

Nishikan in Niigata City, Travel Map and Guide

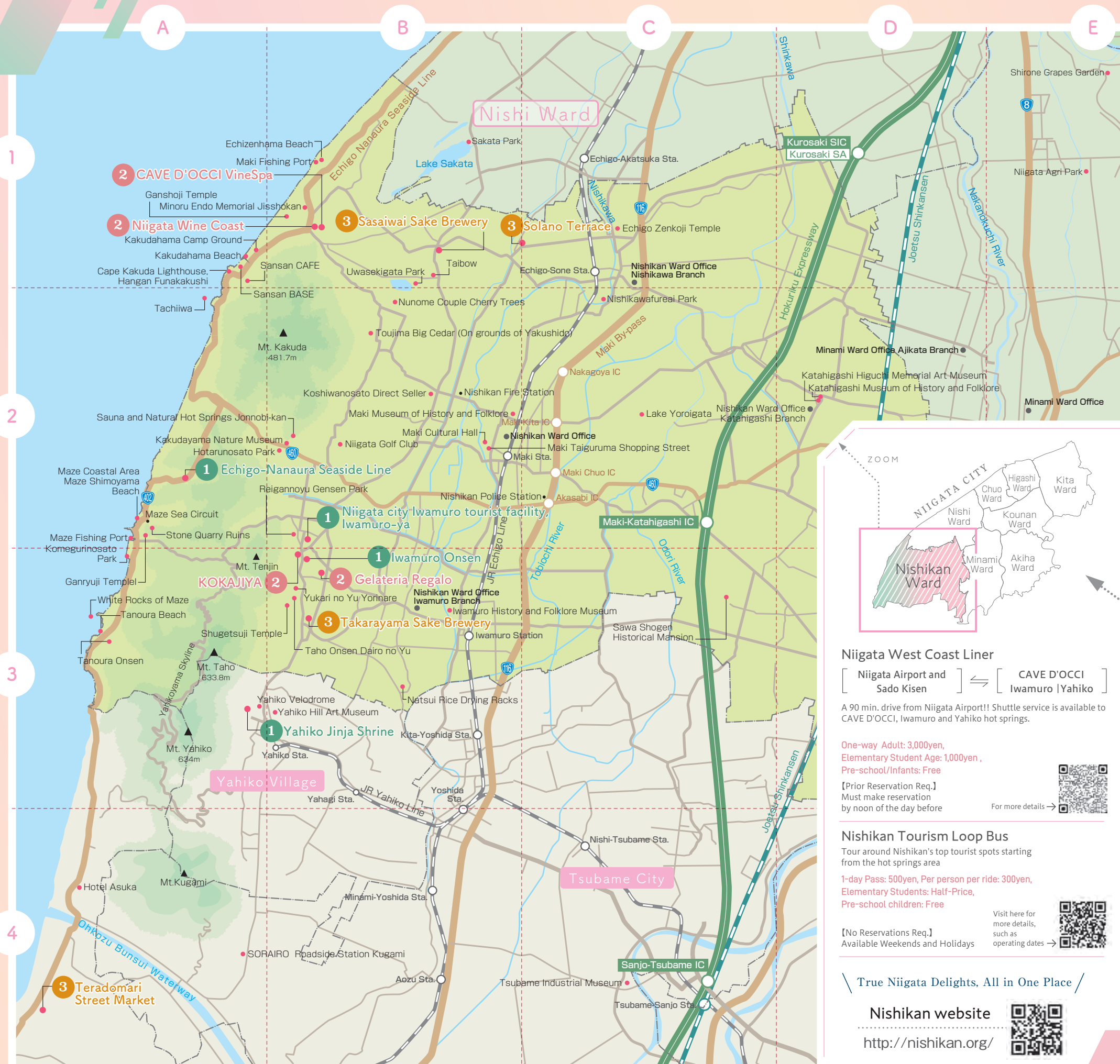
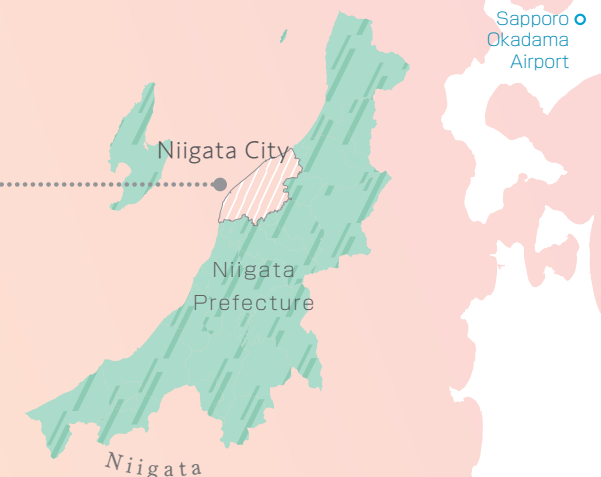
True Niigata Delights, All in One Place

Nishikan

Nishikan Ward, Niigata City

Rice, sake, fish, impeccable nature and hot springs nurtured by a long-treasured history and culture, Nishikan has it all, from mountains, to the plains and the sea, all found in the southwestern ward of Niigata City. In just one day, you can have the full Niigata experience. This and so much more await in Nishikan Ward.

Rice | Sake | Fish



A swift but deep-steeped dive into the best of Niigata. A savvy traveler's guide to great destinations plus sample itinerary. Discover all there is to do and love in Nishikan.

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A golden route through the region:
Must-visit places
recommended by Niigata locals!

