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Sightseeing Spot

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Former Ito Den-emon Residence



Reception room

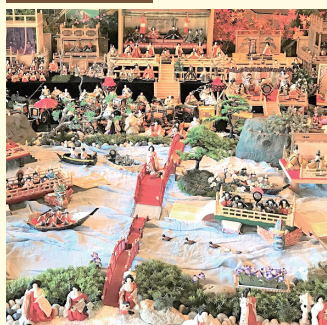
Mantelpiece ordered from England



Tatami corridor

The ceiling resembles the bottom of a ship and appears far away, playing an illusion on the eyes

Zashikibina



Former Ito Denemon House

The residence was built in late 30's of the Meiji era and renovated a few times in the Taisho and the Showa era. It consists of 5 houses and 3 storehouses, such as south building at front, north building in the garden side, Kadonoma and Nakanoma building which connects south and north buildings, entrance and dining building and Tsunagi building. The modern Japanese house also has a big garden with a pond. Its beauty is the compromise between Japanese and Western in the residence. You can see its advanced building technology and sophisticated and beautiful decorations everywhere. Yanagiwara Byakuren had spent for about 10 years here as Den-emon's wife. The garden was designated as a nationally cultural property in September 2011.



Japanese garden

Large circuit-style garden with an arbor

National cultural property (Scenic spot)

☎ +81-948-22-9700 📍 300, Kobukuro, Iizuka 🅐 Available

🅕 High Schoolers or Older: 310yen (250yen), Grade/Jr. High Schoolers 100yen (80yen) (Price) shows group-discounted admission per head. The group is of 20 or more. Admission is free for HS student or younger only on Sat.

🕒 9:30am to 5pm (Last entry up to 4:30pm.)

🚪 Closed on Wednesdays (but opens if Wednesday is a national holiday.) and during the Dec.29 to Jan.3 Period. No holidays during an event.

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Sightseeing Spot ② Kaho Theater

— Edo atmosphere Kabuki-style theater —



Masuseki Box seating and stands on the first and second floor accommodate 1,200 people



Naraku The revolving stage of 16m in diameter and elevator are manually operated



Cosplay Experience Separate fee required (400 yen)



Exhibition room Props, actor signs, tickets etc.



The theater opened as an entertainment place for coal miners in 1931 during the height of coal-mining industry. Its features are Masuseki, two hanamichis, a human-powered stage and Seri, they are specific to a playhouse build in the Edo era. It's registered as a tangible cultural asset and also designated as an industrial heritage. A flood in July 2003 took a devastating toll on the theater. However, thanks to the support gathered from all over Japan, it repaired in a year and reopened. You can visit and see everywhere in the theater such as a trap cellar and an exhibition room when no performance is provided on the day.

Kaho Theater has been donated to Iizuka city from nonprofit organization, Kaho Theater. As of right now, it is temporarily closed. (When reopening, we will inform you on Iizuka city homepage.) As it is closed, please contact Iizuka city History Museum for inquiry.

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Rich in people, food, and history



Tateiwa Archaeological
Excavation Exhibition Room



Permanent Exhibition Room (Coal Age)

- ☎ +81-948-25-2930 📍 959-1 Kayanomori, Iizuka
 💰 Adult: 230yen (160yen) High school students: 110yen (70yen)
 Elementary and junior high school students: 50yen (30yen)
 () is the price per person for groups of 20 or more.
 Admission free for high school students and under on Saturdays.
 🕒 9:30am to 5pm (last entry 4:30pm)
 🚪 Closed on Wednesdays (except for Wed on a national holiday) and
 the Dec. 29 to Jan. 3 Period. 🅐 Available

Iizuka Historical Museum

Artifacts from the Tateiwa archaeological site, designated as a national important cultural property, as well as some from the Jomon, Yayoi, and Kofun periods including Emperor Qin's terra-cotta army that was donated by Xian City, China, are on display. The Iizuka region is introduced from early modern to modern times, divided into (1) rural life, (2) the Nagasaki Kaido road, and (3) the coal age, under the theme of "life and culture". For the "coal age", the changes in coal transportation from riverboats to railways are demonstrated using river hirata models, hornstones, items donated by boatmen, and railway-related materials. A full-size diorama of the hand-digging era, paintings by Sakubei Yamamoto, and coal mining tools are also on display.

In addition, exhibition areas dedicated Denemon Ito and poet Yanagiwara Byakuren provides a glimpse at the lives of the manager of the mining company at the time.

Iizuka City is located almost in the center of Fukuoka Prefecture, and during the Edo period it was a popular post town on the Nagasaki Kaido. Since the Meiji era, the town has prospered as the center of commercial culture of Chikuho Coal Mines, which boasted the largest coal output in the country.

