

Sightseeing Pamphlet for Niimi City, Okayama Prefecture

Niimi

GUIDEBOOK  
FOR NIIMI, OKAYAMA

Superb Scenery / Delicious Cuisine /  
Limestone Caves / Hot Springs / Outdoors

Travel immersed  
in nature





Travel and have fun in nature

# Niimi

Niimi City is located in the northwest corner of Okayama.

Impressive scenery and special experiences await you here, including more than 200 limestone caves, atmospheric hot springs, and activities that allow you to enjoy nature to the fullest.

You should not miss Niimi's highly regarded delicacies, such as Chiya beef, a rare brand of beef that has its roots in Japan's oldest Tsuru-ushi cows,

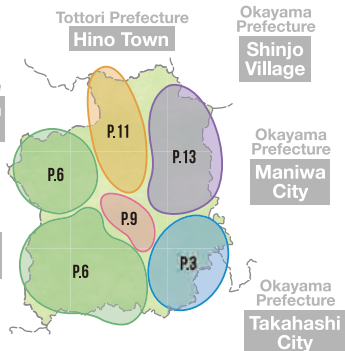
as well as Pione grapes and wines produced by rich soil and a perfect temperature in one of Japan's best karst landscapes.

Why don't you take a trip to Niimi to enjoy the clean air, abundant nature, and delicious cuisine?



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# GRADE A PRIDE

Savor Niimi's carefully crafted cuisine

Niimi's grade A ingredients are nurtured by abundant water sources and fertile soil.

Enjoy our "grade A pride," which is imbued with the commitment and passion of the producers.



## Chiya Beef

Chiya beef is a rare brand of beef that has its roots in Japan's oldest Tsuru-ushi cows. It is characterized by fine marbling and sweetness, and offers tender, high-quality flavor. It is a must-try specialty when you come to Niimi.

[Chiya Beef Promotion Association]

\*For information on designated stores and restaurants, please visit the Chiya Beef Promotion Association website



## Pione Grapes

Pione grapes, aka "black diamonds," are large and sweet. The temperature difference between day and night on the karst plateau (elev. 400-500m) produces high-quality grapes. The best time to eat them is from mid-September to early October.

[Ashin Hiroba Specialties Market]  
397-2 Shoden, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-72-7705



## Caviar

Fresh caviar is produced from the fresh eggs of sturgeon raised in clear, beautiful water. At MS Farm, you can tour the sturgeon farm and sample caviar.

[MS Farm]  
2292 Karamatsu, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-76-2000



## Black Tea

Black tea is produced near Mt. Osa where the terrain and weather conditions are similar to the Darjeeling region, the home of black tea. The tea is highly regarded both in Japan and abroad. You can participate in a simple tea-making experience.

[Early Morning]  
2239-8 Osaosakabe, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-98-3939



## Wine

Niimi's wine is made from grapes cultivated in an ideal climate and soil. There are three up-and-coming wineries in the city that conduct everything from cultivation to brewing, and they are attracting attention from inside and outside Japan.

Wine&Grain COLTRADA

domaine tetta

Okayama Wine Valley Aratoyama Winery

Kurokamiyama Vineyards



## Sake (Japanese Rice Wine)

Sake is brewed using locally grown sake rice such as Omachi and Yamada Nishiki, which are said to be rare varieties, and subsoil water from the headwaters of the Takahashi River. Niimi's sake has been highly acclaimed in competitions.

[Sanko Masamune]  
951 Tesseichokamikojiro, Niimi City.  
☎+81-867-94-3131



\*If you would like to visit a winery or facility, please contact the facility in advance.



Ryugu Bridge over the underground lake. It is colorfully illuminated depending on the season.

*Southeast Area*

Tour nature's art

## Southeast Area



In the southeast area with its extensive karst plateau, you can experience various forms of limestone caves. You can see huge limestone arches, waterfalls, and other unique, spectacular sights. You can also stop by a well-known Kusama soba restaurant and a Jomon art museum.

1. The "Lovers' Spring," with its entrance that looks like a heart, is a popular photo spot. It has been selected as a "sacred place for lovers."
2. A limestone cave formed by rainwater and underground water eroding the limestone. The temperature in the cave is always around 15 °C.
3. The "5-story pagoda" appears as soon as you enter the cave. Makido Cave is well-known as a filming location for Japanese movies and TV dramas.
4. You can enjoy the colorful leaves in autumn along the promenade at the top of the cave.

### 1 Makido Cave

[Natural monument designated by Okayama Prefecture]

2276-2 Toyonagaakouma, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-74-3100



This limestone cave was named by the poet Yosano Tekkan and his wife Akiko, who praised it as "a cave full of wonders." The beauty of the natural formations created over a long period of time is illuminated by colorful LED lights, creating a wondrous world. The Makido Cave VR site is now available, allowing you to experience the cave in virtual reality.

The Makido Cave VR site



The exit from Ikurado Cave is here!

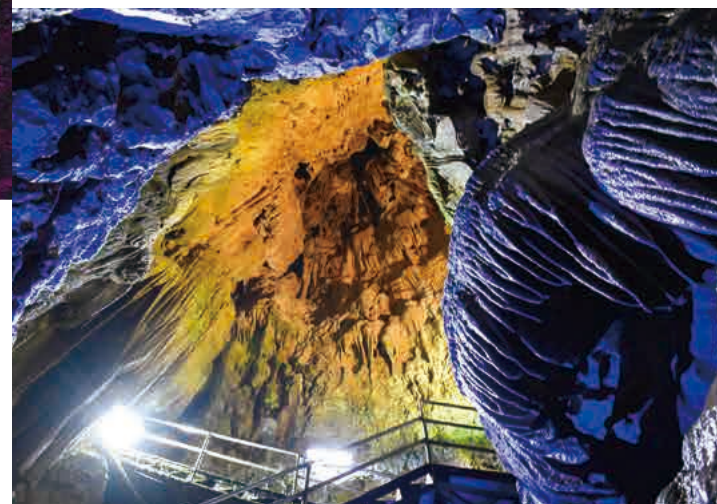
The entrance to Ikurado Cave is on a cliff.

