

# Yorii Tourism Guide Map

## Gourmet



### Ayu dishes

In the Arakawa River in Yorii, the ban on Ayu fishing is lifted on June 1 every year. "Kyotei," a Japanese-style hotel with restaurant designated as a Saitama S-class Gourmet Restaurant, offers various Ayu dishes for you to enjoy the savor.

Kyotei TEL.048-581-0128



### Tare Katsu-don

A rice bowl topped with freshly fried pork loin cutlet soaked in an original sweet and spicy sauce.



### Yakitori

Because the town has long prospered from pig farming, yakitori is mainly made with pork in Yorii. "Kashira," which is meat from pig cheeks and temples, has low fat and a unique flavor.



### Mandarin orange juice

100% mandarin orange juice made from mandarin oranges produced in Yorii. Sold at Village Station Agurinkan.



Mandarin orange/Blueberry jam



Village Station Agurinkan

## Experiences



### Hiking

There are various nature-rich hiking courses, such as Mt. Kanetsukido and Kaze-no-michi walking trail along the Fuppu River.



### Kanayama hot springs

Natural hot springs of Kanpo-no-Yado Yorii. It is the perfect place to heal your tired body after hiking, such as Mt. Kanetsukido and Kaze-no-michi walking trail along the Fuppu River.

Kanpo-no-Yado Yorii TEL.048-581-1165



### Picking mandarin oranges

Mandarin orange cultivation in Yorii has a history of more than 400 years, and many tourists visit during the mandarin orange picking season from late October to mid-December. With a characteristic old-fashioned sweet and sour taste, mandarin orange is one of the local specialties.



### Grape picking

Yorii's grapes are grown with clean water and fresh air. The grape-picking season is from early August to early October every year. Grape farms sell their grapes direct to customers, making it easy for you to enjoy them with your family and friends.

## Four seasons

The four seasons of "Yorii, the Town of Excellent Natural Water" start with winter sweet flowers, which bloom in Yamato no Sato. By and by, the town is painted in various colors throughout the year with Japanese apricot, Japanese dogtooth violet, cherry blossom, azalea, and autumn leaves.



Edohiganzakura (Cerasus itosakura f. ascendens) in Hachigatajyo Park (known as Ujikunizakura)



Azalea in Mt. Kanao



Japanese tree peony at Renkoji Temple



Autumn leaves in Chugendaira Ryokuchi Park



The town where you can enjoy cherry blossoms throughout the year  
Volunteers plant cherry blossom trees with a goal of growing 10,000 trees of 300 varieties of cherry blossoms. How about enjoying an encounter with blooming cherry blossoms every season?



Flowers of Japanese dogtooth violet that herald the coming of spring



Winter sweet in Yamato no Sato



Goyotsutsuji (Rhododendron quinquefolium)  
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	Expressway		Parking
	National road		Restroom
	Prefectural/General road		Famous place for flowers
	JR line		Grape farm
	Private railway		Mikan Mountain
	Hiking course		Bonsai
			Hot springs, etc.
			Golf course

## Flower and Event Calendar

January	● Winter sweet (Yamato no Sato)	June 1	■ Ban lifted on Ayu fishing
February	● Japanese apricot (Chugendaira, Sueno)	Second Saturday and Sunday of July	■ Yorii Summer Festival (Yasaka Shrine)
March	● Japanese dogtooth violet (Yamato no Sato, Yamatomizu Hanayamado Trail, Hachigatajyo Ruins) ● Edohiganzakura (Ujikunizakura)	First Saturday of August From early August to early October	■ Yorii Tamayodo Suitengu Festival ■ Grape picking
April	● Cherry blossoms (Chugendaira Ryokuchi Park, Lake Tsuburata, Hachigatajyo Park, Tamayodo, etc.) ● Mitsubatsutsuji (Rhododendron dilatatum) (Tamayodo) ● Yamatsutsuji (Rhododendron kaempferi) (Mt. Kanao, Mt. Kanetsukido) until May ● Japanese tree peony (Renkoji Temple) until May ■ Kanaoyama Tsutsuji Festival	From late October to mid-December	■ Fuppu/Kobayashi mandarin orange picking
From Mid-April to Early-May		November	● Autumn leaves (Fuppu, Chugendaira Ryokuchi Park, Mt. Kanetsukido, Suzumenomiya Park) ■ Yorii Fall Festival (Munakata Shrine)
May	● Goyotsutsuji (Yamatomizu Hanayamado Trail) ■ Yorii Hojo Festival	First Saturday and Sunday of November Mid-November	■ Yorii Town Industry and Culture Festival ■ Hometown Festival Market ■ Yorii Town Traffic Safety Classic Car Parade
Early and mid-May			



