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Yui no Kuni (The Homeland of Bonds)
Echizen Ono

Sightseeing Guide Map

Ono City, Fukui Prefecture

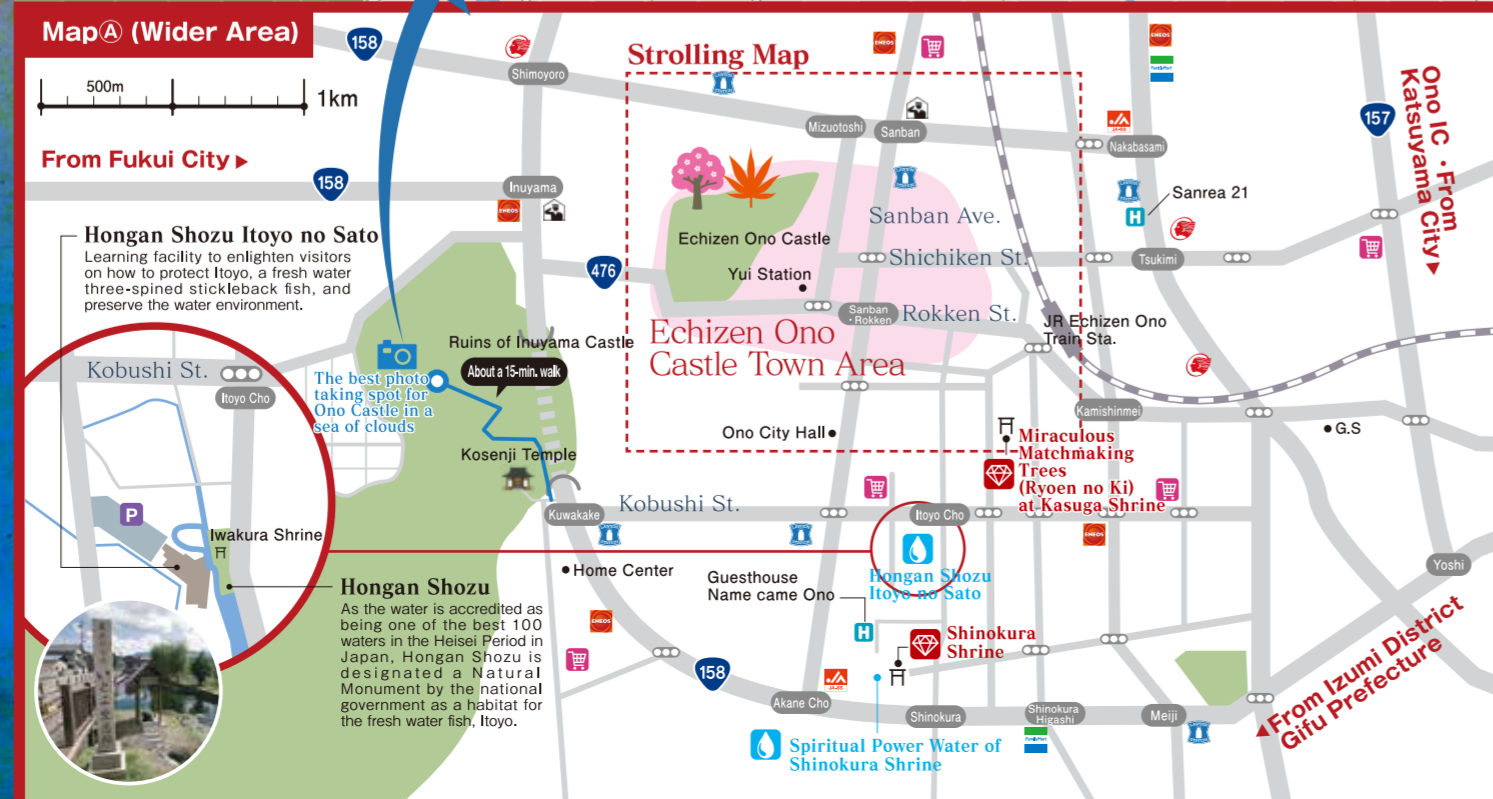
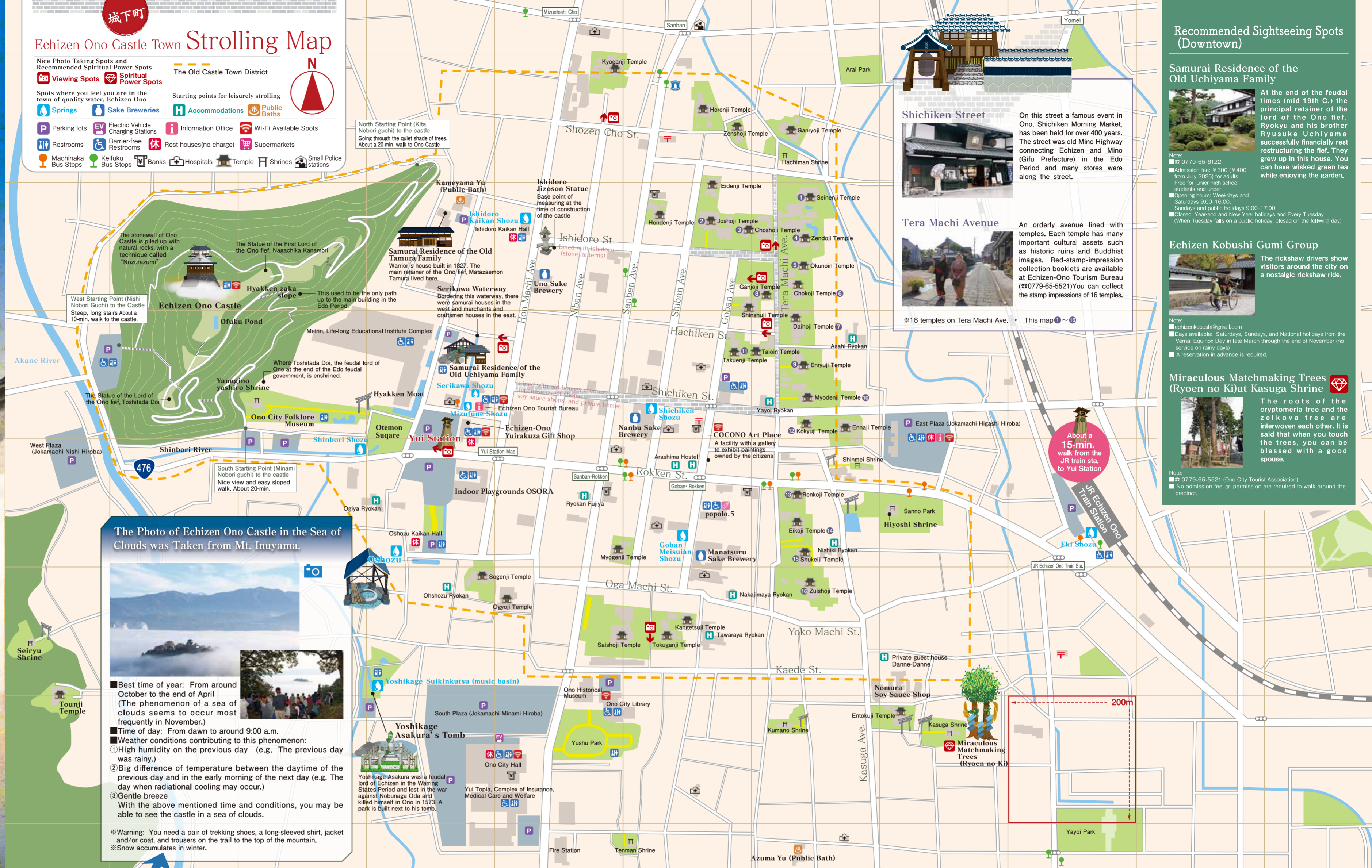
※Echizen is the old name of northern Fukui Prefecture

