Festivals & Events

May 1

Takaoka Mikurumayama Festival

〈Important Tangible and Intangible Cultural Property〉
〈UNESCO Intangible Cultual Heritage〉

Seven stunning Momoyama-style floats which beautifully show off the magnificent artisanal techniques behind Takaoka's metalwork and lacquerware industry are paraded across town during this May-time festival.

June 19 and 20

Goin Festival

In this festival of appreciation and gratitude to Toshinaga Maeda, the founder of Takaoka, locals dance the streets around town accompanied to the tune of the Yagaefu metal-casters' work song.

July 3 - 7

Toide Tanabata Festival

Tanabata decorations of all shapes and sizes are arranged in colorful archways, beautifully illuminating the streets of Toide.

September 23 and 24

Fukuoka-Machi Tsukurimon Festival

Fruits and vegetables are used to create sculptures of well-known characters and sceneries in thanks for a rich and bountiful harvest.

Late September

Nakada Scarecrow Festival

This popular event features a unique variety of scarecrows, made from an assortment of materials!

Mid January

Takaoka Nabe Festival

Locals get together to make gigantic nabe hotpots bursting with locally sourced seafood, vegetables, and other delicious ingredients, all cooked in huge pots measuring over two meters in diameter!

May 15

Fushiki Hikiyama Festival (Fighting Floats)

〈Municipal Intangible Folk Cultural Property〉

By day, floats are delicately adorned with flowers and paraded through town. By night, the flowers are replaced with hundreds of paper lanterns and the floats are crashed into one another during the festival's heart-racing conclusion.

August 1 - 7

Takaoka Tanabata Festival

The center of the city is decorated with colorful Tanabata decorations, filling Takaoka's night sky with the feel of summer.

Every First Fri., Sat., Sun. in October

Takaoka Manyo Festival – The Twenty Volume Manyoshu Poetry Recital

A three day event where around 2,000 participants recite 4,516 poems from all twenty volumes of the Manyoshu poetry collection.

English

歴史都市 高岡

The Historic City of Takaoka

Walking Map Mawarun

Enjoy a walk through a town of history and artisanship.

Spend Time in the Great Outdoors!

Amaharashi Coast Quasi-National Park

Regional Map C-1

〈National Site of Scenic Beauty〉
〈Top 100 Shorelines of Japan〉

Enjoy the view of the impressive 3,000 meter high Tateyama mountain range from the coast along the Sea of Japan.

● 5 min. walk from Amaharashi Sta.
○ 15 min. from the Takaoka Kita IC on Noetsu Expressway

Mt.Futagami Quasi-National Park

Regional Map C-1、2

〈Top 100 Night Views〉
〈Historic Site Designated by the City〉

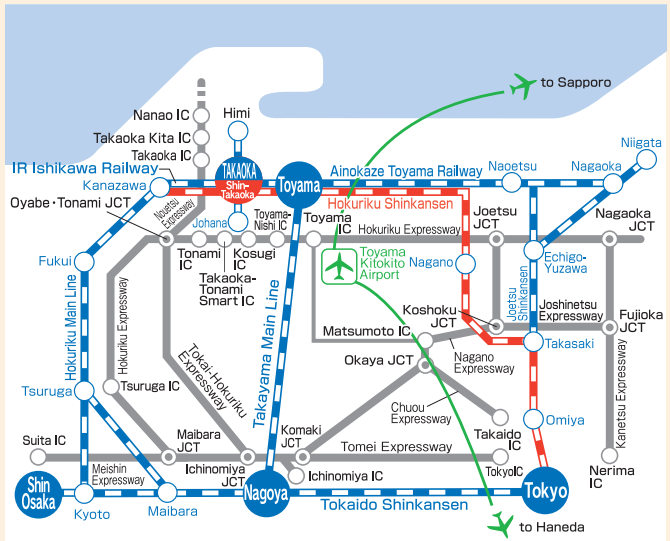
Measuring at 274m above sea level, this double peaked mountain has been regarded as sacred since ancient times. The Tateyama mountain range and the Noto Peninsula can be seen from atop of Mt. Futagami.