Today, as a commercial city, the core of Chikuho, and an academic city with three universities including Kyushu Institute of Technology, Kinki University, and Kinki University Kyushu Junior College, Iizuka City is a vibrant city of culture and creation.

Iizuka Central Theater



This theater, exclusively for Taishu Engeki, offers daily performances at an affordable price. The plays are easy to understand, the actors perform in close proximity to the audience, and the atmosphere is authentic and charming. The udon noodles available in the cafeteria are also popular.

Central Building 4F, 8-48 Yoshihara-machi, Iizuka City
 TEL +81-948-26-7177

Daytime performances start at 1:00pm, Night-time performances start at 6:00pm (Fri.-Sun. and holidays)			
	adult	children	Buyout ticket
Price	1,800yen	800yen	1,000yen

Iizuka Ice Palace



Become a top athlete at Iizuka Ice Palace! Here you have the opportunity to aim for the world. Become a world-class athlete through the guidance of trusted leaders!

56-1 Kayanomori, Iizuka City, TEL +81-948-24-0881

	General rates (1 day ticket)		
	Adult	Middle and high school students	Elementary school students and below
Gliding fee	1,300yen	1,100yen	900yen
Rental shoes fee	500yen		
Viewing fee	200yen	200yen	

Iizuka Motorbike Race Circuit



One of five auto racing venues nationwide, established in 1957. Comfortable spectator seats are available both indoors and outdoors, and the stand seats allow you to witness every impressive action of the racers. This is a leisure facility loved by many local and nonlocal race fans.

147 Namazuta, Iizuka City, Fukuoka Prefecture
 TEL +81-948-22-6326

**Schedule is available
on the website**



Iizuka Events

Taishojin Sakura Festival

Why don't you enjoy a wonderful spring path under beautiful cherry blossoms in full bloom?

Stage performance by anime characters popular among kids, live performance by musicians, bazar, traditional rice-cake pounding and scattering and many other fun events are held for visitors. Come to this festival and enjoy nice spring-atmosphere!



Weeping cherry tree in Yakiyama

Yakiyama Ekken Sakura Kaido Road (Shidarezakura)
A 2km road of drooping sakura (cherry) trees along a river



Iizuka Fireworks Display

The festival has a long history and attract 80,000 people every year. A firework named "Niagara falls" and other big set pieces are well known. Stalls around the venue in Nakanoshima are crowded with people.



Hojoe lion dance of Daibu Hachiman Shrine

Daibu's lion dance is one of the most representative lion dances of Fukuoka prefecture that has been protected and handed down to the present day since it was first performed in the Daibu Hachiman Shrine Hojoe in 1724. It is performed every year on the last Saturday and Sunday of September at Daibu Hachiman Shrine's Hojoe.



Iizuka Hina Festival

Hina dolls are displayed in Former Ito Den-emon Residence, shopping arcades and Kaho Theater. Uniquely decorated hina dolls will welcome you in every venue. This festival attracts many tourists as representative of sightseeing event in Iizuka.



Iizuka Wheelchair Tennis Championships

Now defined ranked as Super Series followed by Four Major World Championships, Japan Open Iizuka is the tops in Asia. Japan Open is wonderfully run by lots of local volunteers, also playing a very significant role as the wonderful opportunity to further promote international friendship exchange and understanding among handicapped people and citizens.



Iizuka Yamakasa

The Yamakasa is known as a summer citizen's festival. On the day of "Oiyama," which is the last day of this festival period, more than 3,000 men run to carry Yamakasa on a road. People watching Yamakasa along the route splash water over those men to cheer them up. The scene impress people and make them feel cool!



Chikuzen no Kuni Iizuka Kaido Festival

During the festival, many events such as a dance competition and a fancy-dress parade relating to Nagasaki Kaido are held centering around shopping arcades in the city.



Iizuka Sweets Load Tour

Nagasaki Kaido is also known as "Sugar Road." Iizuka was a shukubamachi (a town prospered centering around shukuba (post station)) along the road. Sugar and European sweets were brought to Iizuka in Edo era and confectionary became popular. Iizuka started to prosper as a coal mine town in the early Meiji era. Sweets helped coal miners to relieve their tired bodies.



Hiyoko

Hiyoko was born in Iizuka, where lots of types of sweets are made. Now a lot of people like Hiyoko and it's known nationwide. You can visit Honami Hiyoko factory for a tour.

To make a reservation, please contact
+81-948-23-0745.

☎ +81-948-22-0145 🏠 15-1 Honmachi, Iizuka
🕒 9:30am to 6pm Closed on New Year's Day
🅐 non-available



Chidoriya Honke

Chidoriya Honke started its business in 1630. Famous sweets in Chidoriya are Chidorimanju and Tirolian. There are a cafe and a showroom behind the shop. Advance reservation is required to visit the showroom.

