



Traditional crafts
越中福岡の菅笠
Sedge Hats of Etchū-Fukuoka (Sugegasa)

Takaoka City

90% of Japan's Sedge Hats Made in Etchū-Fukuoka

The flourishing of sedge (*suge*) from Oyabe River's flooding marked the beginning of the sedge basket/hat industry, which peaked at the end of the Tokugawa period. Towards 1960, more than one million hats from Etchū-Fukuoka are sold annually, claiming 90% of the country's production in sedge hats.

Exploring Sedge Hats of Etchū-Fukuoka

Recommended Route (Half-Day)

Shin-Takaoka Station
↓ 30 minutes by car
1 Fukuoka Camera Museum
↓ 1-minute walk
2 Gagaku-no-Yakata (House of Gagaku)
↓ 1-minute walk
Old Hokuriku Region Main Road (district of sedge hat warehouses)
↓ 1-minute walk
3 Sanchonpin-gura
↓ 8 minutes by car
4 Narita Koi Farms Japan (Specialty Carp-Breeding Tour)
↓ 30 minutes by car
Shin-Takaoka Station



Traditional crafts
論田・熊無の藤箕
Ronden/Kumanashi Winnowing Basket (Fujimi)

Himi City

600 Years of History: a Traditional Agricultural Tool

A winnowing basket (*fujimi*) is an agricultural tool used to separate grain from chaff. Made of sturdy wisteria vines that were stretched by being beaten against the bamboo, the basket is popularly recognized as a lucky charm (*fukum*).

Exploring Fujimi

Recommended Route (Half-Day)

Shin-Takaoka Station
↓ 30 minutes by car
1 Himi City Museum
↓ 7-8 minutes by car
2 Himi Ban'ya Street
↓ Place to enjoy lunch and snacks
3 Himioki Cruising Experience
15 minutes by car
4 Himi Shishimai (Lion Dance) Museum
↓ 10 minutes by car
5 Farmers' Market Kumanashi
↓ 40 minutes by car (Nōetsu Expressway)
Shin-Takaoka Station

Place to see and purchase sedge hats (*sugegasa*)

3 Sanchonpin-gura
1077-5 Fukuoka, Fukuoka-machi, Takaoka City
TEL +81-766-75-7874
Opening Hours: 9 am ~ 3 pm
Closed on Tuesdays and Thursdays

We are also selling accessories made of sedge (*suge*).

Car Rental Information Around Shin-Takaoka Station

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TEL +81-766-23-5523
Orix Rent-a-Car
TEL +81-766-20-0543
Toyota Rent-a-Car
TEL +81-766-26-1070
Nippon Rent-a-Car
TEL +81-766-27-0919
Ekiren Car Rental West Japan
TEL +81-766-24-4200

1 Fukuoka Camera Museum

The museum conveys the charms of cameras and photography with a collection of more than 3000 camera exhibits.
559 Fukuokashin, Fukuoka-machi, Takaoka City

2 Gagaku-no-Yakata (House of Gagaku)

Late Edo period musical instruments of *Gagaku* (Japanese court music) and traditional clothing are on display at this tasteful merchant house built in the early Shōwa era.
1208 Fukuoka, Fukuoka-machi, Takaoka City

4 Narita Koi Farms Japan

Carp farming is actively carried out in the town of Fukuoka. The Nishikigoi (varicolored carp) for viewing are particularly beautiful and attract visitors from all over the country.
1050 Yabe, Fukuoka-machi, Takaoka City

The Old Hokuriku Region Main Road

The old Hokuriku region main road is lined with many *sugegasa* warehouses. Even now, traces of its prosperity still remain. The lord of the Kaga family used to travel on this road for the purpose of Sankin-kōtai (a policy requiring feudal lords to alternate living between the capital and their domain yearly).
Street in front of the House of Gagaku

Place to see winnowing baskets (*Fujimi*)

1 Himi City Museum
4-9 Honmachi, Himi City
TEL +81-766-74-8231
Opening Hours: 9 am ~ 5 pm

5 Farmers' Market Kumanashi
5198-1 Kamiyokawa, Himi City
TEL +81-766-76-1180
Opening Hours: 9 am ~ 5 pm

We are also selling goods

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1 Himi City Museum

Exhibition on Himi's fishing & farming lifestyles and tools for living. Come witness *Fujimi* being sold nationwide at the peak of the industry.
4-9 Honmachi, Himi City

2 Himi Port Market: Ban'ya Street

Enjoy the authentic cuisine that is only served locally, including conveyor belt sushi made with fish freshly caught from the port, Himi udon noodles, and Himi beef.
25-5 Kitaomachi, Himi City

3 Himi Seaward Cruise, etc.

A variety of activities unique to Himi, where stationery net fishing and seafood processing thrive, are available according to the season. Experience taking a seaward cruise or making *kamaboko* (a type of cured fish paste).
Inquires: Himi City Sightseeing Information Center
TEL +81-766-74-5250

4 Himi Shishimai (Lion Dance) Museum

Famously known as the lion dance village, Himi hosts festivals that you can witness through cinema footages and exhibitions on dance gears.
760 Izumi, Himi City