### 2 Ikura-Kyo Ravine

Ikura, Kusama, and Hosono in Niimi City



The 240-meter-high limestone cliff is stunning. Inside the cliff is a huge limestone cave called Ikurado Cave. It is well-known as one of the best places for autumn leaves in Okayama.



### 3 Ikurado Cave

[Natural monument designated by Okayama Prefecture]

409 Ikura, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-75-2224



A limestone cave with a total length of about 1,200 meters and a height difference of about 90 meters. In the cave, rare and oddly-shaped stones appear one after another. There is also a waterfall flowing down from the precipice.



Steam locomotive D51838, built in 1943, is on display in the Ikura-Kyo Ravine area.

### 4 Rashomon

[National Natural Monument]

4484-1 Kusama, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-72-6136 (Niimi Commerce and Tourism Division)  
☎+81-867-72-6148 (Lifelong Learning Division, Niimi City)



A 40-meter high, arched natural bridge formed by repeated erosion and sinking of an underground limestone cave. The scale of the bridge is incredible, befitting its name "Rashomon." The surrounding area is home to rare plants and animals, including moss.



The Sakura Park next to the Rashomon parking lot is home to various kinds of cherry blossoms that bloom in spring.



In early July, the area around Rashomon is filled with the golden light of himebotaru fireflies. This fantastic sight can be seen for only about 10 days.



About 40 meters high!

Soba-making experience!



Photos of the soba-making experience (reservation required). After combining the buckwheat flour and binding agent, you stretch it with a rolling pin and cut the noodles. The experienced owner will gently guide you through the process.

## 5 Soba Dojo Inakaya

8729-2 Kusama, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-74-2077



This restaurant is well-known for its fragrant soba noodles made with buckwheat flour grown in Kusama, Niimi City, which has an extensive karst plateau. The local dish Kenchin Soba is a specialty of the restaurant, and you can also enjoy making and eating your own soba.



Enjoy lunch with the soba you make!



## 6 Niimi Hoso Pottery Museum (Ifurai Museum of Art)

609 Hoso, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-75-2444



The museum exhibits over 200 artworks, including works by Jomon Pottery artist Ifurai and Hoso ware, a form of local historical heritage that has been revived after 150 years. The museum is involved in the revitalization of Hoso ware and restoration of Jomon earthenware.



An abandoned elementary school has been restored and pottery classes are held there.

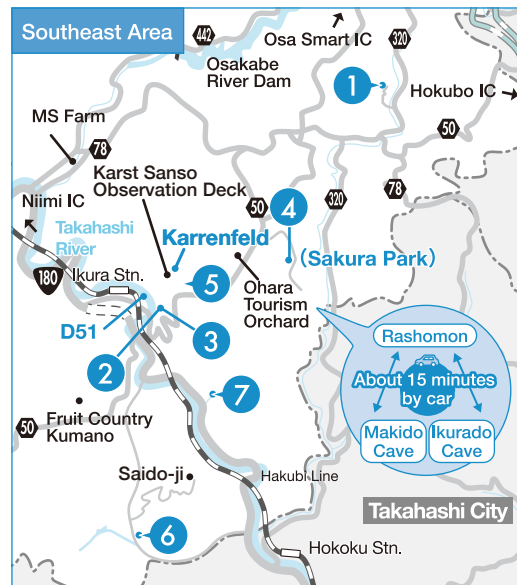
## 7 Kinugake Falls

[Place of Scenic Beauty designated by Okayama Prefecture]

Near 12258-1 Kusama, Niimi City  
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(Niimi Commerce and Tourism Division)



A famous waterfall flowing down from a cliff about 60 meters high. It is said that its name comes from its elegant appearance of white silk draped over the rock surface. It is located along the national highway and can be seen from a car or the JR Hakubi Line.



Abundant nature, hot springs, and culture

## The Northwest and Southwest Areas



The northwest area is centered around two lakes in the mountains, and the southwest area is home to wetlands and the largest triad waterwheel in Japan. Enjoy the seasonal nature, natural hot springs, and traditional cultural experiences.

### 1 Yumesuki Park (Parent-Child-Grandchild Waterwheel)

1977-1 Shingoshimokojiro, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-92-6577



