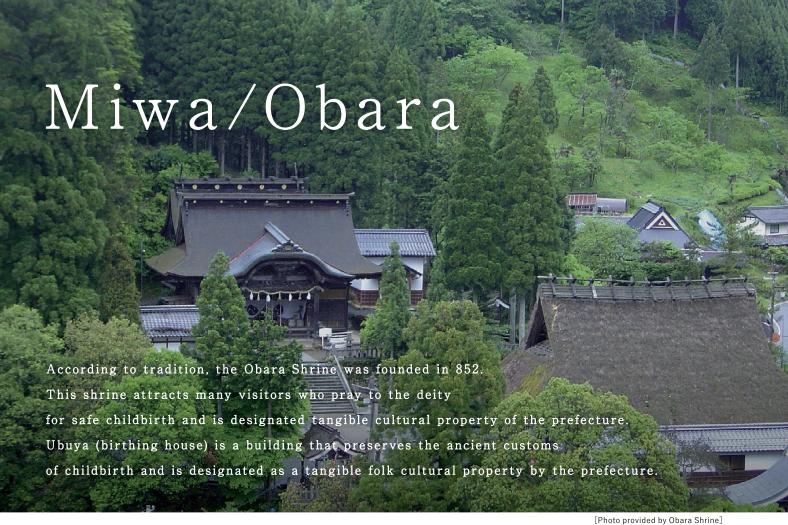
A wide variety of fresh, locally grown vegetables harvested that morning by Yakuno farmers, or "No-no-takumi (agricultural artisans" are available for sale. Processed agricultural and forestry products and flowering trees are also sold. [Inquiries] 0773-38-0543 [Closed] 3rd Wed. of every month (Open on holidays.)(Please check during the year end and New Year and winter holidays)





Yakuno Hana Azukikan

"Kintsuba" is known as the ultimate Japanese sweet, and it is made by applying a special thin batter to a 100% rare black bean paste and plump red bean paste which is baked. You can watch them making the Kintsuba, and if you're lucky you may be able to eat a freshly baked one. [Inquiries] 0773-38-1166 [Closed] Check the Yakuno Hana Azukikan website



[Photo provided by Obara Shrine]



God of easy delivery Obara Shrine

Obara Shrine is visited by many people as the deity for safe childbirth and a good harvest. It was originally built in 852, and the current majestic shrine was rebuilt in 1796. [Address] Obara, Miwa-cho, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-58-4324



Obara-no- Ubuya (birthing house)

There is an Ubuya on the banks of a clear stream that runs in front of the Obara deity, where the ancient customs of childbirth are handed down. The entrance faces the Obara Shrine, and until the early Taisho period (1912-1926) when a woman was in her last month of pregnancy, she would stay here for seven days and seven nights to give birth.



Hosono Pass

Selected as one of the 100 best historical roads in Japan in November 1996. Koshikibunonaishi wrote that "If the Mt. Oe Ikuno Road is still far away, you still haven't reached Amanohashidate (sandbank)" and in the early modern period there was a lot of traffic on the Mt. Oe Ikuno Road as the Sanin Kaido.

to experience all of Yakuno!





Yakuno Tree and Lacquer Museum

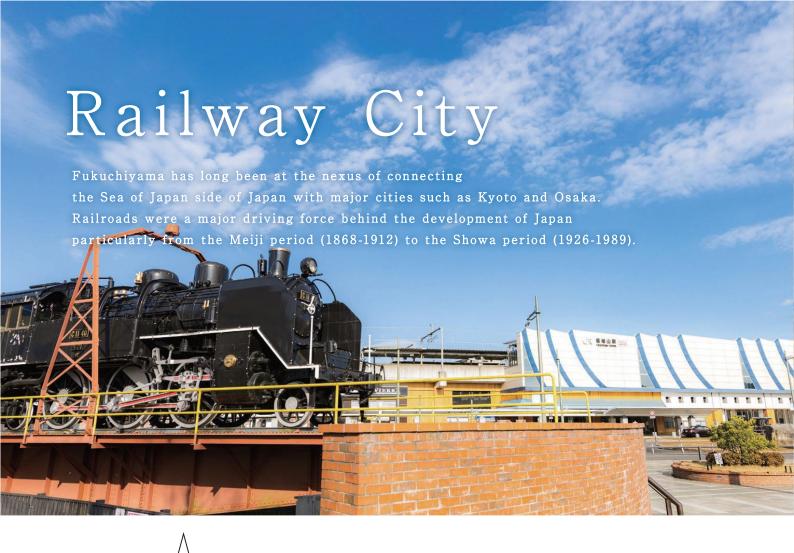
The town of Yakuno is home to a 1300-year-old Tamba tap lacquering technique. This facility preserves and hands down this tradition. Lacquerware products are sold and exhibited in a gallery, and visitors can experience using real lacquer in classes and painting. (Reservations required) [Inquiry] 0773-38-9226 [Closed] Wednesdays (Thurs. if holiday falls on Wed.) / Dec. 29 – Jan. 3





