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## Digest English Version

Your source  
for traveling in Akita.

Yu La La digest is your guide to the sights in Akita City. It is a compact summary of places of interest, leisure spots, and convenient information. Combine this with the city map on the back to customize your visit.

Amusement  
Artistry  
Appetizing  
Food

Event & sightseeing information for Akita City can be found at Akita City sightseeing portal site Bibitto Channel Akitachi!

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**Akitachi**

<http://akitacity.info/>



Information is accurate as of May 1, 2014. Please note that it is subject to change.

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# Welcome to Akita City. Access Information

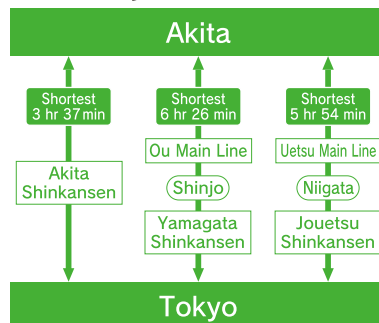
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## Airways



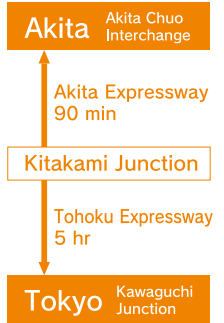
- ANA (All Nippon Airways) TEL.:0570-029-222
  - JAL/J-AIR (Japan Airlines Japan) TEL.:0570-025-071
  - KAL (Korean Air) TEL.:0088-21-2001
  - Akita Airport Terminal Building TEL.:018-886-3366
- ※It is about 35 minutes from Akita Airport to Akita Station by car.
- Airport Limousine Bus  
...Sixteen runs a day to the airport.  
Eighteen runs a day to Akita Station. (running every day)  
Akita Chuo Kotsu TEL.:018-823-4411

## Railways



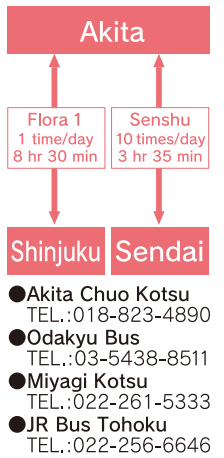
- East Japan Railway Customer Center TEL.:050-2016-1603 (Telephone guide in English, Hangul, and Chinese)

## Expressway

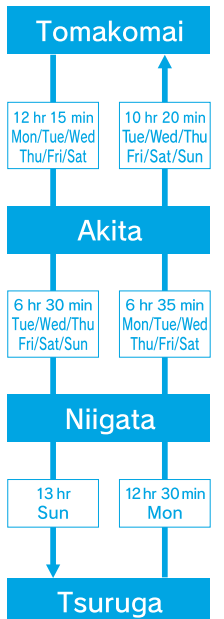


- Japan Road Traffic Information Center (Akita Information) TEL.:050-3369-6605

## Express Bus



## Ferry



- Shin Nihonkai Ferry Akita Ferry Terminal TEL.:018-880-2600

Enjoying walking around Akita.

# Places of Interest in Akita City 秋田市の みどころ

You can use the convenient Loop Bus and Kururin Sightseeing Pass to get around town. See the back for detailed information.

(Kubota Castle Ruins)

## Guide to Senshu Park

千秋公園ガイド **City map: A-6** **Access** About 10 minutes from Akita Station on foot.



Ruins of Kubota Castle, which was home to the Satake family, which ruled Akita. Please get a feel for the seasons of Akita here including cherry blossoms and azaleas in the spring.



↓ Area Nakaichi



### 1 Front Gate of Kubota Castle

久保田城表門

This wooden, two-story turret gate with tiled roof stood at the front gate protecting Kubota Castle.



### 2 Kubota Castle's Osumiyagura Turret

久保田城御隅櫓

This building served as both a lookout and a weapons depot. A panoramic view of the city can be had from the observation gallery.



### 3 Satake Historical Museum

佐竹史料館

This museum houses materials related to the Satake family, which was an offshoot of the Seiwa Genji clan and one of the oldest lines of feudal lords in the entire country.



