

Trips from Kanazawa to Hakui (Noto Peninsula)

Chirihama Beach Driveway



This famous beach Driveway runs. This beach driveway is 8 km long and has a road-width of 50 m. It's made of tightly compacted fine sand making it firm enough for a pleasant drive along the beach. The particle diameter of the ordinary beach sand granule is about 0.5 mm to 1 mm, while that of the sand on Chirihama Beach is a quarter of the ordinary size and thus very fine. For this reason, the seawater can easily permeate into the sand, which makes sand granules compacted together tightly to form a firm beach and even buses can run on this beach. It makes for a wonderful experience as you enjoy a car-ride on the beach while appreciating the glow of the setting sun.

Myojoji Temple



Myojoji Temple is the head temple of Nichiren Sect in Hokuriku Region. Visitors can also visit Joroku-do, a hall containing a wooden statue of Shakamuni Buddha (5 meters tall, 1686); this statue was restored lately to remove all alterations that were made last centuries, and recovered now its original appearance. Some of the temple buildings which are designated as Important Cultural Properties were made during the reign of first 5 generations of Kaga's ruling feudal family-Maedas. Especially, the 34 meters tall Goju-no-To (5 storied pagoda) is the largest wooden pagoda in Hokuriku region and it's a masterpiece of early Edo Period pagodas. It's the only 5 storied pagodas in Japan which has a tochibuki roof.

- * Telephone : 0767-27-1226
- * Fee: Adult 500yen; Child 300yen
- * Hours: 8:00~17:00 (April ~ October)
8:00~16:30 (November ~ March)
(Open All year Round)

Keta Taisha Shrine



This Shrine enshrines Ookuni-nushi-no-Mikoto, which is a deity of marriage. During Nara and Heian Period, the Shrine was known as Noto-kuni Ichi no Miya (the first shrine of Noto) and has a history of 2100 years. The scenery inside the shrine is beautiful which changes with each passing season and there's a solemn but pleasant atmosphere. When Emperor Akihito visited the Shrine and the Forbidden Sacred Forest (Natural Monument) in 1983, Emperor read a Haiku about the Shrine and the Forest.

- * Telephone : 0767-22-0602
- * Fee: Free Entry Fee
- * Hours: 8:30~16:30 (Open All year Round)

Cosmo Isle Hakui

(Space and Science Museum)



Although Cosmo Isle Hakui is usually referred to as "the UFO Museum," that nickname is misleading. About 75% of the museum's contents are about US and USSR space craft and space missions from the 1960s to the Mars Rover-which I rather liked, seeing as I find space exploration much more interesting than UFO sightings. There's the overlap between space missions and alien life: several features on SETI (Search for Extra Terrestrial Intelligence) and the various things we've launched into space with messages from Earth. The UFO portion of the museum is limited to photographed UFOs and information about when and where they were seen. There's a replica of the Roswell "alien dissection" and a number of English and Japanese magazines about paranormal activity. (And a life-sized ET in the "library.")

- * Telephone : 0767-22-9888
- * Fee: Adult 400yen
Elementary-Junior High school students 200yen
- * Hours: 8:30~17:00 (Entrance till 16:30)
(Closed: Tuesdays)

■ Transportation (Example)

Kanazawa Station ⇒ Hakui Station			Hakui Station ⇒ Kanazawa Station		
Type	Kanazawa	Hakui	Type	Hakui	Kanazawa
Local	7:42	8:45	Local	10:17	11:20
Local	8:13	9:08	Ex Thunder Bird #20	10:38	11:18
Local	8:37	9:44	Local	11:08	12:09
Ex Noto Kagaribi #1	8:56	9:29	Local	12:12	13:08
Local	9:52	10:51	Local	12:55	13:52
Local	10:31	11:34	Ex Noto Kagaribi #6	13:24	14:04
Ex Noto Kagaribi #3	11:23	11:56	Local	13:43	14:35
Local	11:31	12:26	Local	14:30	15:33
Local	12:29	13:24	Local	15:32	16:26
Ex Thunder Bird #13	13:10	13:42	Ex Noto Kagaribi #8	15:54	16:29
Local	13:29	14:30	Local	16:29	17:26
Local	14:31	15:38	Local	17:17	18:10
Ex Noto Kagaribi #5	15:00	15:32	Local	17:44	18:57
Local	15:24	16:29	Ex Noto Kagaribi #10	17:55	18:29
Local	16:25	17:17	Local	18:38	19:32
Local	17:05	18:07	Local	19:35	20:29

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【Normal Fare】 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Local : 820yen ● Ex (Limited Express/Non-reserved seat) : 1,670yen (820yen+850yen) 	【JR Pass or Hokuriku Arch Pass Fare】 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Local : 0 yen ● Ex (Limited Express) : 0 yen
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Chirihama Beach Driveway

10 minutes by TAXI (about 1,000yen/One-way) from JR Hakui station.

Keta Taisha Shrine

Take the Hokutetsu Noto Bus bound for Togi from JR Hakui Station, get off at Ichi-no-miya (250yen/One-way) Bus Stop and walk for 5 minutes.

Myoji Temple

Take the Hokutetsu Noto Bus bound for Togi from JR Hakui Station, get off at Myoji-kuchi (430yen/One-way) Bus Stop and walk for 10 minutes.

Weekday (Monday~Friday)

Hakui	Ichi-no-miya	Myoji-kuchi	Myoji-kuchi	Ichi-no-miya	Hakui
9:20	9:30	9:39	9:39	9:48	10:03
10:20	10:30	10:39	11:08	11:17	11:29
11:35	11:45	11:54	12:09	12:18	12:33
12:50	13:00	13:09	13:44	13:53	14:08
14:25	14:35	14:44	15:04	15:13	15:28
15:20	15:30	15:39	16:29	16:38	16:53
16:00	16:12	16:21	17:10	17:20	17:34
16:25	16:35	16:44	17:59	18:08	18:23

Weekend (Saturday, Sunday, Public Holiday)

Hakui	Ichi-no-miya	Myoji-kuchi	Myoji-kuchi	Ichi-no-miya	Hakui
9:20	9:30	9:39	9:13	9:22	9:34
11:35	11:45	11:54	9:39	9:48	10:03
12:50	13:00	13:09	12:09	12:18	12:33
14:35	14:45	14:54	13:44	13:53	14:08
15:31	15:40	-	15:04	15:13	15:28
16:00	16:12	16:21	16:29	16:38	16:53
			17:59	18:08	18:23

Cosmo Isle Hakui

Take the Hokutetsu Noto Bus bound for Nanao from JR Hakui Station, get off at Tsuruta-machi (160yen/One-way) Bus Stop and walk for 5 minutes.

Weekday (Monday~Friday)

Hakui	Tsuruta-machi	Tsuruta-machi	Hakui
9:10	9:13	9:51	9:56
11:00	11:03	11:17	11:22
12:30	12:33	13:47	13:52
14:10	14:13	14:51	14:56
14:50	14:53	16:06	16:11
15:50	15:53	16:46	16:51

Weekend (Saturday, Sunday, Public Holiday)

Hakui	Tsuruta-machi	Tsuruta-machi	Hakui
9:10	9:13	10:01	10:06
10:10	10:13	11:17	11:22
11:30	11:33	12:21	12:26
13:00	13:03	13:47	13:52
15:10	15:13	15:21	15:26
16:40	16:43	16:12	16:17
		17:16	17:21

※ Another means of Transportation : "Rent-a-cycle" 2hours/300yen (use at the Hakui Station)