

# A journey to experience the uniqueness of OITA

Oita Prefecture is situated in the northeastern part of the Kyushu region and is well known for its many Onsen\*. There are a wide variety of Onsen, sightseeing spots, and activities to experience all over Oita. It is also home to many historical towns that have developed in tandem with the local residents' lifestyles. Visitors can enjoy the culture, activities, and food that can only be found right here in Oita.

OITA FUKUOKA KYUSHU

# Oita Prefecture's main attractions!

The most Onsen in Japan! The amount of water that flows out of the springs is also the highest in Japan! The Onsen here are simply amazing!

Oita Prefecture is one of the most famous regions in Japan for Onsen. Each area has its own distinctive Onsen that attract many visitors.

#### Number of Onsen

1st	Oita Pref.	5,090
2nd	Kagoshima Pref.	2,738
3rd	Hokkaido Pref.	2,229

Ministry of the Environment: Onsen usage in 2022

### Oita's beautiful natural environment nurtures the people and food

Oita Prefecture is surrounded by a rich natural environment. Not only does it boast stunning scenery, but it also has an environment that produces a wide variety of foods. The Kunisaki Peninsula Usa area is recognized as a Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems, GIAHS, and the Bungo Channel\* is considered to be one of the best fishing areas in Japan.

Amount of Water From Springs (L/min.)

 1st
 Oita Pref.
 295,708

 2nd
 Hokkaido Pref.
 196,262

 3rd
 Kagoshima Pref.
 175,145

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#### Oita's unique historical culture and traditions

\*Onsen...

The abundance of nature such as Onsen and the diverse culture of festivals, traditional crafts, and cultural treasures blend together to create the unique charm of the many regions in Oita. These legacies that have been handed down from generation to generation are the pride of Oita.

\* The Bungo Channel... The mixture of warm and cold seawater creates an abundance of plankton, making it the perfect fishing ground for a wide variety of fish.





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# The highest number of **Onsen in Japan!** journey to enjoy **Oita's Onsen**

Oita Prefecture is also commonly called the "Onsen Prefecture". Oita boasts the highest number of Onsen in Japan and is filled with some of the best Onsen areas in the country. Visitors can enjoy the different types of Onsen and bathing styles found at each place while taking in the rich history, culture,

#### ····· DAY1 ·····

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method of "Jigoku Mushi", which has been passed down since the 17th century. Simply put the ingredients into the impressive "Jigoku Mushi steaming pot", which emits Onsen steam. Enjoy freshly steamed and piping hot food! \*No reservations are allowed. "Jigoku Mushi" is a completely sustainable cooking method that uses 100% geothermal energy (high-temperature steam emitted from a Onsen) to steam food.

S-kumi, Furomoto, Beppu City

0977-66-3775



Opened in 1276. Guests sit or lie down in the Onsen heated stone chamber filled with fragrant medicinal herbs called "sekisho". The steam makes you sweat profusely and has a wonderful detoxifying effect.

1-kumi, Kannawakami, Beppu City 0977-67-3880

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Beppu City

Q 16-23 Motomachi, Beppu City

Beppu City

0977-23-1585

DAY1

03

\*Tattoos allowed

[Takegawara Onsen]

Beppu Onsen

Opened in 1879. The building's magnificent roof was constructed using traditional Japanese architectural techniques and is a symbol of Beppu Onsen. Visitors can

enjoy both the charming Onsens and the warming sand



#### Beppu City 04 A stroll around Kannawa

The retro townscape of the Kannawa Onsen area is perfect for a relaxing stroll. Visitors can enjoy gourmet Onsen-steamed food, shopping, and free footbaths all while taking in the beautiful scenery of Onsen steam erupting from all around the area.



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#### Oita's Signature "Toriten" [Restaurant Toyoken]

This restaurant has been open since 1926 and is the birthplace of toriten a famous local Oita Prefecture specialty. Their crispy golden chicken tempura is absolutely delicious. It is made by marinating chicken thighs in a soy sauce-based family recipe, then coating them in a mixture of egg. flour and potato starch and then deep-frying.

7-8-22 Ishigaki Higashi, Beppu City 0977-23-3333





#### Yukemuri Observatory From this observatory, you can see the entire city of Beppu and the

magnificent mountains. The view of Onsen steam billowing into the air can only be seen in a place like this. You can also see the fantastic Onsen steam lit up on weekend nights.

9 8-kumi Kannawa Higashi, Beppu City 0977-21-1128(Beppu City Tourism Division)

Beppu City







#### **Recommended places** to visit nearby



#### Beppu City

#### Beppu Jigoku Tour (7 hells Tour)

The seven hells (Onsen) have a history of more than 1,000 years and are a must-see sightseeing destination in Beppu City. Each hell has a different characteristic, such as geysers, hot mud, and boiling water, allowing visitors to experience the mysteries of nature firsthand.