○ 20 min. from Takaoka Sta. 15 min. from the Takaoka Kita IC on Noetsu Expressway

Otomo-no-Yakamochi and Takaoka

Otomo-no-Yakamochi, poet of the Manyoshu poetry collection, was assigned to Echu (modern day Toyama Prefecture), as a leader of the provincial government in 746 AD. He was so moved by the area's stunning natural beauty that it led him to write an entire collection of famous poems about it. Today, visitors to Takaoka can come and see the incredible beauty which inspired the well-known poetry collection.

Access Information



Access to Takaoka

※ The information below shows the quickest possible time it takes to make each respective journey.
(Information correct as of Mar.31,2019.)

Train

Tokyo Sta.	Kagayaki・Hakutaka Hokuriku Shinkansen 2hr20min			Shin-Takaoka Sta.
Osaka Sta.	Thunderbird Express Train 2hr33min	Kanazawa Sta.	Hakutaka・Tsurugi Hokuriku Shinkansen 14min	Shin-Takaoka Sta.
			IR Ishikawa Railway, Ainokaze Toyama Railway 38min	Takaoka Sta.
Nagoya Sta.	Hikari・Kodama Tokaido Shinkansen 23min	Maibara Sta.	Shirasagi Express Train 1hr51min	Kanazawa Sta.
				Hakutaka・Tsurugi Hokuriku Shinkansen 14min → Shin-Takaoka Sta.
				IR Ishikawa Railway, Ainokaze Toyama Railway 38min → Takaoka Sta.

Plane

Haneda Airport	ANA 1hr	Toyama Kitokito Airport	Bus 20min	Toyama Sta.	Ainokaze Toyama Railway 17min	Takaoka Sta.

Car

Nerima IC	Kanetsu Expressway 78.6km	Fujioka JCT	Joshinetsu Expressway 204.7km	Joetsu JCT	Hokuriku Expressway 138.3km	Takaoka-Tonami Smart IC =about 5hr
Suita IC	Meishin Expressway 109.5km	Maibara JCT	Hokuriku Expressway 203.3km	Oyabe・Tonami JCT	Noetsu Expressway 13.7km	Takaoka IC =about 3hr40min
Ichinomiya IC	Meishin Expressway 4.6km	Ichinomiya JCT	Tokai-Hokuriku Expressway 184.8km			Takaoka IC =about 3hr

Express Bus

Nagoya	Tokai-Hokuriku Expressway 3hr40min	Takaoka

Wander Around the Historic City

JAPAN HERITAGE 日本遺産

Statue of Toshinaga Maeda

Kanayamachi
(Traditional Metal-casting District)

Takaoka Mikurumayama Festival

A Town of Flourishing Folk Culture & Dreams aboard Kitamaebune Ships

— Two Historical Narratives of Takaoka Designated as Japan Heritage —

Takaoka Kojo(Old Castle)Park

The birth of Takaoka dates back to 1609 (Keicho 14), when Takaoka Castle was founded by Toshinaga Maeda, the second feudal lord of the Kaga Domain. Through a twist of fate, Toshinaga would pass away five years after the establishment of the town and the castle would eventually be destroyed under the One Castle per Province Law. Toshitsune, the third feudal lord, inherited his older brother's will in reviving and transforming Takaoka into a town of industry and commerce. Famously known as the "Kitchen of Kaga" at the peak of its prosperity, Takaoka boasts a unique culture characterized by craftsmanship(monozukuri) and traditional festivals that continues to be passed down by the townspeople today.

The historical narrative of Takaoka, "Flourishing Folk Culture under the Rule of the Maeda Family of Kaga – People, Craftsmanship, and Heart" is designated as Japan Heritage. In addition, Takaoka appears in the narrative of "Kitamaebune: Ports and Residences Built on the Dreams of Brave Seafarers."

One of the ports of call of Kitamaebune ships, sailing up and down the Sea of Japan as general traders and amassing tremendous wealth, is Fushiki Port in Northern Takaoka City. The affluence and buoyancy brought about by the Kitamaebune translated into magnificent residences and warehouses, Fushiki Shrine with its festivals, and numerous folk songs in the port town of Fushiki.

Visit Takaoka City and explore these two narratives!