Recommended Convenient Sightseeing App.
Around Echizen Ono

Accommodations in Ono Downtown

※ Other accommodations in a wider area are on the other side of this map.

Asahi Ryokan 5-12 Nishiki Cho, Ono City ☎ 0779-66-2075	Guest inn Kabekura Only private business 5-14 Honmachi, Ono City ☎ 0779-66-6556
Tawaraya Ryokan 1-1 Hiyoshi Cho, Ono City ☎ 0779-66-3807	Yayoi Ryokan 10-19 Motomachi, Ono City ☎ 0779-66-2860
Ryokan Fujiya 6-18 Meirin Cho, Ono City ☎ 0779-66-2259	Nakajimaya Ryokan 2-3 Hiyoshi Cho, Ono City ☎ 0779-66-2472
Ohshozu Ryokan 4-15 Izumi Cho, Ono City ☎ 0779-65-2250	Nishiki Ryokan 5-13 Hiyoshi Cho, Ono City ☎ 0779-65-2275
Private guest house Danne-Danne 10-9 Hiyoshi Cho, Ono City ☎ 0779-65-2250	Ogiya Ryokan 6-10 Izumi Cho, Ono City ☎ 0779-65-5858
Arashima Hostel 8-17 Motomachi, Ono City ☎ 070-3356-3358	Sanrea*21 6-13 Tsukimi Cho, Ono City ☎ 0779-66-1811
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Echizen Ono Castle and Its Castle Town

