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 Tokyo **Akita Shinkansen Komachi** **Omigari Station** Omigari Station by Komachi → Omigari Bus Terminal → (By bus 23 min)
 About 1 hour 40 min
 Sendai **Akita Shinkansen Komachi** **Omigari Station** → Rokugo Komemachi Stop → (On foot 5 min) → Meisui-Ichiba Yutaro



By Airplane

About 1 hour 10 min
 Haneda Airport **ANA / JAL direct flights** **Akita Airport** About 40 min
Airport Limousine



About 50 min
 Akita Station **Ohu Line** **Omigari Station** Omigari Station → Omigari Bus Terminal → (By bus 23 min)
 → Rokugo Komemachi Stop → (On foot 5 min) → Meisui-Ichiba Yutaro



By Car

About 2 hour 10 min
 Sendai-Miyagi IC **Tohoku Expressway → Akita Expressway** **Yokote IC** About 15 min
National Highway 13

Misato Roadside Station

Get information about Misato Town at the Tourist Information Center !

Misato Town, Akita Prefecture Tourism Information Official Website



This site is full of information on Enjoy, Learn, Experience, Exercise, Shopping, Stay and Spa !

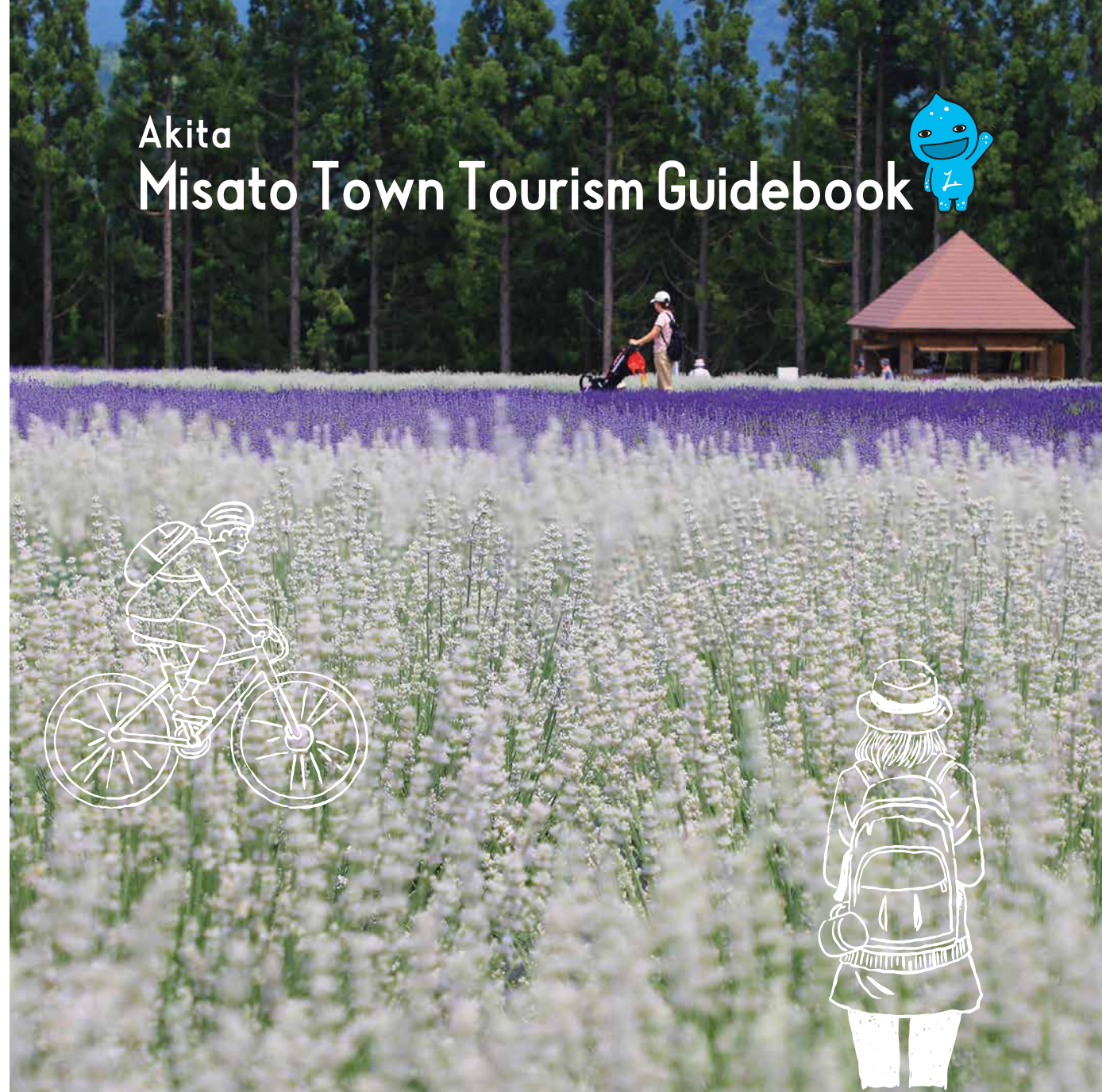
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Akita Misato Town Tourism Guidebook