Hands-On Craft Workshops

Risaburo Foundry

Station Area Map **A-2**

★ Tin casting/Paperweight, wind chime, small dish, chopstick rest (3,000 yen each)・sake cup (4,000 yen)
■ 8-11, Kanaya-Machi ☎ 0766-24-0852
◆ 10:00-18:00 ☆ Every fourth Sunday

Otera Kouhachiro Store

Station Area Map **A-2**

★ Make a tin accessory (2,000 yen) Make a small plate (3,000 yen) ■ 6-9, Kanaya-Machi
☎ 0766-25-1911 ◆ 9:00-17:00 ☆ Thursday

Ogoshi Butsudan

Regional Map **A-4**

★ Gold-leafing lacquered chopsticks (500 yen) ※ Reservation needed (at least 5 days in advance).
■ 736 Shimooigo, Fukuoka-Machi ☎ 0766-64-4070 ◆ 9:30-16:30
☆ Aug15-17,Year-End and New Year holidays.

Koizumi Seisakusho

Regional Map **B-4**

★ Tin casting/ Small dish, plate, sake cup (4,320 yen each) ※ Reservation needed (at least 2 days in advance).
■ 57-5, Toide Sakae-Machi ☎ 0766-63-6590 ◆ 9:00-16:00 ☆ Saturday-Sunday, Public holidays, Year-End and New Year holidays.

Nousaku

Regional Map **B-5**

★ Tin casting/Sake cup (4,000 yen)・Small dish (2,500 yen)・Paper weight (500 yen for elementary school students and 1,000 yen for junior high school students and above)
■ 8-1, Office Park ☎ 0766-63-0001 ◆ Please check the Nousaku homepage for more information regarding tin casting workshop times ☆ Year-End and New Year holidays. You can also enjoy factory tours, as well as the Nousaku shop and café.

※Reservations required. For more details, please contact the stores directly.

★ admission ■ address ☎ telephone ◆ opening hours ☆ closed

Tourist Volunteer Guide Group

Cost: 1,000 yen per guide, every 2 hours.
Please apply at least 2 weeks in advance.

Enquiries／
Takaoka City Tourism Association
☎ 0766-20-1547 9:00-17:45 Closed Sun. and holidays

Have fun walking around Takaoka!

●Tourist Service – Travel Empty-Handed!
You can leave your suitcases at the station to have them delivered to your accommodation.
●Shin-Takaoka Station (9:00-11:00)

INFORMATION

Taxi

Takaoka Kotsu Co. TEL.0766-23-1212	Shinwa Taxi Co. TEL.0766-27-0500	Toide Taxi Co. TEL.0766-63-2211
Himawari Taxi TEL.0766-25-2211	Tateno Kotsu Co. TEL.0766-31-0063	Fukuoka Taxi Co. TEL.0766-64-2031
Showa Kotsu Co. TEL.0766-21-0303	FT Co. TEL.0766-44-0004	

