Tahara Travel Guide

tahara tabi techo

Tahara City Tourism Map

tahara kankou map

Detailed Map of Irago Area

- The Shining 100
- Restroom
- Rent-a-cycle
- Toyotetsu Bus stop
- Hotel
- Parking lot
- Baby station (diaper changing space, etc.)
- Roadside station (Michi-no-Eki)
- Tsunami evacuation building or point

Irago Seaside Golf Club · Isomaru Gardens · Irago Sea-Park & Spa · Coconut Beach Irago · Atsumi Fish Market · Irago Cristal Porte (Roadside Station) · Matsuo Basho Monument (Basho Gardens) · Miyama Primeval Forest · Irago Elementary School · Irago Shrine · Irako View Hotel · Inori no Isomichi (Seaside Path of Prayer) · Ise Wan Vessel Traffic Service Center · Man-yoshu Poem Monument · Irago Misaki Lighthouse · Wish-Granting Padlocks · Koijigahama Beach · Hawk Migration · Yashino Mi Monument · Stairs · Katahama Jusanri Beach · Hii no Sekimon

It takes 30 min. to walk all the way around · Walking Path · Be sure to check the tsunami evacuation points · Cycling Road · Certified as a Lover's Sanctuary

Sights of Tahara 1 Stop by a Roadside Station! Each is packed with souvenirs and information!

The secret to getting the most enjoyment out of your trip is to gather a lot of information on events and sights in the local area! Roadside stations (Michi-no-Eki) are packed with information, restaurants where you can enjoy local ingredients, and shelves loaded with souvenirs. Please feel free to chat with the staff and salesclerks!

The terminal at the tip of the Atsumi Peninsula—here you can buy tickets for ferries and other transportation

Ticket Counter · Coconut Museum

The Atsumi Peninsula's gateway to the sea. By using the car ferry or high-speed passenger ships from here, you can enjoy travel to destinations such as the Chita Peninsula, and the Ise-Shima region. There is a souvenir corner, Okinawan products corner, and a light meal corner where you can try local gourmet items.

Irago Cristal Porte (Michi-no-Eki)
3000-65 Miyashita, Irago-cho, Tahara City tel. 0531-35-6631
Souvenirs & Tourist Information: 8:30~17:30 Ticket Counter: 7:40~17:40

You can enjoy the Pacific Ocean view from the observation deck or from the restaurant.

Souvenir Corner · Observation Deck

From the observation deck, with its commanding view, you can see the vast Pacific Ocean. Be sure to check out the souvenir corner, offering local specialties such as whitebait and large clams, as well as melons and other fresh fruits and vegetables.

Akabane Loco Station (Michi-no-Eki)
22-4 Onishi, Akabane-cho, Tahara City tel. 0531-45-5088
Information Desk & Souvenir Corner: 9:00~17:00 Restaurant: 9:00~20:30

An information station for the Atsumi Peninsula with a restaurant that uses local ingredients

Tourist Information Center

Start here when driving through the Atsumi Peninsula. There is a Tourist Information Center where you can get money-saving tourist information and pamphlets. There is also a corner for local specialties and souvenirs such as musk melons and fresh vegetables. And in the restaurant you can enjoy a menu that includes Tahara Pork dishes.

Tahara Mekkun House (Michi-no-Eki)
5-74 Higashi-Akaishi, Tahara City tel. 0531-23-2525
Tourist Information Center: 9:00~17:00 Souvenir Corner: 9:00~19:00

Bonus Feature: Have fun and eat while enjoying nature — Sante Park Tahara

Enjoy the seasons! · Tulip field · Cosmos field · Restaurant · Dine! · Shop! · Locally-grown vegetables in season · Play!

This theme park is full of interesting sights, including gardens for enjoying seasonal flowers, a market which sells locally grown foods in season, a farm for enjoying the experience of harvesting, and a small zoo for getting close to animals.

Sante Park Tahara Tahara Municipal Ashigaike Farm Park
8 Ashigaike, Noda-cho, Tahara City tel. 0531-25-1234
Hours: 9:30~17:00, Closed on Thursdays (or following weekday when Thursday is a holiday)
Admission and parking are free

Sights of Tahara 2 Recommended Sample Tours — Enjoy the Atsumi Peninsula even more!

"There are so many things to see. I don't know which route to take!" In case you're having trouble deciding where to go, we show you here two sample tours full of attractions, one for a day trip, and one for two days and one night.

Daytrip tour: 2 day and 1 night tour, first day · 2 day and 1 night tour, second day

Enjoy the scenery! Hii no Sekimon · Koijigahama Beach · Irago Misaki Lighthouse · Pacific Long Beach

Enjoy sightseeing! Observe the thrilling auctions! · Atsumi Fish Market · Irago Shrine · Poetry monument tour · Nishinohama Wind Farm · The procession of wind turbines is a spectacular sight

Stay at hotels · Night view from Mt. Zao · Very romantic!