The four seasons have stark contrast from one another,
 the air is very fresh and clear,
 the water is also delicious,
 and your mind and body will be healed.
 Please enjoy traveling without worrying about the time.



Misato Town
 is here!

Let's travel to Misato Town, Akita!

Find your beautiful scenes in Misato

Misato Town is located in the south central eastern part of Akita Prefecture. The town is full of delicious groundwater (natural spring water), has pleasant nature close at hand, beautiful scenery in the changing seasons, and is easily accessible, making it a good place to live. Let's start by discovering beautiful scenes in Misato for yourself. A pleasure trip awaits you.



Misato Town Lavender Garden and Odaino Park



The lavender garden spreads out at the foot of the majestic Ohu Mountain Range. In full bloom, 20,000 lavender plants turn the field into white and purple carpets with the refreshing fragrance in the air. During the season, visitors can enjoy picking lavender plants.



White Lavender Misato Sekka

The white lavender "Misato Sekka" was discovered in Misato Town lavender garden. It was registered as a variety in 2013, and Misato Town is now in possession of an original lavender variety. The fragrance has a gentle and lovely sweetness while possessing the freshness unique to lavender. It was named "Misato Sekka" in the hope that beautiful snow crystals (Sekka) would be seen in Misato Town in early summer.



Misato Sekka Room Fragrance

This room fragrance uses floral water extracted from "Misato Sekka" by vacuum and low temperature extraction method. The gorgeous, gentle and lovely fragrance creates a calm and healing space.



Multipurpose Sports Ground

The grass field can be used for one soccer field for general use and two fields for junior use.

Adventure Field

There is a lot of playground equipment for children. Let's challenge!

Grass Field

Suitable for picnics and BBQ.

Park Golf and Mallet Golf Course

This is a full-scale course with 27 holes in 3 courses. Beginner to advanced players can enjoy the courses.

Ground Golf Course

Enjoy an exciting game with a magnificent view.



Lavender Festival
Event dates
Mid-June to Early-July



Nana Narisawa

A domestic variety created in about 1998, and is said to be a long eared selection of the dark purple early bloom. It is characterized by its long flower spikes and vivid purple color.



Okamurasaki

This variety has long flower spikes and large branches. Its growth is rather slow, but it has a good fragrance.



Noushihayazaki

This variety was donated by Nakafurano Town, Hokkaido, which has been in exchange with Misato Town through the town flower of lavender. The flower spikes are short and turn dark purple from bud stage, and bloom early, just before flowering. It keeps its beautiful color in dried flowers.



Lavandin

This variety was also donated by Nakafurano Town. It is a late blooming variety with a light purple color and a clean fragrance.



