



INABE

Go Around Seasons

INABE TOURISM ASSOCIATION

City Map for Sightseeing





Overview of Inabe City

Inabe city is a rural area located in the northernmost tip of Mie prefecture. It is extremely blessed with nature. It is also known as the location of one of Japan's best "mountains of flowers, a plum grove park, a narrow-gauge railroad and an international cycle road race "Tour of Japan".

It had a total population of about 46000, and the number of households had 19000 as of December 1,2019.

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City Emblem



藤原岳 Fujiwaragatake (Mt. Fujiwara, alt. 1140m)

Fujiwaragatake is well known as one of the 100 selected flower oriented mountains. For it is located narrow section of Japan Island, it faces northern Japan Sea weather and southern Pacific Ocean weather in season by season. The multiple weather grows various flowers especially like Spring ephemeral over limestone plateau at the summit area. The limestone plateau gives eye catch view of sharp edged stones, which is called Karnfeld.

The mountain is covered with heavy snow in winter, which provides various joys of snow sports like snow hike, sled.

Spring flowers: Adonis, Winter aconite, Poppy anemone, Tulipa edulis,

Summer flowers: Veratrum grandiflorum, Trillium, Chelidonium japonicum

Popular hike up's

Unique awareness is that it might be only mountain in Japan can be hiked up directly from railway station (Sangi railway, Nishifujiwara station)

No man cottage is by the summit. The rest room is available.

1. Oogaito path

To walk up from Sangi railway, Nishifujiwara station. It takes 2-3hours to the summit.

2. Shobouji path

To walk up from Shobouji temple which locates 1km north from Sangi railway, Nishifujiwara station.



農業公園(Agricultural Park)



At the northernmost point of Inabe, there is a famous agricultural park. It is consisted of 2 different areas, One is Eco-welfare area and the other one is Plum-grove area. It is about 5 minute drive between them. They were constructed under following concepts by Inabe city.

- ①Agricultural Promotion ②Rural and Urban Interaction
- ③to create the stage for senior ④to create a recycling society.

Must-see Sights

In addition to Plum forest with 100 different typed 4,500 plum trees, Blue-berry plants, Flower gardens with 5000 Japanese peonies and so many flowers for all seasons. They organize Plum flower festival in March, Peony festival in May, plum picking hands-on class and many other events. And they have Parkgolf course with 36 holes and a good restaurant that serves a set menu using locally produced ingredients. And also they have a lots of picturesque scenery. Why don't you visit and find your own Instagramable spot.



(Eco-welfare area)



Thousands of peonies are blooming in profusion with wisterias on the back.
(End of April ~ Beginning of May)



Park-golf course with 36 holes
You can enjoy it without your own clubs and balls. (¥500/person)



Restaurant Fralu (Buffet style)
Enjoy locally grown fresh vegetables, and meats as much as you can.

(Plum-grove area)



Around 4,500 plum trees are beautifully blooming. It's an iconic scenery in Inabe. Plum Festival is organized. (Feb. ~ Mar.)



Not only plum picking but also plum juice cooking hands-on class is held (at the end of July)



Blue-berry picking. They are getting heavier with fruits in summer. The berries are sweet and sour.



Inabe city hosts the "Tour of Japan" every year. The goal point is in this park. Cyclists gather from the world and compete. (in the middle of May)
Other cycle races are held here, such as AACA Cup.

Access: 20 minutes drive from this Guest House.

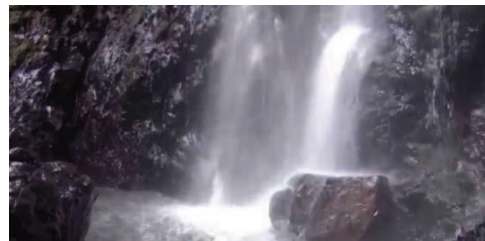
15 minutes drive from Nishifujiwara station of Sangi-line

東林寺 Torinji-temple

The Buddhist temple, located on the north side of Mt. Yoro is part of the Rinzai sect. The temple traces its history back to the Nara Period. It was founded by the famous monk Gyogi (between 724 and 729). The principal image of Buddha is “Seikanzeon Bosatsu”. In the main hall there is a famous statue named “Nyoirinkannonshii-Bosatsu”.