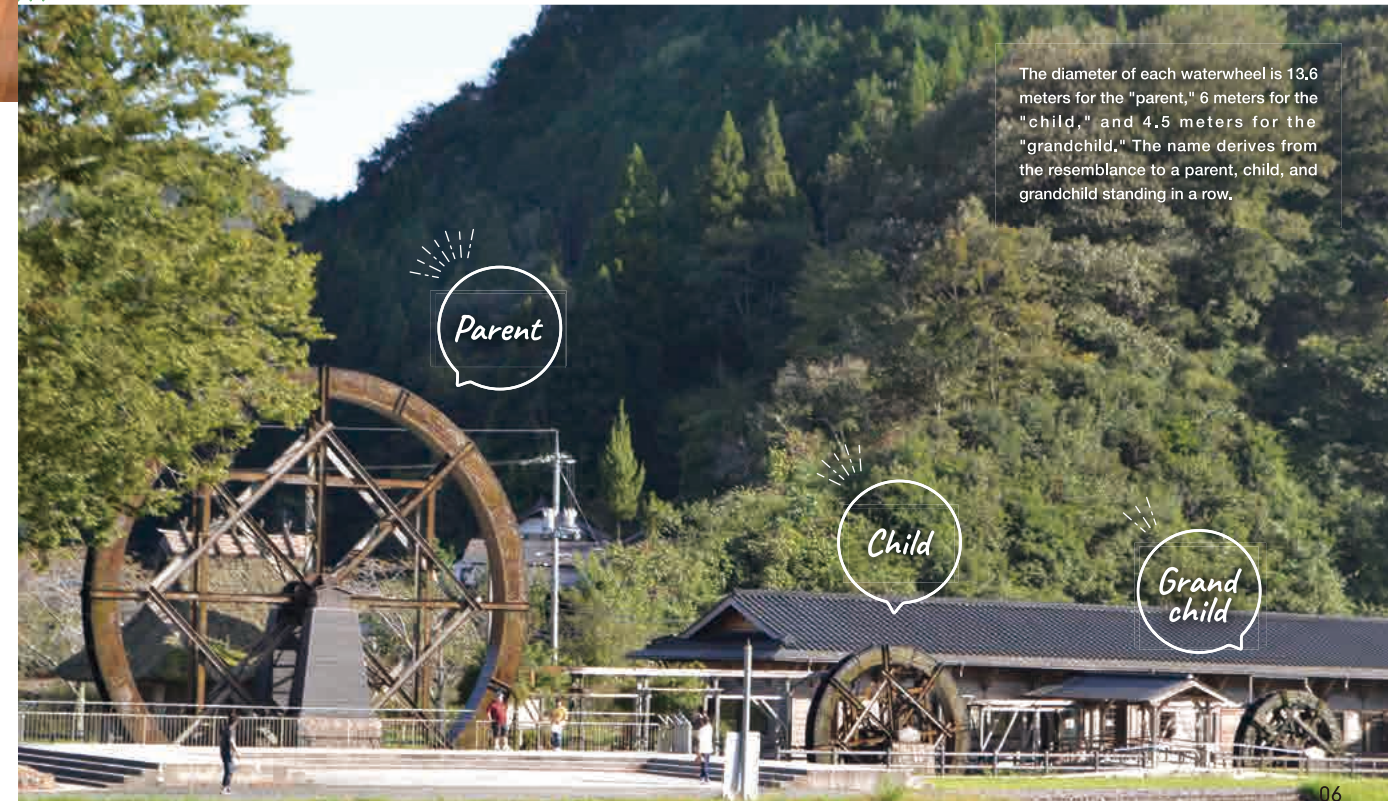
This park is known for having the largest triad waterwheel in Japan. The Paper Center exhibits the history of Oku Bicchu Kojiro Washi paper, which has been handed down since long ago. The papermaking workshop to make original fans and postcards is popular. The appearance of the impressive waterwheel changes with every season, from fresh green leaves, to the autumn foliage, and the winter wonderland of snowflakes as they spread across your view.



Papermaking workshop



The diameter of each waterwheel is 13.6 meters for the "parent," 6 meters for the "child," and 4.5 meters for the "grandchild." The name derives from the resemblance to a parent, child, and grandchild standing in a row.





## 2 Koigakubo Wetland

[National Natural Monument]

4113-101 Yada, Tesseicho, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-94-2347



This is a vast wetland of about 3.6 hectares, where more than 300 kinds of rare wetland and aquatic plants grow in the wild. There is an approximately 2.4-km walking trail where you can take a leisurely stroll while enjoying the changing appearance of nature.

Ogura senno, which can only be seen in a limited area



The pure sight of interwoven water and plants is refreshing. This is a popular photo spot.



1. There is a wide variety of seasonal fruits and foods, including specialty rice and Japanese sake. 2. Soft-serve ice cream made from Tessei chestnuts, which can only be found in this area, is also popular. 3. The Koikoi Shrine inside the store is dedicated to the god of marriage.



## 3 Roadside Station Koigakubo

3585-1 Yada, Tesseicho, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-94-9017



This roadside station sells local specialties, fresh vegetables, and more. There is also a store specializing in delicious rice-flour bread, as well as a restaurant that uses plenty of local ingredients.

## 4 Green Museum Shingo Onsen

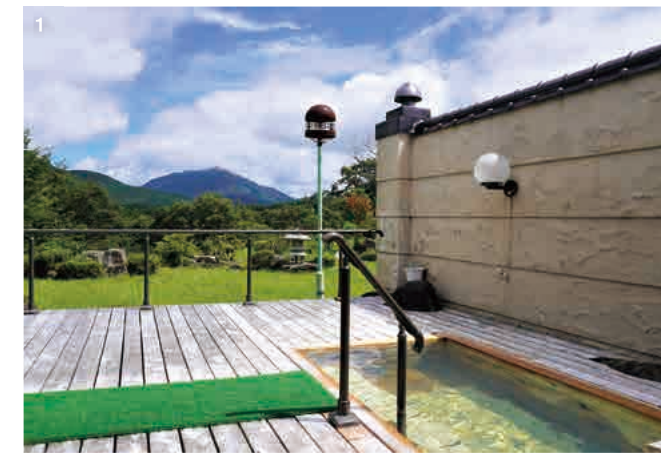
3188-1 Shingotakase, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-93-5106