Manyo Tram Line

Manyosen Co. TEL.0766-25-4139

Regional MAP

Family Vacation Village Area Map

Toyama Fukuoka Family Vacation Village
Goi Campground
Goi Dam
to Fukuoka

Fukuoka MAP

Fushiki MAP

Station Area MAP

Himi City
Imizu City
Himi-Minami IC
Takaoka Kita IC
Takaoka IC
Fukuoka IC
Fukuoka PA
to Himi IC
to Himi
to Toyama Fukuoka Family Vacation Village
to Kanazawa
to Kosugi IC
to Toyama
Entrance for Mt. Futagami Manyo Line
Takaoka Station
Shin-Takaoka Station
Takaoka City Center for Archaeological Operations
Takaoka Regional Industrial Center
Takaoka Manyo Historical Museum
Takaoka Techno-Dome
Takaoka Otoginomori Park
Takaoka Kojo Park
Great Buddha of Takaoka
Takaoka City Hall (Main Office)
Roadside Station Manyo no Sato Takaoka
Roadside Station Amaharashi
Amaharashi Coast Quasi-National Park
Matsudaehama Campsite
Matsudae-Hama Beach
Takaoka Amaharashi Marina
Amaharashi Beach
Sakuradani Ancient Mounds Takeda Residence
Fujinami Shrine Grove
Kokutaiji Temple
Saida Takenoko no Sato
Daishigadake
Yoshitsune Rocks
Meiwa Rock
Oiwa Rock
Kokubuhama Beach
Etchu-Kokubu
Keta Shrine Otomo Shrine
Fushiki Community Center
Buddhist Memorial Pagoda
Bussekiji Temple
Bell of Peace
Shokoji Temple (Provincial Office Remains)
Statue of Otomo No Yakamochi
Mt. Futagami
Shiroyama Park
Statue of the Goddes of Peace
Mt.Futagami Campsite
Jokoji Sports Park
Manyo Line-Guchi
Nishi-Ebisaka
Futagami Imizu Shrine
Faculty of Art and Design,University of Toyama (Takaoka Campus)
Toyama Prefectural Takaoka Swimming Pool
Chokeiji-Minami
Yonejima-Guchi
Shin-Nomachi
Nomachi
Nomachi-Guchi
Ogino
Asahigaoka
Ejiri
Yotsuya
Yotsuya IC
Shimin Byoin Mae
Shimoda
Shin-Yoshihisa
Yoshihisa Street
Yata
Naka-Fushiki
Rokudo-ji
Showa-Machi
Hirokoji
Kanayamachi Yamachosuji
Etchu-Nakagawa
Joto-Machi
Katahara-Machi
Habiro-Machi
Kitajima-Guchi
Takaoka Sta.
Shimizu-Machi
Tachikawa-Machi
Ono
Tomb of Toshinaga Maeda
Zuiryuji Temple
Ekinan
Midorinooka Park
Takaoka Tonya Center (Wholesale Store Center)
Takaoka-Yabunami
Rokke
Wholesale Market Entrance
Kyoden(minami)
Sano-Shinmachi
Sano
Aeon Mall Takaoka
Saiseikai Hospital Takaoka Sports Core
Takaoka City Small Business Support Center
Futazuka(Nishi)
Futazuka
Tomb of Prince Kosho
Etchu-Daimon
Ainokaze-Toyama Railway
Tateno
Nishi-Takaoka
Takaoka West Park
Ogoshi Butsudan
Hokuriku Shinkansen
Oyabegawa River
Shogawa River
Mt. Sanzenbo
Yamakawa Campground
Suido Tsutsuji Park
Satoyama Exchange Center
Akamaru-Asai Shrine
Jogahira Cave Tumuli
Mt. Motodori
Fukuoka Park
Takaoka Fukuoka History and Folklore Museum
Fukuoka Camera Museum
Shinsakae-Higashiguchi
Shinsakae-Machi
Gagaku Museum (Takitei Merchant House)
Fukuoka Cultural Center (U-hall)
Otaki
Fukuoka
Fukuoka Tourism and Commerce Hall
Takaoka City Hall Fukuoka Office
Otaki-Nishi
Saeki Residence
Hikarigaoka Hospital
Takaoka City Agricultural Center (Agripia Takaoka)
Futazuka Food Park
Koizumi Seisakusho
Takaoka Industrial Copperware Park
Takaoka Disaster Prevention Center
Lake Asobanmai
Lake Nakadahotaruga
Kifunejo Castle Remains
Fukuoka Koi-No-Sato Park
Toide-Okami
Toide
Toide Community
Nakada Ikimononosato Park
Nakada(Kita)
Nakada
Ashitsuki Park
Yumi-No-Shozu
JR Himi Line
JR Johana Line
Mt. Futagami Manyo Line
Oyabegawa River
Shogawa River
Hokuriku Shinkansen
Ainokaze-Toyama Railway
Yakamochi-kun
Toshinaga-kun

Bus
Kaetsuno Bus Ticketing Center TEL.0766-21-0950

Rent-a-Car

Eki Rent-a-Car
(Shin-Takaoka-ekimae Branch)
TEL.0766-24-4200

ORIX Rent-a-Car
(Shin-Takaoka-ekimae Branch)
TEL.0766-20-0543

Times Car Rental
(Takaoka-eki South Exit Branch)
TEL.0766-24-8400

Toyota Rent-a-Car
(Shin-Takaoka-ekimae Branch)
TEL.0766-26-1070

Toyota Rent-a-Car
(Takaoka Branch)
TEL.0766-21-0100

Nissan Rent-a-Car
(Shin-Takaoka-Shinkansen-ekimae Branch)
TEL.0766-23-5523

Nippon Rent-a-Car
(Shin-Takaoka-eki North Exit Branch)
TEL.0766-27-0919

Rent-a-Cycle

Any enquiries should be made to the businesses directly on the contact numbers listed below.

