

# Enjoy a sustainable journey to the Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS) and the Japanese Nationally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (J-NIAHS)

[Note] Please check the 2D barcode in advance to confirm the open hours, regular holidays, and exhibition status of stores and facilities, as they are subject to change. In principle, you need to make a reservation in advance for the experience.

## Osaki region in Miyagi Prefecture

In the Osaki region, there are spots associated with Lord Date Masamune. "Uchikawa," a registered World Heritage Irrigation Structures, "Former Yubikan and its Garden," an officially designated historical site, and a studio surrounded by the "Iguno" (homestead woodlands) are all examples of this region's history.

Enjoy the history and agricultural culture of the Osaki region to your heart's content, through farming experience, interacting with creatures that inhabit the fields, visiting breweries leading you into the traditional fermented food culture of sake, miso, and soy sauce, and dishes using vegetables grown on the Osaki Kôdo.

Day 1

Furukawa Station



About 30 minutes



**Former Yubikan and Garden**  
It is designated as a national historic and beautiful site. Visitors can enjoy the sounds of the abundant water flow of the "Uchikawa River" and the various seasonal landscapes.

Open hours: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM  
Closed: December 29 to January 3, Mondays (the following day if it is a national holiday)  
Address: 6 Kamikawara-machi, Iwadeyama, Osaki City  
Tel: 0229-72-1344



**Uchikawa**  
This is a historic agricultural irrigation canal that was excavated about 400 years ago by order of Lord Date Masamune to serve as the outer moat of Iwadeyama Castle. Along the river, there are high cliffs reminiscent of castle ruins, and the tranquil view of the "Former Yubikan and Garden" on the other side, which makes a valuable World Heritage Irrigation Structures site with a sense of history.



**Stroll along the Uchikawa promenade**  
The Iwadeyama area, where Lord Date Masamune lived as a young man and which was developed as a castle town, is also known as "Date's Little Kyoto." It gives the atmosphere of a castle town, and near the beautifully maintained promenade, there is a Bamboo Craft Museum where visitors can experience the traditional craft of "Iwadeyama" s Shino bamboo work," cafes, and confectionery shops, allowing you to take a leisurely stroll through the town.



About 10 minutes



**Lunch with rice and vegetables grown on Osaki Kôdo**  
How about homemade meals and sweets such as cookies made with local vegetables and frozen tofu, while enjoying the view of the Uchikawa River?

[Uchikawano Hotoricafé]  
Open days: Friday to Sunday  
Mondays from June to October  
Open hours: 11:00 AM-5:00 PM  
Address: 24-3 Higashikawara, Iwadeyama, Osaki City  
Tel: 060-1685-6776



**Visit the kominka (traditional Japanese house) gallery in Iguno**  
Relax in the space surrounded by "Iguno," a landscape unique to this region.

[Kominka Gallery "omoya"]  
Open days: Fridays, Saturdays, and Mondays from June to October  
Open hours: 11:00 AM-4:00 PM  
Address: 134 Okigahara, Shimonome, Iwadeyama, Osaki City  
Tel: 090-1792-5996



**a la Datena Michinoeki**  
Enjoy fresh vegetables and fruits harvested in the Agricultural Heritage Systems areas, and specialties as souvenirs at the roadside station, which attracts more than 3 million visitors annually.

Open hours:  
April to November 9:00 AM-6:00 PM  
December to March 9:00 AM-5:00 PM  
Closed: Open year around  
Address: 4-1 Shimomiya Michishita, Iketsuki, Iwadeyama, Osaki City  
Tel: 0229-72-2236



**Stay at Naruko Hot Spring Village**  
It is one of the leading hot spring resorts in the Tohoku region, with 7 of 10 spring types found in Japan. This hot spring resort is famous for its self-catering hot spring cure using local foodstuffs, based on the hot spring cure culture, relieving the fatigue of daily life.

[Yamafutokoro no Yado Miyama]  
Open hours:  
Check-in: 3:00 PM-7:00 PM  
Check-out: 11:00 AM  
Address: 91 Yogi, Naruko Onsen, Osaki City  
Tel: 0229-84-7641



Day 2



**Seasonal farming experience**  
Spend a special time and learn something that you would not normally experience, through farming experience such as harvesting rice and interacting with living creatures, where visitors can experience the production and supply of rich agricultural products supported by skillful water management.

