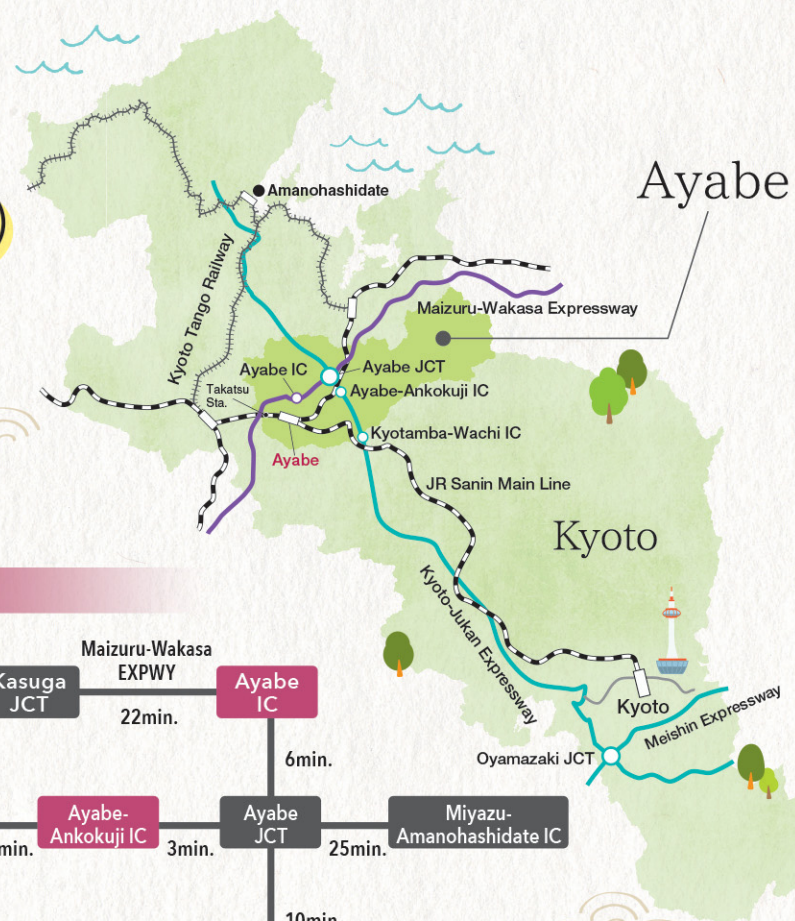
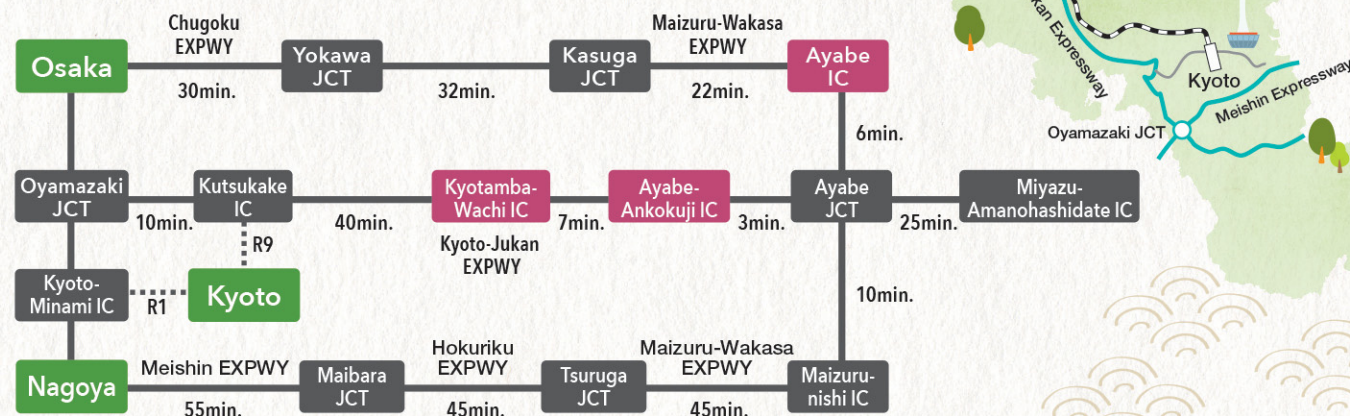