# A Great Medieval Castle Hachigatajyo Park

“Hachigatajyo,” a great medieval castle built on the top of the cliff of the Arakawa River. Let’s visit the restored castle ruins and imagine the age of fierce battle.

Hachigatajyo is a medieval castle built on the top of a sheer cliff overlooking the beautiful landscape of the Arakawa River. It had been called a great castle, but it turned into a site of tragedy when the castle was surrendered after being attacked by large armies in 1590. It is a symbol of Yorii Town and became the first officially-designated historical site in Yorii due to its high academic value. It was opened as a historic park following reconstruction of the moat, earthwork gate and others.



● Hachigatajyo Ruins



● Monument of the ruins of the Hachigatajyo keep



● Edohiganzakura(Ujikunizakura)

The symbol tree of Hachigatajyo. Flowers are fully in bloom on its umbrella-shaped branches at the end of March, and the contrast of pink flowers against the blue sky when looking up from the ground is stunning. The 18-meter tree has branches spreading 23.5 m east to west and 21.8 m north and south, and a root circumference of 6.5 m. The tree is illuminated during the time of full bloom.



● Hachigatajyo Museum

A facility where you can learn and experience local culture and history, mainly the history of Hachigatajyo, an officially-designated historical site. A permanent exhibition comprehensively introduces the history and the structure of Hachigatajyo with visual images, and a rotating exhibition is regularly held under a wide variety of themes.

Opening hours/  
9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
(Entrance permitted until 4:00 p.m.)  
Closed/  
Monday (excluding holidays), the day following a public holiday, Year-end and new year holidays  
Admission fee/  
200 yen for adults, 100 yen for high school/university students, free for those aged 70 years or older or those with a physical disability certificate  
TEL/048-586-0315

# Where you can feel the history Temples and Shrines



● Shoryuji Temple

The temple's name derives from a legend that says a blue dragon appeared in the castle town and created a lake. There are the graves of the castellan of Hanazono Castle, Kuniyasu FUJITA and his wife, and the castellan of Hachigatajyo, Ujikuni HOJO and his wife.



● Munakata Shrine

A shrine established at the riverside of the Arakawa River. It is believed that the spirit of the God of Munakata Shrine in Fukuoka Prefecture is divided and enshrined to prevent the river from flooding because the river often flooded in the past.

● Shorinji Temple

A temple that is said to have been established by FUJITA, the castellan of Hanazono Castle. In the mountain behind the temple, there is a hiking trail where Gohyaku Rakan (five-hundred Rakan statues) and Sentai Kojin (one-thousand stone monuments) stand.



In Yorii, which flourished as a strategic point of transportation, there are many temples and shrines where you can feel the history. How about a leisurely tour of the temples and shrines?

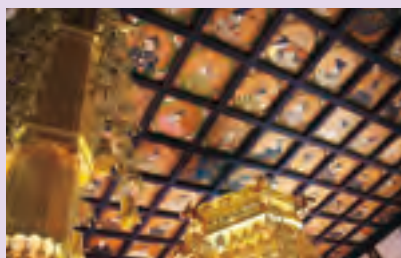


● Gohyaku Rakan (Five-hundred Rakan statues)

“Rakan” refers to a disciple of Buddha. In the mountain behind the Shorinji Temple, nearly 500 stone statues of Rakan stand in line.



● Graves of Ujikuni HOJO and his wife



● Coffered ceiling with paintings of Hyakunin Isshu



● Zendoji Temple

The ceiling of the main hall is decorated with a total of 108 painted portraits of poets, poems and dragons of Hyakunin Isshu (a medieval collection of excellent waka poems of a hundred poets).

