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Shimada City

# Sightseeing Guidebook

# Information

# Bus

TEL.054-252-0505 Shizutetsu Justline Daitetsu Advance TEL.0547-46-2370

# Railway

Oigawa Railway

TEL.0547-45-4112

#### Taxi

TEL.0547-37-2101 Shimada Taxi Heiwa Taxi TEL.0547-36-1000 Tokai Taxi TEL 0547-38-3344 Oi Taxi TEL.0547-45-3131 Kanaya Taxi TEL.0547-45-2151 Daitetsu Taxi TEL.0547-45-2121

# Car and Bicycle Rental

Shimada Ekimae Rent-A-Cycle TEL.0547-36-5100 Non-profit Organization City TEL.0547-53-2441 Planning Kawane Association Rental Bicycles

Glamping&Port YUI TEL.0547-39-7010 TOYOTA Rent a Car TEL 0547-33-0100 Shimada Station North Exit Shop

NICONICO Rent a Car TEL.0547-37-6145 Shimada Nakagawa-cho Shop

NICONICO Rent a Car TEL 0547-45-3420 Shimada Kanaya Shop

ORIX Rent-A-Car TEL.054-646-0543 Shimada Heart full Masuda SS

#### Tourism Section, Department of Tourism and Culture, Shimada City

1-1 Chuo-cho, Shimada City, Shizuoka Prefecture 427-8501 TEL.0547-36-7163 FAX.0547-37-8200
URL https://www.city.shimada.shizuoka.jp/foreign/index.html

#### Shimada City Tourist Association

14-2 Kanaya-Shinmachi, Shimada City, Shizuoka Prefecture 428-0047 TEL.0547-46-2844 FAX.0547-46-2861 URL http://shimada-ta.jp/city/toppage.php?lan=1

#### Tourist Information OOI-NAVI

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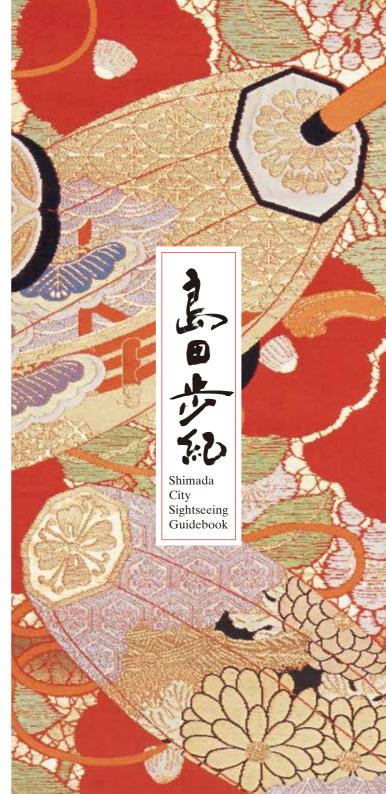




Tourist information sites for the Oi River vicinity Travel Oigawa









# Lots of enjoyments All Year Round

Shimada, with its mild climate, is full of colorful flowers all year round, starting with plum blossoms in February, followed by cherry blossoms, peony flowers, young tea buds, roses and colorful autumn leaves. "Shimada Big Festival" (Obi Festival) a special event held every three years that began over three centuries ago in 1695. You may enjoy the atmosphere of the past and the spectacular gaiety.



# Kanaya Green Tea Festival

This festival is held to express growers' gratitude to tea in early April when new tea buds begin to grow. The dance by 1,000 women in traditional tea-picking costume is quite impressive. Together with pulling Yatai floats and enjoying Kawagoshi drum performance, this festival welcomes the first tea of the season.

Held in early April (every two years)





# Shimada Mage Festival

It is believed that the traditional Shimada mage hairstyle was first designed by Toragozen, an entertainer who appeared in an old story, Soga Monogatari. About 60 women in the traditional hairstyles dance and give ritual services for their hair at Udaji Temple.

Held on the 3rd Sunday in September



Starting in 1695, this festival is now widely known for its parade of daimyo feudal lords, Kashima dance performers and portable shrines stroll along the old Tokaido Way. The greatest attraction is the 25 Oyakkos, Shrine's guardians,walk in a parade, wearing traditinal costumes with the gorgeous obi sashes hang on the wooden swords on both sides of their waist.