### 4 Tea-Ceremony House Sen-an

茶室宣庵

The wash basin, which is shaped like a boat, is three meters long. It is said that Kiyomasa Kato brought it home with him from Korea.



### Akita Senshu Museum of Art (in Atorion)

秋田市立千秋美術館(アトリオン内) **City map: B-6**

It holds special exhibitions of outstanding works from both Japan and overseas. It houses many works by Akita artists, including Akita ranga (Dutch-style) paintings by Satake Shozan and Odano Naotake. It also has a memorial annex for Okada Kenzo, whose works were highly rated in New York.

**Access** About 4 minutes from Akita Station on foot. TEL.:018-836-7860



### Akita Ranga Paintings 秋田蘭画

"Scarlet Lotus" by Satake Shozan (at Akita Senshu Museum of Art)



### Akita City Folklore and Performing Arts Center

民俗芸能伝承館 ねぶり流し館 **City map: B-5**

It showcases folk performing art such as the Kanto Festival and Tsuchizaki Shinmeisha Shrine Festival. You can see a demonstration by the Kanto Association every Saturday, Sunday, and holiday (1:30 p.m. - 2:10 p.m.) from April to October.

**Access** About 12 minutes from Akita Station on foot. TEL.:018-866-7091



### Akarenga (Red Brick) Folk Museum

赤れんが郷土館 **City map: B-5**

This is a European-style building (national important cultural asset) built at the end of the Meiji era to serve as the old central branch of Akita Bank. Inside you will find traditional arts and crafts, prints by Tokushi Katsuhira, and a room commemorating living national treasure Shiro Sekiya.

**Access** About 12 minutes from Akita Station on foot. TEL.:018-864-6851



Enjoy the great outdoors in Akita all year round.

# Nature experience 自然体験

Let's all enjoy leisure activities.



## Mt. Taihei Resort Park 太平山リゾート公園 Area map: a-3 ⑨

A leisure spot surrounded by the nature of Mt. Taihei. The four seasons of Akita can be enjoyed here, where you will find a hot spring, ski area, flower park, campground, botanical garden, etc.

**Access** About 30 minutes from Akita Station by car.

General Information Desk TEL.:018-827-2270(8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)



## Mt. Taihei Resort Park Kur Dome The Boon クアドーム ザ・ブーン

Area map: a-3 ⑨

At this spa, where it's always summer, you can relax in the central pool, circulating pool, outdoor hot spring, and lookout bath.

**Access** About 30 minutes from Akita Station by car. TEL.:018-827-2301



## Mt. Taihei Resort Park Mt. Taihei Ski Resort Opas 太平山スキー場 オーパス

Area map: a-3 ⑩

Complete with high-speed quad ski lift and lights for night skiing. Excellent skiing and snowboarding school for beginners and veterans alike.

**Access** About 30 minutes from Akita Station by car. TEL.:018-827-2221



## Omoriyama Zoo - Milve 大森山動物園 Area map: c-1 ⑪

It is located in a corner of verdant Omoriyama Park with a full view of Akita City. There is something for people of every age including a petting zoo where you can pet small animals and animal feeding where you can watch the animals being fed up close or even try it yourself (for a fee).

Open Mar. 15 to Nov. 30 and winter (Sat., Sun., and holidays from Jan. to Feb.)

**Access** About 30 minutes from Akita Station by car. TEL.:018-828-5508

Full of the appeal of outdoor sports.



## Akita Prefectural Central Park

秋田県立中央公園

Area map: c-3 ⑫

Here you can enjoy picnics, taking a stroll, various sports, and cycling. There is an obstacle course with as many as 140 obstacles. It was the site of the Akita Wakasugi National Athletic Meet in 2007.

**Access** About 30 minutes from Akita Station by car, about 5 minutes from Wada Station by car.



## Obstacle Course フィールドアスレチック

## Katsurahama and Shimohama Seaside Resorts 桂浜・下浜海水浴場

Area map: c-1 ⑬⑭

The Sea of Japan along the coast of Akita is calm. The beautiful evening sun is a magnificent sight.

**Access** Katsurahama... About 35 minutes from Akita Station by car. Shimohama... About 40 minutes from Akita Station by car.