# where you can enjoy a traditional Japanese atmosphere Traditional festivals



● Yorii Hojo Festival

In 1590, Ujikuni HOJO, who took up his place in Hachigata Castle, had fought with only 3,500 warriors against 50,000 warriors for nearly one month. The battle scene is recreated in the “Yorii Hojo Festival.” On the day of the festival, around 500 people in samurai outfits of that time divide into two armies and battle each other at Tamayodo-gawara after parading in the downtown area. The scene is powerful just like a real medieval battle in Japan.



● Yorii Fall Festival

In addition to the parade of seven floats decorated with lanterns and matsuri-bayashi (festival music), many fun events such as shishimai (lion dance), kagura (sacred music and dancing at shrines) and children's parade are held.

● Yorii Summer Festival

A festival in which dynamic and gorgeous mikoshi (a portable shrine) parade in the downtown area. While praying for a good harvest and good health, six male mikoshi from each district compete for bravery.



● Yorii Tamayodo Suitengu Festival

A festival of the God of Water held in Tamayodo, a scenic spot, in order to pray for prevention of water accidents, safe childbirth, and childcare. Due to the great view of fireworks and ship floats appearing together, the festival is called “the best water festival in the Kanto region.” The festival is held on the first Saturday of August every year.



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Yorii Tamayodo Suitengu Festival

**COLUMN** A legendary hero is also believed to have drunk “Yamatomizu”  
It has been said that water immediately welled up when Yamato Takeru no Mikoto, a Japanese prince in ancient times who played here for victory in a battle to subjugate the eastern land, stuck his sword into a large rock wall in the middle of Mt. Kamafuse to relieve his thirst. The water, which has never dried up, has been worshipped since olden times with the name “Yamatomizu” as water with mysterious effects.

Access to the headwaters is now restricted.  
Excellent natural water springing from a cleft in the rock called Hyakujokikawa on the north side of Mt. Kamafuse. It is selected as one of the “100 best natural waters in Japan.”

● Yamatomizu  
The place is very popular with people in search of excellent natural water that is believed to offer blessings for marriage, safe childbirth, perpetual youth and longevity. Yamatomizu is fresh water, so please boil before using it.



● Water-make Spot

A clear stream whose headwaters include Yamatomizu. The river is certified as one of the “100 best natural waters in Japan” due to its beautiful scenery. Notable scenic spots such as “Okamibuchi,” “Mocodaki Falls,” and “Tengwa in the basin.”

● Fuppu River  
One of the scenic spots of the Fuppu River. Two waterfalls for over 3 meters.

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● Kamayama Shrine  
A shrine with the legend of Yamato Takeru no Mikoto, enshrined at Kamafuse Pass. It has been worshipped since olden times with the name “Yamatomizu” as water with mysterious effects.

● Kaze-no-michi  
A rest spot on the Kaze-no-michi walking trail. You can enjoy a splendid view of Tokyo Bay, and an exhibition of old boats. The large water wheel with a diameter of 24.2 meters, is the symbol of the museum, is TEL.048-581-7733

● Kawasemi-gawara  
A popular spot where you can enjoy various outdoor activities. Nearby, there is Satsuma Museum of Rivers, and many people visit during the summer holidays.

● Satsuma Museum of Rivers  
A theme park of rivers where you can enjoy learning about the river through a simulated experience of a boat relating to folk tales and festivals learning about the river including “Arakawa River.” You can enjoy a museum on the theme of the river.

● Ayu fishing  
This is an artificial lake for irrigation where you can enjoy fishing beautiful water pool just like a bead. It is popular with visitors who enjoy barbecuing or fishing, and is the venue of Yorii Hojo Festival and Yorii Tamayodo Suitengu Festival.

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● Tamayodo Promenade  
A promenade continuing from Tamayodo Station to Tamayodo-gawara. You can enjoy landscapes of the four seasons of Tamayodo-gawara, colorful manhole covers of Odawara City, Kanagawa Prefecture, and colorfully decorated floats of the Odawara Festival.

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