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ASUKA－ARASHIYAMA

AREA GUIDE

Togetsukyo Bridge map2C

Saganochikurin-no-michi map2C

A beautiful world of four seasons from the Heian period

Arashiyama

Arashiyama is the last stop on the northern cycling route. Known for its picturesque scenery, this was the resort area for noble families during the Heian period and was also mentioned in many Japanese poems and literature.
Tourists from all over the country visit Arashiyama for the beautiful cherry blossoms in the spring and autumn leaves in the fall. Enjoy biking around souvenir shops near Togetsu-kyo Bridge, temples and paths in Sagano, etc.

Tinted autumnal Leaves of Arashiyama

A town with old inns lined up along the Saigoku Kaido Road

Otokuni

With beautiful bamboo groves spread throughout the hills on the western side of the Otokuni area, this area is famous for production area of bamboo shoots. There are many burial mounds and historical places such as the Site of Nagaoka Palace, castle ruins from wars of the Sengoku period, and so on. Saigoku Kaido Road stretches from this area to the west, and it runs from Tojiguchi in Kyoto Pref. to Nishinomiya in Hyogo Pref. The old town remains along the Old Saigoku Road.

Nagaoka-Tenmangu Shrine Hachijogaike pond map8C

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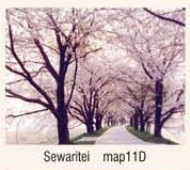

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An area rich with history

Yawata/Oyamazaki

The Yodogawa River Sansen Gouryu-iki area is between Mt. Tennozan and Mt. Otokoyama in the middle of Kyoto and Osaka, and is also the area where the Katsuragawa, Ujigawa, and Kizugawa Rivers come together. With three big rivers and beautiful mountains, this area was the battlefield of important battles in history, such as the Battle of Yamazaki. The beautiful nature of this area is still preserved to this day, along with a lot of precious historical heritages. Furthermore, the Sewari-tei (separation levees) are famous for cherry blossoms and the rows of cherry blossom trees along the levees are spectacular. Kozuya Bridge (commonly known as Nagare Bashi; floating bridge) is the wooden bridge across the Kizugawa River. It is not fastened at the bottom, which means the foot planks come away when the water level rises, and spans around 356m. This bridge is famous as a filming location for Jidaigeki (historical films). On the left bank, a place called "Shikisaikan" operates a restaurant, a bath, and accommodation.

The midpoint of cultures in Kyoto and Nara

Kyotanabe

Kannon-ji Temple Oomido map17H

Shuonan Ikkyu-ji Temple map16H

The red arched bridge over the Kizugawa River is the Yamashiro-Ohashi Bridge. Kyotanabe City, which spreads out from the left bank of Kizugawa river, is home to Kannoji Temple, which has a National Treasure: 11-headed Standing Kannon Statue (Tenpyo-period), and Shuon-an (Ikkyuji Temple), which is associated with Master Ikkyu, is also in this city.
Aotani Bairin (Aotani plum grove) in Joyo City, which is on the right side of the Kizugawa River bank, has beautiful plums blossoms bloom in the spring. If you go just a little south of the Old Nara-kaido Road, you will find Ide-no-Tamagawa which was mentioned in waka poems. It is famous for cherry blossoms and Yamabuki (Japanese Rose).
Tachibana-no-Moroe's vacation home was also said to be here. He was one of the authors of Manyo-shu, and was also known as "Ide-no-Sadaijin (Minister of the left)".

Kannon-ji Temple Juichimen Kannon Standing Statue map17H

Juho-ji Temple Eleven Faces and One thousands hands Kannon Standing Statue map17J

The site where a variety of cultures fuse together

Souraku

Around this area was the main port for transporting supplies (such as stone and lumber) to Nara. The Kamo area has Gansenji Temple, Joruriji Temple and Kaijusenji Temple, while the Tono area has stone Buddhist images by the roadside. This place was the Kuni-kyo in the past, and today, it is an area known

Gansen-ji Temple Waraibotoke map23Q

Recommended Route Altitude and Distance

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Arashiyama
Togetsukyo bridge
2.0km
Matsuobashi bridge
1.8km
Kaminobashi bridge
0.8km
Nishiohashi bridge
1.8km
Katsura Imperial Villa
2.6km
Kusebashi bridge
2.6km
Kogabashi bridge
0.2km
Kykawabashi bridge
2.1km
Hadukashibashi bridge
3.3km
Miyamaebashi bridge
1.7km
Kawakita Nature and Sports Park
0.7km
Gokobashi Bridge
3.4km
Kizugawaohashi Bridge
1.8km
Koduyabashi Bridge
4.3km
Osumibashi Bridge
0.6km
Tanabebashi Bridge
3.1km
Yamashiroohashi Bridge
3.0km
Tamamizubashi Bridge
4.0km
Kaibashi Bridge
3.3km
Kaibashi Bridge