## Golf Courses ゴルフ場

They are located just a short drive from the center of Akita City. Each boasts an excellent and original course design.



## Akita Country Club

秋田カントリー倶楽部

City map: A-2

<27 holes/Par 108>

About 20 minutes from Akita Station by car.

TEL.:018-863-6541



## Akita Tsubakidai Country Club

秋田椿台カントリークラブ

Area map: c-2 ⑮

<27 holes/Par 108>

About 5 minutes from Akita Airport and Akita Airport Interchange by car

About 35 minutes from Akita Station by car.

TEL.:018-886-8888



## Minami Akita Country Club

南秋田カントリークラブ

Area map: a-2 ⑯

<18 holes/Par 72>

About 35 minutes from Akita Station by car.

TEL.:018-873-3824

## North Hampton Golf Club

ノースハンプトンゴルフ倶楽部

Area map: c-4 ⑰

<18 holes/Par 72>

About 20 minutes from Akita Airport by car.

About 40 minutes from Akita Station by car.

TEL.:018-882-5071

## Refresh Garden

リフレッシュガーデン

Area map: c-2 ⑱

<9 holes/Par 29>

About 20 minutes from Akita Station by car.

TEL.:018-826-1717

## Akita Mt. Taihei Country Club

秋田太平山カントリークラブ

Area map: b-3 ⑲

<18 holes/Par 72>

About 20 minutes from Akita Station by car.

TEL.:018-838-3333

## Akita Riverside Greens

秋田リバーサイドグリーン

Area map: c-2 ⑳

<9 holes/Par 36>

About 20 minutes from Akita Station by car.

TEL.:018-829-0223

# 食 Delicious Specialty Dishes

## Taste of Akita

秋田の味



### Kiritanpo

きりたんぼ

Kiritanpo is made by cooking new rice, mashing it coarsely, putting it on skewers made of Akita cedar, and baking it. In the fall, people share the joy of the harvest by boiling mushrooms and other vegetables with local Hinai chicken and then putting kiritanpo in to make a delicious stew.



### Akita Rice 秋田米

Blessed with rich soil, plentiful water, and an optimal day/night temperature difference, Akita has boasted of abundant rice production since early times. There is a large variety of rice foods in Akita, including kiritanpo, dried rice cakes, rice crackers, and foods rolled in rice flour.



### Inaniwa Udon

稲庭うどん

A dry noodle that originated in Inakawa, Yuzawa City at the beginning of the Edo period. It has a smooth taste, and it is a very elastic noodle despite being thin. It is made using time-honored techniques such as stretching the noodles by hand.



### Gakko

がっこ

"Gakko" is pickles. Local vegetables are enjoyed by pickling them. They include "iburigakko," made by smoking radish, "natazuke," which is cut with a rough-edged machete, "misozuke," and "kasuzuke."

### Local Sake

地酒

Akita boasts of both abundant rice and sake production. Delicious sake is brewed by almost 40 breweries using traditional techniques that exploit the cold and snowy climate.

# 技 Arts and Crafts

The techniques of artisans passed down from generation to generation.

秋田市の工芸品



### Akita Fukizuri Butterbur Stamping

秋田露摺

A dye craft in which the veins of the Akita butterbur leaf and the thin strings of the stalk are stamped on cloth and paper. The form of actual Akita butterbur is also stamped on sliding door paper and folding screens, etc.

### Ginsenzaiku

銀線細工

A traditional craft in which extra-fine silver wire that resembles thread is used to make exquisite jewelry and works of art. Intertwined silver wire is flattened with a roller and wrapped around each other and weaved, resulting in a subdued radiance. It has been designated an Akita City designated intangible cultural asset.



### Mokume-gane 杢目銅

Mokume-gane, which is made by stacking and forging several different metals, is a technique that originated in Akita, an area that was rich in gold, silver, and copper. It was used to make armor and adornments in the Edo period, while accessories, flower vases, and so forth enjoy popularity today.



### Ikomanuri Lacquerware

生駒塗

Ikomanuri, which is the product of repeated research on Okinawa and Ryukyu lacquerware techniques, is said to be the northernmost lacquerware with a vermilion-lacquered, solid-color finish.



