



Daisuisha no Sato Suisha Jaya Nanohana

At this restaurant, you can savor satoyama dishes while enjoying a stunning view of the Banjo River. You can also enjoy fresh soba noodles made from homemade flour stone-ground from local summer and fall buckwheat all year round. Moreover, you can experience hands-on soba making.



One thousand cherry trees of Iwaya

This is a new scenic spot in Saiki, where you can enjoy beautiful cherry blossoms. In spring, the mountain is covered with pink as some 2,000 cherry trees are in full bloom. They are really beautiful, especially in combination with one million rape blossoms.



Hotaru no Sato

This is one of the largest colonies of fireflies in western Japan. In the season, hundreds of thousands of fireflies dance above the water. Many people come searching for this fantastic sight every year. Honjo Firefly Festival is also held in early June.



Mt. Haitate

The peak is 753.8 meters above the sea. Surprisingly, the top of the mountain commands a panoramic view including the Kuju Mountains, Showa Denko Dome Oita, and chimneys of factories in Oita Seaside Industrial Zone. It is accessible by car, so you can enjoy the amazing view without hard work.



[Others]

Kamae

Kamae Bayside Walking Trail Course



In addition to nostalgic streetscapes that preserve the memory of the Showa era, you can also enjoy a so-called "Uradon" rice bowl with fresh seafood and sushi as well as Saiki ramen noodles here.

Saiki 1

Naval Town Saiki Time Travel Trail Course



In this city, blessed with marine resources, people have always lived with the ocean. Enjoy a leisurely stroll in the sea breeze!

Saiki 2

Road of History and Literature to Walk with Doppo Course



Stroll along the historical streets noted in connection with Doppo Kunikida, a great writer of the Meiji era, and you will feel as if you walked with him.

Yayoi

Yayoi Course



This trail will open after 2020. Coming soon!

Kamiura

Kamiura Sea Breeze Trail Course



You can enjoy scenic views and the scent of the sea and have a relaxing time in the lap of luxurious nature. If you are lucky, you may also see dolphins.

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Crystal Water Village Trail Course

This trail offers a relaxing walk along the path upstream of the crystal clear Banjo River in a peaceful satoyama landscape. You can enjoy seasonal flowers and riverside views that change with seasons throughout the year, such as the breath of spring, the shine of summer, the glowing hues of autumn reflected on the river, and the river mist of winter. The trail also preserves the memory of the old days, dotted with lovely stone sculptures and a sacred tree some 500 years old.





Crystal Water Village Trail Course

Distance : Approx. 7.0 km
 Duration : Approx. 2.5 hours
 Vertical drop : Approx. 30 m
 Calories burned : Approx. 319 kcal

- Legend
- Prefectural Road number
 - School
 - Post Office
 - Car Parking
 - Multifunctional Toilet
 - Restroom
 - Police Station
 - Basic course Approx. 7.0 km
 - Optional course Approx. 2.0 km

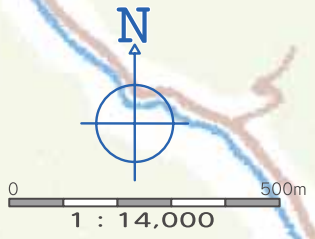
START & GOAL



Miyanokoshiyusui Park

In summer, this park is bustling with river bathers who seek to cool off in the crystal clear water of the Banjo River. The park has a free-of-charge parking lot and washrooms where you can change.

Miyanokoshiyusui Park
 Start Goal



0 500m

Route10→



1 Field of one million rape blossoms

This is the largest flower field in Honjo District, which is dotted with small satoyama landscapes. The field is covered with yellow rape blossoms in spring. Honjo Rape Blossom Festival is also held on a weekend in late March.



2 Stone monuments of Shomen Kongo (Azetsu/Shimohaki)

Although Honjo District has more than 300 Koshin stone monuments, these areas are characterized by their particularly large collection of stone monuments with statues of Shomen Kongo (Blue-faced Guardian Deity). Strangely, their funny poses somehow create a sense of attachment.

4 Stone Lantern at Hakusan Shrine

This 3.8-meter high large stone lantern was donated in 1842. It is very unique in style, with three two-layered stones piled up to form the base. These stones have not shifted in position despite almost 180 years having passed.



3 Shimomimata's six statues of Jizo carved in relief on a single stone

A tuff (with a height of 55 cm and a width of 130 cm) set in the stone wall has a shallow relief of six statues of Jizo (the Guardian Deity of Travelers and Children). Statues of Jizo are usually carved separately, but this relief, carved on a single stone, is a rare exception.



5 Hydrangea Road

The path running upstream from Miyanokoshiyumizu Park is called "Hydrangea Road" as it is lined with hydrangeas in different colors in June. The road stretches for about 1 km.

6 A stone monument of Hakiharu no Izumo

This stone monument is very unique with a statue of Daikokuten (the God of the Harvest) and a statue of Ebisu (the God of Fishermen and Tradesmen) placed one above the other. It was built years ago to pray to the agricultural deity of Izumo for protection from insect damage and serious illnesses. It is called as "Izumo-sama" and worshipped by local people.



9 Ai no Sato Kobo

They continue to produce Yukinko Sushi, which is decorated with a number of awards, including the award from the Director General of Forestry Agency at the Mushroom Cooking Contest and now recognized as a representative satoyama dish of Saiki. Though it is a factory, it serves a special lunch if you book it.



8 Sacred Tree of Hoshoku Shrine

This sacred cedar tree with a basal circumference of 5.8 meters is estimated to be 500 years old. This is much older than other old trees in the district. Moreover, a magnificent view of the crystal clear Banjo River stretches out beneath the shrine. It's a surprisingly spiritual and scenic spot.



7 Submerged Bridge (Ichiyagaeshi/Nagahata)

When flooding, driftwood flows over the bridge, along with the muddy current. Crossing just above the river, this bridge provides a unique view of the riverside. It is also thrilling to cross the bridge by car!