Super Sevillian Blue

Not only suitable for the hot and humid climate of Japan, it can also endure the cold of winter. It is a late bloomer in our garden, but has beautiful blue-purple flower spikes and strong fragrance.



Sakigake

This variety blooms earlier than Noushihayazaki and features a pale light blue flower color.



Go for a walk around spring waters!
Stroll and feel the healing power of the springs.



Let's go for a walk around Rokugo Springs, selected as one of the 100 Exquisite Waters in Japan!

There are 126 springs in Misato Town. Among them, Rokugo Springs blend into local people's life. Stroll slowly and be healed by the springs.

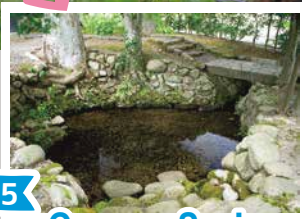
4 Odaidokoro Spring

It is called Odaidokoro because Akita Domain Lord Satake Yoshitaka used it for cooking and tea.



3 Kume Spring

The name Kume comes from the nearby Kume family who used it as their kitchen, also known as Toba Spring.



5 Capeco Spring

There is no origin, but "Cape" means male organ in dialect, and "co" is a familiar name in Akita.

1 Meisui-Ichiba Yutaro Start!

Yutaro is the best spot to explore Rokugo Springs. You can also have lunch or buy souvenirs.

Opening hours and holidays depend on the tenant.
☎ / 0187-84-0020



2 Hatachiya Spring

This Spring located in Hatachiya liquor store. You can see it bubbling up, so please ask Hatachiya before you see it.



6 Shimizu no Yakata

This center is also a place where many people visit to pump spring water.



Rest



Walking around the spring waters and eating delicious food. Touring springs is so fun!



8 Niteko spring

It is named from the Ainu words Nitai (forest) and Kotsu (puddle). It is also known as Gozensui, as this water was given to the Emperor Meiji when he visited here.



7 Fuji Spring

In early summer, wisteria flowers bloom and look beautiful reflected on the water surface, so it is now called Fuji (Wisteria) spring.



Goal

Niteko Meisui-an Kura Cafe

You can enjoy coffee made with spring water, lunch, and Nagashi Somen noodles (summer only).

Sales / 11:00~17:00

●Lunch time (LO) 13:30
●Tea time (LO) 16:00

Closed / Thursday
☎ / 0187-84-0062



Outdoor Activities in Misato

Let's walk around Misato Town full of nature as we please!



The mountains centered on Mt. Mahiru that stretch between Misato Town in Akita and Nishiwaga Town in Iwate offer a spectacular view of the Senboku Plain on the Akita side. Depending on the season, you can also enjoy various alpine plants, autumn leaves, and other sceneries.



Minekoshi Route

The easiest route to reach Mt. Mahiru. From the trailhead, you will follow the border of the prefecture, and soon climb steeply up to Mt. Kitanomata from a good view point. As you walk along the ridge line, you can feel the grandeur of the Ohu Mountain Range. Since the trail is in the forest limit area, you will be walking through small shrubs and bamboo grass on the ridge line.



Akakura Route

Crossing the subterranean Akakura River from the trailhead, walk along the stream. Leaving the stream, you will take the route to Ishidai, which is a wonderful course when the Mahiru beech forest is in fresh green and autumn colors.



Utoh Route

The course takes you through a beautiful deep V-shaped canyon and along the banks of a stream. There are some steep climbs, but you can enjoy the great nature. When you reach Usagidaira, the view opens up and you can enjoy a spectacular view.

Nanataki Route

Mt. Nanataki is 776.3 m high in the Ohu mountain range. The area is 2.6 km long and 1.5 km wide and shaped like a tree leaf. In addition to planted cedar trees, broad-leaved trees such as beech, mizunara (*Quercus crispula*), ash, and zelkova spread out.