[Taberu Field Museum]  
The website of Osaki Region Committee for the Promotion of Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS) introduces seasonal farming experience in the Osaki region (Osaki City, Kami Town, Shikama Town, Wakaya Town and Misato Town).



**Tomato harvesting and lunch with Italian dishes using tomatoes**  
Experience the harvest of delicious tomatoes and sweet cherry tomatoes with a perfect balance of fruity sweetness and interacting with living creatures, where visitors can experience the production and supply of rich agricultural products supported by skillful water management.

[Delicious Farm]  
Cafe open hours: 11:00 AM-2:00 PM  
Time required: About 1 hour and 30 minutes (reservations required for harvesting experience)  
Closed: Open year around (except during the year-end and New Year holidays)  
Address: 1 Kimazuka Furudate, Kashimada, Osaki City  
Tel: 0229-56-3578



**Visiting a Miso and Soy Sauce Brewery**  
Established in 1830, it is the oldest miso and soy sauce brewery in Osaki Kodo. This brewery focuses on soybeans and wheat produced in Miyagi Prefecture. Visitors can learn about today's SDGs initiatives from the background of the region's historical fermented food culture.

[Kamata Soy Sauce]  
Open hours: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM  
Time required: About 1 hour (reservations required)  
Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, and public holidays  
Address: 3 Koya Kitaura, Misato-cho, Toda-gun  
Tel: 0229-56-3322



Furukawa Station

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**Roosting geese**  
Kabukurinuma Pond is visited by 100,000 migratory birds, including white-fronted geese, from autumn to winter. It is also a wetland of the Ramsar Sites, and a fantastic sight can be seen in the early morning and evening.

[Kabukuri Numakko Club (nature guide)]  
Acceptance period: October to mid-February  
Tel: 0229-38-1401



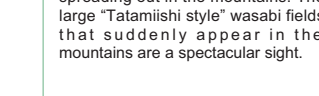
**Brewery tour**  
Visitors can learn about the "handmade" sake production process using traditional fermentation techniques with explanations, while touring the dedicated pathway.

[Izumiura]  
Open hours: 9:30 AM-4:00 PM  
Time required: About 1 hour (reservations required)  
Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, and public holidays  
Address: 14 Okeyaki, Matsuyama Sengoku, Osaki City  
Tel: 0229-55-3322

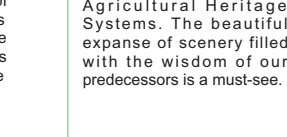


**Viewing wasabi fields Cycling**  
Experienced guides will explain about the history of wasabi production and provide information unique to the region, while visitors pass by hot spring stands in the Warabo area, Kisobosui Shrine that enshrines water essential for wasabi production, and wasabi fields spreading out in the mountains. The large "Tatami-style" wasabi fields that suddenly appear in the mountains are a spectacular sight.

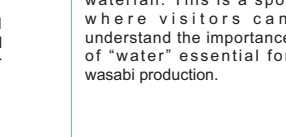
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• Izu City Tourist Association Amagi Branch Office  
• KONA CYCLE



**Ikadaba Koorashi Bridge (Wasabi fields)**  
This is the birthplace of the Tatami-style cultivation of "traditional wasabi" cultivation in Shizuoka, which is designated as Agricultural Heritage Systems. The beautiful expanse of scenery filled with the wisdom of our predecessors is a must-see.

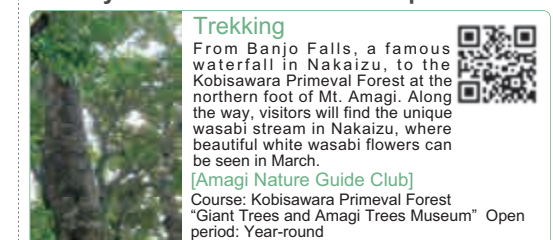


**Tour to Banjo Falls**  
Visitors can descend so close to the waterfall that you can feel the spray, and feel the power of the waterfall up close. There are a lot of wasabi fields in the upper reaches of the waterfall. This is a spot where visitors can understand the importance of "water" essential for wasabi production.