●In Takaoka City ※ Please return the bicycle to the shop you rented it from.

Shin-Takaoka Station
Tourism Exchange Center
TEL.0766-30-2626

Takaoka Station
Tourist Information Center
TEL.0766-23-6645

Wing Wing Takaoka
TEL.0766-20-1800 Closed on every 4th Mon.

Hotel New Otani Takaoka
TEL.0766-26-1111

In Takaoka Kojo Park:
Sannomaru-chaya
TEL.0766-20-1563 Closed on Mon.

Yamacho Valley
(Yamachosuji Disaster Prevention Center)
TEL.0766-75-9614

Business hours : 10:00-16:00
Closed during winter season (Dec.-Mar.) 200 yen

●Fushiki Area ※ Please return the bicycle to the shop you rented it from.

Fushiki Station TEL.0766-44-0244

Business Hours : 7:00-19:00
100 yen per hour 500 yen for 5 hours and above (Pedal bicycle)
500 yen per rental (Electric bicycle)

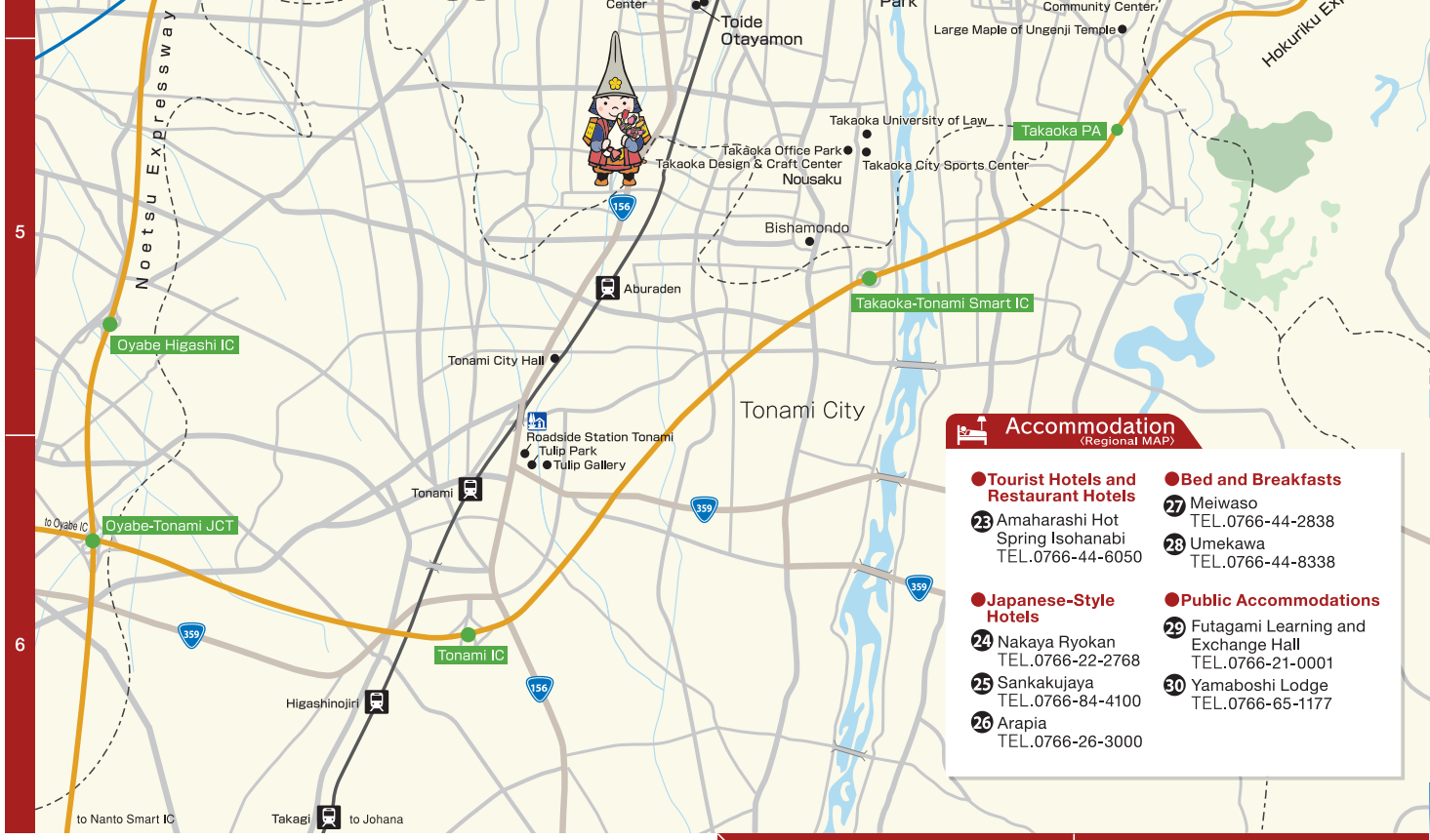
●Takaoka City - Himi City ※ Bicycles can be returned to any of the rental shops listed below.

