



Shopping



Roadside Station Kitaharima Eco Museum



This souvenir shop offers boxed lunches made with Kurodashi Wagyu beef and Hyakunichi chicken, along with locally grown vegetables and Banshu-ori textile products.

Address: 517-1 Terauchi, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 677-0022

Phone Number: 0795-25-2651

Closed: Year-end and New Year holidays

Hours: 9:00-19:00 (until 18:00 in winter)



A twenty-minute walk from Nihon Heso Koen Station on the JR Kakogawa Line.

This shop, housed in a former Banshu-ori factory with a distinctive "saw-tooth roof," sells a variety of Banshu-ori textile products.

Address: 452-1 Nishiwaki, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 677-0015

Phone Number: 0795-22-3775

Closed: Mondays (or the following day if Monday is a national holiday)

Hours: 10:00-17:00



Take the Chugoku Highway Bus from Shin-Osaka Station and get off at Higashi Honmachi.

Banshu-ori koubou-kan



Minori Specialty Products Center



This shop sells Kurodashi Wagyu beef, Banshu Hyakunichi Dori chicken, and Banshu Jidori eggs.

Address: 317-2, Tako, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 679-0321

Phone Number: 0795-28-4445

Closed: Wednesdays

Hours: 10:00-18:00

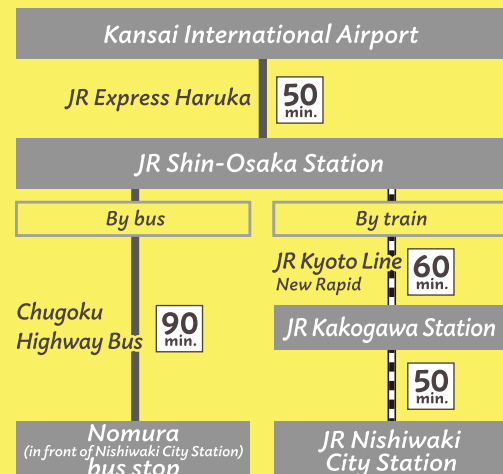


A fifteen-minute walk from Honkuroda Station on the JR Kakogawa Line.

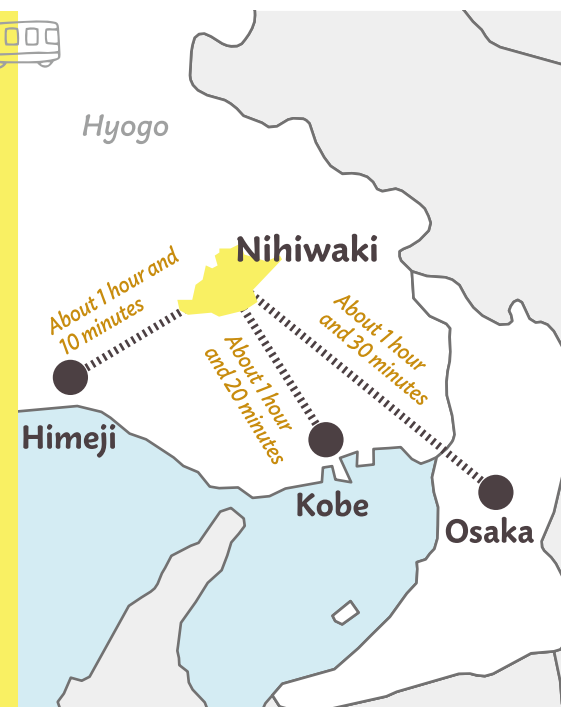
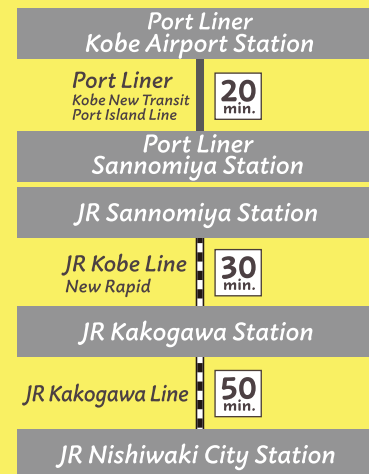
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Route from Kansai International Airport by bus or by train



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Center of Japan

135° east longitude

35° north latitude

Completely satisfying

Cuisine and Local Industry



Kurodashi Wagyu

"Kurodashi Wagyu" refers to pedigreed Tajima cattle raised in the Kurodashi area of Nishiwaki City, most of which are certified as "Kobe Beef." Nishiwaki City practices eco-friendly "recycling-oriented agriculture" by composting waste from Kurodashi Wagyu cattle and using it to fertilize Yamada-Nishiki rice and other crops.



Yamada-nishiki Sake

Nishiwaki City is the production hub of Yamada-Nishiki, known as the king of sake rice, and offers many premium sake brands made with locally produced Yamada-Nishiki. We promote rice cultivation and sake brewing under the philosophy of "terroir," where nature and climate combine to produce exceptional sake.



