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Touring on Aiko Line Aimlessly Bizen



Access to the Former Shizutani School [Bizen City Bus Timetable]

● Namboku & Shizutani School-Mozumi Line (JR Aiko Line In Station ↔ Former Shizutani School)			● Yoshinoga Line (JR Aiko Line Bizen-katakami Station ↔ Former Shizutani School)		
From In Station	Arrival at Former Shizutani School	Effective Date	From Former Shizutani School	Arrival at In Station	Effective Date
10:20	10:32	Weekdays, weekends and holidays	9:10	9:22	Weekdays, weekends and holidays
12:25	12:37	Weekdays, weekends and holidays	11:15	11:27	Weekdays, weekends and holidays
14:20	14:32	Weekdays, weekends and holidays	13:10	13:22	Weekdays, weekends and holidays
15:48	16:00	Weekdays, weekends and holidays	15:10	15:22	Weekdays, weekends and holidays
			16:40	16:52	Weekdays, weekends and holidays

For detailed timetables, please visit the Bizen City website. Access from here.



Kagato Area

Hydrangeas at Saiho-in Temple of Otakiyama, Fukushoji Temple



Also known as Hydrangea Temple. Around June, the temple is filled with colorful hydrangeas. It takes about 10 minutes by cab or 40 minutes on foot from Kagato Station.

Townscape of Kagato



Kagato is a picturesque town located along the old Sanyo Highway. The town has a rich history of miso and soy sauce brewing, and its streets are lined with earthen storehouses and old houses. Strolling through the town is a delightful experience that allows one to reminisce about the activities of people in the past.

Ouchi Shrine and Idhirizuka



There are about 30 inome (hearts) in the precincts of the temple. Also, on the decorative part of the front of the temple characters... You will want to see it in person. It takes about 12 minutes on foot from Kagato Station.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Japan, Kagato Church



A beautiful wooden church painted entirely in white. The church building was built in 1923 and is still in use. It takes about 9 minutes on foot from Kagato Station.

Nishi-Katakami & Bizen-Katakami Area

Bizen-Katakami Hinameguri



The streets around Katakami shopping district and the stone steps of the shrine are adorned with beautiful hina dolls. These dolls can be found inside lanterns, houses, and even on the roofs. You can enjoy the lovely hina dolls while strolling through Katakami town.

Shinkoji Temple



The main hall and the three-story pagoda are both designated as National Important Cultural Properties in Japan. The architectural style of the Muromachi and Momoyama periods is well conveyed, and the majestic appearance is breath taking.

Manaichi Market (In Fishermen's Cooperative Association)



The morning market is held every Sunday from 7:00 am to 12:00 pm. It offers fresh local seafood, as well as other produce, bread, and fruits.

Seiden-ato (The ruins of rice paddies)



It takes about 10 minutes on foot from In Station. Ruins of rice paddies maintained in the Edo period, modeled after the Chinese lida method. It is said that there are no existing examples of such remains in China as well as in Japan.

Iri Area

Former Shizutani School



If you have traveled to Bizen, take the time to explore the area.

Hinase & Sogo Area

Kakioko (Oyster pancake)



Okonomiyaki with fluffy dough and plump oysters is Hinase's signature delicacy! Kakioko is in season from January to mid-March.

Gominoichi Market



You can buy seasonal fresh seafood at a reasonable price. Hours are from 9:00 to 16:00, but shopping early is recommended as the store closes when it is sold out. Oyster soft serve is also available!

Orange Picking



Enjoy the delicious Hinase oranges grown in the sun and sea breeze of the Setouchi Inland Sea while taking in the beautiful scenery of the Hinase Islands. These oranges are available for enjoyment at farms on Kojima, Kasaharajima, and Kakujima Island from mid-October to early December.

Hinase Oyster Festival

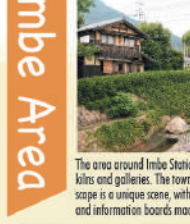


The Hinase Oyster Festival is held every February in the plaza around the Hinase Town Fishery Cooperative and Gomi no Ichiba. The festival features fried oysters, oyster soup, oyster rice, and other seasonal oyster dishes.

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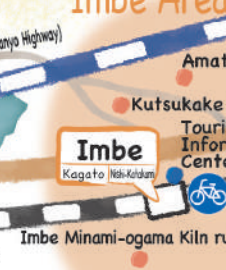


Imbe Area

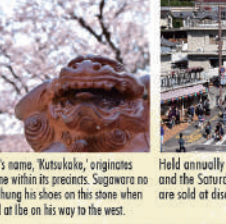


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Imbe Area



Townscape of Imbe



The area around Imbe Station boasts numerous kilns and galleries. The town's pottery town-square is a unique scene, with red brick chimneys and information boards made of Bizen ware.

Kutsukake Shrine



The shrine's name, 'Kutsukake', originates from a stone within its precincts. Sugawara no Michizane hung his shoes on this stone when he stopped at Imbe on his way to the west.

Bizen Pottery Festival



Held annually on the third Sunday of October and the Saturday before. Tasty works of art are sold at discounted prices.

Bizen Ware (type of pottery)



Bizen ware has a distinctive earthy flavor and a serene elegance.

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