1 Day Driving to Dams & Canals

No.1 Western Mino Route toward Japan's No.1 Tokuyama Dam

国道 National Highway



Dividing like clam and shell, I leave for Futami

- Autumn is passing by

Starting Point

1 hr. & 56 min. from Tokyo by a bullet train "Hikari" and 55 min. from Osaka by a bullet train "Hikari"

Gifuhajima Station of Tokaido Bullet Train

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30 min. by car from the starting point (Gifuhajima Station)

Okunohosomichi Musubinochi Museum

"The Narrow Road to Oku (The journey to the inner world of Northern Honshu) Museum

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Add: 2-26-1 Funamachi, Ogaki City, Gifu Pref Phone: 0584-84-8430 Open: 9:00-17:00

Closed: year-end and new year holidays Fee: ¥ 300 Parking lot: available



Short walking distance from 1

Walking along Suimon River-Spots of animation film "A Silent Voice"

Ogaki City is the central location site of the animation movie entitled "A Silent Voice" released in 2016. Some spots along Suimon River, running in the central part of the city like Midori Bridge were selected as important location spots of this movie. It is interesting to compare such spots with the spot in the movie in your memoire.

Add: Along Suimon River Phone: 0584-77-1535 (Ogaki Tourism Association) Parking lot: Available nearby

30 min. by car from 2

Kurono Station Museum

Kurono Station Museum is located in the Kurono Station Rail Park, where defunct Meitetu Ibi Line items such as station platform structures and other items which used to be used on this line are on display. The diorama showing 1/150th scale former Kurono Station and surrounding landscape are Kurono Station and surrounding displayed in three D form with high precision N-gage miniature trains, including Meitetsu Panorama train and a bullet train. Other colorful settings like trees with their leaves seasonably being changed are also on display to show visitors virtual reality world of the Kuroba Station in Ono Town.



Add: 560-4 Kurono, Ono Town, Ibi-Gun, Gifu Pref. Phone: 0585-32-5001 Open: 9:00-17:00 Closed: on Mon., the day after holiday, year end and new year holidays

on Sat., Sun, & holidays from 10:00-12:00 & 13:00-15:00

Fee: Free entrance Parking lot: Available *Diorama models are on display with miniature trains operated

30 min. by car from 3

Kanbaraya

This is a well-established Japanese confectionery shop located on Honcho Street in the central part of Ibigawa Town. The shop's specialty is "Tokuyama" and "Nikki Mochi". They sell varieties of Japanese sweet cakes, including local specialty sweet "Tokuyama" a Japanese style wafer and sweetened red bean paste each separately wrapped , and "Nikki Mochi", a cinnamon-flavored sweet cake, one of the shop's top selling items.

*A typical Japanese sweet cake called "XX Mochi" consists of outer layer made of rice cake and inner layer of "Anko", sweet bean paste made out of simmered azuki beans.

Add: 716 Miwa, Ibigawa Town, Ibi-Gun, Gifu Pref. Phone: 0585-22-0115 Open: 07:00-17:30 Closed: on Wed. (exc. Holidays)

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Unique Spot

30 min. by car from 4

A hilltop tea plantation site (Kamigare District)

Gifu version of "Machu Picchu" in the sky

Ibigawa Town is famous for its tea production and the tea plantation field of Kamigare District of Ibigawa Town sits on the hilltop of 300m above sea level. As many visitors to this district referred this to Machu Picchu in the sky and called it the Gife's Macchu Picchu, World Heritage Site. This news spread through SNS. When you drive into previous Kasuga Village, you will be guided to this site following the hand-made guide post.. Stroll up to the site and enjoy the atmosphere.



Add: 6 Gou, Kasuga, ibigawa-cho, Ibi-gun, Shiga Pref.

Road tation

30 min. by car from 4

Road Station Starry Place Fujihashi

The cafeteria in this station serves Yoko-Toku Curry & Rice (¥1000), a famous combination of Yokoyama & Tokuyama dams curry & rice dishes

Tokuyama dams curry & rice





Add: 264-1 Higashiyokoyama, Ibigawa Town, Ibi-Gun, Gifu Pref. Phone: 0585-52-2020 Open: 09:30-18:00 on Weekdays, 08:30-18:00 on Sat., Sun, & holidays Closed: Year end and new year holidays, on Tue. (Restrant), on Thu. (Soba Restrant), *the day after holiday Parking lot: Available

10 min. by car from 5

60 min. by car from 4

Nishimino Astronomical Observatory

Surrounded by mountains and not affected by the city lights, this site is best suited for astronomical observation. This observatory is equipped with a large 60cm in diameter reflecting telescope. You can enjoy a huge clear view of the moon as well as Jupiter and Saturn, etc. Twice a month star-watching nights are enjoyed by visitors. Groups of visitors are welcome, too. (Upon request)
In addition, Nishimino Planetarium in Fijihashi Castle sitting

nest to the observatory is available for your virtual space trip with an optical megastar and a digital projector.

Add: 332-1 Tsurumi, Ibi Town, Ibi-Gun, Gifu Prefecture Phone: 0585-52-2611 Open: Available upon request Closed: in Winter (From Dec. to Mar.)

Fee: ¥300 per hour (¥200 per child) Mini. 5 persons required Parking lot: Available



Final Destination

Tokuyama Dam

Its storage capacity is 660 million m3-the largest storage amount in Japan. Information display monitor on the right bank side of the dam in the site park explains about the dam. There are observation deck, a huge tire sample on display for the 90 ton dump truck used for the construction. They welcome the advanced tour request. It will be guided by the staff, who will explain the dam

Add: 448 Kaida, Ibi Town, Ibi-Gun, Gifu Prefecture
Phone: 0585-52-2910 (Tokuyama Dam Office) Open: 9:00-17:00
Closed: No holidays Fee: Free entry Parking lot: Available

Phone: 0585-52-0166 (Water and Forest Learning Hall)