The point to see is the “Shirataki” (a waterfall) in seclusion in the nature (22m high). You can take a pure mist-like splash. If you are lucky you can see a rainbow over it. The villagers call it a female water fall.



There is the “Hokyouinto” (Japanese tomb like a pagoda) the west side of the main building. It was enshrinement for the princess in the Nanboku Period.

The temple is a sacred place for the village. They respect their ancestor and have protected the temple for a long time.

Please understand their culture and respect them. You can feel Japanese spirit.



(Access) 15minutes drive from the Guest House

めがね橋・ねじれ橋(Sangi Railway Hokusei Line)

One of a few narrow-gauge railway is running on 2 concrete block bridges. The yellow train passing over the bridges is attracting attention on SNS site.

ねじれ橋 (twist shaped bridge)
Nejirebashi is a bridge



めがね橋 (grass shaped bridge)



Between the two bridges, alongside the line, there are flower fields we can enjoy. People gather to take an Instagramable photo through the year.



Sunflowers



cosmos



spring flowers

三岐鉄道三岐線 (Sangi railway Sangi Line)

We have another railway called Sangi line. The terminal station is located at the foot of Mt. Fujiwara. Why don't you enjoy a railway trip? It must be a wonderful experience.



rice fields



terminal station



cherry blossoms

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15 minutes drive from Nishifujiwara station of Sangi-line

宇賀溪 Ugakei Valley (Access) 10minutes drive from the Guest House

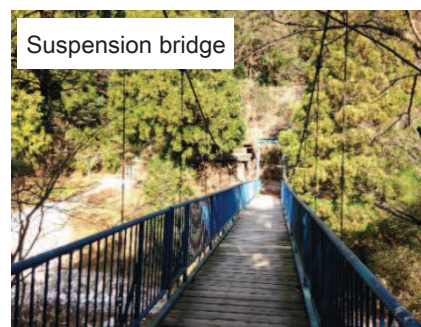
Ugakei Valley is a popular destination, full of things to do and see for families and couples of all ages. Vacation activities include hiking, camping and seasonal viewing of maple leaves turning red, yellow and orange. Especially you can enjoy a waterfall tour, available only here on the Suzuka Mountain Range. The beauty of the gorges created by nature is breathtaking.



A river beach

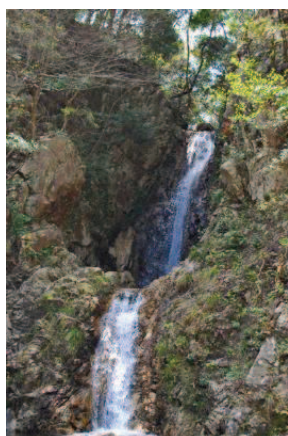
宇賀溪キャンプ場 Ugakei Camping park

Camp ground is located deep in the forest at the foot of Ryugatake Mountain in the Suzuka National Park, on a beautiful bank of the Uga River. Gentle breezes and a pristine stream create a tranquil environment where you can go on a hike to a waterfall, or have a BBQ on the riverside. It is an ideal location for a family or couple.



Suspension bridge

五つの滝 Five waterfalls

Gosho-daki Fall
(13 meter drop)Uodome-daki Fall
(8 meter drop)Tsubame-daki Fall
(30 meter drop)

Ugakei Valley is dotted with five waterfalls of various heights, which are named Gosho-daki, Uodome-daki, Tsubame-daki, Gokai-taki and Nagao-taki in order from the camp ground. Gosho-daki Fall is in the camping area. The path as far as Uodome-daki Fall is not so steep.

竜ヶ岳 Ryugatake

Ryugatake Mountain is 1099 meters (3606feet) high. Its shape is like a gently sloping dome. You can see a panoramic and superb view from the level plateau of the summit. In the fall the silver grass is beautiful. On route to the summit you can find odd-shaped rocks created by the weathered of granite. You can appreciate the beauty of nature's art. There are some routes to the summit, but any of them is a fairly challenging hike.