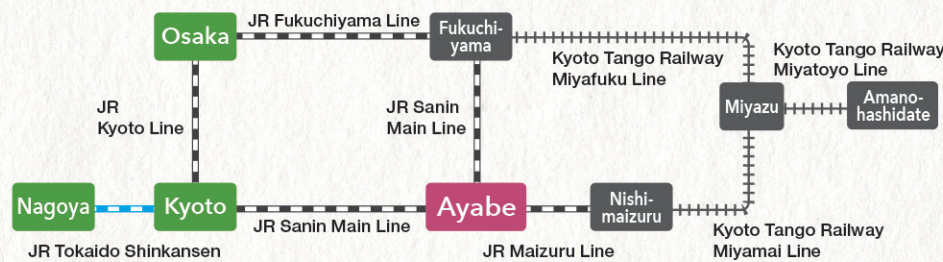
Access Guide



By car



By train



*Travel times listed in the diagram above may vary depending on travel conditions.

e-BIKE(electrically powered assistance) Rentals

Reservations Can be made by phone or email in advance. Same-day reservations possible based on availability.

Rental fees	Less than 4 hours	1 day	2 days or more
	1,000 yen	1,500 yen	Additional 1,500 yen per day

※Rentals limited to 1 bicycle per customer.
※Rentals of regular bicycles also available.

Rental times 9AM - 5:30PM **Rentals & Returns** Ayabe Onsen, Ayabe Tourist Information Center



With a drop-off charge of 500 yen



Ayabe Onsen



Ayabe Tourist Information Center

drop-offs are permitted.

For transportation within Ayabe city, Aya-Bus is also available.

Aya-Bus



Rental Cars

Oshima Car Service ☎0773-42-8888
Sankei Rent-a-car ☎0773-47-0438



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Yuragawa Flower Garden



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Nature

Best time to visit:
late March – mid-April



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late April – mid-May



Shaga Forest

An enchanting scene of yellow oriental paperbush (mitsumata) fill the cedar forest. When the blooming season ends, Japanese fringed irises (shaga) blanket the forest floor in a sea of white.

Ayabe-shi, Oitomi-cho, Zainaka TEL.0773-54-0095 (Kambayashi Iki-iki Center)



Oomoto Shrine Gardens

Oomoto is a religious sect established in 1892 (Meiji 25) in Ayabe. In the fall, the entire garden is dyed crimson with autumn foliage.

Ayabe-shi, Hongu-cho 1-1 TEL.0773-42-0187

Ankokuji Temple

Said to be the birthplace of Ashikaga Takauji (founder of the Ashikaga shogunate), the well from which his first bath water was drawn as well as his grave can be found there. Also well-known for autumn foliage.

Ayabe-shi, Ankokuji-cho, Teranodani 1 TEL.0773-44-1565



Yamaga Castle Ruins Historical Site

This park is positioned at the base of where Yamaga Castle (also called Kogamine Castle) was destroyed during Akechi Mitsuhide's attack on Tamba. It is originally the encampment site of the Tani clan, who ruled the Yamaga area during the Edo Period. It has been selected among "the 200 best nature scenes in Kyoto."

Ayabe-shi, Hirose-cho, Ueno-machi 76 TEL.0773-46-0345 (Yamaga Kominkan)



Ayabe Onsen (hot spring)



Nio No Yu

Nestled among the vast elements, this natural hot spring is rich in rejuvenating minerals and is known to beautify the skin. Offering not only overnight stays, it is also available for relaxing day trips. Local produce can be enjoyed at the restaurant on site.

Ayabe-shi, Mutsuyori-cho, Zainomukai 10 TEL.0773-55-0262

Niomon Labyrinth

Large-scale maze enjoyable for the whole family. Containing various traps, it has a high level of difficulty worthy of its "labyrinth" name.



Farmer's Guest House

Experience the rustic lifestyle of the countryside at a popular traditional Japanese house surrounded by lush nature and mountains, pastoral scenery. In Ayabe, several unique and traditional Japanese houses welcome you, including cooking with selective ingredients, wood-chopping, and art therapy.