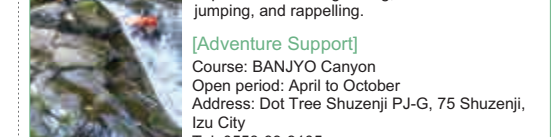
Shuzenji Station

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**Trekking**  
From Banjo Falls, a famous waterfall in Nakaizu, to the Kobisawara Primeval Forest at the northern foot of Mt. Amagi. Along the way, visitors will find the unique wasabi stream in Nakaizu, where beautiful white wasabi flowers can be seen in March.

[Amagi Nature Guide Club]  
Course: Kobisawara Primeval Forest "Giant Trees and Amagi Trees Museum" Open period: Year-round  
Address: 176-2 Izu City Tourist Association Amagi Branch, Yugashima, Izu City  
Tel: 0558-85-1056



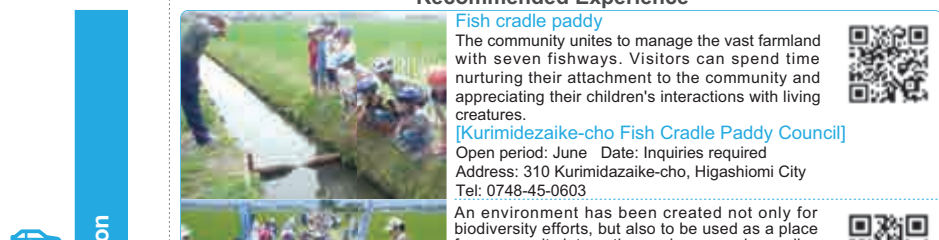
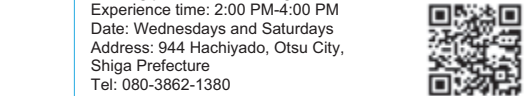
**Canyoning**  
A canyoning tour upstream of Banjo Falls, a famous waterfall with an abundant water source in Mt. Amagi, offers a full-scale canyoning experience including sliding, jumping, and rappelling.

[Adventure Support]  
Open period: April to October  
Address: Dot Tree Shuzenji P.J-G, 75 Shuzenji, Izu City  
Tel: 0558-99-9105



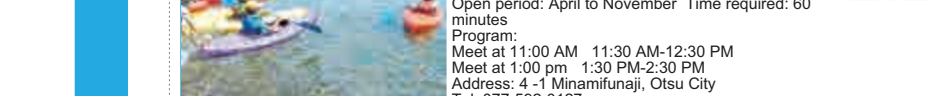
**Lunch of lake fish dishes**  
Enjoy dishes such as sandwiches and hamburgers made with lake fish (take-out available). How about small fish tsukudani or funa-zushi (fermented fish sushi) as gifts?

[Biwako Daughters]  
Operating hours: 10:00 AM-5:00 PM (Lake Biwa Party) 6:30 PM-9:00 PM (Heartfelt fishing) 5:30 AM-7:30 AM (Lake Biwa party and heartfelt fishing) are on reservation basis.  
Closed: Wednesdays  
Address: 230 Ayame, Yasu City, Shiga Prefecture  
Tel: 077-532-7779



**Fishing experience**  
Experience the traditional fishing methods of Lake Biwa such as "eri fishing." Visitors can try Lake Biwa's diverse fishing methods of Lake Biwa, observe actual fishing operations, learn about the history and culture of Lake Biwa from a fisherman's perspective. Visitors can take home the fish they catch as a gift.

[Fisher Architect]  
Open period: February to August  
Meeting place: Wani Fishing Port  
Experience time: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM  
Date: Wednesdays and Saturdays  
Address: 944 Hachiyado, Otsu City, Shiga Prefecture  
Tel: 080-3862-1380



**Sea kayak**  
Children who are elementary school students or older can enjoy kayaking on Lake Biwa.

[BSC Watersports Centre]  
Open period: April to November  
Time required: 60 minutes  
Program:  
Meet at 11:00 AM 11:30 AM-12:30 PM  
Meet at 1:00 PM 1:30 PM-2:30 PM  
Address: 4-1 Minamifunagi, Otsu City  
Tel: 077-592-9127



\*Travel time varies depending on the facility location where the experience is available.