S59-1 Kannawa, Beppu City

0977-66-1577 (Beppu Jigoku Association) \*Business hours : 8 : 00~17 : 00

#### Hiji Town

#### **Zazen Meditation Experience** [Gyatei Temple]

Zazen is a way to realize one's true self and to live life in the here and now. Why not try looking inwards at yourself at this historic temple built in 1346? Incense making is also very popular here.

3460 Toyooka, Hiji Town, Hayan 090-1169-2990





#### Hiji Town

### Shabutsu Experience [Chonichi Temple]

The term "Shabutsu" literally mean to copy an image of Buddha. Even beginners can do this by simply placing a piece of paper on top of the original image and tracing it. By controlling your breathing and concentrating on drawing, you can clear your mind of distractions and unify your spirit.

♀ 1505 Kawasaki, Hiji Town, Haya 0977-72-2684





#### Hiji Town

#### **Hiji Footpaths**

Visitors can enjoy a leisurely stroll around the area while taking in the beautiful natural scenery and feeling the richness of village life. Meet and socialize with the local residents, and maybe you will discover something new.

💡 Hiji Town Touris

0977-72-4255 (Hiji Town Tourism Assoc







ONSEN

#### Recommended Course 01 : Onsen Beppu City / Yufuin / Hita City / Hiji Town

DAY3 01





It was named Sakura\* because the spray from the falls looks like falling cherry blossoms. The path to the falls is well maintained, so visitors can walk to the falls as if they were taking a stroll.

\*Sakura means cherry blossom in Japanese

Gorakugawa, Amagasemachi Sakuradake, Hita City

0973-57-2166 (Hita City Tourism Association Amagase Branch)



river that breaks up the soil, and then they fire the pottery Nationally designated important intangible cultural property

Hita City

#### **Tenryo Hita** Ohina-matsuri (Doll Festival)

Gorgeous dolls decorated for Ohina Matsuri, a traditional Japanese festival to pray for the

healthy growth of young girls, are displayed at more than 10 locations in the city all at once. While walking around the area, visitors can enjoy the exhibits.





# There are many more Onsen in Oita. the Onsen Prefecture!

Onsen can be enjoyed in almost every part of Oita and there are a variety of different types. There are Onsen with unique water properties, some that are secluded, some that offer spectacular views during the day and at night, somewhere you can wear and rent swimsuits, some that are in the city, some that you can rent privately, and so on. Here we will introduce three Onsen that stand out for their uniqueness.

\*Tattoos have historically been viewed as a symbol of anti-social groups and gangs in Japan, which has led to some locations not allowing people with tattoos to bathe at their facilities.

#### Taketa City

#### Nagavu Onsen [Kur Park Nagayu]



This is one of the few bicarbonate springs in the world. Visitors can enjoy a variety of bathing options at the Onsen medical treatment facility. There are Onsen where you can wear bathing suits. Food and lodging are also available.

♀ 3041-1 Naoirimachi, Nagayu, Taketa City 0120-381-126

## **Kabeyu Natural Cave Onsen Fukumotoya**

Kokonoe Town \*Tattoos allowed



Kabeyu is a famous half-cave open-air bath for both men and women. The Onsen looks like it was carved right out of the rock wall. Visitors can enjoy soaking in the bath while listening to the soothing sounds of the river flowing right in front of the Onsen. There is also a women-only section if you are uncomfortable bathing with men. 62-1 Oaza Machida, Kokonoe Town , Kusugu



This Onsen is directly connected to the JR Oita Station building. The open-air bath on the top floor is 80 m (262 ft) above ground level, and offers a panoramic view of downtown Oita City, the Kuju mountain range, and Beppu Bay. Women can rent special

1-14 Kanamemachi, JR Oita City 19-21F. Oita City 097-513-2641

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Oita City

**City Spa Tenku** 



Private baths recommended for those new to Onsens.

#### Beppu City

Steel.

#### **Hyotan Onsen**



All 14 private baths are different and have their own sauna. There are also several other Onsen, including heated sand baths. Onsen waterfall baths, walking baths, and open-air baths. (Awarded three Michelin Stars by the Michelin Guide for Tourism)

<ul> <li>159-2 Kannawa, Beppu City</li> <li>0977-66-0527</li> </ul>		
*Private baths can be reserved one week in advance		

**Must-know** 

etiquette

**Onsen bathing** 

### Beppu City \*Tattoos allowed Myoban Yunosato Onsen

0973-78-8754



The popular private baths are modeled after the "Yunohana Huts", where Myoban Onsen's specialty, Yunohana Medicinal Sinter is made. Visitors can enjoy having a private bath in the triangular-roofed huts. \*Natural bath salts made of crystallized mineral deposits from Onsen

6-kumi, Myoban-onsen Beppu City 0977-66-8166



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guests to enjoy. 💡 4-2 Horita, Beppu City 0977-25-8431

This Onsen is conveniently located

near the Beppu Interchange, on a

Beppu City \*Tattoos are only allowed in private baths

Sakurayu



1243 Kawaminami, Yufuincho, Yufu City 0977-84-2171



#### Kimono Trying-on Experience [Ninomaru-Yakata]

Why not take a stroll around town in traditional Japanese clothing? All garbs are the same price regardless of whether you choose a glamorous furisode kimono with sleeves nearly a meter long, a kimono for casual outings, or a vukata worn in the summer. There are many patterns to choose from, so you can also have fun choosing the right one.