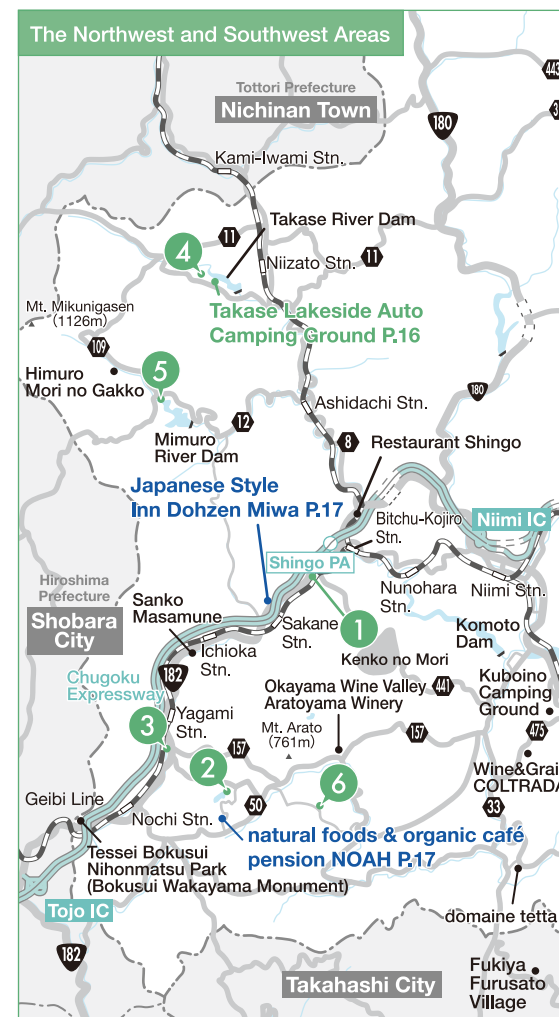
This health resort facility is located on the shore of the Takase River Dam. The hot spring building has an indoor bath and an outdoor cypress bath where you can enjoy the nature of the four seasons while soaking in the water. There are also accommodation facilities, sports facilities, and a campground.

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1・2. This hot spring has therapeutic spring water with radon. It features an open-air cypress bath and an indoor bath which were renovated in July 2020. 3. Japanese-style accommodations, bungalows, and cottages are also available. 4. The all-natural grass field is ideal for training camps for sports such as soccer.



## 5 Mimuro-kyo Ravine

Shingoyuno, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-92-6112  
(Shingo Branch Office, Niimi City)



Enjoy the changes of nature at the ravine, including the rhododendrons in May, the greenery in summer, and the colorful leaves of autumn. Festivals are held during the rhododendron and autumn foliage seasons.

## 6 Tetta Suzuran no Sono

(Lily of the Valley Park)/(Omotsubo Wetland)

Tabuchi, Tettacho, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-96-2112 (Tetta Branch Office, Niimi City)



This is a natural habitat for lily of the valley, which is rare west of the Kansai region. About 20,000 lovely lily of the valley plants bloom from late May to early June. In the approximately 2-hectare Omotsubo Wetland, you can see precious wetland plants and creatures.

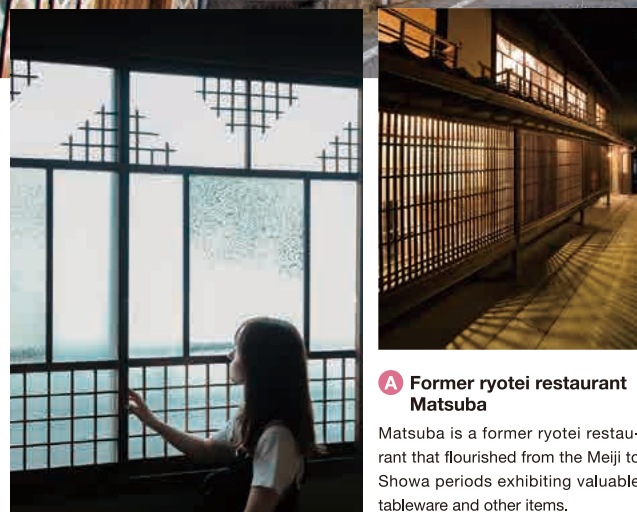
Stroll through a city filled with history and culture

# Central Area



Niimi flourished as a shoen (manor) of To-ji Temple in Kyoto during Japan's medieval era. In Niimi Gotenmachi, a 15-minute walk from JR Niimi Station, there are buildings conveying the atmosphere and history of the Edo and Meiji periods. How about taking a stroll to see Gotenmachi and the Niimi Museum of Art also near the station?

Events are held such as the Dogeza Matsuri (festival), a procession with a portable shrine and arms around Niimi Gotenmachi with about 300 years of history (P.17)



### A Former ryotei restaurant Matsuba

Matsuba is a former ryotei restaurant that flourished from the Meiji to Showa periods exhibiting valuable tableware and other items.

## 1 Niimi Gotenmachi [Gotenmachi Center / Oike Residence / Former ryotei restaurant Matsuba]

Vicinity of Niimi 858, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-72-6660  
(Gotenmachi Center)



Gotenmachi was built in the Edo period by Seki Nagaharu, first lord of the Niimi domain. As Seki was unable to build a castle, he built a goten (residence) which led to the name Niimi Gotenmachi. There are many buildings around Gotenmachi Center with a traditional atmosphere, such as the Oike Residence and the former ryotei restaurant Matsuba.



### C Oike Residence

The Oike Residence was once a general store that sold various goods. It is now used as a hub for regional revitalization as well as a spot for holding events and for people to drop by.

Joyama Park overlooking Niimi City is an outstanding cherry blossom viewing spot. During the season, about 300 cherry trees are in full bloom.



### B Gotenmachi Center

There is a display with materials related to the Seki family, lords of the Niimi domain.



## 2 Niimi Museum of Art

361 Nishigata, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-72-7851



The museum has a collection of about 1,200 works, including art by Tomioka Tessai, Yokoyama Taikan and Hirayama Ikuo. Various special exhibitions are held throughout the year. There is also a display of materials on Niimi-sho (manor), Bicchu Province that teaches Japan's medieval history.



The museum is on a hill behind JR Niimi Station. From the cafe and shop, you can enjoy a panoramic view of the traditional dry landscape garden and Niimi City.

Let's walk around



Photo spot!

Look for the Niimi City mascot character Niimin in the parking lot near the Niimi Museum of Art.



Manhole cards showing the designs of manhole covers. They also include tourist information on the back.

