

Okubungo Course

OLLE MAP

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A country stroll to learn about history

Visit a countryside studded with historical heritage

The Okubungo Course offers a glimpse of world-class cultural and historical heritage while you stroll through beautiful countryside scenery. Magnificent landscapes unique to this region, Buddha statues carved directly into rock, old castle ruins, and nostalgic castle towns greet you at every turn.



Okubungo Course of the Kyushu Olle Walking Trails

What is Olle?

Easy-to-access, fun-packed walking trails.

Olle is the collective name for walking trails in Jeju, South Korea. They are now very popular with trekkers wishing to re-discover the beauty and wonder of nature through their own five senses. Modeled after the success of Jeju, Kyushu Olle has established 17 courses throughout the island starting with the Okubungo Course. Ribbons and Kanse (horse-shaped guide posts) similar to those in Jeju serve as guides that you can follow at your own pace.

Using the trails

Three major types of guideposts

Kanse

This shows the start point.



Ribbons

Blue and red ribbons tied on tree branches and elsewhere mark the correct route.



Arrows

Blue arrows show the direction from Asaji Station toward Taketa Onsen Hanamizuki. Red arrows show the direction from Taketa Onsen Hanamizuki toward Asaji Station.



Let's get ready!

To make your trek more enjoyable

At the start point (Asaji Station)

Complete registration at the Asaji Station Tourist Information Center on the day of your trek.

(¥300 advance admission to the Oka Castle Ruins is required.)

Order lunch in advance!

Place an advance order for a bento (box lunch) before you start and pick it up at Magaibutsu Chaya restaurant located at Fukoiji Temple about 4 km away.

*Large groups should place their order well in advance. Individuals are also advised to ask if delivery is possible.



Enjoy your lunch at Fukoiji Temple!

Trail guides

Experienced trail guides are available for hire.

*Reservations required.

[Reservations for trail guides and Bentos]

Asaji Station Tourist Information Center ☎0974-72-0510(8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)

Taketa City Sightseeing and Tourism Association ☎0974-63-0585(8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.)

At the finish point (Taketa Onsen Hanamizuki)

Enjoy the relaxing hot spring at Taketa Onsen Hanamizuki.



Taketa Onsen Hanamizuki
Address: 2250-1 Alai, Taketa
Tel: 0974-64-1126
Bath open
6 a.m.-8:30 a.m., (Entry by 8 a.m.)
11 a.m.-10 p.m., (Entry by 9:30 p.m.)
Closed Thursdays
Fee: ¥500 (Admission free for Taketa residents)

*Parking is available at Asaji Station and Bungo-Taketa Station. Parking fee: ¥200 per day at Asaji Station; ¥300 per day at Bungo-Taketa Station

Walk, eat, and warm yourself.

In Asaji (Bungo-Ono City)

Road Station Asaji

A Kabosu Cider

Made with Kabosu citrus juice, this Oita specialty soda makes great refreshment for your stroll. The station also has an array of locally grown vegetables and specialty foods.

Tel: 0974-64-1210
Address: 1018-1 Oaza-Haizako, Asajicho, Bungo-Ono
Open: 9 a.m.-6 p.m.



Near the start (Asaji Station)

Restaurant Fukujuso (At Road Station Asaji)



B Asajin Don (Beef steak over rice)

A delicious local specialty dish featuring sirloin cuts from high-quality Bundo beef raised in Asaji. With the wide selection of meal sets and noodle dishes, you'll have trouble deciding what to get!

*Free coffee served to the first five customers of the day.

Tel: 0974-72-0066
Address: 1018-1 Oaza-Haizako, Asajicho, Bungo-Ono
Open: 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. from March to May / 10 a.m.-5 p.m. from June to October
(9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Dec. 30 and Jan. 2)

D Seasonal Sampler

A luxurious meal set of small dishes featuring Taketa's seasonal delicacies. This restaurant is in a building registered as a national tangible cultural property. It was once used as a rice granary and public bathhouse.

Tel: 0974-63-3321
Address: 507 Taketamachi, Taketa
Open: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed irregularly

Near the finish (Bungo-Taketa Station)

Saffron Gohan



In Taketa (Taketa City)

E Saffron Meal Set (Ingredients special daily)

Enjoy the restaurant's special set of the day featuring saffron rice made with Taketa-grown saffron and side dishes of local delicacies in a relaxing atmosphere.