#### Beppu City

Hita City

#### Space Beppu

This is a rare spiritual site that combines both Buddhism and

over 1,200 years and many

attractions, such as a wall with

no Tama that is said to make

wishes come true.

Amagasemach Hita City 0120-417-381

3740 Mabaru

Shinto, a religion that is unique to

Recommended places

to visit nearby

Takatsuka Atago Jizo Statue (Temple)

This is a community space in a traditional Japanese house built more than 100 years ago. A variety of activities are offered for visitors to Japan, including calligraphy classes (see photo). local food cooking classes, tea ceremony experiences, and walking tours of the town.



Q 12-9 Chiyomachi, Beppu City 0977-75-9566

#### Yufuin Cafe Duo

The 3D Latte Art is very popular here! The staff uses the foamed milk to create three-dimensional dogs and cats. After it is served, you can draw your face to create your own one of a kind, unique latte art \*We can't wait to see what 3D Latte Art you come up with!

1159-1 Kawakami, Yufuincho, Yufu City 0977-85-3955





Shower off before getting into the bath If you have long hair. Keep towels out of try to keep it out of the bath

Taking photos or recording videos is not allowed in the bathing area and changing rooms

Musouen is located high up in the

\*Tattoos are only allowed in private baths

Yama no Hotel

Musouen

Yufuin Basin. They offer two types of private baths, an open-air bath and an indoor bath, each with a unique atmosphere where you can heal your body and soul.

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the bath







Recommended Course 01 : Onsen Beppu City / Yufuin / Hita City / Hiji Town

## Hita Citv



Hita Geta are a traditional Japanese-style sandal that have been made in Hita City for centuries. Visitors can experience attaching a sandal strap to their own Hita Geta to make it fit perfectly. You can choose the strap and the type of wood to create your own one-of-a-kind geta.

2-3-1 Sanbonmatsu, Hita Cit 0973-22-3115 (Public Interest Incorporated As



\*Experience is ava

#### Beppu City

#### **Beppu City Traditional Bamboo Crafts Center**

Here you can learn about the charm of bamboo and especially about Beppu bamboo crafts, a traditional Japanese craft that is highly regarded overseas.

Visitors can also try their hand at making "bamboo bells (see photo)" and "Shikainami flower baskets (baskets for displaying flowers)".







#### Yufu City

#### Yufugawa Canyon Packrafting Tour

This tour takes you deep into the mysterious Yufugawa Canyon on a lightweight boat. Ancient cliffs, dense moss and ferns, and refreshing waterfalls provide visitors with an unforgettable experience.

💡 729 Hasamamachi, Honoki, Yufu City 097-529-7523





#### Hiii Town

#### **Oga Farm**

The vast park is located on a coastline overlooking the ocean and is surrounded by beautiful forests filled with herbs, roses and other plants that create a peaceful atmosphere. Make sure to stop by the café and garden shop!

💡 6025-1 Oga, Hiji Town, Hayamigu 0977-73-0012







# A journey to experience **Oita's** traditions and culture

The abundance of nature in Oita Prefecture has shaped the many traditions and the culture of the people who have grown up here. From the unique products to the lifestyle and culture that can only be found here, why not experience the many luxurious activities that will satisfy your mind and body?



····· DAY1 ····· 09:40 Oita Airport

> Ca (Approx.20 mins)

CULTURAL EXPERIENCE

Kimono Trying-on Experience 【Warakuan Kimono Rental】

Approx.5 mins)

02 Explore Kitsuki Castle Town

03 National Treasure Fuki-ji Temple

Approx.5 mins

04 Ryoan Fukinotou



## Kitsuki City

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**Kimono Trying-on** Experience [Warakuan Kimono Rental]

The store has a selection of more than 350 kimono designs for men, women and children. After you have chosen your favorite, the staff will help you to put it on. \*Reservations via the Internet must be made at least 3 days in advance.

372-4 Kitsuki, Kitsuki City 0978-63-1210



Kitsuki Castle Town is the first place in Japan to be recognized as "the best historical town for wearing a kimono" Visitors wearing kimonos while sightseeing in the area will receive free admission to public tourist and cultural sites.

O Kitsuki, Kitsuki Citv 0978-63-0100 (Kitsuki City Tourism Association)

Kitsuki City

DAY1

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Visitors can enjoy a variety of cultural activities

There are many activities visitors can do in Kitsuki, such as Ikebana, the traditional Japanese art of beautifully arranging plants and flowers in vases and making Japanese sweets.



Kitsuki Castle

Kitsuki Castle was rebuilt in 1970, and valuable historical materials such as armor that belonged to feudal lords are on display inside.

Shioya no Saka Slope and

The two intersecting slopes are the symbol of Kitsuki City. The beautiful cobblestone slopes are a perfect place to take commemorative photos while earing a kimono.