### Akita Yaki Pottery

秋田焼

Akita Yaki is characterized by the simple texture of unglazed pottery and its humorous three-dimensional carvings. They take on a black luster when used often.

# Souvenir Shops

おみやげ店



### ■Akita Citizen's Market

■秋田市民市場

The market has roughly 80 shops. Selling fresh seafood caught locally, mountain plants and mushrooms, and other seasonal vegetables, etc.

- Data City map: B-6
- Business hours: 5:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Closed: Sunday (subject to change during busy season)
- TEL.:018-833-1855
- Address: 4-7-35 Nakadori, Akita City



### ■Akita Station Building "Topico"

■秋田ステーションビル トピコ

Connected directly with JR Akita Station. On the first floor are a farmer's market and fast food restaurants, while on the second floor you will find confections, souvenirs, and even ready-made foods.

- Data City map: B-7
- Business hours: 1st floor: 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., 2nd floor: 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., 3rd floor: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
- TEL.:018-833-2416
- Closed: Open throughout the year
- Address: 7-1-2 Nakadori, Akita City

## Seafood, Mountain plants, Tonburi, Kiritanpo

The craftsmanship and bounty of Akita to help you remember your trip.



### ■Akita Prefectural Goods Plaza

■あきた県産品プラザ

Here you will find a wide variety of products including Kiritanpo, Inaniwa noodles, traditional arts and crafts, local sake, and newly developed products.

- Data City map: B-6
- Business hours: 9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
- Closed: New Year's Day and occasionally other days to take inventory and inspect equipment.
- TEL.:018-836-7830
- Address: Basement, Aatorin, 2-3-8 Nakadori, Akita City



### ■Akita Marugoto Market

■秋田まるごと市場

At this large store you can find Akita's signature agricultural products and arts and crafts, as well as seafood, fresh vegetables, and fresh meat.

- Data City map: D-5
- Business hours: 9:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. (Please inquire for further information about restaurants.)
- Closed: Open throughout the year
- TEL.:018-866-8001
- Address: 2-2-7 Oroshimachi, Akita City
- Parking available for large buses.



Experience intact nature at a world natural heritage site.

## Shirakami-Sanchi Area

**Inquiries:**  
Fujisatomachi Town Office TEL.:0185-79-2111  
Shirakami-Sanchi World Heritage Conservation Center (Fujisato) TEL.:0185-79-3001



Dakedai Nature Education Forest



Fujisato World Heritage Center

**Access** To get to the Fujisato World Heritage Center, take a train from Akita Station on the JR Ou down main line and get off at Futatsui Station. It is about 30 minutes from there by bus. About 120 minutes from Akita Station by car.

The legend of Namahage roars on the precipitous cliffs of the coastline.

## Oga Peninsula Area

**Inquiries:**  
Oga City Tourist Association TEL.:0185-24-4700  
Oga Aquarium GAO TEL.:0185-32-2221  
Namahage Museum TEL.:0185-22-5050



Oga Aquarium GAO



Namahage Museum

**Access** To get to Oga Aquarium GAO, take the JR Oga down line from Akita Station and get off at Hadachi Station. It is about 60 minutes from there by bus. About 75 minutes from Akita Station by car.

### Oga Peninsula Regular Sightseeing Bus (2014)

Buses <No. 4> to Oga Aquarium GAO, Cape Nyudo, and Namahage Museum, etc., leave from the east entrance of Akita Station.

**Nagisa Course** May 17 (Sat.) - November 16 (Sun.)

**Tsubaki Course** May 18 (Sun.) - November 17 (Mon.)

■Please inquire for further information.

**Inquiries:** Akita Chuo Kotsu Co., Ltd. TEL.: 018-862-9600

\*Both courses require booking from 2 month to 7 days in advance. The bus will not run if there are no reservations. The "Nagisa Course" and "Tsubaki Course" can be combined. Please inquire for further information.

The Kyoto-like flavor and the legend of the lake invite you.