Amaharashi Station Tourist Information Center
■ Amaharashi Station 105-5 Shibutani, Takaoka City TEL.0766-44-0659

Himi City Tourist Association
■ Himi Station 1-12-18 Iseomachi, Himi City TEL.0766-74-5250

Himi Banya-gai Harbour Market
■ 25-5 Kitao-machi, Himi City TEL.0766-74-3521

Business hours : 9:00-17:00 (last rental at 16:00)
500 yen (electric bicycle) 200 yen (Pedal bicycle)



Accommodation (Regional MAP)

●Tourist Hotels and Restaurant Hotels
23 Amaharashi Hot Spring Isohanabi
TEL.0766-44-6050

●Bed and Breakfasts
27 Meiwaso
TEL.0766-44-2838
28 Umekawa
TEL.0766-44-8338

●Japanese-Style Hotels
24 Nakaya Ryokan
TEL.0766-22-2768
25 Sankakujaya
TEL.0766-84-4100
26 Arapia
TEL.0766-26-3000

●Public Accommodations
29 Futagami Learning and Exchange Hall
TEL.0766-21-0001
30 Yamaboshi Lodge
TEL.0766-65-1177

Point & Communicate

Communicate without saying a word!

Communicate with others by pointing at what you want to say

○○にはどうやって行けばいいですか？
How can I get to ○○ ?

レストラン	トイレ	銀行（両替）
A restaurant	The restroom	Bank (for currency exchange)

タクシーをここに呼んでいただけませんか？
Would you mind calling me a taxi from here, please?

おすすめはありますか？
What do you recommend?

クレジットカード使えますか？	いくらですか？
Can I use my credit card ?	How much is this?

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Accommodation (Fukuoka MAP)

●Japanese-Style Hotels
22 Fukuoka Kan
TEL.0766-64-2009

●Enquiries

Tourism Exchange Department
〒933-8601
7-50, Hirokoji Takaoka City, Toyama Pref.
TEL.0766-20-1301 FAX.0766-20-1496

Takaoka City Tourism Association
〒933-0029
Otaya Serio 7F, 101 Otaya-Machi, Takaoka City, Toyama Pref.
TEL.0766-20-1547 FAX.0766-20-1497

Shin-Takaoka Station Tourism Exchange Center	TEL.0766-30-2626
Takaoka Station Tourist Information Center	TEL.0766-23-6645
Amaharashi Station Tourist Information Center	TEL.0766-44-0659
Fushiki Tourist Information Center	TEL.0766-44-1199
Fukuoka Tourist Information Center	TEL.0766-64-0010

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「Takaoka City Tourism Association」 http://www.takaoka.or.jp/
「Hotto Hotto Takaoka」 http://www.city.takaoka.toyama.jp/

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