Get tourist information here

## 3 Niimi City Tourism Information Center Niimi City Tourism Association

472-10 Nishigata, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-72-1177



The Niimi City Tourism Information Center is in front of JR Niimi Station. In addition to selling Niimi's specialties, souvenirs, and goods with the city's mascot, you can also rent bicycles. Check here first for information on sightseeing, accommodations, food, and more.

Family fun! Stop by for a rest

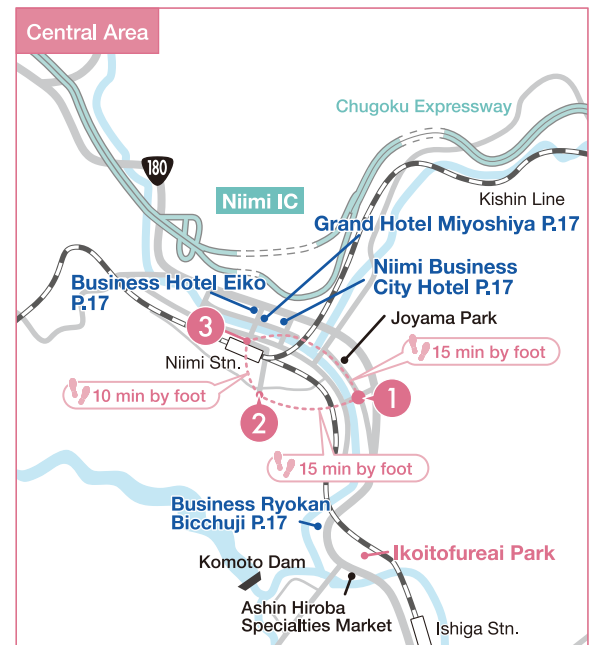


## Niimi City Ikoitofureai Park (Pione Baseball Field)

330 Shoden, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-72-6102



This park has large playground equipment and is popular among families with children. There is also a grass field, baseball field, and ground golf course, where sports tournaments and events are held. There are nearby stores and restaurants where you can buy local specialties and eat Chiyagyū beef.

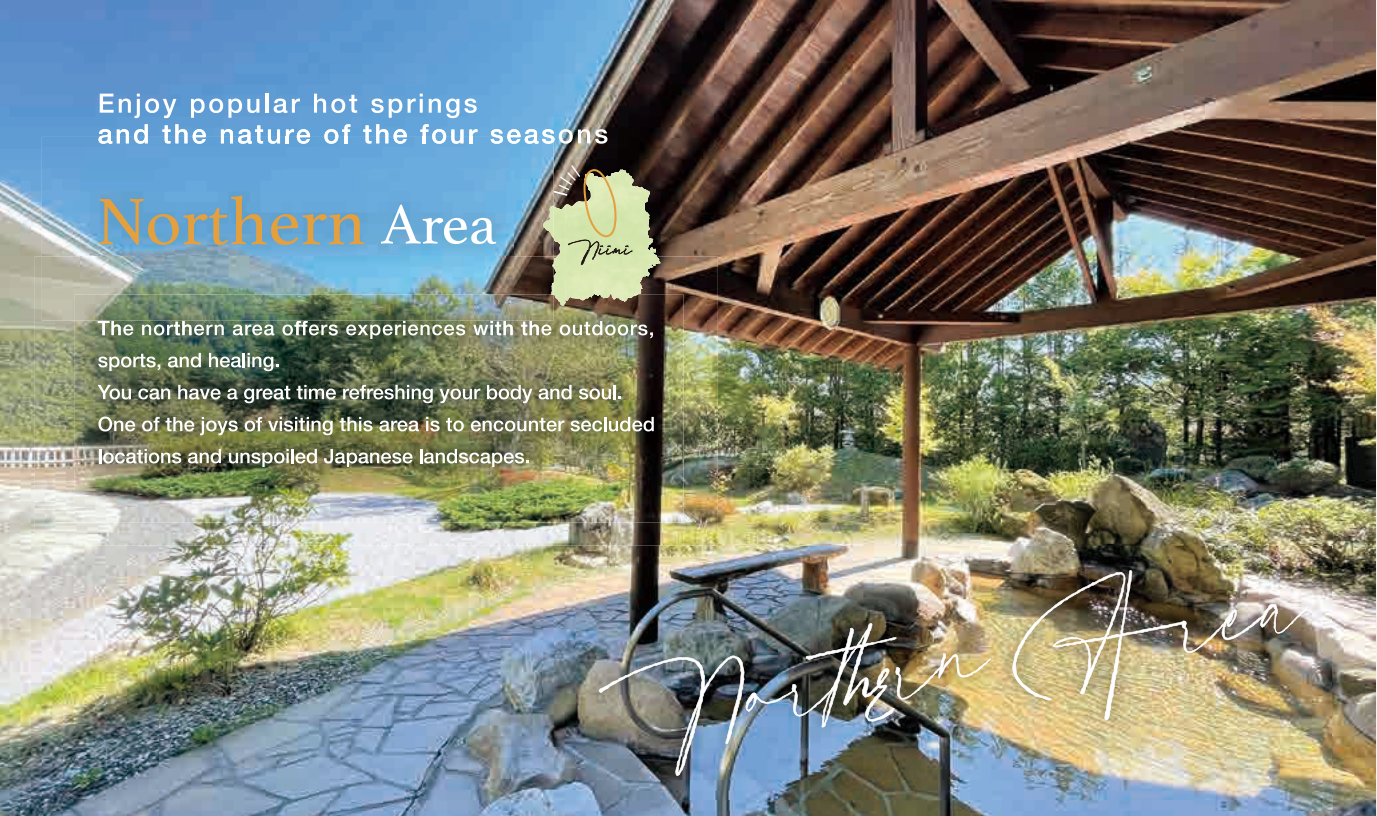


Enjoy popular hot springs and the nature of the four seasons

## Northern Area



The northern area offers experiences with the outdoors, sports, and healing. You can have a great time refreshing your body and soul. One of the joys of visiting this area is to encounter secluded locations and unspoiled Japanese landscapes.