## Kakunodate/Lake Tazawa Area

**Inquiries:**  
Lake Tazawa Tourist Information Center "Folake" TEL.:0187-43-2111  
Kakunodatemachi Tourist Association TEL.:0187-54-2700



Kakunodate Bukeyashiki Street



Statue of Tatsuko in Lake Tazawa

**Access** To get to Kakunodate Bukeyashiki Street, take the JR Akita Shinkansen (Lake Tazawa Line) from Akita Station and get off at Kakunodate Station. It is about 20 minutes from there on foot. About 60 minutes from Akita Station by car. To get to Lake Tazawa, take the JR Akita Shinkansen (Lake Tazawa line) from Akita Station and get off at Lake Tazawa Station. It is about 12 minutes from there by bus. About 90 minutes from Akita Station by car.

## Information インフォメーション



**Taxis** タクシー

■Base fare (up to 1.5km)

●Small taxi .....¥710

●Medium taxi .....¥730

●Large taxi .....¥950

※Late night/early morning (10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. the next day) is 20 percent extra.

※Taxis can be found waiting throughout the city, but one can be called to a specific location for free.

※Even if the taxi company does not have a special vehicle for disabled persons or a dedicated wheelchair vehicle, all taxi companies can accommodate you if you tell them that you are physically handicapped.

Contact

Akita Branch, Akita Prefecture Hired Car Association Tel.:018-864-3631

Welcome to Akita!



You get a "Yado Kaeru Ticket" (taxi ticket) worth 300 yen for every 3,000 yen spent on food and drink at participating restaurants.

Contact information

Akita Branch, Akita Prefecture Taxi Association TEL.:018-864-3631

Akita Restaurant Association TEL.:018-834-1809



**Rent-a-car** レンタカー

**Toyota Rent-a-lease Akita, Akita Station Branch**

4-6-5 Nakadori, Akita City TEL 018-833-0100 Toll-free 0120-410065 [City map:B-6](#)

**NISSAN Rent a car Akita, Omachi Branch**

1-4-41 Omachi, Akita City TEL 018-824-4123 Toll-free 0120-334123 [City map:B-5](#)

**Eki Rent a car, Akita Office**

7-1-1 Nakadori, Akita City TEL 018-833-9308 [City map:B-6](#)



**Rent-a-cycle** レンタサイクル

**Akita City Tourist Board Information Center** \*See below

7-1-2 Nakadori, Akita City (in front of Akita Shinkansen ticket gate) TEL.:018-832-7941

Free from April to November \*Subject to change due to the weather [City map:B-7](#)

**Cycle Shop Takahashi**

1-6-27 Omachi TEL.:018-862-6261

Regular bicycle: 1,080 yen/day Sport bicycle: Starting at 2,160 yen/day [City map:A-5](#)

Closed: Tue. (Mar.-Dec.) \*Tue. & Wed. in Jan. & Feb.

## Visitor Information 観光案内

Please feel free to ask these places about sightseeing.

**Akita City Tourist Board**

**Information Center** 秋田市観光案内所

■Hours : 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Open until 6:00 p.m. from November-March

■Closed : December 31 - January 2

7-1-2 Nakadori, Akita City Located

inside Akita Station (in front of Akita

Shinkansen ticket gate)

TEL.: 018-832-7941



Also open on Saturday and Sunday

A search terminal with comprehensive bus information is available.

**Akita City Tourism and Industry Department** 秋田市観光物産課

■Hours : 8:30 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.

■Closed : Saturday/ Sunday/ Holidays, December 29 - January 3

1-1-1 Sanno, Akita City TEL.: 018-866-2112



Akita Convention & Visitors Bureau  
心むすんでひらいて秋田

**Akita Convention & Visitors Bureau**

(公財) 秋田観光コンベンション協会

■Hours : 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

■Closed : Saturday/Sunday/Holidays,

December 29 - January 3

1st Floor, E-Hotel Akita, 2-2-12 Omachi,

Akita City

TEL 018-824-8686 FAX 018-824-0400



Mobile Site

<http://www.acvb.or.jp/>

Email: [acvb@acvb.or.jp](mailto:acvb@acvb.or.jp)



The four facilities (Akita City Nigiwai Community Pavilion, Akita Museum of Art, commerce/restaurant building, and residential building) and plaza facing Senshu Park serve as a venue for festivities and exchange.