Mt. Megami "Behind Crane" Route

Mt. Megami is 955m high, and there is a third class triangle point at the summit. On the way there is the site of Yuda Shrine and the triangle point of Otoshi (478m), and the Kumami where you can see Mt. Nanataki, Kurumori, and Chokai.



Mt. Megami "Dotemori" Route

On the way there is Mt. Dotemori summit with a 740m triangle point, and a spot where you can see the Senboku Plain at the prefectural ridge called "Shishipage". You can enjoy beech and other broad-leaved forests.



A shallow river surrounded by woods where even small children can safely play in the water.

Hotokezawa Park Campground (Free) There is a cooking place and walking path, and hot spring facilities are available nearby.



10P reference

Hot Springs and Lodging Leisure Spots

Introducing 3 hot springs and lodging recreation spots in Misato town.



Kari no Sato Hot Spring Utopia is a recreational spot to enjoy nature in all seasons!

Senhata Hot Spring San-R

The view from the all-glass bathroom is amazing, reflecting the changing seasons. The open-air bath provides additional relaxation, changing its aspect from day to night.

Spring quality :
Sodium sulfate hot spring, effective for arteriosclerosis, cuts, burns, and chronic dermatosis.

10-1 Hotokezawa, Kanezawahigashine, Misato Town
☎ / 0187-84-3983
Hot Spring : 8:00 - 21:00
Rest Area : 9:00 - 16:00
Closed :
3rd Tuesday of every month
Stay : in 15:30 / out 10:00

Rokugo Hot Spring Attaka-Yama

The quiet environment in harmony with the beautiful natural surroundings will warm your body and soul in all seasons. There are 10 cottages where you can stay, and 2 of them are pet-friendly cottages (with private dog runs).

Cottage Stay : in 15:30 / out 9:30
Spring quality :
Sodium and calcium sulfate hot spring with one of the highest calcium ion contents in Japan, effective for ar...

120 Shimobaten, Rokugohigashine, Misato Town
☎ / 0187-84-2641
Open : 6:00 (April-November) / 7:00 (December-March)
Close : 22:00
Bathing :
From opening hours to closing hours
Closed :
2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month



Kari no Sato Hot Spring Utopia

Located on the hill overlooking the ancient battlefield of the Gosannen War, the facility is surrounded by a Camping Ground, a Ski Resort, a Park Golf Ground, and a forest where you can enjoy strolling through the seasonal colors.

Spring quality :
Sodium chloride and hydrogen carbonate hot spring, effective for neuralgia, muscle pain, joint pain and stiff shoulders.

181-2 Higashisaihouji, Iizume, Misato Town
☎ / 0187-83-3210
Hot Spring : 8:30 - 21:00
Closed : Every Monday

Kari no Sato Yamamoto Park



Gosannen Ski Resort

The gentle slopes are popular with snowboarding beginners and children. Use is Free.



Kari no Sato Fureai Forest Campground

There are tent sites, bungalows, and auto campsites.

Misato Town Lodging Facilities Wakuas



Stay, Arena, Multi Purpose room
22-1 Shimotsuruda, Iizume, Misato Town
☎ / 0187-88-8870
Stay : in 15:00 / out 10:00 (book 3 days in advance)

It has 4 Western-style rooms, 10 Japanese-style rooms, a coin laundry room, and Arena. Nearby are sports facilities such as the Misato Town General Gymnasium Lirios, and it can be used for various occasions such as training camps.



Explore history and culture!
 Misato Town is full of places where you can feel the fascinating history.



2 Avenue of Pine and Cedar Trees

The avenue was planted in the Meiji era 30s as part of the village development. We can get a feel for Togaku Sakamoto's vision of a garden city at the time.



1 Togaku Sakamoto Residence and Senya Fault Study Hall

Shows the collection related to Togaku Sakamoto, a pioneer of the Meiji era. The Senya Fault, which was the origin of the Rikuu Earthquake in 1896, is exhibited.