☎ 0120-22-0831
🏠 4-21 Honmachi, Iizuka
🕒 8:30am to 8pm Closed on New Year's Day
🅐 Available

Sakaeya

About 80-year-old building along Nagasaki-kaido was removed and rebuilt as the Sakaeya shop. Some sweets are sold only in the main shop and others are originated in Iizuka.

☎ +81-948-26-0111 🏠 128-1 Horiike, Iizuka
🕒 Sakaeya main shop 9am to 9pm
Cafe 9am to 7pm
(Hours may vary by season.)
🅐 Available



Kuro Selection

The "KURO SELECTION" was developed by a popular Western-style confectionery shop in the Kahan region based on the concept of the "Coal mining town of Chikuho Kahan," and "KURO" (black). Enjoy the special flavor and design of these luxurious adult sweets.

<http://www.kuro-selection.com>



Futase Manju Hompo

☎ +81-948-22-1384 🏠 295-13 Igisu, Iizuka
🕒 9am to 5:30pm Closed on Sunday (Open if it's a holiday.)
🅐 Available (only 1 space.)

Kameya nobunaga

☎ +81-948-25-6771 🏠 77-34 Tadakuma, Iizuka
🕒 9am to 7pm Closed on the third Thursday of each month.
🅐 Available

Chikuho Seika

☎ +81-948-22-7349 🏠 408-1, Tsushima, Iizuka
🕒 8am to 5pm 🅐 Available
🏠 Closed on Sundays & National Holidays

Yokankobo Fuchigami

☎ +81-948-23-2415 🏠 1114 Dainichiji, Iizuka
🕒 9am to 6pm
🅐 Available

Sake Manju Kazukiya

☎ +81-948-22-2323 🏠 8-18 Honmachi, Iizuka
🕒 10:00am-5:00pm Closed on: Wednesdays
🅐 Available: 1





Both men and women working in coal mines risked their lives on the job. They started thinking to have delicious meals at least and not to have regrets about daily meals. People had clear-cut characters and always said "Use your money today, not carry it over to tomorrow." They used a lot of money especially on eating. That helped to bring up lots of nice restaurants and be born delicious dishes. Then they made people foodies. This is how the food culture in Iizuka started. The culture is inherited today and Iizuka is known as a city of good food.

Hormone

Hormone, meaning cow's inners, is a unique specialty in Chikuho and a long symbol of coal industry's food culture here. Hormone is supposedly the origin of Motsu-Nabe, a local specialty in Hakata. People say that the term Hormone originally comes from "Hourumon," literally meaning food stuff to be discarded. People started to enjoy hormone by putting them into a heat-resistant paper bag and cooking them over a charcoal stove. After WWII, hormone dish took root all over Chikuho Area, satisfying coal miners here.

Iizuka "Legendary" Hormone Dishes



Hormone dishes have been loved by people in the ex-coal mine area here for a long time. Now, many local restaurants have innovated a new variation of hormone dishes to inherit "the legendary traditional taste" of hormone dishes and create their own new "legend." Their innovations of hormone dishes include hormone don (rice bowl dishes), hormone noodles, hormone nabe (hot pot dishes).

Iizuka foodieGourmet highway



Kahan Rice

The Kahan region has flourished as a base for social exchange between many people in the coal industry, and as its kanji character implies, it is also a rice-producing area. Kahan Rice is a creative variety of omurice (rice omelets) made with rice, eggs, and warm sympathy, all closely related to the hometown of sweets known as the Kahan region.



① NOGAMI PRESIDENT HOTEL

Just 5min. walk from JR Shin-Iizuka Station. As a traditional hotel in Iizuka, we welcome you with high-class hospitality.

☎+81-948-22-3840
12-37 Shintateiwa, Iizuka

② Business Hotel Century

Our hotel is a 2 minutes walk from JR Shin-Iizuka station, which is convenient for business or sightseeing. There is a post office on the first floor. 4 room types (single, double, twin and Japanese style rooms) can respond to a wide variety of needs, such as for a single traveller and a group. 40 rooms in total.

☎+81-948-29-2515
9-11 Shin-Iizuka, Iizuka



③ HOTEL NEW GAEA IIZUKA

Our hotel is located at Yoshihara-machi which is the largest business hub in Chikuho area. We welcome you to the spacious, cozy and hospitable hotel.

☎+81-948-26-2500
7-24 Yoshihara-machi, Iizuka



④ Business Hotel New Iizuka

Our rooms are all spacious, equipped with a bathroom and toilet separately. Our parking lot is available for free. Breakfast is also available for free.

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585-1 Yokota, Iizuka

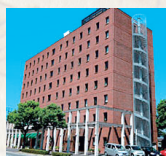


⑤ SHIN IIZUKA STATION HOTEL

Use our online hotel reservation system and earn points!