Yakuno-cho Fossil and Local History Museum

Here, fossils from all over the world and artifacts from ruins in the Yakuno area are on display, including the Yakunoceras nukataense ammonite which bears the name of Yakuno. [Inquiries] 0773-38-1206 [Closed] Monday – Friday / Dec. 29 – Jan. 4



MAP(2)

Fukuchiyama Station Minamiguchi Park

(Steam Locomotive C1140) At the south exit of Fukuchiyama Station, this steam locomotive is preserved in its original state, along with a turntable of the Fukuchiyama Engine District, a symbol of this railway city.[Address] 1039 Ekimae-cho, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-24-7052 (Fukuchiyama City Urban Transport Division)



Fukuchiyama Railroad Museum Poppoland #2

(Steam Locomotive C5856) A steam locomotive that traveled 20.5 laps around the earth, is on display at Poppoland #2. It is carefully hand-polished and preserved four times a year by retired members of the National Railway. [Address] 7 Aza-Hishiya, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-24-7077 (Fukuchiyama City, Tourism Promotion Division)



This city developed as a place for people, things, information and culture to come and go, and in 1950 one of only 27 railroad administration offices in Japan was established in Fukuchiyama, thanks to the efforts of the citizens of Fukuchiyama. This created a lot of jobs and brought vibrancy to the city. The railroad was thus a major driving force behind the development of Fukuchiyama, and the city is proud to have become known as a "railway city". There are several places around the city where you can feel this history of the railway.







Fukuchiyama Station today





Oeyama Green Lodge

There is a lodge at the foot of Mt. Oe, where you can fully enjoy the nature of "Shuten Doji no Sato". There are also sporting facilities nearby, such as tennis courts and fields. This is a perfect place for families and groups. [Address] 902 Busshoji, Oe-cho, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-56-0095



Oro Nature Recreation Center

There is accommodation, a golf course with natural grass and a camping area in this rich, natural environment. This can be used for training sessions, accommodation, and group get-togethers. [Address] 298-5 Oro, Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-33-



Miwa-So

This is a facility that is perfect as a base for get-togethers, with sporting facilities, a multi-purpose hall and meeting rooms. Some facilities will not be available from April 2022 due to preparations for renovations. It is scheduled to reopen in April 2024. [Address] 8004 Koaza-Gongen, Terao, Miwa-cho, Eukuchiyama City [Closed] 3rd Tues. of every month [Inquiries] 0773-58-2310

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Sandan-ike Park – This park offers a variety of activities, including a zoo, botanical garden, science museum, gymnasium and tennis courts etc.



Sandan-ike RAVIHOUSE Zoo

[Address] 377-1 Izaki, Fukuchiyama City (Inside Sandan-ike Park) [Admission] Adult ¥220, 4 y.o.— Junior high students ¥110 [Hours] 9:00-17:00 (Last entry 16:30) [Closed] Wednesdays (Thurs. if holiday falls on Wed.) Dec. 28 - Jan. 1 [Inquiries] 0773-23-4497



Fukuchiyama Children's Science Museum

[Address] 377-1 Izaki, Fukuchiyama City (Inside Sandan-ike Park) [Admission] Adult ¥330, 4 y.o.-Junior high students ¥160 [Hours] 9:00-17:00 (Last entry 16:00) [Closed] Wednesdays (Thurs. if holiday falls on Wed.)