Ryugatake



Odd-shaped large rocks

青川峡キャンプパーク(Aogawakyo camping Park)

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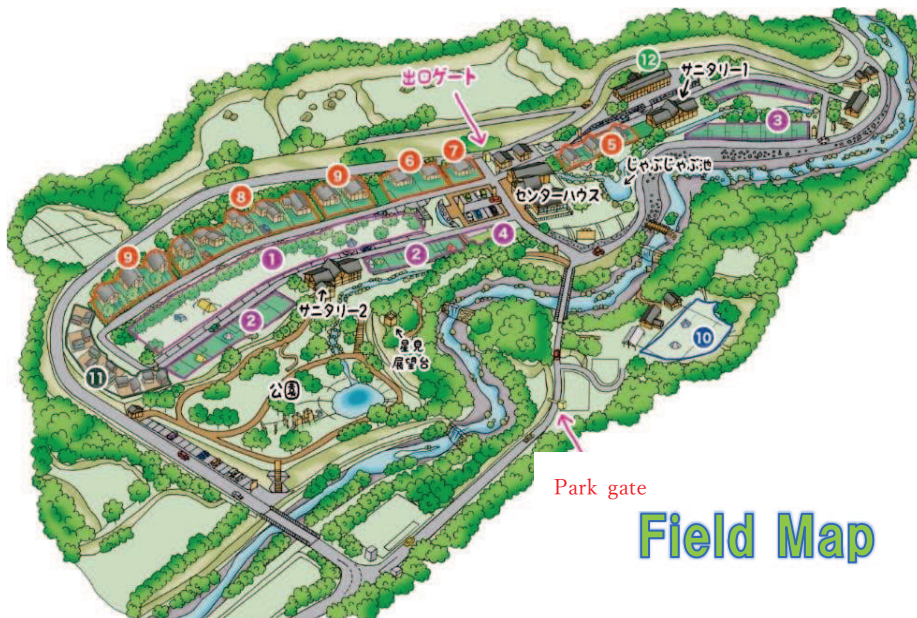
Appreciate nature in a well-equipped facility! All-weather auto camping park provides various experience as you like. Staying in a fully-equipped cottage, off course camping at an open site, barbeque at a trailer cabin or other facility for BBQ, playing on a river and so on. You can also stay at a log cabin or a log house. It has accommodations suitable for couples, groups or families with children.

The park is furnished with clean, spacious sanitary facilities including toilets.

Facilities in the Park

- ① center house ② log house
- ③ house for BBQ ④ sanitary1
- ⑤ waterfront site ⑥ craft house
- ⑦ pond ⑧ riders site ⑨ cottage
- ⑩ island cottage ⑪ log cabin
- ⑫ trailer cabin ⑬ camping site
- ⑭ private site ⑮ open site
- ⑯ sanitary2 ⑰ starry sky spot
- ⑱ camp field ⑲ municipal park

Open site map⑮



Center house map①



Log house map②



Trailer Cabin map⑫



Riders Site map⑧



Private site



いなべ公園 (Inabe Park)

Inabe Park has a fountain and a beautiful pond called Inabe Oike. The Park was built at the request of the villagers in 1936.

And there is a symbol tower of Inabe city. The tower commands a magnificent wide view of the city.

Surrounded by forest it has a three bridges, a shrine, trails, playground and others. It is an ideal place for a family or couple.



シンボルタワー Symble tower



展望広場 Vista



平和の鐘 Bell of Peace



遊歩道 Trail



トリム広場 Trim Playground



アスレチック広場 Athletic Playground

(Access) 10 minute drive from the Guest House

藤原岳自然科学館 (Fujiwaradake Natural Science Museum)

Learn about the Nature

Learn from the Nature

Learn with the Nature

The Science Museum is in the Fujiwara culture center. You can see insects, fish, birds, animals, flowers, plants and even rocks and fossils from around Mt. Fujiwara. If you are interested in the nature of Inabe city, why don't you visit there? It's not a big museum but worth a visit.



wild animals and plants



birds



They organize nature observation field work or lectures more than 20 times a year



fresh water fish (midstream)



fossils, plants, animals, raptors

In this building there are many facilities such as an event hall, library, kiln for ceramic, art room and others in addition to the museum. If you are interested in wood block printing, you can enjoy famous printings named 53 stations of the Tokaido by Utagawa Hiroshige.