Northern Area



The open-air bath is full of beauty. The heat source is a biomass boiler that uses local wood. The interior that features the warmth of wood was modernized. Also, there is a souvenir shop with local specialties, a spacious rest area, and a restaurant.

### 1 Niimi Chiya Onsen Ibukinosato

1336-5 Chiyahanami, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-77-2020



The research capabilities of the cosmetics company POLA Group have revealed that there is a cleansing effect that makes it easier for unnecessary stratum corneum to peel off. You can stay overnight or you can use the hot spring bath as a day use visitor, and enjoy Chiya beef at the restaurant. There are both camping site and glamping facility available so that you can relax and immerse yourself in nature's embrace. There is also a ski resort nearby and a fishing pond where you can grill and eat the fish you catch.



1. An open indoor bath where you can gaze at nature, as well as a sauna and Jacuzzi. 2. The rest area can be used free of charge. 3. In the restaurant, you can enjoy dishes made with Chiya beef.



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## Explore nature and well-known spots

It takes about 15 minutes by bicycle from Bessho Outdoor Sports Center to Narutaki Falls and Nanamagari Road. Enjoy fresh air and beautiful nature by cycling.



A short walk away



### 2 Yogo Rindo forest road Nanamagari

[Civil engineering heritage recommended by the Japan Society of Civil Engineers]

Near 6866-1 Sugo, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-72-6136  
(Niimi Commerce and Tourism Division)



This winding stone road in the forest was built to cross an area with an elevation difference of about 30 meters. The road has many curves, and the stone walls constructed in the Meiji period still remain.

### 3 Narutaki Falls

Near 6866-1 Sugo, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-72-6136  
(Niimi Commerce and Tourism Division)



This 30-meter waterfall has three tiers and reverberates with the sound of falling water. The sound can be heard from the village about two kilometers away. The area is surrounded by mossy rocks and trees, and filled with fresh air.

Rent a bike here!

### 4 Bessho Outdoor Sports Center

7189 Sugo, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-78-1115



Located next to Chiya Dam and the river, this is a popular facility where you can enjoy outdoor activities such as cycling, canoeing, and camping. You can catch fish in the creek and barbeque them fresh.

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Enjoy skiing and hot springs in winter!

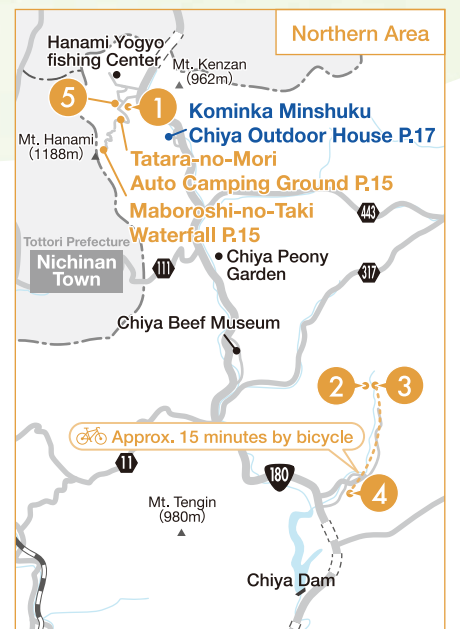
So close you can walk to it!

### 5 Ibukinosato Ski Resort

1336-1 Chiyahanami, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-77-2266



This ski resort is adjacent to Niimi Chiya Onsen Ibukinosato. In addition to the kid's park, there is a wide range of slopes for beginners to advanced skiers, making this like a snow theme park that families can enjoy. After skiing, soak in the hot springs to soothe your fatigue away.



Nature located at the source of the Takahashi River

# Northeastern Area



The northeastern area, which has a connection to a wise man from the last days of the Tokugawa government, is located at the source of the Takahashi River. It is appealing due to its nature nurtured by the clear water.

The beautiful scenery in each of the four seasons, such as fresh greenery, autumn leaves, and snowy landscapes, will wash over you.

Northeastern Area

If the conditions are right in the early morning from autumn to February, a sea of pure white clouds appears. In particular, the scenery lit up by the morning sun is breathtakingly beautiful.



## 1 Mt. Osa

Near 1 Osakominami and Osakosakabe, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-98-2112  
(Osa Branch Office, Niimi City)



A part of the Chugoku Mountains, a chain of dense mountains. There is a vast sloping area and an auto campground on the mountain, a great spot for families to enjoy nature. Black tea leaves are cultivated in this area that varies in temperature. You can enjoy an expansive view of the mountains by a paraglider. If the conditions are right, you can see Mt. Daisen, the highest mountain in the Chugoku region.

Enjoy a cup of black tea amid the tea fields



The view from the refreshing mountaintop.



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1•2. Mt. Osa Auto Camping Ground has large playground equipment and is popular with families. 3. The spacious meadow is a great photo spot.