City map: B-6

Access About 10 minutes from Akita Station on foot  
Akita Machizukuri Co., Ltd.  
TEL.:018-874-7500



### Akita Museum of Art

Designed by Tadao Ando, the new museum houses the works of Tsuguharu Foujita, including The Events of Akita, serves as a venue for showcasing artistic and cultural activities, and acts as the new cultural symbol for the city.

Access About 10 minutes from Akita Station on foot.  
Akita Museum of Art  
TEL.:018-853-8686

Image / Akita Museum of Art  
Tsuguharu Foujita's mural The Events of Akita

"The Events of Akita" (1937) by Tsuguharu Foujita ©ADAGP, Paris & SPDA, Tokyo, 2014 D0510

Tsuguharu Foujita's mural The Events of Akita 藤田嗣治の大壁画「秋田の行事」 City map: B-6

Tsuguharu Foujita, a western-style painter who worked in Paris under the name Leonard Foujita. You can see the huge mural titled Seasonal Events in Akita (3.65 meters high and 20.50 meters wide), which depicts festivals and life in Akita, at Akita Museum of Art.

**P Nakaichi Parking Lot** First 30 minutes is free. 100yen/hour



One of the foremost downtown areas in Tohoku with plenty of atmosphere

**Kawabata** 川反(かわばた) City map: B-5

An entertainment district located along the Asahikawa River. It has been referred to as the district of 1,000 establishments from days of old. Kawabata, which literally means opposite side of the river, was so named because it was on the other side of the river as the samurai looked at it from the town district around the castle.

Access About 12 minutes from Akita Station on foot



**Akita Butterbur** 秋田蒔 Area map: c-2 4

Akita butterbur, which is sung about in the folk song Akita Ondo, is a signature agricultural product famous for the size of its leaves and the length of its stalk. You can observe and take photos of beautiful young women from Akita reaping the giant butterbur at an event in the Niida area around mid-June.

Access About 25 minutes from Akita Station by car.



**Akita City Port Tower Selion**  
秋田市ポータタワー セリオン

Area map: b-1 2

This tower is 143 meters high. From the observatory at 100 meters, you can get a 360-degree panoramic view of the Sea of Japan, Oga Peninsula, and Mt.Chokai. Viewing hours (9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.)

Access About 20 minutes from Akita Station by car, about 25 minutes from Tsuchizaki Station on foot. TEL.:018-857-3381



**Akita Prefectural Museum**

秋田県立博物館 Area map: a-1 2

A general museum in Akita. Classes for tie-dyeing and other activities are popular.

Access About 30 minutes from Akita Station by car, about 20 minutes from Oiwake Station on foot. TEL.:018-873-4121



**Koizumigata Park / Suishinen Garden** Area map: a-1 2

An outdoor spot surrounding a "male lagoon" and a "female lagoon." There is also a full-fledged Japanese garden.

Access About 30 minutes from Akita Station by car. About 20 minutes from Oiwake Station on foot. TEL.:018-873-5272



**Soya Gorge (Iwami Gorge)**

峯谷峡(岩見峡) Area map: b-4 5

The massive rock precipice that stretches 300 meters along the headwaters of Iwami River is a sight to behold during the fresh verdure of spring and autumn foliage. The areas along the mountain streams of the Omata River and the Komata River are full of charm for nature lovers.

Access About 45 minutes from Akita Station by car, about 35 minutes from Wada Station by car.



**Hana-no-Sato Park** 華の里

Area map: c-2 6

Here you will find the Villa Flora Sightseeing & Exchange Pavilion, the Akita International Dahlia Garden with about 700 varieties of dahlia from 14 countries, a restaurant and cheese pavilion built in an old reconstructed home, and Koetsudo Museum of Art, etc.

Access About 40 minutes from Akita Station by car. Villa Flora TEL.:018-881-3011



**International University**

国際教養大学 Area map: c-3 7

International University has attracted attention for its unique curriculum, including its thorough English-language environment and intensive English program with small class sizes.

Access About 30 minutes from Akita Station by car, about 5 minutes from Wada Station by car. TEL.:018-886-5900

History Visit the history of Akita.

