

Chino Museum Map

From the museum, To the outside world!

Jinchokan Moriya Historical Museum

This museum archives and exhibits documents of the Moriya clan, who traditionally served as the head priest (Jinchokan) of the Suwa Grand Shrine until the Meiji Restoration.

There are three buildings designed by architect Tenmebu Fujimori around the Moriya Historical Museum, including the Museum itself.

Tenmebu Fujimori is from this area.

Tateshina Kogen Museum of Art - Torao Yazaki Memorial Museum

Greeting you near the entrance. A slender build. ASHURA (1982) Engraving.

This museum exhibits the work of the Chino-born sculptor Torao Yazaki. He was very fond of the Tateshina area.

Kita-yatsugatake Ropeway

The mountain-top station lies at an elevation of 2237m. Enjoy the scenic view of the mountains above the clouds.

European style design.

Tateshina Highland Art Forest Sculpture Park

You can enjoy the sculptures created by today's domestic/international artists in this open-air museum.

Kyoto University of Art and Design Koyodo Museum of Art

This museum exhibits early modern Japanese paintings, Western paintings, wood-block prints and glass artwork. There are also workshops and concerts.

<Cafe Potte: 11am to 5pm.> Gaze upon the inner garden as you enjoy a delicious coffee. Nearby is Ryujin-ike pond - good for stroll.

Suwa Grand Shrine Onbashira Festival

This festival is held once every six years. During the initial Yamadashi stage, Shrine parishioners pull large fir tree logs from the base of the Yatsugatake range, and later erect them at the four corners of four shrine buildings within the Grand Shrine complex. Once the trees are cut down, they are slid down a hillside, forded across the Miyagawa River where they are purified by the water, and put to rest in a pillar storage lot. Around one month later, the Sanbiki stage then begins, and the logs are paraded to the four shrine buildings where they are raised by hand.

Mae-miya (Front Shrine Building) Beginning with the Ontou-sai festival in April, there are numerous important religious events held here.

There's a great view of the Suwa basin from the top of the pass!

(Onbashira Yashiki) Onbashira pillar storage lot

"Kawagoshi" Site of the river fording of the Onbashira trees

Tanabatake Archeological Site

This is where "Jomon no Venus" (the Venus of Jomon), a National Treasure "Dogu" (clay figures) was excavated. Excavated in 1986. Designated as a National Treasure in 1995.

31cm in height, Weights 2.4kg.

Enjoy a scenic view of the Yatsugatake range from here.

Nakappara Archeological Site

This is where "Kamon no Megami" (the Masked Goddess), a National Treasure "Dogu" (clay figures) was excavated. Excavated in 2000. Designated as a National Treasure in 2014.

31cm in height, Weights 2.7kg.

Enjoy a scenic view of the Yatsugatake range from here.

Reconstructed Houses of Jomon

The area was formerly all farmland.

You can see mountains such as Mt. Tateshina, Mt. Kurumayama, Mt. Kogamine and Mt. Moriyoshi from here.

Togariishi Museum of Jomon Archaeology

This museum sits at the Togariishi Site, a nationally-designated Special Historical Site, and displays pottery and lithics. It also houses and displays two National Treasure "Dogu" (clay figures) - "Jomon no Venus" [the Venus of Jomon] and "Kamon no Megami" [the Masked Goddess].

The program such as making pottery and clay figure are available for visitors everyday. They are especially popular with children.

Togariishi (It literally means sharp-pointed stone)

It's said that the Jomon people used to sharpen their stone tools by Togariishi, or the stone itself was the object of worship. The Togariishi site was named after this rock.

Chino City Museum of Art (Chino Cultural Complex)

This museum houses and exhibiting the work of artists linked to Chino. The complex, as a whole, has multiple functions, including an art museum, a concert hall, a library and community space.

Designed by Nobuaki Fumino

There is a large mound in the garden. What is that?

Yatsugatake Museum

This museum sits atop a ridge extending out from Yatsugatake. The museum offers displays that show the make-up of the Suwa region, including the Yatsugatake range and Mt. Moriya, and give a glimpse into the daily lives of the people living there.

The view from the observation deck is a must-see!

Legend

- Main traffic lights
- Parking
- Shrine
- Temple
- Great view spot (The arrow shows the direction for a great view)

This is a conceptual map. It does not reflect the precise directions, distances or elevations of the area. We recommended you use it in conjunction with your roadmap or car navigation system.

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