Fuki-ji Temple was built around the 12th century and the temple's main hall has been designated as a national treasure. The Buddhist hall, Amidado (temple hall with an Amida statue) called Fuki-ji Odo is one of the most famous Amidado halls in Japan.

Q 2395 Tashibufuki, Bungotakada City 0978-26-3189





Usa City Usa Jingu Shrine The Usa Jingu Shrine is said to be the birthplace of

many other shrines throughout the grounds. 💡 2859 Minami Usa, Usa City 0978-37-0001

#### Nakatsu City Sanpuku-ya Yuba Dyer

At Sanpuku-ya, you will be able to learn the traditional Japanese technique of indigo dyeing from a professional. You can create your own original one-of-a-kind indigo-dyed goods.

Q 2-1389-3, Tonomachi, Nakatsu City 0977-85-8511 oyonokuni M urism Zone)

02









Surrounded by lush nature, this Japanese-style inn has charming Onsen and offers cuisine featuring fresh local ingredients. Guests staying overnight can also experience "zazen," a form of meditation in which one concentrates the mind to achieve a spiritual state of selflessness.



💡 2365 Tashibufuki, Bungotakada City

0978-26-2668



Shinto-Buddhist syncretism, the fusion of the Japanese religion of Shintoism and the foreign religion of Buddhism. The main shrine is a national treasure, and there are



Negivaki (Green Onion Okonomiyaki The Usa Jingu Branch

This restaurant is located on the pathway leading up to the Usa Jingu Shrine. They specialize in making Negiyaki, which is similar to Okonomiyaki (Japanese-style pizza). They use their own home-grown Ajiichi-negi (green onions) to make this delicious and healthy dish. It makes a great snack or lunch !

2222-4 Minami Usa, Usa City (Located inside the Usa Jingu Shrine grounds) Vilia 080-1539-2686



#### DAY2 Nakatsu City **Explore Nakatsu Castle Town**

Visitors can enjoy a stroll through the historic townscape, which includes Nakatsu Castle and Gogan-ji Temple with its striking red walls. Be sure to try Nakatsu's local delicacies, such as pike conger dishes and Nakatsu karaage (Japanese fried chicken).

💡 Nakatsu City 0979-62-9034 Nakatsu City Tourism Division

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Suehiroya

This community space is a completely renovated century-old traditional Japanese house. The inn is exclusively for foreign visitors to Japan and cyclists.

9 1845 Moromachi, Nakatsu City 0979-64-8931



#### ····· DAY3 ····· 09:40 01 Toko-ii Temple 500 Rakan Car (Approx.25 mins) 12:30 02 Ajimu Winery Car $\leq$ (Approx.45 mins) 13:30 03 Futago Kawaraza / On Foot Ś (Approx.3 mins) / (Approx.15 mins)





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This restaurant serves some of the best soba noodles around and has a special weekday-only menu that includes "Tendon Soba Lunch" and others. Souvenirs from the Kunisaki Peninsula are also sold here. \*Open for lunch only

9 1594-1 Futago, Akimachi, Kunisaki City 0978-64-6305

CULTURAL EXPERIENCE



Oita Airport will be the first "horizontal spaceport" in Asia. There are also many unique services for visitors here.

**Oita Airport** 

Purikura Photo Booth

Visitors can take a commemorative photo with an alien and choose an Oita-inspired picture frame to put it in.

https://oita-airport.jp/



**Oita Airport** Footbath Visitors can enjoy free footbaths a hospitality unique to "Oita, the Onsen Prefecture".

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#### DAY3 Kunisaki City 04 Ashibikisan Futago-ji Temple

The temple is famous for its beautiful autumn foliage and for blessing people with fertility. Its vast grounds are dotted with many cultural artifacts that give a sense of the temple's long history. A statue of Nio, the guardian deity of the temple, stands on the path leading up to the temple. It is said that rubbing the feet of the statue will make your legs stronger. 1548 Futago, Akimachi Kunisaki City

0978-65-0253

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Be sure to check it out!



Aiimu Wine

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favorite expression.

Q 1754 Esuka, Usa City

0978-27-8171

Usa City

Toko-ji Temple

Recommended

as a souvenir!

Sparkling Wine

This is the winery's flagship

product and has won the to

he past. It is made from

prize in its category at the Japa

Aiimu

2022

Gokka Shokoshi 2020

The "Gokka Series" is the highest class of the Ajimu Wine Series. It is made from Shokoshi grapes, which are a hybrid of several mountain grape varieties.

500 Rakan

Toko-ji Temple is home to more than 500

stone statues called "Rakan", each of which

has its own unique and expressive face. We

recommend that you try to find your

(Usa City Tourism and Brand Divi





The only domestic passenger route operated by a hovercraft. It takes about 30 minutes to get to the airport rom Oita City.

#### Recommended places to visit nearby

#### Himeshima Village

#### **Himeshima Ecotourism**

Visitors can ride around Himeshima in an eco-friendly car that uses electricity generated by solar panels. Enjoy a relaxing getaway in the beautiful nature that is part of the Setonaikai National Park.