Experience There are many spots where you can enjoy fun hands-on experiences such as melon and strawberry picking. The line-up of experiences changes with the seasons, so be sure to check throughout the year! · Atsumi Fish Market · Fruit picking (Melons in the summer, and strawberries in the winter) · Yoshigo Shell Mound · Surfing experience

Lunchtime Vegetables, meat and fresh seafood are the pride of the peninsula. You can enjoy a wide range of foods unique to the Atsumi Peninsula! · Sante Park Tahara · The Atsumi Peninsula Donburi Kaido Road · Atsumi Kaizukushi (Shellfish Smorgasbord)

Start!

First off, city sightseeing In this area, you can experience Tahara as a castle town. First, pick up tourist information at the roadside station! · Tahara Festival Hall (Learn about festival floats and kites) · Castle town walk · Tahara Mekkun House (Roadside Station) · Tahara Municipal Museum · Ikenohara Hall (Here you can enjoy matcha (green tea) and Japanese sweets for ¥300 a set)

Shopping time Tahara Mekkun House (Roadside Station)

Be careful on your way home! And come again soon!

The Shining 100 — Places to see

The Atsumi Peninsula Shining 100 are the top 100 tourist spots on the Atsumi Peninsula selected from recommendations by the (general) public.

Atsumi Peninsula, Nanohana Romance Highway — Places to see

This route is based on National Routes 42 and 259 in the Atsumi Peninsula.
It is registered under the Scenic Byway Japan program, as promoted by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism.

Approximate travel time by car: Irago Area — 15 min. — Fukue -cho — 15 min. — Sante Park Tahara — 15 min. — Tahara City area

Round Tour of the Atsumi Peninsula — Tokai Seven Gods of Fortune Pilgrimage

It is said that belief in the seven gods of fortune began with the prayers of the common people, who solicited the gods so that they would provide swift salvation from the seven hardships of life, bring the seven blessings, and ensure the reign of peace in the land. With this pilgrimage, you can travel all around the Atsumi Peninsula.

Benzaiten	Joho-ji Temple
Ebisu	Jodo-ji Temple
Daikokuten	Senpuku-ji Temple
Bishamonten	Cho-on-ji Temple
Hotei	Joko-ji Temple
Jurojin	Horin-ji Temple
Fukurokujo	Meno-ji Temple

Tokai Seven Gods of Fortune Support Committee Office tel. 0532-53-2131

Spring: March 10 · Fall: November 10 (The date shifts to the following day if it falls on a Sunday)

Sights of Tahara 3 Power Spots for Love — Top six locations for deepening your relationship

Give your "love power" a big boost at the love "power spots" on the Atsumi Peninsula!
Make your wish as a couple for a closer relationship.
Or get together for a girls' trip and pray for an encounter with that special person!?
Don't tell anyone, but this is also the perfect place to propose!

1. Koijigahama Beach — Together with the Irago Misaki Lighthouse, this location has been certified as a Lover's Sanctuary and makes an ideal spot to pop the question. It is famous as the setting of the lyric poem *Yashi no Mi* (Coconut).
2. Irago Misaki Lighthouse — The usual method is to make a wish while facing the Kamishima Lighthouse (Lover's Sanctuary). The beautiful view from winter through early spring is a must see! Here you can find the best spot for the two of you.
3. Rooftop and chapel of the Irako View Hotel — On a night with a full moon, you can see at the ocean glimmering with silver reflections from the rooftop. In Irago, this is the closest point to the night sky. If you wish on a falling star, perhaps your wish for love will be granted.
4. Inori no Isomichi (Seaside Path of Prayer) — On the Inori no Isomichi, you can find various incantatory songs composed by the fisherman poet Kanaya Isomaro. They say that your wish for love will be granted if you wish in front of the monument inscribed with the words "So that two will be united as one…."
5. Hii no Sekimon — At this spot, you can pick up beautiful pink *sakuragai* shells in a love charm. Bivalve shells are said to symbolize a married couple in the way they fit together.
6. Coconut Beach Irago — It feels like you can derive power from the rising sun, shining through the hole in the rock! At the nearby beach, you can pick up cowry shells, which were valued as highly as money in ancient times.

You might meet firless porpoises! · Wish-granting padlock! · You can pick up *sakuragai* shells in early spring on the coast!

