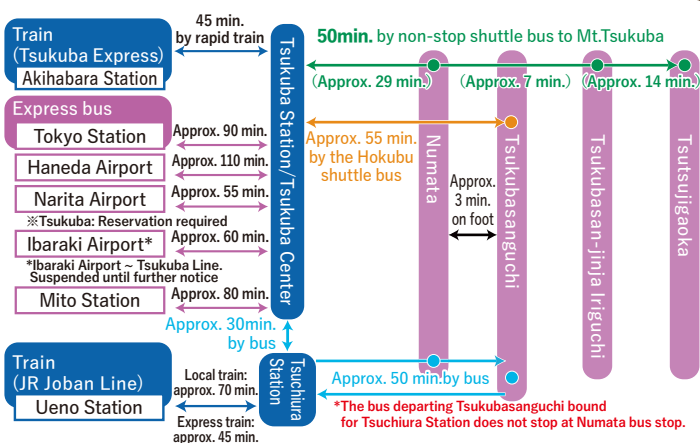




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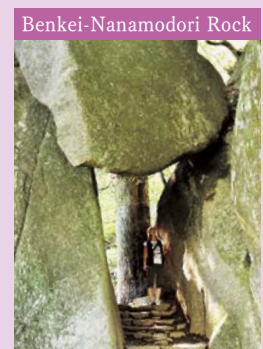
Nyotai-san Peak

Hiking on Mt. Tsukuba

Mt. Tsukuba is dotted with many strange and mysterious rocks and stones, and you can climb the mountain while enjoying the legends and folklore of each. A huge rock hanging overhead, the "Benkei Nanamodori Rock" looks as if it might fall at any moment, and made even Benkei, a long-ago warrior monk, hesitate to pass under it seven times.



Gama-Ishi Rock



Benkei-Nanamodori Rock



Mt. Tsukuba Plum Blossom Garden

This plum grove is located halfway up Mt. Tsukuba (about 250 meters above sea level) and is one of the major attractions of the Mount Tsukuba Regional Geopark. The 4.5-hectare plum grove on the slope of Mt. Tsukuba has about 1,000 white and red plum trees. From "Azumaya Lookout" you can enjoy magnificent views such as the entire plum grove below, the rural landscape at the foot of the mountain and the cityscape of Tsukuba Science City. On a clear day, even the skyscrapers of Tokyo and Mt. Fuji can be seen.

MAP C-1



Ropeway & Cable Car

The cable car climbs 500 meters in just 8 minutes. Riding on the ropeway makes you feel as if you were walking in the air. Here you can enjoy beautiful scenery all year round.

MAP C-1



Mt. Tsukuba hot spring area

Hot springs at Mt. Tsukuba are simple thermal springs with strong alkalinity, and are called, "hot springs for beautiful skin" because they make the skin smooth. They are recommended not only for overnight guests but also for day-trip bathing after visiting the shrine or climbing the mountain.

For more information ➡



Mt. Hoko

Mt. Hoko, which is the 2nd tallest mountain in the city, is very popular for hiking. Here you can enjoy scenic views in each season: cherry blossoms in spring, fresh greenery in summer and colored leaves in autumn.

MAP C-2

Hojo Oike Pond

This reservoir has been used for irrigation since the Edo Period. In the spring, it is crowded with cherry blossom viewers.

MAP C-2



Doho Park

This park, the largest in Tsukuba City, boasts a rich natural environment with play areas, a pond and sports facilities such as tennis courts.

MAP C-5



Matsumi Park

There is a 45-meter-high observation tower which is a symbol of this park, and you can see nice view of Tsukuba city from the top. This park also has a stroll-style Japanese garden and a lawn area.

MAP C-4





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Tsukuba Expo Center

Featuring one of the world's largest planetariums, hands-on exhibits, science shows and other events, the Expo Center is a place where everyone from kids to adults can enjoy.



JAXA Tsukuba Space Center



The Tsukuba Space Center, the core office of JAXA, is a place for various activities including research, development, and testing in the cutting-edge fields of space development. Visitors can feel and experience genuine space development by looking at test models of various satellites, rocket engines used in firing tests, and a full-scale model of the Japanese Experiment Module "Kibo" in the exhibition hall, "Space Dome." A real H-II launch vehicle is exhibited at the Rocket Plaza near the center's main gate.



Geological Museum

This is the museum specializing in earth sciences. It features special exhibitions of the latest research results and has a wide variety of exhibits focusing on rocks, minerals and fossils.



The Science Museum of Map and Survey

The museum provides comprehensive exhibits on the history, principles, mechanisms, and new technologies of mapping and surveying. It is popular with visitors of all ages as a place to learn about and experience the role of maps and surveying, which are essential to our daily lives.