Echizen Ono Castle was built around 1580 by Nagachika Kanamori, a retainer of Nobunaga Oda, who was the most powerful feudal lord at the warring time in Japan. Nagachika built the main tower on top of Mt. Kameyama utilizing the terrain, along with ni no maru and san no maru buildings at the foot of the mountain, and the inner and outer moats for protection. Ono Castle was constructed as the center of politics, economy and culture to demonstrate the power of the lord, in addition, to the military purpose of conventional castles. The main tower was rebuilt in 1968, while the stone walls remain original. Along with the construction of the castle, the castle town was built. Nagachika was particularly skilled at building castle towns. Streets were made into grids like those in Kyoto. He paid special attention to the use of waterways, and made a network of clean running water and a sewage system within the town. Nearly all unchanged blocks and streets have plenty of historic spots made with the idea of defense from enemies and a sewage system which is still used.



The Town of Quality Water

Ono City is dotted with plenty of springs such as Oshozu, one of the best 100 waters in Japan, and Hongan Shozu, one of the best 100 waters in the Heisei Period (1989 to 2019) in Japan. The city has been chosen as one of the best 100 places to have quality water in Japan. It has been favored with good and abundant water since olden times. Many households downtown installed pumps to utilize the ground water and still use it without needing treatment. The water is used for citizens' everyday lives such as cooking and bathing.



Sightseeing Spots in the Castle Town

Springs

The downtown area has a number of springs, such as Oshozu, which was designated one of the 100 best quality waters in Japan by the national government. The underground water at these spots is so clean and safe that you can feel easy as you quench your thirst. It is soft and palatable underground water. The temperature is constantly at about 15°C, feeling cold in summer and warm in the cold winter.

Unchanged Network of Blocks and Streets in the Town

The network of blocks and streets in the town has remained relatively unchanged since its construction, preserving its distinctive style. Rokken St. and Ishidori St. were widened for fire emergencies, the other area still remains as is. In order to prevent enemies from invading, at the East Side of town Tera Machi Ave. Where temples were placed together along dead end streets designed to keep enemies from getting through easily.



Recommended Sightseeing Spots (Downtown)

Samurai Residence of the Old Uchiyama Family



At the end of the feudal times (mid 19th C.) the principal retainer of the lord of the Ono fief, Ryosuke Uchiyama successfully financially rest restructuring the fief. They grew up in this house. You can have wicked green tea while enjoying the garden.

Note:
■ ☎ 0779-65-6122
■ Admission fee: ¥300 (¥400 from July 2025) for adults
■ Free for junior high school students and under
■ Opening hours: Weekdays and Saturdays 9:00~16:00
■ Sundays and public holidays 9:00~17:00
■ Closed: Year-end and New Year holidays and Every Tuesday (When Tuesday falls on a public holiday, closed on the following day)

Echizen Kobushi Gumi Group



The rickshaw drivers show visitors around the city on a nostalgic rickshaw ride.

Note:
■ echizenkobushi@gmail.com
■ Days available: Saturdays, Sundays, and National holidays from the Vernal Equinox Day in late March through the end of November (no service on rainy days)
■ A reservation in advance is required.

Miraculous Matchmaking Trees (Ryoen no Ki) at Kasuga Shrine



Note:
■ ☎ 0779-65-5521 (Ono City Tourist Association)
■ No admission fee or permission are required to walk around the precinct.

Access to Ono City

Please check the timeta- bles beforehand due to the changes of transpor- tation schedules.



To Ono City >>>

By JR Train

Fukui Sta. > Echizen Ono Sta. > Kuzuryuko Sta.												
As of April 1, 2025												
Depart from Fukui	9:21	12:48	14:53	16:51	18:21	19:03	20:30	21:48				
Depart from Ichijodani	9:39	13:06	15:12	17:11	18:40	19:22	20:49	22:07				
Arrive at Echizen Ono	10:17	13:44	15:52	17:52	19:18	20:02	21:27	22:45				
Depart from Echizen Ono	10:19	13:46	-	17:54	19:22	-	-	-				
Depart from Kadohara	10:41	14:07	-	18:16	19:43	-	-	-				
Depart from Shimoyama	10:49	14:16	-	18:24	19:52	-	-	-				
Arrive at Kuzuryuko	10:54	14:21	-	18:29	19:56	-	-	-				