Held in mid-October for three days every three years





# Kashima Dance

Starting with the wish of warding off the epidemic while constructing the Kasuga Shrine on the Oi Shrine's premise, when the plague was, rampant throughout Shimada in the late 17th century.

Held in mid-October during the Shimada Big Festival (Obi Festival)

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# Strolling along the Oi River and the Old Tokaido Way



People have lived along the Oi River since ancient times. In the Edo period, both Shimada and Kanaya, located on each bank of the river, played key roles as post stations along the old Tokaido Way and subsequently the local culture flourished. Strolling around the old streets will take you back in long ago days.



# Horai bashi Bridge 2

Horai bashi Bridge was originally built for agricultural use in 1879 by the farmers who cultivated Makinohara Heights. It then began to be used as a community bridge connecting Hatsukura and Shimada. Nowadays, this toll bridge solely for pedestrians and bicyclists has become one of Shimada's main tourist spots. With a length of 897.4 meters (approx. 0.6mile) and width of 2.4 meters (approx. 8 feet) Horai bashi Bridge is listed in the Guinness Book of Records as the world's longest wooden footbridge. It creates a fantasy world when it is lit up at night. A tea shop called "897.4 (Yakunashi) Chaya tea house" opened at the foot of the bridge in 2018. This tea house offers Shimada's quality tea and various local products.



TEL.0547-32-9700 Business hours Open year-round 9 am to 5 pm (April to November) 9 am to 4 pm (December to March)



2482-1, Kanayasaka-machi, Shimada City 15 min-walk from JR Kanaya Station

# Shimada City Museum 4

The ground floor features an easily understood permanent exhibition on the Oigawa Kawagoshi System, with the theme of travel and travelers in the Edo period and an introduction to kawadome culture. The second floor offers special and themed exhibitions year-round.

Inquiries TEL\_0547-37-1000 Business hours 9 am to 5 pm Closed Mondays (or the following day if Monday is a public holiday)

Access 1-5-50 Kawara-machi, Shimada City 25 mins walk from JR Shimada Station

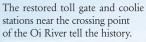


# of the Old Tokaido Way

The hilly Kanaya and Kikugawa slopes presented challenging walks for old Tokaido travelers during the Edo period. A 430meter-long stretch of stone pavement of the Kanaya slope was restored by Kanaya residents in 1991. A 611-meterlong (approx.0.4mile) part of the old Kikugawa hill road discovered in 2000 is now designated as a prefectural cultural property.

The stone pavements were originally from embeded to prevent from slipping.

# Ruins of the Oi River 6 **Crossing Toll Gate**



Access 2-20-15 Kawara-machi. Shimada City 25 mins walk from JR Shimada Station





# **Enjoying Green Tea**

Green tea offers a lot to enjoy beautiful color and rich aroma and flavor.

Being a major green tea production site,

Shimada provides visitors with chances to enjoy high quality tea, looking at the blanket of tea fields, tasting the different types of local tea and enjoying tea-flavored sweets and dishes.

# Tea from Shimada, Kanaya and Kawane

There are three green tea producing sites in Shimada: Shimada, Kanaya and Kawane. Green tea from mountainous areas is regular sencha and that from Makinohara Heights is deeply steamed sencha. Each offers a distinctive aroma and flavor. Try and enjoy the variety of fine local green tea.



Tea Museum, Shizuoka 3053-2 Kanayafujimi-cho, Shimada City

# Green Tea Plantations 6 in Makinohara Heights

A vast carpet of green tea fields covers the land of Makinohara Heights on the West and south sides of the Oi River. After the fall of the Shogunate government in the 1860s, this land was developed by former Tokugawa followers and Oi river crossing coolies into Japan's biggest tea plantation area. The gorgeous view of Mt. Fuji from the field one of the most popular scenes in Shizuoka Prefecture.