O 2069 Minami Himeshima Villag 0978-87-2022



#### Nakatsu City

#### **Small Wagasa Andon Crafting** [Wagasa Workshop Shuka]

Visitors can make a small Wagasa Andon (lantern) using Wagasa (Japanese paper umbrella) with a professional craftsman, one of Japan's cultural traditions. Try creating your own unique work of art by combining bamboo and Japanese paper.

901-1 Takajomachi, Nakatsu City 0979-23-1820



#### Bungotakada City

#### Kumano Magaibutsu Stone Buddha

The statues, called Magaibutsu are carved directly into the rock face. Not only are they among the largest statues in Japan but they are also designated as national treasures. Long ago, ogres are said to have built the 99 stone steps leading from the entrance to Kumano Magaibutsu in a single night.

Q 2545-3 Tashibuhirano, Bungotakada City 0978-26-2070



### Kunisaki Citv

#### Cycling [Kunisaki City Cycling Terminal]

In Kunisaki City, cycling is a great way to enjoy the vivid scenery of the Setonaikai and feel the gentle sea breeze. There are also cafes and Onsens along the way so you can enjoy the ride at your own pace.







Recommended Course 02 : Cultural Experience Kitsuki City / Bungotakada City / Usa City / Nakatsu City / Kunisaki City / Himeshima Village

#### Himeshima Village

#### Kannonzaki

Kannonzaki, the most scenic spot on the island, offers a magnificent view of the gray obsidian cliffs. The obsidian-producing area of Himeshima has been designated a national natural treasure

Q Himeshima Village, Hi O978-87-2266 (Oita Himeshima Geopark Promotic Committee Offici





#### Usa City

#### **Aiimu Green Tourism**

Visitors can help on a farm, stay at a farmhouse, and experience the daily life of the local people in Ajimu Town, the birthplace of green tourism in Japan.

Aiimumachi, Usa City © 0978-44-1158 (NPO Ajimumachi Green Tour Research Committee)





#### Bungotakada City / Kunisaki City

#### The Kunisaki Hantou Minemichi Long Trail

This walking trail is based on Rokugo Manzan Mineirigyo\*, which has been practiced on the Kunisaki Peninsula since ancient times. While walking, visitors can learn about mountain worship culture, traditional farming culture such as the cultivation of shiitake mushrooms on logs and enjoy the beautiful natural scenery. \*Rokugo Manzan Mineirigyo refers to the

Buddhist ascetic practice o monks walking in groups through the mountains Kunisaki City, BungoTakada City





## Kunisaki City

#### **Kunisaki Shichitoi Crafting Experience**

Visitors can experience making various crafts using Kunisaki Shichitoi while learning about the local culture. Kunisaki Shichitoi is a plant produced only on the Kunisaki Peninsula in Oita Prefecture and is used to make tatami mats.



0977-85-8511 (Toyonokuni Millennium Heritage Tourism Zone)







# Explore beautiful landscapes that soothe the soul A journey to experience nature with all five senses

DAY1

02

Oita Prefecture is blessed with a beautiful natural environment, including both mountains and the sea. There are many activities and things to experience while enjoying the great outdoors. Why not refresh your body and mind while enjoying the beautiful scenery of each of the four seasons that Oita Prefecture has to offer?



NATURE

## ····· DAY1 ····· 08:30 ( Oita Airport (Approx 1 hr 30 mins)



(Approx.20 mins)

17:00 05 Bungoono Sake Brewery Tour



Rafting experiences are available at River Park Inukai

DAY1

03

#### **Roadside Station** , LC<< Harajiri Falls



which features tempura and other 回激回 Japanese dishes made with the best seasonal ingredients. 936-1 Harajiri, Ogatamachi, Bungoono City



Bungoono City

Yujaku Park

Bungoono City

Harajiri Falls

ft) wide and 20 meter (66 ft) high waterfall. The

**Boat Tour** The Haraiiri Falls seem to come out of nowhere in this tranquil countryside area. Visitors to the falls can take a rafting tour of the 120 meter (394

tour takes you right up to the base of the waterfall so you can feel the power of the water

cascading down right in front of your eyes

♀ 410 Harajiri, Ogatamachi, Bungoono City

090-5730-9643 (BE BEPPU Corporation Bund (BE BEPPU Corporation Bund)

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More than 500 deciduous trees have been planted around the pond in Yujaku Park. They are lit up on weekends and holidays during the fall foliage season, attracting many visitors and making it a great place for a fall getaway. Asajimachi Kamiotsuka, Bungoono City







Visitors can buy sake, shochu, craft beer, etc. At four local breweries that have been operating in Bungoono City for many years. Each brewery has its own unique flavor, so we recommend that you try drinks from each one.



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DAY1

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#### Feel the richness of nature

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# Enjoy the sauna and the great outdoors and share advantage of the great outdoors, such as beautiful riverside saunas, limestone cave saunas, and control cabin saunas.





