



Traditional crafts

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Inami Woodcarving

Nanto City

Masters of 200 Chisels and Carving Knives

Inami's woodcarving originated at Zuisenji Temple (Inami branch) constructed in the 14th century. After its main hall burned down in mid-18th century, the technique of imperial woodcarvers, called in from Kyoto for its reconstruction, was passed down and flourished as Inami Woodcarving. From ranma (decorative transom pieces), tsutate (movable screens), to small interior items, Inami's woodcarvers excel as masters of more than 200 chisels and carving knives.



Exploring Inami Woodcarving



Recommended Route (Half-Day)

- Shin-Takaoka Station
- ↓ 30 minutes by JR Johana Line
- Fukuno Station
- ↓ 15 minutes by taxi
- ① Inami Wood Carving Composite Hall
- ② Roadside Station: Inami Kibori no Sato Sōyūkan
- ↓ 5 minutes by bicycle (rental available)
- ③ Zuisenji Temple (Inami Branch)
- ④ Yokamachi Street
- ↓ 1 minute by bicycle
- ⑤ Yoitoko Inami
- ↓ 1 minute by bicycle
- ⑥ Inami Kōtsu Hiroba – Sightseeing (Return your bicycle here)
- ↓ 15 minutes by taxi
- Fukuno Station
- ↓ 30 minutes by JR Johana Line
- Shin-Takaoka Station

② Roadside Station: Inami Kibori no Sato Sōyūkan



Experience carving objects such as sake cups (*guinomi*) and speakers using chisels and carving knives.
Cost: starting from 1000 yen. Reservation needed.
730 Kitagawa, Nanto City
TEL +81-763-82-5757
Opening Hours: 9 am ~ 5 pm

Local Traffic Information

Ai Ai Taxi Fukuno Office

772 Fukuno, Nanto City
TEL +81-763-22-2144

Bicycle Rental Information

Inami Sightseeing Information Center

81 Kitagawa, Nanto City
TEL +81-763-82-2539
Reception: 9 am ~ 4 pm
Cost: ¥1000/day, ¥500/half-day, ¥200/hour



Car Rental Information Around Shin-Takaoka Station

Nissan Rent-a-Car
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 Inami Wood Carving Composite Hall

Designed by the British architect Peter Salter, the building is a must-see. A variety of sophisticated woodcarvings are on display.
733 Kitagawa, Nanto City



③ Zuisenji Temple (Inami Branch)

Zuisenji Temple is the symbol of Inami, the woodcarving town. The area (including Zuisenji) was designated as "Inami - the Living Woodcarving Gallery" by Japan Heritage.
3050 Inami, Nanto City



④ Yokamachi Street

With the fragrance of wood and music of the hammers waiting from Inami's woodcarving workshops, the stone pavement extending from Zuisenji is full of charms.
Yokamachi, Inami, Nanto City



⑤ Yoitoko Inami

Restaurants, Cafes, and specialty products are available here. You can also experience making soba (buckwheat noodles) by hand. We accept reservations for groups of 5 or more (1000 yen/person).
3110-1 Inami, Nanto City