Tsukuba Botanical Garden

Here you can see around 3,000 plant species across two areas. The World Vegetation Area features typical Japanese vegetation, Asian tropical rainforests, and plants from dry regions. The Human and Biodiversity Area displays many useful plants, as well as those related to culture and science.



Tsukuba Agriculture Research Hall

This museum presents the latest research works in agriculture, forestry and fisheries. There is also a display of many tools that have been used during the history of Japanese agriculture. Closed for renovations from August 8, 2025 to February 28, 2026.



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SCIENCE



TSUKUBA ROAD STROLLING MAP



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Tsukuba Road

Linking the Hojo district with Tsukubasan-jinja Shrine (Mt. Tsukuba Shrine), the 4 km-long Tsukuba Road was designated as one of Japan's 100 most beloved roads in 1986. Enjoy a nostalgic stroll as you take in the historical ambience. The road, which once bustled with shrine visitors, is now popular as a leisurely hiking course.

Historic Site Hirasawa Government Office Site

MAP C-2

The ruins of Hirasawa Kanga, the government office of Tsukuba County in the Nara and Heian periods more than 1,000 years ago, have been designated as a National historic site. Three different high-floor warehouses have been reconstructed to recreate the ancient spot.



Historic Site Oda-jo Castle Site

MAP C-3

This castle was the residence of the Oda Clan from the Kamakura Period (1185-1333), and was abandoned following the Battle of Sekigahara. During the Nanboku-cho Period (1336-1392), it was known as the birthplace of Kitabatake Chikafusa, the historian of the historical treatise Jinno Shotoki chronicling the succession of imperial rulers in Japan.



Tsukubasan-jinja Shrine (Mt. Tsukuba Shrine)

MAP C-1

Tsukubasan-jinja Shrine, known for the blessings of marital harmony and good fortune, regards Mt. Tsukuba as an object of worship. The historic shrine is located in the middle of the mountain to the summits. The summits offer a panoramic view of the entire Kanto area.



Tsukubasan-Omido Temple

MAP C-1

Number 25 of the 33 Bando Kannon temples, Omido Temple is visited by people who come to pray for good marriage matches, traffic safety, safe childbirth, home safety, and good luck and fortune. Founded in 782 by the holy priest, Tokuitsu, it was opened as an esoteric Buddhist hall in 810 by Kobodaishi Kukai (Chisokuin Chuzenji Temple).



Sales pitch for Gama no Abura ointment

This sales pitch, which has been passed down through the years since it was first made by Hyosuke Nagai in the Edo period, is now a famous performance at Mt. Tsukuba.



Tsukuba Sightseeing Volunteers 298

Sightseeing guides are available around Mt. Tsukuba and the Mt. Tsukuba foothills area (including Hojo, Oda, and Kangori). Visitors can enjoy the history and nature in the area with the guide.

ACTIVITIES & GOURMET



ACTIVITIES



Forest Adventure Tsukuba



This is a nature experience-type outdoor park that makes use of the forest terrain and trees as they are, and has created courses between trees using wires and logs. Visitors are invited to experience the zip-line over the Tsukuba Plum Grove and other exciting activities.



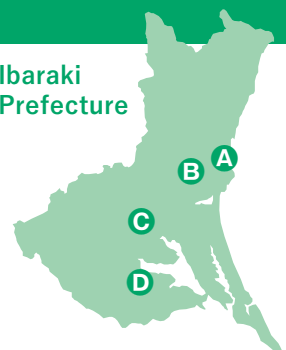
photo by National Hitachi Seaside Park

㊦ Hitachi Seaside Park

National Hitachi Seaside Park is located on the Pacific coast of Hitachinaka City. Surrounded by nature, visitors can enjoy beautiful flowers in each season. Millions of blue nemophilas in spring, and kochia leaves turning red in autumn, are especially worth seeing. In addition, there is the Pleasure Garden Amusement Park that has a variety of attractions.

Surrounding Area

Ibaraki
Prefecture



㊦ Kairakuen Garden

Kairakuen Garden is one of the three most famous gardens in Japan and was created by Nariaki Tokugawa, the ninth lord of the Mito Domain as a place for people to rest and relax. The garden is planted with 3,000 plum trees of about 100 varieties and is crowded with plum viewing visitors in early spring. There are other seasonal attractions such as cherry blossoms and azaleas in spring, and bush clovers in autumn.



㊦ Ushiku Daibutsu Buddha

With a total height of 120 meters, Ushiku Daibutsu is the tallest bronze statue in the world. Visitors can take an elevator up to the 85-meter-high chest section, inside the Buddha and enjoy the view below through observation windows on all sides.



㊦ Ibaraki Flower Park



In the park, visitors can appreciate about 900 varieties of roses and other seasonal flowers as well as enjoy activities that take advantage of the rich natural surroundings, and enjoy meals featuring vegetables grown in Yasato, Ibaraki.