# Makinohara Park 7

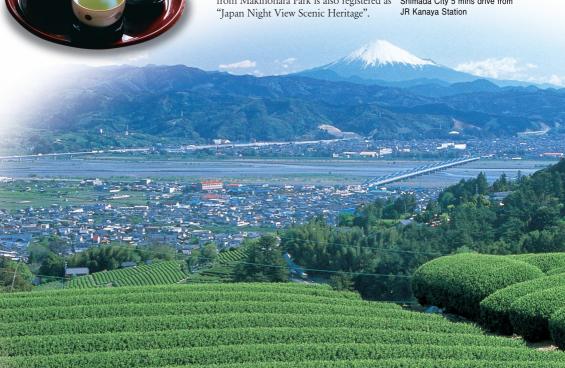
The Kanaya-Shimada townscape and Oi-River are blessed with sweeping views of Mt. Fuji, Suruga Bay, Izu Peninsula and the Southern Alps in the distance. In Makinohara Park there is a statue of the tea ceremony master Eisai Zenji, recognized for his contribution to the history of the tea drinking culture in Japan. Further, from late March to early April fawn lilies, city's natural treasure, bloom in bright clusters on the park slopes. The night view from Makinohara Park is also registered as



Shimada City 5 mins drive from









\*As of September 2024, the Oigawa Railway Main Line is partially closed due to damage caused by Tropical Storm Talas in May 2025. Transit by rail replacement bus is available.

# KADODE OOIGAWA 8

Opened in November 2020, this interactive food park for green tea, agriculture, and tourism is one of the largest such facilities in Shizuoka Prefecture. Visitors can experience for themselves the charms of the area, not to mention sightseeing and purchasing farm produce from the Oi River valley. Featuring the Green Tea B.I.Y. Stand, where you can choose and brew your very own unique green tea, along with an attractive market, restaurant, and food booths, all of which bring together locally produced vegetables, fruit, fish, and ready-made food products.

Inquiries TEL.0547-39-4073

Business hours 9 am to 6 pm (closed year-end and New Year holidays,Second Tuesday of every month)

Access 62 Takeshita, Shimada City





### Tourist Information OOI-NAVI

Situated on the east side of KADODE OOIGAWA, this center provides information about sightseeing and activities in the Oi River valley, including "100 Things to Do in Ooigawa." Local specialties are also on sale here. Right next door is Kadode Station on the Oigawa Railway, where visitors can get a close-up view of passing a steam locomotive.

Inquiries TEL.0547-39-3166

Business hours 9 am to 6 pm (closed year-end and New Year holidays, Second Tuesday of every month)

Access 62 Takeshita, Shimada City

# **Relaxing in Hot Springs**

# Tashiro no Sato Hot Spring Itawari no Yu 9

The indoor hotsprings are known to be good for making beautiful skin.

There are also outdoor baths for your enjoyment, including a "synthetic silkbath" and a "carbonated bath." The facility also includes a sauna, two private baths (reservation required), a cafeteria,



and a relaxation room 70 tatami mats wide, along with other features.

Inquiries TEL.0547-33-1148 Business hours [Monday-Friday] 9:00~21:00 [Saturday,Sunday and public holidays] 8:00~21:00(Closed Mondays and on January 1st)\*Closed on the following weekday if Monday is a public holiday.

1-22 Ita, Shimada City
20 mins drive from JR Shimada Station

#### Kawane Onsen Hotel (1)

In addition to 38 western-style guest rooms, the hotel has eight Japanese-style rooms featuring free-flowing hot spring baths, with bathtubs made from Japanese cypress. Soak into the hot spring directly



drawn from the Kawane Onsen in the indoor public bath and enjoy the carbonated bath in the open air. Buffet meals and Day use guests are also welcome. Enjoy the relaxing bath time and relieve your tiredness.

Inquiries (and reservations) TEL-0547-53-4320

Access 195-1 Sasamado, Kawane-cho, Shimada City 40 mins drive from JR Shimada Station or 8 mins drive from Oigawa Railway levama Station

# Kawane Hot Spring Fureai-no-Izumi (1)

This hot spring facility consists of indoor and outdoor baths and Jacuzzis. The sodium chloride spring water is good for stiff shoulders and backpain as well as skin problems. It is equipped with food and rest areas as well as cottages with hot spring baths.

Inquiries TEL.0547-53-4330

Business hours 9 am to 9 pm (The facility is closed on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday.)
\*Closed on the following weekday if Tuesday is a public holiday.

\*The hours of operation vary by season.

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