#### **REBUILD SAUNA** LAMP Bungoono

This beautiful open-air sauna made from recycled wood is nestled in the heart of the lush forests of Mt. Sobo. At night, you can enjoy the star-filled sky.

O 57 Ogatamachi Obi oono City 0974-47-2080



Tunli Tunli Cafe Param

> The hand-made open-air sauna is located by the river, where you can enjoy the pleasant breeze and the beautiful seasonal scenery Visitors can also enjoy a meal at the attached café.









Fuko-ji Temple is designated as a tangible cultural property of Oita Prefecture. On the temple grounds, you can see one of the largest stone statues in Japan, called Magaibutsu, which is carved right into the rock face. Every year around June, visitors can enjoy seeing the temple and Magaibutsu surrounded by beautiful blooming hydrangeas.

💡 1225 Asajimachi Kamiotsuka, Bungoono City







570 Asajimachi Ichimanda, Bungoono Cit



Standard City



Q 150-1 Chitose





outdoors, such as beautiful riverside saunas, limestone cave saunas, and cozy



#### JOKI SAUNA Lodge Kiyokawa

Visitors can enjoy the outdoor sauna here. Since the sauna is heated with firewood, even those who dislike the stifling feeling of a sauna can have a comfortable experience.

158 Kiyokawamachi Utaeda, Bungoono City 0974-35-3601





#### Inazumi Underwater Cave Tent Sauna MORZH

With a year-round water temperature of 16 °C, visitors can experience a refreshing natural water bath Limited to just 3 slots per day, you can also enjoy the private tent sauna.

300 Miemachi Nakazuru Bungoono City 0974-26-2468







mountains, Mt. Sobo. There are a variety of routes, from beginner courses that anyone can enjoy, to advanced courses for experts that involve climbing cliffs.

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NATURE

#### DAY2 Taketa City 02 **Grilled Burgers** RAICHIKU This restaurant is located inside Roadside

Station Sugo. They serve delicious hamburgers made with the freshest ingredients from Taketa City. Be sure to try the lemonade made with Taketa City's famous water

💡 989-1 Sugo, Taketa City 080-2368-9586



12:30

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13:30

18:00



····· DAY2 ·····

02 Grilled Burgers RAICHIKU

03 Open-air Theater TAO-no-Oka

04 Taketa Marufuku Restaurant

09:40 ( 01 Valley Hiking "Kobaru Gorge"

(Approx.25 mins)

(Approx.30 mins)

Car

Car (Approx.30 mins)

This restaurant is a local favorite and is famous for the Oita specialty "Karaage" (Japanese fried chicken). They also offer take-out, which is great for a quick snack.

550-6 Taketamachi, Taketa City 0974-63-3457

DAY2 Taketa City 03 }

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## **Open-air Theater TAO-no-Oka**

Visitors can enjoy the impressive performance of DRUM TAO, a Japanese drum entertainment group active worldwide, while surrounded by the magnificent nature of Aso Kuju National Park. There is also a café and an area where you can buy various merchandise

9 7571-2, Shirani Itaki, Kujumachi, Taketa City 0974-76-0950







Visitors can enjoy the huge waterfall surrounded by lush greenery and the great outdoors. The mystical setting is also the perfect place to take photos.

♀ 103-1 kamisakata, Taketa City



#### Recommended places to visit nearby

#### Kokonoe Town

#### **Kuju Forest Park Skiing Ground**

This is one of the largest ski areas in Kyushu. Both beginners and experts can enjoy skiing here. A full range of equipment is also available for rent.

9 612-1, Yutsubo, Kokonoe Town 0973-79-2200



#### Kokonoe Town

#### KOKONOE "YUME" OTSURIHASHI

With an elevation of 777 m (2549 ft), a height of 173 m (568 ft), and a total length of 390 m (1280 ft), it is the tallest pedestrian-only suspension bridge in Japan. Visitors can enjoy a variety of views depending on the season. The foliage in the fall is particularly beautiful

Q 1208 Tano, Kokonoe Town, 0973-73-3800



#### Kusu Town

#### **Jion Falls**

The 30-meter (98 ft) waterfall is also lit up at night, giving visitors a fantastic view that is different from the davtime. 9 618, Yamaura, Kusu Town, Kusugur 0973-72-1313 (Kusu Town Tourism Association)



### Kusu Town

#### **Paradiso Oita**

This campground offers beautiful views of the night sky. Tent and sleeping bag rentals are available, as well as all-inclusive yakiniku (Japanese-style BBQ), so even those new to camping can enjoy their stay without worry!

9619-1, Tobata, Kusu Town, Kusugur 0:30 050-5530-0335





#### Kokonoe Town

#### Tadewara Marsh / Chojabaru Visitor Center

This is one of the largest marshlands of its kind in Japan and is home to many rare grassland and marshland animals The nearby Chojabaru Visitor Center also has nature exhibits.