GOURMET

Ramen restaurants in Tsukuba City

It is well known that there are about 90 ramen restaurants in Tsukuba City, competing with each other. You can enjoy many kinds of ramen!



Wine / Craft Beer

In Tsukuba, you can find wineries and craft breweries. The wineries offer locally made wine and even grow grapes in their vineyards, while the breweries provide their own original craft beer.



Local Sake

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MAP C-1

Tsukubasan Hotel Aokiya
753-1 Tsukuba, Tsukuba
029-866-0311 From ¥17,750 (with 2 meals)
MAP C-1

Tsukubasan Edoya
728 Tsukuba, Tsukuba
029-866-0321 From ¥17,750 (with 2 meals)
MAP C-1

Hotel Ichibou
64-2 Tsukuba, Tsukuba
029-866-2222 From ¥14,450 (with 2 meals)
MAP C-1

Tsukuba Onsen Hotel
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029-866-0521 From ¥6,000 (room only)
MAP C-1

Tsukubasan Keisei Hotel
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029-866-0831 From ¥14,300 (with 2 meals)
MAP C-1

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2141-2 Hongo, Tsuchiura
029-862-2400 From ¥3,500 (room only)
MAP D-2

Accommodation at Mt. Tsukuba

Kyu Kobayashitei Hitotoki
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MAP C-1

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MAP C-1

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Tsukuba YOU World
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029-839-5555
MAP C-5

Hotel Lakeside Tsukuba
708-1 Shimoiwasaki, Tsukuba
029-876-5050
MAP C-7

Tsukuba Onsen Kirari Bettei
614-1 Nishiohashi, Tsukuba
029-846-2641
MAP B-4

Oyudokoro Umezakura
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HOTEL BESTLAND
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029-863-1515
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Shrines and Temples

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029-866-0502
MAP C-1

Tsukubasan-Omido Temple
748 Tsukuba, Tsukuba
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Tsukubasan Ichijo-in Temple
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Izumi Kosodate Kannon-Keiryuji Temple
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029-867-0323
MAP B-2

Kokage Shrine
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Zuio-in Temple
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029-866-1616

Tsukuba Tourism and Convention Association
029-869-8333

Tourism Division, Tsukuba City
029-883-1111

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Kanto Tetsudo Co.Ltd Tsukuba kita
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Train

Tsukuba Express Call Center
0570-000-298

The map displays the city of Tsukuba and its surrounding municipalities. Key features include:

- Geography:** Mt. Tsukuba is located in the northeast, with the Tsukuba River flowing through the city.
- Transportation:** Major roads like the Toei Line, Keisei Line, and Joban Line are shown. The Tsukuba Express is also indicated.
- Landmarks:** Notable locations include the Tsukuba Botanical Garden, National Museum of Nature and Science, and the Tsukuba Zoo.
- Administrative Divisions:** The map is divided into sections A, B, C, and D, and numbered 1 through 7.
- Legend:** Symbols for City Hall, National Road, Prefectural Road, and Expressway are provided.
- Scale:** A scale bar at the bottom shows distances from 0 to 10 km.



Accommodation facilities Tsukuba Science City and others		
Hotel Nikko Tsukuba 1-1364-1 Azuma, Tsukuba ☎029-852-1112 ¥12,300~(with breakfast)	MAP	C-4
Hotel JAL City Tsukuba 2-20-1 Takezono, Tsukuba ☎029-860-7700 ¥10,700~(with breakfast)	MAP	C-4
Hotel Grand Shinonome 488-1 Onozaki, Tsukuba ☎029-856-2211 ¥10,340~(with breakfast)	MAP	C-4
Daiwa Roynet Hotel Tsukuba 1-5-7 Azuma, Tsukuba ☎029-863-3755 ¥7,000~(room only)	MAP	C-4
Tsukuba Sky Hotel 283-1 Onozaki, Tsukuba ☎029-851-0008 ¥6,050~(with breakfast)	MAP	C-4
Hotel Matsushima 35 Onozaki, Tsukuba ☎029-856-1191 ¥6,900~(with breakfast)	MAP	C-4
Hotel Route Tsukuba 1145-3 Hanamuro, Tsukuba ☎029-860-2111 ¥7,500~(with breakfast)	MAP	C-4
Tsukuba-no-yu Urban Hotel 2-1-2 Tsukuba, Tsukuba ☎029-877-0001 ¥7,780~(with breakfast)	MAP	B-3
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Tsukuba Capio 1-10-1 Takezono, Tsukuba ☎029-851-2886	MAP	C-4
Tsukuba International Congress Center (Epochal Tsukuba) 2-20-3 Takezono, Tsukuba ☎029-861-0001	MAP	C-4
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