Downtown Tahara City

Tsubaki Park · Torajiro Okada House Site · Tahara Junior High School · Tomoe Shrine · Seisho High School · Ikenohara Hall · Ikenohara Park · Kazan Shrine · Tahara Municipal Museum · Tahara Castle Ruins · Tahara Municipal College of Human Services · Kazan Kaikan · Gokoku Shrine · Tahara Chubu Junior High School · Tahara Folk Museum · Reigan-ji Temple · Ote Park · Tahara Cultural Hall · Tahara Municipal Gymnasium · Shinmei Shrine · Togyo-ji Temple · Hachiman Shrine · Tahara City Office · Tahara City Library · Chuo Park · Tahara Welfare Center · Tahara Festival Hall · Kaiun-ji Temple · Cherry Blossoms at Seiya River · Tahara Post Office · Terashita-dori Street · Mikawatahara Station · Toyohashi Railroad Atsumi Line · Kanbe Station · Tahara Daycare Center · Daijo-in Temple · Tahara Mekkun House (Roadside Station) · Atsumi Hospital

Sights of Tahara 4 Cycling on the Atsumi Peninsula — Travel around the scenic spots by bicycle!

You can enjoy cycling to the fullest on the Atsumi Peninsula, with options such as bicycle-friendly trains and ships where you can bring along your own bicycle, or a bicycle rented from one of the rent-a-cycle outlets in town.
Try cycling around the entire peninsula with one of our sample routes at hand!

Best of Cape Irago Route! (Total distance approx. 13 km)

1. Irago Cristal Porte — Approx. 3,1 km
2. Kyukamura Irago — Approx. 3,2 km
3. Hattachike Park, Todai-ji Temple Kawara Roof Tile Kiln Site — Approx. 4,1 km
4. Hii no Sekimon — Approx. 1,3 km
5. Koijigahama Beach (Lover's Sanctuary) — Approx. 0,5 km
6. Irago Misaki Lighthouse — Approx. 0,7 km

All Around Atsumi Peninsula Route! (Total distance: approx. 68 km)

1. Mikawa Tahara Station, Atsumi Line — Approx. 1,0 km
2. Tahara Mekkun House — Approx. 8,0 km
3. Pacific Long Beach — Approx. 3,3 km
4. Akabane Loco Station — Approx. 14,4 km
5. Hii no Sekimon — Approx. 1,3 km
6. Koijigahama Beach — Approx. 1,2 km
7. Irago Cristal Porte — Approx. 12,4 km
8. Fukue Fishing Port — Approx. 16,3 km
9. Nisaki Swimming Beach — Approx. 2,5 km
10. Shiroya Beach Park (Swimming Beach) — Approx. 5,3 km

Family Picnic Route! (Total distance: approx. 27 km)

Fun!

1. Mikawa Tahara Station, Atsumi Line — Approx. 1,0 km
2. Tahara Mekkun House — Approx. 7,9 km
3. Sante Park Tahara — Approx. 7,4 km
4. Pacific Long Beach — Approx. 10,4 km

Bicycle Train on Saturdays and holidays only

On the Toyohashi Railroad Atsumi Line, you can bring your bicycle onto the train.

Applicable trains: All trains running on Saturdays and holidays
- If trains are crowded due to an event or function, bringing in bicycles may be temporarily suspended for safety reasons.

Fee: Fare + ¥100 fee/bicycle

Limitations: 10 bicycles per train car
- If five or more bicycles will be brought onto the train by the same group, please contact the office listed below by 17:00 on the previous day.
- Before riding, please check the Toyohashi Railroad homepage (http://www.toyotetsu.com) for details.

For inquiries: Atsumi Line Office, Toyohashi Railroad Co., Ltd. tel. 0532-45-4927

Bicycle Ship to cross the sea

You can put your bicycle on the ferry, and enjoy cycling in the Ise-Shima region and the Chita Peninsula.

Fee: ○Toba – Irago One-way ¥2,500 (Isewan Ferry, 1 adult + 1 bicycle) ○Morozaki – Irago One-way ¥1,900 (Meitetsu Kaijo Kankosen, 1 adult + 1 bicycle)

First, obtain a bicycle in the local area!

Machinaka Rent-a-Cycle Convenient for traveling around the city!

Rental fee: Free of charge

Centfare (closed on Thursdays) Bee Sports Club Tahara	tel. 0531-24-4888
Tahara Cultural Hall (closed on Mondays, or following day when Monday is a holiday)	tel. 0531-22-6061
Tahara Welfare Center (closed on holidays)	tel. 0531-23-3811
Tahara City Hall (open every day)	tel. 0531-22-1111
Mikawa Tahara Station (open every day)	tel. 0531-22-0157

Irago Rent-a-Cycle You can rent bicycles at various locations around Cape Irago. You can also obtain an Irago Cycling Map!

Rental fee: ¥300 per hour, ¥900 per day

Irago Cristal Porte	tel. 0531-35-6631
Irako View Hotel	tel. 0531-35-6111
Kyukamura Irako	tel. 0531-35-6411
Irago Sea-Park & Spa	tel. 0531-35-1500

Pacific Ocean

Tahara City · Toyohashi City · Ise Bay · Mikawa Bay · Akabane Loco Station (Roadside Station) · Tahara Mekkun House (Roadside Station) · Cycling Road · Pacific Long Beach · Protect the natural environment!

0 m · 1 km · 2 km · 3 km — All distances are approximate!

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