10km 20km 30km 40km

Ryoanji Temple
Ninnaji Temple
Otaginenbutsuji Temple
Adashino Nenbutsuji Temple
Daikakuji Temple
Seiryoji Temple
Tojiin Temple
Kitano Tenmangu Shrine
Imadegawa
Rozanji Temple
Kyoto Gyoen National Garden
Myoshinji Temple
Torokko-Hozukyo
Hozukyo
Nisonji Temple
Narutaki
Tokiwa
Saga-Arashiyama
Uzumasa
Koryuji Temple
Hanazono
Emmachi
Nijojo Castle
Jingu-marutamachi
Maruta machi
Tenryuji Temple
Chikurin-no-michi
Randen-saga
Arashiyama
Katabira notsuji
Uzumasa-tenjingawa
Nishioji-oike
Nijojomae
Karasuma-oike
Shiyakusyomae
Sanjo
Togetsukyo bridge
Umenomiya Taisha Shrine
Uzumasa Kaikonoyashiro
Randen-Tenjingawa
Yamanouchi
Nishioji-sanjo
Saiin
Heiankyo
Rokkakudo Temple
Gion-shijo
Omiya
Sai
Mibudera Temple
Sijo-omiya
Karasuma
Kawara machi
Hankyu-Kyoto Line
Umeduminamimachi
Kaminobashi
Katsuragawa River
Matsuobashi bridge
Kaminobashi bridge
Nishiohashi bridge
Suzumushidera Temple
Saihoji Temple
Tambaguchi
Gojo
Kami-Katsura
Nishi-kyogoku
Nishi Honganji Temple
Higashi Honganji Temple
Shimogyo-ku
Jizoin Temple
Kyoto Tower
Sanjusan
Nishigyo-ku ward office
Katsura Imperial Villa
Katsuraohashi bridge
Nishikyo-ku
Nishioji
Kyoto Tourist Infomation
Toji Temple
Tohukuji
Katsura
Kujo
Jujo
Minami-ku
Fushimi-inari
Katsura kamino shindencho
Katsura Hatakedacho
Nishiohashi bridge
Nishikyogokugori fuzucho
Nishiohashi-Nishidume
Katsuraonawacho
Kuzebashi bridge
Rakusaiguchi
Kamitobaguchi
Fukukasa
Kuinabashi
Katsuragawa
Take-no-michi
Takeda
Hankyu-Kyoto Line
Keihan Main Line
Higashi-muko
Mukonoachi
Mukou City
Kogabashi bridge
Kyokawabashi bridge
Sumizome
Fushimi
Jurinji Temple
Muko Jinja Shrine
Nagaokakyu Ruin
Otokuni
Komyoji Temple
Nishi-muko
Tambabashi
Momoyama goryomae
Gokoku
Fushimi-momoyama
Yoshiminedera Temple
Otokunidera Temple
Nagaokakyo
Chokenji Temple
Hadukashibashi bridge
Nagaokakyo City
Nagaokakyo City office
Nagaoka-Tenjin
Nagaokakyo
Tokaido Shinkansen
Chusyojima
Kangetsu
Nagaoka Tenmangu Shrine
Keihan Main Line
Yanagidani Kannon(Yokokuji Temple)
Mukaijima
Miyamaebashi bridge
Yodo
Kyoto Horce Race Trak
Oyamazaki Town
Shimamoto Town
Kawakita Nature and Sports Park
Oyamazaki villa Museum of Art
Yamazaki
Oyamazaki
Sewaritei
Gokobashi bridge
Kumiyama Town
Yawatashi
Shimamoto
Hashimoto
Iwashimizu Hachimangu Shrine
Kumiyama Town office
Minase
Yawata City office
Kidugawaohashi bridge
Kammaki
Road restrictions may apply during abnormal weather conditions.
Kozuyabashi bridge (Nagarebashi)
Yawata City
Shokado Gaden
Yawata Nagarebashi Community Plaza Shikisaikan
JR Tokaido Main Line
Hankyu-Kyoto Line
Yawata/Oyamazaki
Kizuha
Kutsukawa
Terada
Yawata Fushinoki
Kawakita Nature and Sports Park
Ujigawa River
Keihan Main Line
Keiji Bypass
Miyukibashi bridge
Yawata Harinokiuchi
Kizugawa River
Makino
Tonosho
Matsui-yamate
Osumibashi bridge
Tanabebashi bridge
Osumi
JR Katamachi Line
Goten-yama
Nagao
Ikkyuji Temple
Kyotanabe City
Hirakatashi
Hirakata City office
Miyanosaka
Hirakata-koen
Hirakata City
Fujisaka
Kyotanabe
Hoshigaoka
Keihan Kyoto Line
Murano
Tsuda
kyotanabe City
Doshisha
Kozu
Katano City office
Katanoshi
Kawachi-iwahune
katano City
Kawachimori
Hoshida
Kisaichi
Hamabashi bridge
Kizugawa River
Kamigawara
Shimogawara
JR Katamachi Line
Higashi-neyagawa
Shinobugaoka
Shijonawate City
Seka