# Stroll Through History

秋田市の  
歴史散策



**Tentokuji Temple** 天徳寺

Area map: b-2 ㉒

This is the family temple of the Satake family, which ruled Akita. Every year on August 16 and 17 the temple opens to the public its treasures, including Satake family heirlooms. It is a national important cultural asset.

Access About 15 minutes from Akita Station by car.



**Hodaji Temple** 補陀寺

Area map: b-2 ㉓

This is the Akita family temple, the oldest Soto sect Zen temple in the prefecture. It is said that Fujiwara no Fujifusa, who was an aide to Emperor Godaigo, was the second person to become the priest of the temple. City Tangible Cultural Asset

Access About 25 minutes from Akita Station by car.



**Outer East Gate of Akita Castle Ruins**

秋田城跡外郭東門 Area map: b-1 ㉔

Ruins of the local government that was created as the northernmost line of defense during the Nara era. The East Gate was reproduced using industrial methods used at the time of its original construction and local wood. Designated a national historical site

Access About 15 minutes from Akita Station by car.



**Akita Castle Remains  
Excavated Article Warehouse**

秋田城跡 出土品収蔵庫

TEL.:018-846-9595



**Jizoden Ruins-"Yayoikko Village"**

地蔵田遺跡「弥生つこ村」 Area map: c-2 ㉕

The first wood fence-enclosed village ruins from the early Yayoi Period discovered in Japan. Designated a national historical site. The flame for the Akita Wakasugi National Athletic Meet was lit here in 2007 after the site was restored by hand by the citizens.

Access About 25 minutes from Akita Station by car.



**Mt. Taihei Miyoshi Shrine**

太平山三吉神社 Area map: b-2 ㉖

Worshipping the patron saint of "victory & success" and "business prosperity," at this Shinto shrine Sakanoue no Tamuramaro is said to have prayed for victory during the expedition against the Emishi. The Miyoshi Bonden Festival is held on January 17.

Access About 7 minutes from Akita Station by car.



**Old Kurosawa Family House**

旧黒澤家住宅

Area map: b-2 ㉗

The front gate is a tenement house gate with a stone shingle roof. The vestibule, study, and kitchen are lined up side by side. It is a national important cultural asset.

Access About 15 minutes from Akita Station by car. TEL.:018-831-0285



**Saga Family House**

嵯峨家住宅

Area map: b-3 ㉘

This house of a wealthy farmer from the mid-Edo period has a splendid double inner gate construction and thatched roof. It is a national important cultural asset. The 19th generation family head currently lives in the house. (Reservation required for tour of house.)

Access About 20 minutes from Akita Station by car. TEL.:018-838-2015

# 祭 Festivals of Akita



## Kanto Festival 竿燈まつり August 3-6

**[Night/Main Event]** Kanto Street  
6:15 p.m.: Traffic restriction  
(6:00 p.m. for Akita Chuo Doro Station East Entrance)  
6:45 p.m.: Kanto entrance (tentative)  
7:20 p.m.: Kanto performance  
8:25 p.m.: Interaction with Kanto (take photographs/try Kanto)  
8:50 p.m.: Kanto departure  
9:30 p.m.: Lifting of traffic restriction

**[Gourmet festival of local foods]**

Across from E-Hotel Akita **City map: B-5**  
August 3-6/3:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

**[Daytime Kanto (display of special feats)]**  
Nigiwai Plaza, Area Nakaichi

**City map: B-6**

August 4-6 9:20 a.m. - around 3:20 p.m.

**[Open-air Stalls]**

City Hall Location **City map: B-4**

August 2-6/3:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Central Plaza **City map: B-6**

August 3-6/3:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.



**Tsuchizaki Minato Hikiyama Festival**

(Tsuchizaki Float Festival)

土崎港曳山まつり【土崎神明社例大祭】

July 20-21 (Tsuchizaki Port/Hommachi Street)



**Akita City Summer Festival  
Omonogawa River Fireworks**

秋田市夏まつり 雄物川花火大会

August 10 (Omonogawa River Riverbed (Araya))



**Autumn leaves in Kawabe area**

河辺地区の紅葉

Best when viewed

in late October (Kawabe)



**Daishoji Okesa Festival**

大正寺おけさまつり

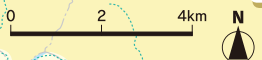
The third Sunday in August (Yuwa)

[Contact] Akita City Kanto Festival Executive Committee  
Website <http://www.kantou.gr.jp/>  
TEL.:018-866-2112 (Akita City Commerce & Tourism Section)

[Kanto Festival Grandstand]  
[Seating Reservation Center]  
TEL.:018-866-9977

\*The event and venue are subject to change.