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## 2 Osa Yamada Hokoku Memorial Hall

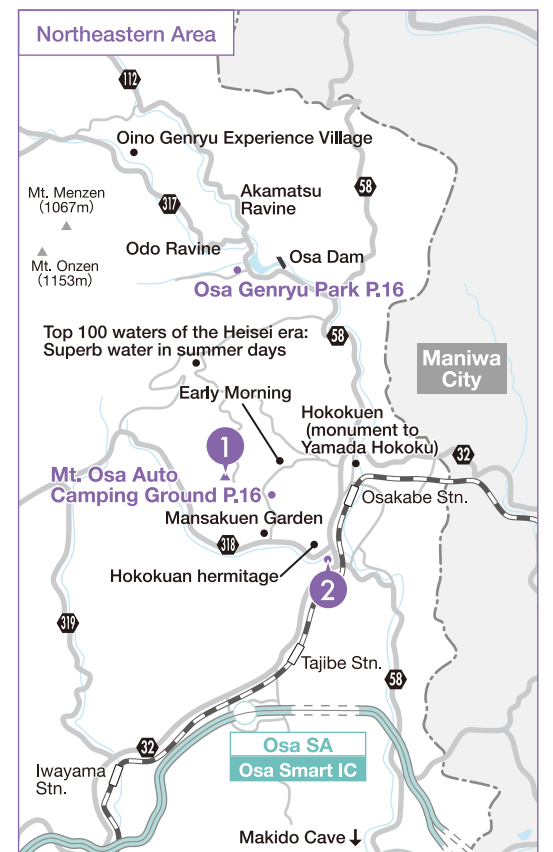
323-3 Osakominami, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-98-4059



This memorial hall exhibits items related to Yamada Hokoku, a wise man from Bicchu who was an important educator in the late Edo period. It includes his writings and calligraphy. Nearby are the Hokokuan hermitage historic site and Hokokuen Garden.



1. Osa Genryu Park near Osa Dam. (see page 16) 2. In the Odo Ravine, rhododendrons reach full bloom in May every year, and in midwinter, you can see icicles up to 10 meters high. 3. You can also visit the Akamatsu Ravine which is nearby the Odo Ravine.



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*Nets Camp*

Enjoy activities and spectacular views!

AT THESE OUTDOOR SPOTS,

# HAVE FUN IN NATURE!

Niimi is a place where you can enjoy the outdoors comfortably in the middle of summer. Enjoy camping, playing in the river, BBQing, and having fun in nature.

**BBQ with Chiya beef,**  
a rare brand of beef that  
Niimi City is proud of!

*Fun*

*BBQ*

About 40 minutes one way!  
Hike to Maboroshi-no-Taki  
Waterfall

Northern Area MAP→P.12



## 🌲 Tatarano-Mori Auto Camping Ground



1336-15 Chiyahanami, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-77-2020 (Niimi Chiya Onsen Ibukinosato)

Hot Springs facility "Niimi Chiya Onsen Ibuki no Sato" (see page 11) camping area on site. Glamping site opened in July, 2023! One of the building can accommodate staying with your dogs! There are natural hot springs and restaurants that can be used for day trips, making it easily accessible for families with children.



Northern Area MAP→P.12



Even if it rains, it's OK!  
There is a covered BBQ area!

## 🌲 Bessho Outdoor Sports Center

7189 Sugo, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-78-1115

Many activities are available to enjoy nature, such as cycling, canoeing, fishing, and playing in the river (see page 12). Camp sites and log cabins are available, and the area is crowded with families and groups in the summer.

*Delicious*



Feel just like an explorer!  
An exciting and thrilling cave  
exploration experience!



Northeastern Area MAP→P.14



## 🌲 Mt. Osa Auto Camping Ground

1 Osakominami, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-98-3711



With many camping accommodations, this facility is popular with everyone from beginners to advanced outdoor enthusiasts. Enjoy activities such as trekking in water and cave exploration.



Refreshing "shower  
trekking" with natural  
water flowing through a  
beautiful ravine!



*Shower  
trekking*



*Canoe*

Southeastern Area MAP→P.5

## 🌲 Village Karrenfeld

8729-1 Kusama, Niimi city  
☎080-8377-6213(Kusama Karst Kanko Co., Ltd.)



2 buildings reopened after renovation in 2023. Located near Soba Dojo Inakaya (see page 5 for details). Group of stone pillars unique to the Karst terrain spreads out before our eyes. Free Wi-Fi is also available so that you can stay long term such as for a working vacation and enjoy all the nature the karst land offers.



Northeastern Area MAP→P.14



## 🌲 Osa Genryu Park

1834-1 Osakamiosakabe, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-98-4777

*Fresh air*



This park is located around Osa Dam. Playing and fishing in the lake, and camping are popular here. The Odo Ravine is nearby, where you can see rhododendrons in May, colorful leaves in autumn, and snowy scenery in winter.



Northwestern Area MAP→P.8



## 🌲 Takase Lakeside Auto Camping Ground



3216-1 Shingotakase, Niimi City  
☎+81-867-93-5106  
(Green Museum Shingo Onsen)

*Greeeeen!!*



This is an auto campground near the Green Museum Shingo Onsen (see page 8). On the grounds of the hot spring facility, visitors can enjoy a playground and all-weather facilities, as well as bungalows, cottages, and a restaurant.



# Enjoy Niimi even more! Culture & History

Scan the QR code for information on events and more to experience culture and history



Carefully selected information on culture and history in Niimi City. Check the official Niimi tourism website for information on events and more!

## More than 300 years of history

### Goshinko Buki Gyoretsu (Dogeza Matsuri)

This procession has continued to be faithfully held following the customs more than 300 years ago, when the first lord of the Niimi Domain, Seki Nagaharu, took command of the territory. It is also known as the Dogeza Matsuri (meaning "prostration festival") because the viewers are instructed to sit or kneel and not move while the procession passes by.



Held annually on October 15 around Funakawa Hachimangu Shrine and Niimi Gotenmachi (see P.9).



## Accompanied by taiko drums and rice-planting songs

### Taiko Taue

Men (sage) sing rice-planting songs as they beat taiko drums, while women (ueko) wearing hanagasa hats plant seedlings to the beat of the taiko. This is also known as "hayashi taue" because of the musical accompaniment (hayashi) with taiko. This is a form of folk entertainment handed down as a custom of communal work to honor the rice paddy deity and wish for a bountiful harvest.



In the southwest area, it is a festive seasonal tradition that is performed in conjunction with events!