Tel: 0974-62-2326
Address: 2105 Taketa, Taketa
Open: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Closed: Thursdays

Marufuku Shokudo

Fried chicken leg quarters are now known nationwide as a Taketa specialty. Come and savor crispy and succulent chicken that cannot be found anywhere else.

Tel: 0974-63-3457 Address: 550-6 Taketamachi, Taketa
Open: 10 a.m.-9 p.m.



Art Space Cafe Okura-Shimizu Yu

Popular tourist spots accessible by car

Harajiri Falls

At 120 meters wide and 20 meters high, Harajiri falls offers an impressive landscape of a flat land suddenly ending with a sharp drop, and you will be surprised to learn that people live just above these gigantic falls.



A 20-min. ride from Asaji Station!

Nagayu Onsen Gozen-yu

Widely known for carbonated water that is said to be good for any disease, Nagayu Hot Spring has been popular for ages. The many famous cultural figures that have visited Nagayu over the years have nurtured a special atmosphere. Gozen-yu is a public bathhouse complete with a relaxing lounge and massage chairs. Private baths are also available.

A 20-min. ride from Hanamizuki!



stays

Enjoy more than the food at a local farm! Wonderful experiences await, such as gathering crops with a host family. This new-style experience in which travelers spend their time doing what residents do has been growing popular as a way to more directly experience local culture and life than conventional trips offer.



For information about farm stays, call:

Commerce, Industry and Tourism Section, Bungo-Ono City Hall TEL. 0974-22-1001

Taketa City Sightseeing & Tourism Association TEL. 0974-63-0585



By Car	By Shinkansen and train	By airplane
<p>Taketa & Kitakyushu</p> <p>Yamato Expressway</p> <p>Kumamoto IC</p> <p>57 10 min</p> <p>JR Bungo-Taketa Sta.</p> <p>57 10 min</p> <p>JR Asaji Sta.</p>	<p>Nagasaki & Kitakyushu</p> <p>Nagasaki Expressway</p> <p>Nozobeki IC</p> <p>324 10 min</p> <p>JR Asaji Sta.</p> <p>57 10 min</p> <p>JR Bungo-Taketa Sta.</p> <p>57 10 min</p> <p>JR Bungo-Taketa Sta.</p>	<p>Bengo & Oita</p> <p>Oita 7th Avenue</p> <p>Mera IC</p> <p>10 10 min</p> <p>Inukai</p> <p>57 10 min</p> <p>Asaji</p> <p>57 10 min</p> <p>JR Asaji Sta.</p> <p>57 10 min</p> <p>JR Bungo-Taketa Sta.</p>

IC (Interchanges) indicates the entrance/exit of an expressway in Japan.

Parking available at Asaji Station near the start point of the trail and at Bungo-Taketa Station near the finish!

By Shinkansen and train	By airplane
<p>Kasuga & Suwayama Regions</p> <p>JR Shinkansen</p> <p>JR Kokura Sta.</p> <p>1 hr 20 min</p> <p>JR Oita Sta.</p> <p>JR Asaji Sta.</p> <p>JR Bungo-Taketa Sta.</p>	<p>Haneda Airport</p> <p>Chubu Central Int'l Airport</p> <p>Dani Airport, etc.</p> <p>Oita Airport</p> <p>Aso Kumamoto Airport</p> <p>JR Bungo-Taketa Sta.</p> <p>JR Asaji Sta.</p>

Information

<p>Bungo-Ono Sato no Kosha</p> <p>158 Kyokawa-nachi-Haneda, Bungo-Ono, Oita Prefecture</p> <p>TEL. 0974-35-3601</p> <p>Open: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.</p> <p>Sato no Tabi</p> <p>http://www.sato-no-tabi.jp/</p>	<p>Taketa City Sightseeing & Tourism Association</p> <p>2250-1 Alai, Taketa, Oita Prefecture</p> <p>TEL. 0974-63-0585</p> <p>Open: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.</p> <p>Taketa</p> <p>http://www.taketa.jp/</p>
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