Sandan-ike RAVIHOUSE Botanical Garden

[Address] 377-1 Izaki, Fukuchiyama City (Inside Sandan-ike Park)[Admission] Adult ¥330, 4 y.o-Junior high students ¥160 [Hours] 9:00-17:00 (Enter before 16:30) [Closed] Wednesdays (Thurs. if holiday falls on Wed.) Dec. 28 - Jan. 1 [Inquiries] 0773-22-6617





Enjoy a freshly brewed coffee and breakfast at the top of Mt. Oe, while watching the sunrise. If you are lucky, you may be able to see the sea of clouds. Enjoy this ultimate breakfast experience with a spectacular view. Opening Period: Year-round; Participants: 2-5 people; Target Age: Junior high school students or older

Mt. Oe Sunrise and Breakfast Experience



Harvesting Vegetables and Eating around the Fire Pit

You can harvest high quality vegetables from the fields that have been specially developed from the ground up. Then roast these freshly harvested vegetables over charcoal in a fire pit in a traditional home and eat them freshly cooked. Opening Period: July to September; Participants: 2-5 people; Target Age: Elementary school students or older



See the website "Kitairo" for details about the menu. Other menus are also being introduced for you to experience. Go ahead and select the menu that suits you best!



Farmhouse Guest Experience

This traditional thatched house built in the Edo period was renovated over time by the owner himself. This is the perfect place to get away from the hustle of the city and refresh yourself. Also enjoy participating in a variety of activities such as chopping firewood, harvesting and cooking classes etc.



Fukuchiyama City Farmhouse Introduction Site FukuFuku Life "Fukuchiyama Village Accommodation Map"

Fukuchiyama event calendar - spot famous for beautiful flowers & events



April - Cherry blossoms at Fukuchiyama Castle







April - Cherry blossoms at Kyoto Tree-planting Center



August - Yakuno Kogen Festival





August - Miwa Summer Festival



June - Hydrangea at Hana-Kannonji Temple



September - Moto-Ise Hassaku Matsuri (festival) October - Nukata no Dashi Matsuri (festival)





November - Autumn leaves at Choanji Templ





Snowscape of Ohaba





November - Fukuchiyama Marathon



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These products have been certified as

"Fukuchiyama Registered Treats"

and are the "Tastes of Fukuchiyama!"
Some of them are also available
for sale at the Tourist Information
Center at the north exit
of Fukuchiyama Station!

For more information about "Fukuchiyama Registered Treats", please contact the Agriculture and Forestry Promotion Division of Fukuchiyama City [Inquiries] 0773-24-7044



Organic JAS Certified Koshihikari "Kyo no Kiwami"

"Kyo no Kiwami" is a superior quality rice that is grown without the use of pesticides or chemical fertilizers. In 2017 it won the gold medal at the Kyoto Premium Rice Contest.



Oe no Oni Red Amazake and Oe no Oni Amazake

This is a sweet sake (Amazake) with a refreshing flavor made from rice and malt grown in the village of Tanada.



Kentaro no Kyoto Wild Game - Venison Keema Curry

In addition to venison, locally grown vegetables and spices are used to produce this keema curry. They are dedicated to also providing high quality and safe wild game.



Makoro's Kuripan (chestnut bread)

Formed into the shape of a large chestnut, you can enjoy the luxurious taste of a whole Fukuchiyama Tamba chestnut. The flavor, ingredients and packaging have been carefully selected to produce a product of perfection.



Tengamine Log-grown Dried Mushrooms

These are grown with the blessings of nature (water, light and temperature) on logs in the wilderness of the Oe Mountains and Tengamine. These shiitake mushrooms are thick and full of great flavor.



Kyoto Tamba Akamen (Red Noodles)

This product was the idea of one of the city's high school students. These sweet and fragrant noodles are kneaded together with Manganji peppers.



Sake Lees Pickled Black Soybeans - Renewal

This wonderful product has a flavor handed down from the terraced rice fields of Kehara, and born from this new combination of black beans and sake lees.



Kyo Jidori Chicken

They began raising Kyo Jidori Chicken because of the desire that "the chicken shouldn't be obscure". With no odor, this chicken has the characteristic flavor and firmness.



Hata-san's Tamba Chestnuts

These chestnuts are carefully grown without pesticides or fertilizers and is refrigerated at -1°C for about a month to further enhance its sweetness and flavor.