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Hotel MAP



⑧ Konoyu Onsen

Water has been filtered by radon bedrock for thousands of years. Konoyu Onsen is located beside Konoike pond, which is calm enough to rest and relax.

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82-33 Ikawa, Iizuka



(Day trips are also permitted)



izukaCity traffic Access



Hakata Station

JR
Fukuohkuyutaka Line
40 min.

Shiniizuka Station



Kokura Station

JR
Kagoshima Line
20 min.

Orio Station

JR
Chikuoh Line
40 min.

Shiniizuka Station

◆Nishitetsu Bus



Nishitetsu Tenjin Bus Terminal

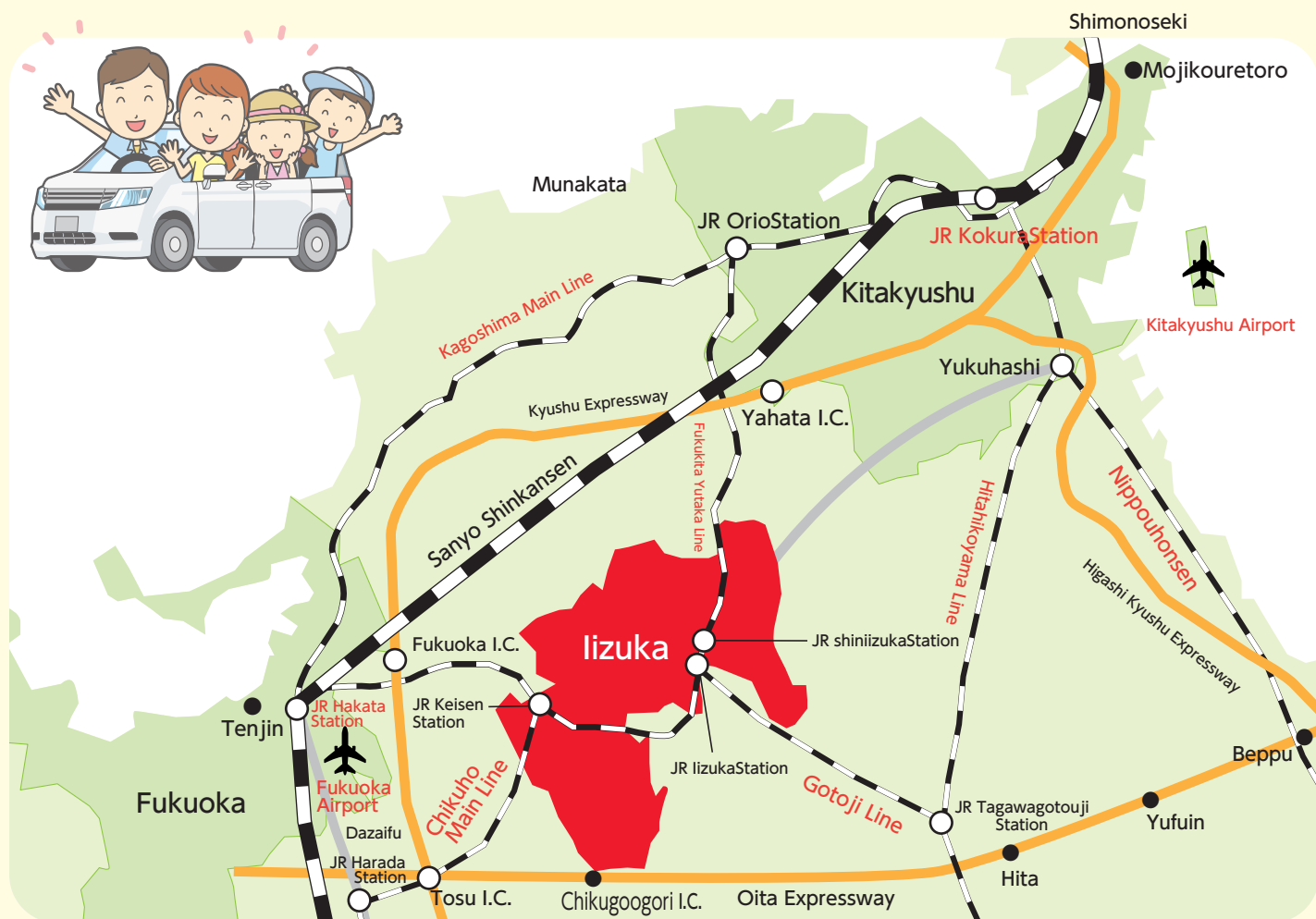
60 min.

izuka Bus Terminal

◆Car



- approx. 40min. from Fukuoka I.C.
- approx. 40min. from Yahata I.C.
- approx. 60min. from Chikugoogori I.C.
- approx. 50min. from Fukuoka Airport.
- approx. 60min. from Kitakyushu Airport.



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