By Keifuku Bus

JR Fukui Train Sta. ⇄ JR Echizen Ono Train Sta.									
○ Only on weekdays ○ Only on Saturdays,Sundays and Holidays									
# 55-59 Ono Line Fares: ¥1,040 Adult ¥520 Children As of April 1, 2025									
Fukui Ekimae > Echizen Ono Ekimae					Echizen Ono Ekimae > Fukui Ekimae				
○ 7:55	8:52				○ 6:56	7:54			
□ 8:05	9:04				○ 8:22	9:21			
○ 8:40	9:37				○ 9:38	10:37			
□ 10:05	11:02				□ 9:38	10:39			
□ 12:05	13:03				○ 12:38	13:39			
○ 12:05	13:04				○ 14:08	15:12			
○ 15:35	16:32				○ 14:38	15:41			
○ 16:05	17:03				○ 15:38	16:34			
○ 17:30	18:27				○ 17:38	18:39			
					○ 18:38	19:37			

Echizen Railway Katsuyama Sta. ⇄ JR Echizen Ono Train Sta.									
○ Only on weekdays ○ Only on Saturdays,Sundays and Holidays									
# 46 Katsuyama-Ono Line Fares: ¥610 Adult ¥310 Children As of April 1, 2025									
Katsuyama Ekimae > Echizen Ono Ekimae					Echizen Ono Ekimae > Katsuyama Ekimae				
	7:39	8:08			○ 7:27	7:56			
○ 9:09	9:40				□ 8:36	9:07			
□ 9:49	10:20				○ 10:06	10:37			
○ 11:43	12:14				□ 11:00	11:31			
□ 12:43	13:14				○ 13:06	13:37			
○ 14:43	15:14				□ 14:06	14:37			
○ 15:33	16:04				○ 15:36	16:07			
○ 16:43	17:14				○ 16:46	17:17			
○ 18:23	18:54				○ 17:51	18:22			

One Day Pass Only on Weekends and Holidays

This is a one-day pass to get on and off at any stop on Keifuku Bus Lines available only on sundays and holidays.

Fares: ¥1,600 Adults ¥800 Children

Time available: Saturdays, sundays and holidays, and year end and new year's holidays (Jan. 1 ~ Jan. 3)

Where to Buy Tickets: JR Fukui Train Sta. East Exit Bus Ticket Center

Public Transportation in Ono City

Machinaka Junkan Bus

Echizen Ono Ekimae > Yui Station												
Only on weekdays Only on weekends in Dec to Feb												
Fares: 1 ride ¥100 adults ¥50 physically challenged and elementary school students Free for Infants												
Echizen Ono Ekimae > Yui Station						Yui Station > Echizen Ono Ekimae						
○ 7:39	7:42					○ 8:31	8:38					
○ 9:23	9:30					○ 9:47	9:51					
○ 10:00	10:04					○ 10:17	10:24					
○ 11:01	11:08					○ 11:28	11:32					
○ 11:43	11:47					○ 12:06	12:13					
○ 13:05	13:12					○ 13:32	13:36					
○ 13:50	13:54					○ 14:13	14:20					
○ 15:35	15:42					○ 15:57	16:01					
○ 16:09	16:13					○ 16:27	16:34					
★ 16:55	17:02					★ 17:22	17:26					
★ 17:29	17:33					★ 17:52	17:59					

Rental Bicycles (KUZURYU GRUTTO PEDAL)

East Plaza (Jokamachi Higashi Hiroba)												
Roadside Station (Michi no Eki) Arashimano Sato												
Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.												
Fees: HALF DAY ¥2,000 1 DAY ¥2,500 BIKE BAG ¥500 5 bicycles available (Only cross bike)												

Sightseeing Spots in Neighboring Municipalities

Fukui Prefectural Dinosaur Museum

(Katsuyama City) About 25 min. by car

One of the 3 largest dinosaur museums in the world. The whole skeletons of dinosaurs from around the world as well as those excavated from Fukui Prefecture, are exhibited. Some dinosaur replicas dynamically move to look real and powerful.

[Public Transportation] Keifuku Bus Katsuyama City Community Bus About 30 min. Dinosaur Museum

Ichijodani Asakura Family Ruins

(Fukui City) About 30 min. by car

These are the ruins of a castle town, where 5 generations of the Asakura Family governed the province of Echizen for 103 years in the warring times (mid 15th C~late 16th C). The layout of samurai houses and roads in the town was excavated almost as they existed. The ruins are designated a Special Historic Site and a Special Place of Scenic Beauty by the national government.