## 400 years of records close at hand

### Niiminosho (manor)

Niiminosho was a manor of To-ji Temple in Kyoto and others from the Heian to Warring States periods, with land from Chiya (north) to Shingotakase (northwest). There are historical and cultural properties within Niimi City reminding us of those days. The Toji Hyakugo Monjo (UNESCO Memory of the World), a national treasure handed down at To-ji Temple, contains about 2,000 old documents related to Niiminosho. The "Tamakaki Letter" written by a Niimi farm woman, Tamakaki, is rare in Japan as a document written by a commoner woman in the medieval era.

\*A Sho (manor) was privately owned and managed land during the ancient and medieval periods of Japanese history



A replica of the "Tamakaki Letter" is on display at the Niimi Museum of Art (see P.10).

## Niimin

The Niimi City mascot character

Niimin is the child of a Chiya cow born from a Pione grape!  
Greet Niimin if you participate in an event!

# Niimi Area Map



## Accommodation facilities

Here are some accommodation facilities in Niimi City.

Scan the QR code for information on accommodation facilities



**Northern area**

**Kominka Minshuku Chiya Outdoor House**  
1005 Chiyahanami, Niimi City ☎+81-67-77-2272

**Northern area**

**Niimi Chiya Onsen Ibukinosato**  
1336-5 Chiyahanami, Niimi City ☎+81-867-77-2020

**Northwestern area**

**Green Museum Shingo Onsen**  
3188-1 Shingotakase, Niimi City ☎+81-867-93-5106

**Southwest area**

**Japanese Style Inn Dohzen Miwa**  
833 Shingo Shimokojiro, Niimi City ☎+81-867-92-6195

**Southwest area**

**natural foods & organic café pension NOAH**  
34-44 Tessei-cho Onobe, Niimi City ☎+81-867-88-8287

**Central area**

**Business Hotel Eiko**  
2485-1 Takao, Niimi City ☎+81-867-72-1050

**Central area**

**Grand Hotel Miyoshiya**  
2456 Takao, Niimi City ☎+81-867-72-1131

**Central area**

**Niimi Business City Hotel**  
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**Central area**

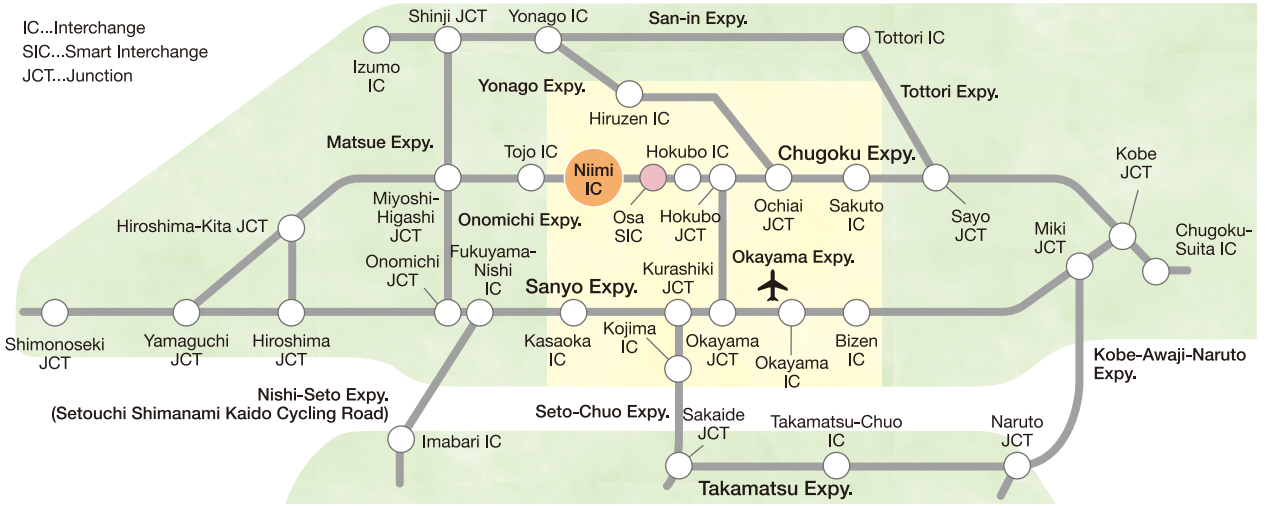
**Business Ryokan Bicchuji**  
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## By car

Time required to reach Niimi City

- From Osaka... approx. 2 hrs. and 40 min.
- From Hiroshima... approx. 1 hr. and 50 min.
- From Yonago... approx. 1 hr. and 30 min.
- From Takamatsu... approx. 1 hr. and 40 min.
- From Fukuoka... approx. 4 hrs. and 30 min.

\*There is a direct express bus from Umeda (Osaka)



## By train

Time required to reach Okayama Station

\*Using the Nozomi shinkansen

- From Tokyo Station... approx. 3 hrs. and 20 min.
- From Nagoya Station... approx. 1 hr. and 40 min.
- From Shin-Osaka Station... approx. 45 min.
- From Hiroshima Station... approx. 40 min.
- From Hakata Station... approx. 1 hr. and 50 min.

Time required to reach Niimi Station

\*Using regular trains

- From Okayama Station (Limited Express Yakumo)... approx. 1 hr.
- From Yonago Station (Limited Express Yakumo)... approx. 1 hr. and 10 min.
- From Takamatsu Station (Rapid Train Marine Liner, Limited Express Yakumo)... approx. 2 hrs.



## By airplane

Time required to reach Okayama Airport \*By direct flight

- From Tokyo... approx. 1 hr. and 20 min.
- From Sapporo... approx. 2 hrs. and 15 min.
- From Okinawa... approx. 2 hrs. and 15 min.



\*Transportation access and time required may vary depending on various factors.

### Official website



Niimi official tourism site

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