Tamba Chestnut Baked Kuri-kinton - Treasures of Mitsuhide

These elegantly flavored Kuri-kinton are based using only local Tamba chestnuts and sugar.



"Kyo-hotaru" Polished Rice

This delicious rice with a dynamic texture has larger grains than normal, being grown in an area where there is a large difference between day and night temperatures near the headwaters of the Ouchi River.



Kyoto Tamba Manganji Dressing

Fukuchiyama Manganji peppers are a typical example of Kyoto vegetables. They are characterized by the sweetness and flavorful aroma of the fully ripe peppers.



Kentaro no Kyoto Wild Game - Roasted Venison

High quality venison is prepared quickly and carefully immediately after capture and is then cooked at low temperature to produce delicious odorless and tender roasted meat.



Kyoto Tamba Chestnut Porotan

Called "Porotan" signifying the way in which its astringent skin easily peels away. Tamba chestnuts are characterized by their high-qualify flavor due to advanced cultivation techniques and careful preservation methods.



Tamba Chestnut Cake

These high-quality pound cakes use a lot of Tamba chestnuts and other carefully selected ingredients.



Hoon-ji Temple Morning Bamboo Shoot Dig

The morning dig for bamboo shoots which is a 200-year tradition at Hoon-ji Temple, produces bamboo shoots characterized by their softness and lack of "sourness". They are sold where they are dug up and are so popular that they sell out in about an hour and a half.



Your First Croquette

The main ingredient is potatoes, grown in the fields on site, and these are mixed with seasonal vegetables to produce these handmade croquettes.

Meats!

City of Meats — The holy land of meats, and one of the number one spots for the number of Yakiniku restaurants in Japan!

Fukuchiyama is home to one of the three biggest livestock markets in all western Japan, supporting the distribution of meat.

This has allowed the city to inherit a history as a "City of Meats", currently boasting 25.1 Yakiniku restaurants per 100,000 people (*according to the 2016 Economic Census).







Sweets!

City of Sweets - Sweet treats that will melt into your body and soul!

The castle town of Fukuchiyama has always had delicious sweets for tea ceremonies at the castle and souvenirs for loved ones.

Why not take a walk around Fukuchiyama and find your favorite sweets?