Banshu Ramen

Banshu Ramen, the soul food of Nishiwaki residents, is a soy sauce-based ramen characterized by its slightly sweet broth. After World War II, during the boom of the local Banshu textile industry, Banshu Ramen was created with its distinctive flavor to suit the tastes of women who had come from across Japan for group employment.



Strawberries

Nishiwaki City is promoting the Sweets Factory Support Project, which assists new farmers through strawberry cultivation, aiming to establish strawberries as a specialty and revitalize the region. The city has many strawberry farms where visitors can enjoy strawberry picking from January to May.

Traditions



Banshu-ori

Banshu-ori, a local industry of Nishiwaki City, is a textile made using a technique where threads are dyed first and then woven. By varying the combination of warp and weft threads, Banshu-ori achieves intricate and sophisticated patterns. Its beauty and exceptional quality have made it a popular choice for fabrics used by top brands in Japan and worldwide. Its appeal lies in its deep, rich colors, textures, and pleasantly soft feel.

Four Seasons



There's plenty to see and enjoy year-round!

Wisteria Trellis at Rokusho Shrine

The shrine features a massive wisteria tree estimated to be over 300 years old, designated as a natural monument of the city.

Best time to visit: Early May
Address: 1014 Myorakuji, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 677-0067
Phone Number: 0795-22-3111
Closed: Open year-round
Admission Fee: Free

From JR Nishiwaki City Station, take the Wing Shinkai bus, get off at Myorakuji-shimo, and walk for ten minutes.

Spring

Tsuanosato Hydrangea Garden at Sairinji Temple

The hydrangea garden, located within the grounds of Sairinji Temple, features approximately 3,000 hydrangea plants and tens of thousands of blossoms in full bloom.

Best time to visit: Mid-June to Early July
Address: 454-1 Sakamoto, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 677-0026
Phone Number: 070-1776-8999 **Open:** Mid-June to early July
Hours: 9:00-17:00 **Admission Fee:** 300 yen

A twenty-five-minute walk from Nihon Heso Koen Station on the JR Kakogawa Line.

Summer

Metasequoia Trees at Nihon Heso Park

A row of approximately 70 metasequoia trees is located in Nihon Heso Park. Visitors can enjoy vibrant green foliage in early summer and stunning autumn colors in the fall.

Best time to visit: Fresh greenery (May to late June) / Autumn leaves (mid-November to early December)
Address: 334-2 Kamihie-cho, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 677-0039
Phone Number: 0795-22-3111
Closed: Open year-round
Admission Fee: Free

A one-minute walk from Nihon Heso Koen Station on the JR Kakogawa Line.

Autumn

Sea of Clouds at Mt. Yahazu

A beloved hiking spot among locals, where visitors can admire a sea of clouds below from fall to winter.

Best time to visit: November to around February
Address: Kodai-cho, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 677-0016
Phone Number: 0795-22-3111

From JR Nishiwaki City Station, take the Wing Shinkai bus, get off at Kodai-Kita, and walk for ten minutes.

Winter

Recommended Spots



Terra Dome



A science museum themed around Earth and space, located at the intersection of 135 degrees east longitude and 35 degrees north latitude, known as "the Navel of Japan."

Address: 334-2 Kamihie-cho, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 677-0039
Phone Number: 0795-23-2772
Closed: Mondays (open on national holidays), year-end and New Year holidays (December 29-January 3)
Hours: 10:00-18:00
Admission Fee: Adults 400 yen / Children 100 yen and up (depending on age)

A five-minute walk from Nihon Heso Koen Station on the JR Kakogawa Line.

Koyano Art Museum Nishiwaki Pavilion



The landowner's mansion, which was expanded between 1890 and 1930, has been restored and opened as an art museum. The entire building is designated as a Registered Tangible Cultural Property of Japan.

Address: 139 Ichihara-cho, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 677-0004
Phone Number: 06-6358-7555
Closed: Monday to Saturday • Year-end and New Year holidays (Reservation required on weekdays)
Hours: 10:00-17:00 (open until 16:00 from December to February)
Admission Fee: Adults 1,000 yen / Elementary and junior high school students 300 yen

From JR Nishiwaki City Station, take the Wing Shinkai bus, get off at "Ichihara Station Memorial Hall," and walk for one minute.

Shogonji Temple



This ancient temple features a moss-covered stone staircase that evokes the atmosphere of the Kumano Kodo pilgrimage trails. It is also renowned for its beautiful autumn foliage.

Address: 1589 Kuroda, Kurodashi-cho, Nishiwaki, Hyogo 679-0302
Phone Number: 0795-28-4751
Closed: Open year-round **Hours:** 9:00-16:00
Admission Fee: 200 yen for the genealogy exhibition room, main hall, and Taho-to pagoda

A thirty-minute walk from Honkuroda Station on the JR Kakogawa Line.