Stay at a popular traditional Japanese house

Ayabe Fureai Farm (and petting zoo)

In addition to experiencing the full spectrum of nature while petting small animals, there is also a restaurant. During summertime, about 50,000 sunflowers covering 4,000 square meters bloom across the hills of the farmland.

Ayabe-shi, Iden-cho, Hinokimae 81 TEL.0773-48-0266 (Petting Farm)
TEL.0773-48-1000 (Heidi's Kitchen)



Ayabe Gunze Square



Gunze Memorial Hall

Gunze Memorial Hall, the former headquarters of the Gunze Company, and the main gate of its current headquarters have been maintained and preserved as a landmark supporting the modern silk manufacturing industry, while etching the cultural landscape of the region.



Ayabe Rose Garden

At the Rose Garden hand-built by local volunteers, about 150 different kinds of roses bloom beautifully. Every year rose festivals are held from May-June and October-November.

Ayabe-shi, Aono-cho, Kamenashi 1-2 TEL.0773-43-0811 (Ayabe Local Specialty Goods Store)



Gunze Museum

Museum of the Gunze Corporation, founded in Ayabe in 1896. Reusing the silk cocoon warehouse built in early 1900s, each of the 4 buildings has exhibits based on the past, present, and future.

Ayabe-shi, Aono-cho, Kamenashi 1-2 TEL.0773-42-3181 (Monday ~ Friday)
0773-43-1050 (Saturday & Sunday)



Nio Park

This is a great place to relax, and visitors can camp or barbecue anywhere they like within this spacious park. Rentals of tents and other camping equipment are available.

Ayabe-shi, Mutsuyori-cho, Wanogami 50 TEL.0773-55-0262 (Ayabe Onsen)



Cycling

Take a leisurely cycle along the Yura river, retro streets, flower-filled fields, and country roads. Each season offers something different and there is always the chance to meet locals!



Places you should visit while cycling.



Ayabe Local Specialty Goods Store

Gifts and specialty products from Ayabe line the aisles including agricultural and processed products made of local ingredients, local sake, and famed confections.

Ayabe-shi, Aono-cho, Kamenashi 1-2 TEL.0773-43-0811

Aya-cha Café

A café serving Ayabe brands of green tea and sweets taking full advantage of raw ingredients.

TEL.0773-43-0835

Soemon Coffee

A café run out of Gunze founder Tsurukichi Hatano's company residence, a portion of which was relocated, renovated, and renamed "Dokoon." You can enjoy delicious coffee, muffins, and cakes here.

TEL.0773-40-2020

Canoeing

A canoeing experience in which you can fully enjoy the elements of the Yura River. The downriver trip starting in Yamaga has a relatively calm flow well-suited for beginners.

Ayabe-shi, Kanbara-cho, Tojiri 8-5 TEL.0773-21-5529 (Yamaga Fureai Station)



Experiences



Ayabe Trail

Several attractive routes are designed to allow you to experience lush nature. You can check out the routes on the popular hiking app "YAMAP."

Access the app "YAMAP Kyoto Jukan Trail" here.



National Treasure Niomon Gate and Komyoji Temple

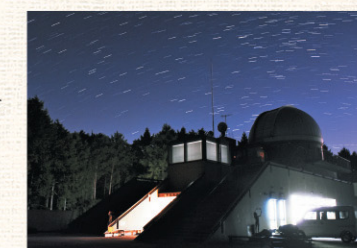
Komyoji is said to have been founded by Prince Shotoku. Niomon is the only building in northern Kyoto designated as a National Treasure. The Nio statues within the gate are the important cultural property of Japan.

Ayabe-shi, Mutsuyori-cho, Kimino'o 1-1 TEL.0773-55-0550

Tenmonkan Pao (Observatory)

Its 95 cm reflective telescope is one of the largest among observatories open to the public in Japan.

Ayabe-shi, Sato-cho, Kyuta 21-8 TEL.0773-42-8080



Kurotani Washi

Traditional Japanese paper craft designated by Kyoto Prefecture as an important intangible cultural property. Besides experiencing washi-making (reservations required), you can visit the studio and exhibition hall, or purchase creative washi products.

Ayabe-shi, Kurotani-cho, Higashidani 3 TEL.0773-44-0213 (Kurotani Washi Hall)



History