(Access) 15minutes drive from the Guest House

あじさいの里 (Ajisai no sato Ageki Spa)

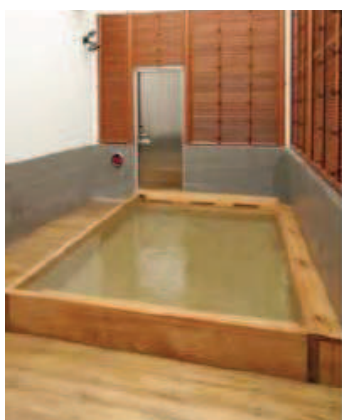
Ajisai so sato Ageki spa is a convenient physical fitness venue, you which can be reached on foot in three minutes from Agekistation. You can use its gunishing spring bath and outdoor bath at an affordable rate. There is also a souvenir corner selling Inabe's local specialties. Use it to suit your travel plan and purpose.



Ajisai no Sato, Ageki Spa is a venue with the theme of “health for everyone” for achieving physical fitness such as the prevention of lifestyle diseases.

You play sports, relieve physical fatigue in the spa, have a pleasant meal with friends and refresh your mood. Take advantage of it for positive health while you unwind.

Outdoor Japanese Cypress Bath



Tatami mat area



Shop



Outdoor Rock Bath



Training Room

三岐鉄道(Sangi Railways)

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Sangi railway has two different lines. They are the gateway rail roads to Inabe city. Yellow trains of both lines attract attention on SNS.

One is Hokusei Line, which runs between Nishikuwana and Ageki. It has the narrowest train truck in our country. In spring doll festival is held every year at Agekitown where beautiful dolls are arranged in many places of the town. Please come to Ageki by Hokusei line of Sangi Railways.



The other line runs between Tomida and Nishifujiwara. The terminal station is Nishifujiwara which is a gateway to Mt. Fujiwara, the famous Buddhist temple named Shoubouji and many other places.

You can carry your bicycle with you on the train. Please enjoy cycling along the line.

In both lines, trains run through a quiet countryside and you feel like time is passing slowly.

Alongside those two rail ways, there are so many picturesque places with the trains on the back. Such as bridges, rice fields, seasonal floweres, beautiful mountains and others. A lot of photographers gather to find theirown best angle throught the year. Why don't you enjoy the rail trip?



聖宝寺 (Shoubouji Temple)

It is a Buddhist temple nestled in the deep forest, located on the side of Mt. Fujiwara. It was founded in 807(12hundreds year ago) by famous Buddhist monk, named "Saicho".



We need to climb up more than 300 stone steps to reach there. Therefore, it would be a wonderful hiking in addition to sightseeing and history studying.



In the main hall, there is a famous statue, named Jyuichimen Senjyu Kannon, meaning the Deity of mercy with 11 faces and 1 thousand hands. This building was attacked and burnt by some worriers group about 450 years ago. But amid the confusion, the chief monk saved it from the fire. And it has been preserved as a treasure.



In the temple garden, there are a lot to offer, such as a round shape bridge over the pond, a waterfall that provide us cold pure water, and so many maple and pine trees. If you are lucky, you can hear the chief monk chanting the sutra and beating the mokugyou, a drum made of wood. And also you can try Zen Meditation as a hands-on experience.

The best season to visit is fall. Maple trees are changing the color to red. We can enjoy cardinal red, golden yellow and deep green at the same time. Around this time of year, they held the Maple Festival. They organize music events, tea ceremony, special lunch, food wagon and many others.

For those who cannot walk such a steep steps or don't have enough time, there is a secret drive way among the deep forest. It is narrow, winding, and steep. But it takes only about 5 minutes to get to the temple. Shoubouji-temple is one of the most visited spot s in Inabe city. It is really worth a visit. Why don't you visit in jeans and sneakers?



(Access)

railway : about 15 minute walk from Nishifujiwara Station of Sangi line .

by car : 15minute drive from this Guest House.

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