Parking / Free
 Entrance fee : 300 yen (General)
 ※Free for high school students and younger

※Closed in winter (Dec. 1 - Mar. 31)
 Open : 9:00 - 17:00
 Closed : Every Monday, or the following Tuesday if Monday is a national holiday.
 ☎ / 0187-85-3008

The separate tatami room can be rented out for 1 hour on the 1st and 2nd floors for 500 yen each.



1 Interior of the main building

2 separate tatami room

3 Storehouse (collection)

4 Senya Fault Study Hall



4 Sato Family Storehouse Hishokan

•Parking / Free •Entrance fee / Free
 The museum was rebuilt from the storehouse of the birthplace of Akira Sato, who was the first civil flight pilot in Akita Prefecture and established many flight records in the early days of Japanese aviation, and its beams and pillars are lacquered. There is also an exhibition of items from the Sato family collection.

Open : 9:00 - 17:00
 Closed / Not regular (Please contact us in advance.)
 ☎ / 0187-88-8870



5 About 930 years ago The site of the Gosannen War

A battle that originated in the internal conflicts of the Kiyohara clan, who ruled the Ohu region, later developed into the Gosannen War through the intervention of the Minamoto clan.

Iehira Kiyohara defeated Kiyohira Kiyohara and Yoshiie Minamoto's allied powers at Numa Castle (Omonogawa Town, Yokote City), and moved his base with Takehira Kiyohara to Kanazawa Castle (Kanazawa, Yokote City), which was said to be stronger and a natural fortress.

The main battlefield for the war was the Kanazawa area, which stretched across Yokote City and Misato Town.

After winning the war, Kiyohira changed his family name to Fujiwara, the same as his father's, and moved his base to Hiraizumi.

Suffering from the horrific scenes of many battles, Kiyohira decided to build a large temple (a sacred place for monks to gather and practice) to create a peaceful Pure Land.

Chuson-ji Temple Konjiki-do (golden hall), the only existing temple from that time, is the symbol of peace that Kiyohira proposed.



Iehira Kiyohara

Yoshiie Minamoto



Takehira Kiyohara

Kiyohira Fujiwara



3 Misato Town History and Folklore Museum Takeshi Sasaki Memorial Room

Parking / Free
 Entrance fee : 300 yen (General) Free for high school students and younger



The museum exhibits and collects local history and folklore items, allowing visitors to learn about the wisdom of the ancestors who pioneered the region and the history of the town.

In particular, the museum exhibits and has one of the largest collections of straw crafts in Japan (about 600 items), some of which are designated as Tangible Folk Cultural Properties by Akita Prefecture in 2017.

The museum also has a memorial room for Tsuyoshi Sasaki, former president of the University of Tokyo and Misato ambassador, where visitors can learn about his achievements and personality.

Open : 9:00 - 17:00
 Closed : Every Monday, or the following Tuesday if Monday is a national holiday.
 ☎ / 0187-88-8706



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5 Straw and Life Reproduction Exhibition Room

6 Tsuyoshi Sasaki Memorial Room

7 History Exhibition Hall (1F)

8 Straw Craft Exhibition Room (1F)

There is a space that introduces the history of the town through artifacts excavated in the town, and another space that introduces the history of the school that used to exist in the town.

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Eating in Misato!

Start with Misato Roadside Station to get to know Misato



Misato Roadside Station is your station for everything Misato.

Here you will find many local products such as fresh vegetables, rice, pickles, sweets, local sake, local soda pop, miso and soy sauce, and Akebi vine crafts in Misato Town, Akita, blessed with various spring waters. If you're planning a trip to Misato, start here to get a lot of information!