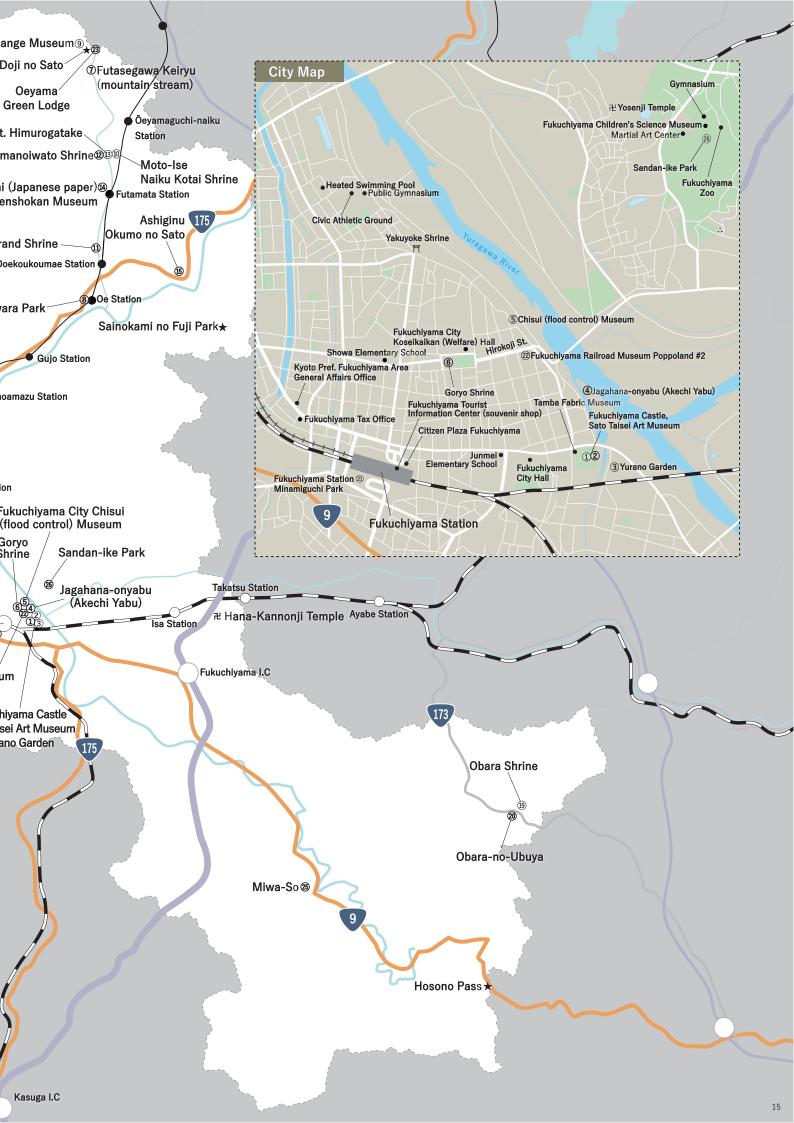


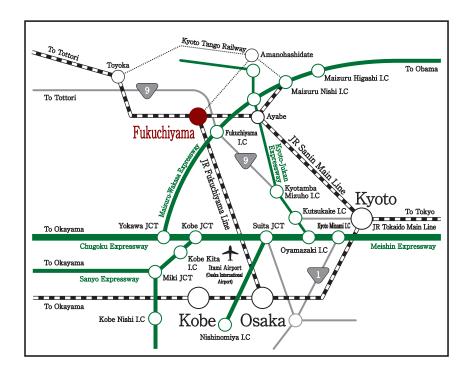












■From Major Cities

By Car

Kyoto-Ukan Expressway and Route 9 (Approx. 85km)

Osaka·····Approx. 1 hr 30 mins

Chugoku Expressway and Maizuru-Wakasa Express way (Approx. 100km)

Nagoya · · · · · · · Approx. 3 hrs

Via Shin-Meishin Expressway (Approx. 220km)

By Expressway Bus

Osaka(Namba) [Direct Bus] Approx. 1 hr 50 mins

Kobe(Sannomiya) [Direct Bus] Approx. 1 hr 30 mins

By Train

Kyoto · · · · · · · Approx. 1 hr 20 mins

JR Sanin Main Line (Express) to Fukuchiyama Station

Osaka·····Approx. 1 hr 40 mins

JR Fukuchiyama Line (Express) to Fukuchiyama Station

Tokyo · · · · · · Approx. 4 hrs 20 mins

Transfer to Kyoto Station (Tokaido Shinkansen), take JR Sanin Main Line (Express) to Fukuchiyama Station

By Airplane

Itami Airport [Direct Expressway Bus] Approx. 1 hr 25 mins

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Fukuchiyama City



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City Loop Bus

Northern route (weekdays only) /

Mitsuhide Route (weekends and holidays only)

The City Loop Bus is a convenient way to sightsee in the city center.

One-day pass: Adults ¥400 /Children ¥200

*Available on the bus or from the Kyoto Transport Information Center

Rent a Bicycle

Renting a bicycle is a great way to explore the cityl Fukuchiyama Tourist Information Center - from ¥400 for 2 hrs

[Inquiries] 0773-22-2228

Stoked Cycle - from ¥400 for 2 hrs
*From ¥200 for 5 hrs if also using paid parking here.
[Inquiries] 090-9047-2892

Fukuchiyama Castle and City Tour

Get a sightseeing guide from the Fukuchiyama Tour Guides Association!

One guide - from \(\frac{\pma}{2}\),000 per half day [Inquiries] 0773-22-2228

(Fukuchiyama Tourist Information Center)
*Advance reservation required

You can buy local goods and souvenirs at the Fukuchiyama Tourist Information Centerl

We have a large selection of Tamba chestnuts, black beans and azuki beans Fukuchiyama souvenirs. We also offer rental bicycles, mobile battery rental and temporary luggage storage (¥500 per day) for all your sightseeing needs.

[Address] 439 Ekimae-cho, Fukuchiyama City (JR Fukuchiyama Station North Exit)

[Hours] 9:00-18:00 [Closed] Year-end and New Year only [Inquiries] 0773-22-2228



For more Travel Information

Fukuchiyama Tourist Information (Souvenir Store)

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