Q 255-33, Tano, Kokonoe Town, Ku © 0973-79-2154 ojabaru Visitor Center)





#### Kokonoe Town

#### **Bushcraft Experience**

Gain the wisdom and skills necessary to live in the wild in this bushcraft experience. Visitor can enjoy the extraordinary experience of crafting their own tools and making a fire while appreciating the great outdoors of Kokonoe Town.

💡 2861-75 Nogami, Ko 080-6410-5516



Kusu Town

#### **Bungo Mori Roundhouse**

Industrial heritage "Bungo Mori Roundhouse". Steam locomotives that used to be in service were rotated and stored here. It is currently a park and a popular mecca for railroad enth and anime fans.

36-15 Iwamuro, Kusu Tow © 0973-72-1313 (Kusu Town To





Kusu Town

#### Mt. Kirikabu

The stump-like mountain is the symbol of Kusu Town. Visitors can drive to the top of the mountain, where there is an observation point and swings that offer a magnificent panoramic view of the town. Visitors can also try paragliding.

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# **Enjoy all the sea** has to offer in Oita! A journey to enjoy seafood

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Oita City

We highly recommend trying fresh seafood in Oita, where the fishing industry is booming and fresh seafood is readily available. You can eat everything from traditional sashimi to tempura and Japanese dishes made with fresh seafood. Having a meal while viewing the beautiful Oita sea is a must.

# DAY1

#### **Usuki Castle** Ruins

Usuki City

Usuki Castle was the residence of Otomo Sorin, a famous Christian feudal load. At the time of its construction, the castle was surrounded by the sea. In the spring, approximately 400 cherry trees are in full bloom, and visitors can enjoy viewing the cherry blossoms along with a tour of the castle ruins.

💡 91-1 Oaza Usuki, Usuki City 0972-63-1111 (Usuki City Tourism Division)



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The area around Nioza in Usuki Jokamachi still retains a unique castle town atmosphere and has been recognized by the Japanese government as a district with excellent urban design. The view of Nioza from the second floor of former Shinko-ji Temple is particularly representative of Usuki.

💡 Oaza Nioza, Usuki City 0972-64-7130 (Usuki City Tourism Associa 



DAY1

#### National Treasure DAY1 Usuki Stone 05 **Buddhas** (Usuki Sekibutsu)

Usuki City

Around 1,000 years ago, 61 stone Buddhas, called Magaibutsu were carved into the rock face. The scale, quantity, and carving techniques of the Magaibutsu are said to be among the best in Japan. They were the first magaibutsu to be designated as a national treasure in Japan.

💡 804-1 Oaza Fukata, Usuki City 0972-65-3300 (Usuki Sekibutsu Office)



#### 06 Hamachaya Seafood Restaurant

Tuna rice bowls, tuna steaks, and Tsukumi City's local cuisine, Hyuga-don, are all made with fresh tuna and are very popular. We hope that you try the unique local cuisine. 6029-1 Chinu, Tsukumi City





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#### Oita City Amabe no Sato Seki Aji Seki Saba kan

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Visitors can enjoy dishes made with locally caught Seki Aji and Saba (mackerel) in a restaurant overlooking the sea. You can also buy souvenirs on the first floor. 💡 949 Shiraki, Oita City 097-575-2338







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## JX Metals Sekizaki Mirai Kaiseikan

Located in a beautiful national park, the facility is equipped with a large astronomical telescope for observing the sun during the day and the seasonal starry sky at night. There is also a planetarium that can be enjoyed by adults and children alike.

💡 4057-419 Saganoseki, Oita City 097-574-0100

#### **Seasonal Events!**

#### Tsukumi City

Spring

#### **Bungo Channel Kawazu Cherry Trees**

In mid-February of each year, approximately 5,000 Kawazu cherry trees are in full bloom here, attracting countless visitors, making it one of the most popular places in Oita Prefectur to view Kawazu cherry trees.

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Usuki City (Designated by Oita Prefecture as an Intangible Folk Cultural Asset)

#### **Usuki Gion Festival**

This is the largest summer festival in Usuki and has been held yearly since 1643. A procession where participants wave around 3 meter (10 ft) long spears in one hand and extravagantly decorated floats called "dashi" are just a few of the many attractions that can only be seen in Usuk

Usuki, Usuki City (Tsuji area -Yasaka Shrine -Otabisho)







**Bungoono City** Hosho-ji Temple Japanese

Hosho-ji Temple, also known for its fall foliage, is lit up in early November when the leaves are at their peak, offering a different view of the temple than usual.

1639 Kiyokawamachi Utaeda Bungoono City





#### Winter

Saiki City



Bungo Futamigaura is one of the symbols of Saiki City, and every vear from December 24 to January 4 of the following year. the rope and the two large rocks called "Meotoiwa" meaning wedded rocks are lit up.

2 Kamiura Oaza Azamuiura, Saiki City 0972-32-3111 (Saiki City Kamiura











♀ 2643 Nishinoura, Kamae, Saiki City 0972-42-1600





#### DAY2 Saiki City 04 Nishiki Sushi

Nishiki Sushi is known for fresh, large pieces of sushi. In the winter, wild Bungofugu (pufferfish) is also available for a limited time.