Open : Farm stand and store 9:00-18:00
(17:00 in winter) Restaurant 11:00-14:00

019-1302
124 Shimodate, Kanezawa, Misato Town
☎/0182-37-3000



Farm stand and store Misato no Megumi



Restaurant Misato no Gohan



Restaurant's most popular menu ! Set menu with silver polished rice cooked in an iron pot (Only 20 servings a day)

This menu includes side dishes and miso soup made with food produced in Misato Town.



Niteko Soda Pop

Local soda pop with a tradition of over 100 years. You must drink it when you come to Misato Town!



奥清水

Local Sake

It is made with selected sake rice and spring water in Misato Town. There are many local sake brewed with the craftsmanship of the brewers.



The outside is crispy and the inside is fluffy and delicious. It is a very popular product that has many fans.

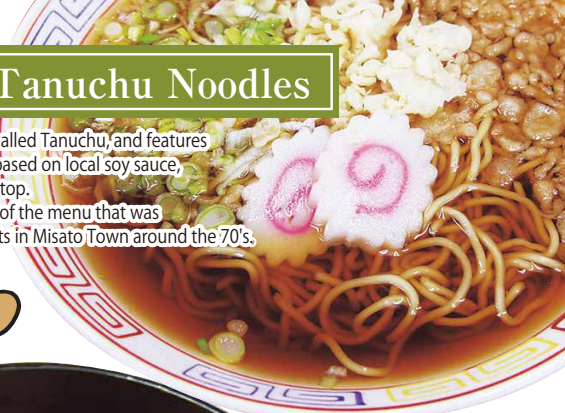
Okara Donuts



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Misato Tanuchu Noodles

This chinese noodle is called Tanuchu, and features a Japanese-style soup based on local soy sauce, and tempura batter on top. It is a reprinted version of the menu that was popular among students in Misato Town around the 70's.



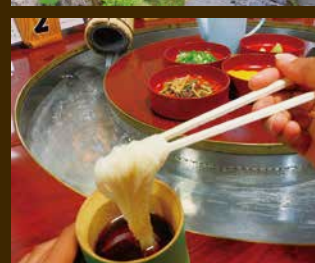
Misato Manma beef bowl

This is mixed rice named Misato Manma which uses Japanese beef raised in the Ohu mountain ranges and local ingredients.



Niteko Nagashi Somen Noodles

This noodle is served with flowing Niteko Spring Water. Niteko Meisui-an's popular summer menu.



Traditional events and festivals in Misato

Misato's traditional festivals have been held with great passion. A variety of events rooted in the local community. Misato's festivals are sure to cheer you up.



Mid-June to Early-July (3P)
Lavender Festival

Food stands, various lavender picking experiences, and the Koguma-chan bus that circles the park will run.



(Rokugo District)

First Saturday in August
Tarumikoshi festival

This is a summer festival where people carry mikoshi (portable shrines made of sake barrels) through the town, and people along the streets spray water on the mikoshi and its bearers.



(Oisedo River)

First Sunday in August
Funekko Nagashi Festival

Local children pull small boats decorated with paper strips and bamboo grass and parade them along the Oisedo River, creating a fantastic glowing Tanabata event.



23 August
All Prefecture Kake-uta

(Precincts of Kumano Shrine)
In this contest, the poems are improvised on the Senboku-Nigata-bushi and performed in pairs. It's a fun contest with excellent dialogue that reflects the current issues.



4th Saturday-Sunday in October
Misato Festa

(Misato Town Community Hall, Lirios Gymnasium)
The autumn festival on a town-wide scale. You can enjoy agricultural and art exhibitions with farm stands of locally grown vegetables and competitions.



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Mid-October
Folk Song Choja no Yama National Contest

(Misato Town Kita Gymnasium)
This is a national contest for the folk song Choja no Yama born in the Senboku region, Akita where folk songs are particularly popular.



The Take-uchi bamboo battle is the climax of the Rokugo Kamakura Festival, which has been held for over 700 years. The Rokugo District is divided into two teams, north and south, and they fight each other with seven to eight meter long bamboo poles. It is said that if the north team wins, there will be a good harvest and if the south team wins, the price of rice will increase.