# Akita City Area Map



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※ A map of Akita City is on the back.

To Omagari I.C.





**ATM International ATM Service (ATMサービス)**  
 ※You can withdraw money with the credit card or cash card published by the overseas institution.

**《Japan Post Bank ATM (ゆうちょ銀行ATM)》**  
 Available Card: VISA/VISA ELECTRON/P/LUS/MasterCard/Maestro/Cirrus/American Express/Diners Club/JCB/China Unionpay/DISCOVER

**《Seven Bank ATM (セブン銀行ATM)》**  
 Available Card: VISA/P/LUS/MasterCard/Maestro/Cirrus/American Express/Diners Club/JCB/China Unionpay/DISCOVER

1 Akita Station Building "Topico" 2F 8:00~21:00	7 SEIBU AKITA B1 9:30~21:00
2 Japan Post Bank Akita 8:00~21:00 (Saturday-Sunday-Holiday 9:00~19:00)	8 FONTE AKITA B1 9:30~20:00
3 FONTE AKITA B1 9:30~20:00 (Saturday-Sunday-Holiday 9:30~19:00)	9 Seven Eleven Akita-Nakadori-Rokuchoume 24hours
4 Akita-Ekimae Post Office 9:00~19:00 (Saturday 9:00~12:30) [Closed] Sunday-Holiday	10 Seven Eleven Akita-Torimachi 24hours
5 Akita-Nakadori-Ichi Post Office 9:00~19:00 (Saturday 9:00~17:00) [Closed] Sunday-Holiday	
6 Central Post Office ※Shown in A-5 7:00~23:00 (Saturday-Sunday-Holiday 9:00~19:00)	

**¥ Money Exchange (外貨両替)**  
 ※[Closed] Saturday-Sunday-Holiday

1 Japan Post Bank Akita 9:00~16:00 Currency: USD/EUR/KRW/GBP/AUD/CAD/CNY/CHF	3 Hokuto Bank Akita-Ekimae 9:00~15:00 Currency: USD
2 Akita Bank Akita-Ekimae 9:00~15:00 Currency: USD/CAD/EUR/GBP/AUD/KRW/CNY	4 Hokuto Bank Main Office 9:00~15:00 Currency: USD
	5 Central Post Office ※Shown in A-5 9:00~18:00 Currency: USD/EUR/KRW/GBP/AUD/CAD/CHF

Use the bus to tour places of interest around the city!

**ぐるぐる Downtown Loop Bus**

- Buses run from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- One loop takes about 20 minutes
- Three buses every hour
- Bus Stop #10, Akita Station West Exit
- Fare: 100yen (Kids in grade school and younger ride for free)
- Money-saving all-you-can-ride day ticket: 300yen

Key: Bus Stop, Route

**Universal ticket Miruka Net**

This is a universal ticket for entrance to the following seven cultural facilities located in Akita City. Please use it to explore the art and history of Akita. Tickets can be purchased at participating facilities.

**500yen ticket**

- Akita Senshu Museum of Art
- Akarenga (Red Brick) Folk Museum
- Folklore and Performing Arts Center (Neburinagashi Center)
- Old Kaneko Family House
- Satake Historical Museum
- Kubota Castle's Osumiyagura Turret
- Old Kurosawa Family House

**秋田 MAP**

**AKITA City Central Area**  
 秋田市街地

Yu La La  
 Akita City Walking Guide [遊来楽]

[Key] H Accommodation (ホテル・旅館) S Store (ショッピング店) C Convenience store (コンビニ) F Convention Facility (コンベンション施設)

B Bank (銀行) ¥ Foreign Money Exchange (外貨両替対応) I Internet Space (インターネットスペース) NO LARGE OVERSIZED VEHICLES (大型車通行禁止)



