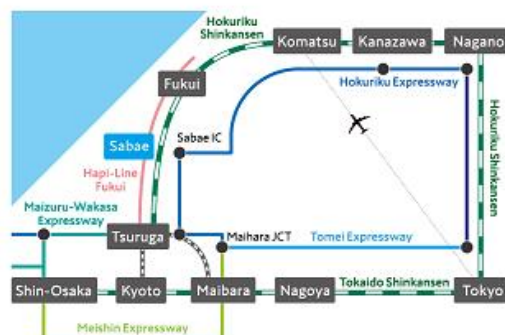
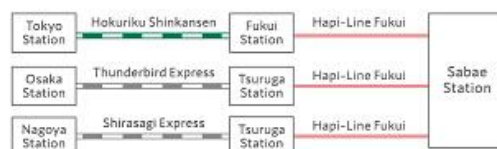


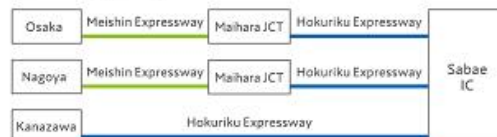
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Nishiyama Park Zoo

Nishiyama Park has been selected as one of Japan's top 100 historical parks. Known as the best azalea spot on the Sea of Japan, here you can enjoy beautiful scenery throughout the four seasons, including cherry blossoms, azaleas, maple leaves, and snowdrops. Nishiyama Park is also home to a zoo, lawn plaza, adventure forest, and Japanese garden, making it a favorite play place for both children and adults alike.



Azalea Festival

Nishiyama Park holds its Azalea Festival every year in early May. Approximately 50,000 full-bloom azaleas paint the lawn plaza and Japanese garden in a vivid pink and white gradation. Visit the red pandas at Nishiyama Zoo for an even deeper Sabae experience!



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●眼鏡(megane) / Glasses

Japan's Largest Glasses Production Center

Sabae accounts for over 90% of Japan's glasses production. The city's history with glasses dates back to 1901 when Gozaemon Masunaga invited craftsmen from Osaka and Tokyo to teach him manufacturing techniques as a source of income during the agricultural off-season. In 1980 Sabae succeeded in mass-producing titanium glasses frames, and currently, the glasses city Sabae's world-quality technology is also being applied to the production of medical instruments. Sabae is truly the Glasses City!

Megane Museum

Landmark of the Glasses City, Megane Museum is a place that offers shopping, an in-depth glimpse into the glasses epicenter's history, and glasses-making workshops.

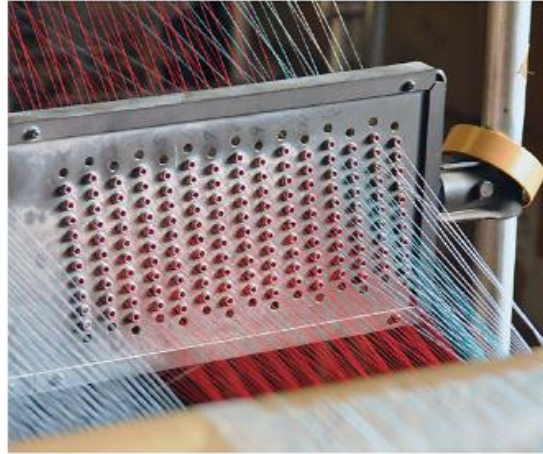
2-3-4 Shinyokoe, Sabae City / ☎ 0778-42-8311

10:00 - 19:00 (Museum - 17:00, Cafe - 16:00)

Closed Wednesday (excluding national holidays), New Year's holiday



-Key Words-
Megane - Japanese for glasses. Sabae is known as "megane no machi" or the Glasses City



●織維(sen'i) / Textiles

Breaking into the Industrial and Medical Fields with Cutting-Edge Technology

Zenzaemon Takashima began creating Ishidajima, a striped cotton fabric unique to the region, during the late Edo period in what is now Sabae's Ishida Shitamachi. The production of habutae silk for export brought with it the development of the city's textile industry in the 1890s, allowing for Sabae to play a central role in the textile kingdom of Fukui. In recent years, Sabae has adapted this technology to expand into a variety of fields delving not only into fashion, but creating industrial, medical, and environmental materials as well.

Ishidajima Hand-Weaving Center

Get a look into Sabae's history by experiencing traditional Ishidajima hand-weaving.

32-1-1 Tadasu-cho, Sabae City / ☎ 0778-52-1880

10:00 - 16:00

Closed Saturday, Sunday, Holidays, and New Year's Holidays



-Key Words-
Sen'i - Japanese for textiles. One of Sabae's three major industries



●漆器(shikki) / Lacquerware

Durable and Beautiful Traditional Crafts

With over 1,500 years of history, Echizen lacquerware is known for its lightness, durability, and glossy finish. Echizen lacquerware comes in many different styles, from high-class pieces used for ceremonial occasions to minimalist everyday items. Approximately 80% of Japan's commercial-use lacquerware is produced in Sabae; recent years have seen a new trend in the development of beautifully designed dishwasher-safe colorful products.

Urushi-no-Sato Kaikan

Urushi-no-Sato Kaikan is a place to learn about, experience, and purchase traditional Echizen lacquerware.

40-1-2 Nishibukuro-cho, Sabae City

☎ 0778-65-2727 / 9:00 - 17:00

Closed every fourth Tuesday of the month (the following day if a holiday), New Year's Holidays



-Key Words-
Shikki - Japanese for lacquerware. One of Sabae's three major industries



●History

Living History of the Temple Town

Home to two main temples of the Jodo Shinshu sect, Seishoji and Shoseiji, Sabae is a city rich in history and culture. During the Edo period, the Sabae domain was established and developed as a castle town. The 7th lord of the domain Nokkatsu Mabe opened Kyoyokei, Nishiyama Park's predecessor, and created a place of relaxation for the local citizens. Sabae City is also known as the birthplace of Chikamatsu Monzaemon, a famous Joruri and Kabuki artist.

Sabae Manabe Museum

A museum where you can enjoy learning about local history, art, and culture. Works by Kuriyouji, an illustrator from Sabae City, are also on permanent display.

1-9-20 Chosenji-cho, Sabae City

☎ 0778-51-5999 / 9:00 - 17:00

Closed Mondays (the following day if a holiday), National Holidays, New Year's Holidays



-Key Words-
Joruri - a traditional performance accompanied by shamisen
Kabuki - classic Japanese drama



Megane Festival

An annual festival held each October featuring all things glasses. This is truly a one-of-a-kind event for glasses-lovers, by glasses-lovers!



RENEW

A manufacturing event held in Sabae City, Echizen City, and Echizen Town each October (subject to change). During RENEW, businesses open their doors to the public, allowing for a close-up experience of the local industries' manufacturing processes.



Kawada-Nuri Echizen Lacquerware Festival

An event showcasing the charm of lacquerware held annually at Urushi-no-Sato Kaikan on May 3rd and 4th. This festival features traditional pieces forged by masters of the craft, everyday-use lacquerware created from the new ideas of young artisans, and great finds sold at market-style booths.



MAKOTOICHI

An open-air antique market is held on the second Sunday of every month (excluding January and February) on the grounds of Motoyama Seishoji Temple. In addition to antiques, there are also local eateries.