The Tenpitsui-yaki ceremony



In between the Take-uchi, the Tenpitsui-yaki ceremony is held to pray for good health and family safety by burning five-colored strips of paper written with wishes as well as New Year's ornaments and Kadomatsu.

National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Asset

Rokugo Kamakura Festival

11 - 15 February every year

The Take-uchi bamboo battle



Misato Town MAP

A town of energy and healing



Misato Town Library, Gakuyukan

Misato Town Office, Rokugo Branch Library and Exhibition Room (special exhibitions, temporary exhibitions) ☎ / 0187-84-4040



Misato Town General Gymnasium Lirios

Basketball, badminton, and other sports can be played at the gymnasium, which has over 600 seats. Misato Town Lifelong Learning Division, Sports Promotion Section ☎ / 0187-84-4916



Misato Town Bicycle circuit

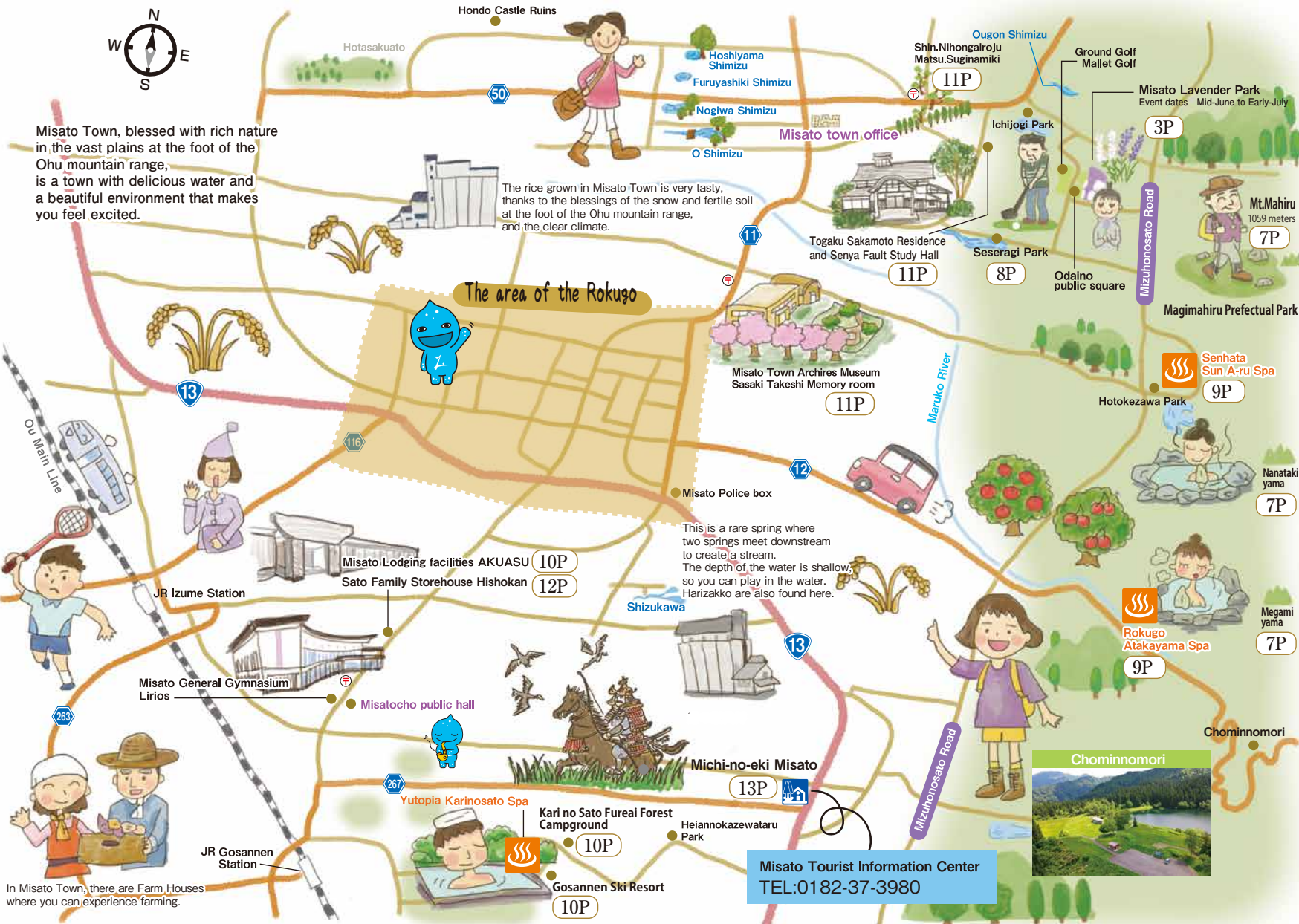
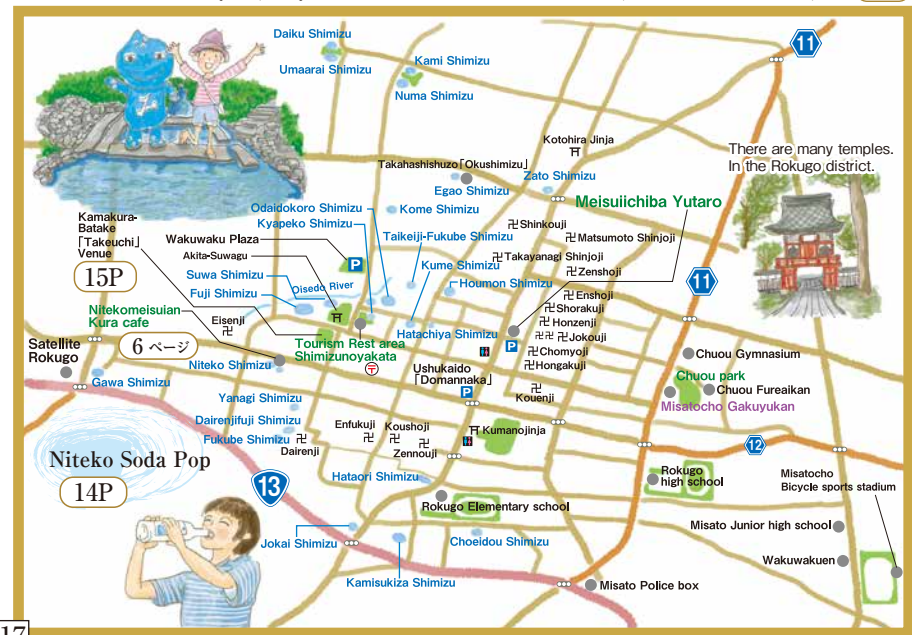
The only bicycle circuit in the prefecture. It is also used for various competitions and for professional bicycle racers to practice. Misato Town Lifelong Learning Division, Sports Promotion Section ☎ / 0187-84-4916



Misato Town Community Hall

Misato Town Office, Sennan Branch Hall (400 seats), Conference Room, etc. Misato Town Lifelong Learning Division, Sports Promotion Section ☎ / 0187-84-4915

The area of the Rokugo Springs, selected as one of the 100 Exquisite Waters in Japan 5P



Misato Town, blessed with rich nature in the vast plains at the foot of the Ohu mountain range, is a town with delicious water and a beautiful environment that makes you feel excited.

The rice grown in Misato Town is very tasty, thanks to the blessings of the snow and fertile soil at the foot of the Ohu mountain range, and the clear climate.

This is a rare spring where two springs meet downstream to create a stream. The depth of the water is shallow, so you can play in the water. Harizakko are also found here.

In Misato Town, there are Farm Houses where you can experience farming.

Misato Tourist Information Center
TEL:0182-37-3980