💡 1-6 Hinodemachi, Saiki City 0972-28-6512 \*Reservations are required in the evenings





#### Edible Gems from the Sea "Noble Scallop"

The colorful and beautiful noble scallops are found only in southern Japan and are cultivated on Yakatajima Island in Saiki City and

other places. You can eat the large, sweet, and delicious noble scallops at restaurants in Saiki City.





Lunch

**Rest House** USAGITEI Visitors can enjoy fresh seafood while looking out over the ocean. In particular, the seafood rice bowl set containing five kinds of

fish, sazae, sea urchin, and other seafood is

Saiki City

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#### Usuki City **UNESCO Creative City of Gastronomy Usuki** City

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02 Rest House USAGITEI

Castle Town Stroll /

History and Literature Road

Castle Town Stroll /

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(Approx.15 mins)

(Approx.40 mins)

04 Nishiki Sushi

**History and** 

**Literature Road** 

The 700 m (2297 ft) long street still maintains a

traditional Japanese landscape. It was selected as one of the most picturesque streets in Japan

in 1986. In spring, the street is lined with

vibrant cherry trees in full bloom.

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Usuki City still has a rich gastronomic culture, including brewing traditions that have continued for more than 400 years, as well as unique and delicious local 

cuisine. The city also promotes the use of farm-to-table organic products.

# Usuki Sarayama Pottery Experience

Usuki City

Visitors can create their own original bowl, such as one with a cute floral design unique to USUKIYAKI, or a small palm-sized bowl. 💡 816-3 Fukata, Usuki City 0972-65-3113



#### Usuki City (National Historic Site)

#### Shimofuji Christian Cemetery

Recommended places

to visit nearby

The Shimofuji Christian Cemetery garnered attention when it was discovered to be the first fully intact cemetery in Japan as a result of excavations conducted since 2010. In addition to the 66 Christian tombs, many other related ruins have been discovered here



Oita City

Haru, Oaza, Notsumachi, Usuki City

0972-64-7130 (Usuki City Tourism Association)

#### Mt. Takasaki Therapy Road

Visitors can enjoy the nature and scenery of Oita, on this beginner-friendly trail to the top of Mt.Takasaki. From the summit, you can enjoy a stunning view of Oita.

Oita City C 097-585-6013 (Department of Forestry and Fisheries, Forest Therapy Team, Oita City) 



Saiki City

#### **Fujigawachi Valley**

This beautiful remote valley was carved out by the Kuwahara River over the course of a millennia. Visitors can experience canyoning, mountain climbing, camping, and other activities while enjoying the beautiful scenery that changes with the seasons.





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#### Recommended Course 04 : Seafood Oita City / Usuki City / Tsukumi City / Saiki City

#### Usuki City

#### **Rokugasako Onsen Gensen** Tawaraya Ryokan(Japanese Inn)

This famous Onsen is loved by many people for the highly beneficial effects of its waters. It is said that soaking in its waters will make you more beautiful, and drinking the water will help with gastrointestinal disorders.







#### Tsukumi City

#### Hotojima Island

Renowned for its tuna fishing industry, Hotojima is covered with three- to four-story houses on the hillside, a scene reminiscent of a Mediterranean fishing port.

O Hotojima, Tsukumi City 0972-82-9521 (Tsukumi City Tou



#### Saiki City

#### Kamehachi Sushi Sushi Making Experience

Kamehachi Sushi is known for its healthy dishes that highlight the flavors of the ingredients, and use only the freshest ingredients available in Saiki City. Visitors can try their hand at making sushi.

7-12 Nakamura M Saiki City 0972-22-5818





#### Saiki City

#### **Onyujima Island**

Onyujima is known for its thriving ovster farming and has a beautiful trekking trail called Olle, where visitors can enjoy a relaxing walk right by the ocean.

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Access to Oita Pref.

People's Republic of China

🛧 By Plane

Beijing

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💂 By Train (JR)

From	Route		Approx. Travel Time
JR Tokyo sta.	Transfer in Kokura from the Bullet Train to the Limited Express (Nippo Line)		6 hrs 30 mins
JR Nagoya sta.			4 hrs 50 mins
JR Shin-Osaka sta.			4 hrs
JR Hiroshima sta.			2 hrs 40 mins
JR Hakata sta.			2 hrs
	Limited Europee (Ninne Line)	Oita	2 hrs 20 mins
JR Kokura sta.	Limited Express (Nippo Line)		1 hr 20 mins



From	То	Approx. Travel Time
Osaka	Beppu	11 hrs 50 mins
Kobe (Hyogo Pref.)	Oita	11 hrs 20 mins
Yawatahama (Ehime Pref.)	Beppu	2 hrs 50 mins
rawatanania (Enime Pret.)	Usuki	2 hrs 25 mins
Misaki (Ehime Pref.)	Saganoseki (Oita City)	1 hr 10 mins
Tokuyama (Yamaguchi Pref.)	Taketazu (Kunisaki City)	2 hrs