[Public Transportation] JR Echizen Ono Train Sta. JR Echizen Railway Line About 40 min. JR Ichijodani Train Sta. Ichijodani Asakura Family Ruins

Soto Sect HQ Eihei Temple

(Eiheiji Town) About 40 min. by car

In 1244, the founder of Soto Sect, Dogen opened this monastery for zazen. In the Muromachi Period (late 14th C~late 16th C), the emperor presented a tablet which says, "The First Soto Monastery in Japan", which he wrote personally.

[Public Transportation] Keifuku Bus Katsuyama Line Ono Ekimae Echizen Railway Line Katsuyama Train Sta. Echizen Railway Line Eihei guchi Train Sta. Eihei Temple

Ono City Map of Wider Area

A map to the scale of 2 cm to 2 km

The map shows Ono City and surrounding areas including Eihei Town, Katsuyama City, Fukui City, Ikeda Town, and Gifu Prefecture. Key features include the Kuzuryu River, Kuzuryu Lake, and various mountains like Mt. Arashimadake and Mt. Genanpo. It also highlights seasonal spots for Spring, Summer, Autumn, and Winter.

Seasonally Recommended Spots

SPRING

- Dog-ear Violets (Katakuri)**: Best Time to Enjoy the View: Mid-March ~ early April. More than a million katakuri are spreading over about 3 hectares of a mountainous area at Yabana no Sato.
- Cherry Blossoms (Sakura)**: Best Time: Downtown Ono (early April) Around Kuzuryu Dam (mid-April). You can enjoy them around Echizen Ono Castle and around Kuzuryu Dam.
- Peach Blossoms (Hanamomo)**: Best Time: Mid-April ~ early May. About 800 hanamomo trees are lined around Hotel Furearu Izumi.
- Moss Pinks (Shibazakura)**: Time to Visit: Mid-April ~ early May. Everywhere in the city, shibazakura spread on rice field paths and along irrigation water ways.

SUMMER

- Beautiful Starry Sky**: In 2023, the Rokuroshi Plateau area was certified by Dark Sky International as an "International Dark Sky Place". You can see the Milky Way with your naked eye on a clear day.
- Heikedaira**: A forest of about 10,000 beech trees in an area of about 40 ha. There is a huge horse chestnut tree over 400 years old.
- Firefly Village (Hotaru no Sato) Yoro**: This area is a center of farming, where fireflies can be seen. There is a firefly watching event in the summer.

AUTUMN

- Autumn Leaves around Kuzuryu Lake**: It has been chosen as one of the 100 best spots for beautiful autumn leaves in Japan. Yumeno Kakehashi Bridge is the best viewing spot. Time to Visit: mid-October ~ early November.
- Autumn Leaves at Karikomi Ike Pond**: The scenery of blazing mountains reflected on the surface of the pond like a mirror is magnificent. Time to Visit: mid-October ~ mid-November.

WINTER

- Kuzuryu Ski Area**: It has a slope of a maximum inclination of 41 degrees. Skiers from beginners to advanced can enjoy skiing here.
- Fukui Izumi Ski Resort**: Equipment for snowboarders, including one-make-jump kickers, is fully available.

Accommodations in Wider Area of Ono

See the other side of the map for the accommodations around JR Echizen Ono Train Sta.

Guest House Name came Ono Downtown 7-2 Shinokura Cho, Ono City ☎ 090-5220-5800	Rokuroshi Kogen no Yado Near Rokuroshi Heights 169-49 Mami Rokuroshi, Ono City ☎ 0779-69-0825
Farm inn Konoha Near Rokuroshi Heights 169-52 Mami Rokuroshi, Ono City ☎ 0779-78-1217	Hatogayu Hot Spring Resort 6-2 Kamuchinami, Ono City ☎ 0779-65-6808
Hotel Furearu Izumi Near Kuzuryu Lake 63-224 Shimoyama, Ono City ☎ 0779-69-2536	Peoples' Inn Park Hotel Kuzuryu Near Kuzuryu Lake 14-3 Kakuno, Ono City ☎ 0779-78-2326
Mizumorino Sumika Ono-ya Near Katsuyama Train Sta. in the station east 9-2 Shimouchinami, Ono City ☎ 0779-69-5151	Nekobayashi Near Arashima IC 75-2 Warabyo, Ono City ☎ 090-3055-1896

Time from JR Echizen Ono Train Sta. by car	
About 15 min. to Mt. Arashimadake Kadohara Starting point	Spiritual Power Spots
About 20 min. to Managawa Dam	Accommodations
About 25 min. to Rokuroshi Heights	Supermarkets
About 40 min. to Kuzuryu Dam	Camping Grounds
About 70 min. to Karikomi Ike Pond	Ski Area
	Shrines