Catch a Glimpse

Echigo Nanaura Seaside Line

A 13.9km stretch of coastal highway set between Kakudahama Beach and Teradomari-Nozumi (Nagaoka City). See curiously craggy rock forms as the Sea of Japan draws in on this famed seaside drive. Catch views of Sado Island as it winks on clear days.

Approx.
20min by car

Catch a Glimpse

Yahiko-jinja Shrine

tel. 0256-94-2001

Yahiko-jinja Shrine is the leading power spot in Niigata, popularly known as "Oyahikosama" since days of old. Set with Mt. Yahiko at it's back, feel an uncanny sense of wonder on this sacred site shrouded by a forest of four-centuries-old Zelkova trees and cedars.

Approx.
10min by car

Fun Shopping Food

**Iwamuroya, Niigata City
Iwamuro Tourism Center**

tel.0256-82-1066

Set at the frontstep of Iwamuro Onsen Town, drop in for all the latest travel tips, culture and history from the Iwamuro area. Shop crisp veggies and fresh fruits set up at the direct-purchase corner, grab a bowl of your favorite noodles at the food shop or head over for a dip in the free footbaths, all in one popular spot.

Approx.
1min by car

Hot Springs Strolling

Iwamuro Onsen

tel. 0256-82-5715

The town is also known as Reiganno Yu (wild goose spirit springs) since the springs opened over 300 years ago. A lingering air remains since its heyday as a place for worshippers to cap off their journey at the highest rank Yahiko-jinja Shrine. Speckled with the shops of age-old confectioners and more, the town remains a cozy stop for strolling with families and friends.

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A Feel-Good Morning Route
Kicked Off at the **Winery**

Fun Hot Springs

**CAVE D'OCCI VineSpa
Wine & Book Lounge**

tel.0256-77-2226

Hot springs retreat inside winery resort CAVE D'OCCI (opens 7:00 am). Step over for spring waters pulled right from the source at the foot of Mt. Kakuda, said to leave the skin feeling supple and sealed with a sustained warmth. The open-air baths present a full panorama of Mt. Kakuda in all its splendor. Find some 4,000+ titles in the on-site library, begging you to tuck in for a moment of timeless bliss.

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Catch a Glimpse Strolling

Shopping

Niigata Wine Coast

Niigata Wine Coast is a sprawling vineyard and home to 5 different wineries. Start your day with a refreshing stroll, sipping in the crisp air at the winery vineyards found at the foot of Mt. Kakuda.

Approx.
20min by car

Food

Gelateria Regalo

tel.0256-82-0455

Famous gelato stop featuring all the tasty goodness of real, fresh milk made each morning on the house farm. In a varied lineup of some 15 different tastes each day, top flavors after "Farmer's Milk" are the seasonal veggies and fruit flavors.

Approx.
5min by car

Food

**Meals by the Hearth
KOKAJIYA**

tel.0256-78-8781

A cozy air plumes from this rustic, revamped space with modern touches, all set inside an over 100-year old kominka-style house. Indulge in a taste of Italian full-course meal stylized with seafood and produced sourced from the local region (reservation required).

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Rice, Sake and Fish!
The "in" Spot to Be!

Shopping Food

Experience

Solano Terrace

tel.0256-88-4411

The full palate of the region in a single multi-hubbed space, featuring market-style direct purchases corners for Nishikan fresh produce, a deli for hand-rolled rice balls and prepared sides, plus a restaurant serving dishes that celebrate the area's seasonal fare. The space also doubles as a popular strawberry-picking destination during harvest season.

Approx.
5min by car

Tasting Shopping

Experience

Sasaiwai Sake Brewery

tel.0256-72-3982

A long-established brewery founded in 1899. With around 90% of its product consumed locally, this famed brewery is often cherished as a "local brewer above the rest". Swing by for a chance to tour the facility and visit the koji mash fermenting room (additional reservation required), here at this sake brewing multiplex that's easy to pop in on a girl's trip or family outing.

Approx.
20min by car

Tasting Shopping

Takarayama Sake Brewery

tel.0256-77-9301

Veteran sake brewery established in 1885 and maker behind famed Niigata sake brand "Takarayama". Each sip carries the heritage taste of age-old brewing methods, infused with meticulously raised sake rice and the finest of well waters. Brewery tours led by the proprietress are especially popular, drawing crowds from in and outside the prefecture.

Approx.
30min by car

Food Shopping

**Teradomari
Fish Market Street**

tel.0258-75-3363
(Teradomari Tourism Association)

Teradomari's famed shopping street for fresh fish and souvenirs. Here you'll find lively shops lined with fresh treasures of the sea. Try some street eats if you're feeling hungry, thanks to the fresh-grilled squid and shellfish made "hamayaki" style at stalls just out in front.

A Hot Springs Paradise
at the Nishikan Onsen!

[Hot Springs at a Glance]



**Small Ryokan
Komatsuya**

A quaint little wooden hot springs inn offering the fully-private dips in the open-air baths and a tasteful time with fresh bounties of the sea.

tel.0256-82-2021



Fujiya

Authentic inn with self-sourced springs. A treat of comforting waters that shift in hue with the time and temperature.

tel.0256-82-4151



**Inn with views of the Niigata
Plain and Mount Yahiko at
Hoho**

Stays made to delight the heart through history, travel, stays and hot springs.

tel.0256-82-4126



**Koshi-style Stay
Takashimaya Inn**

Nationally registered tangible cultural property. Old-world Echigo-style stay offering a taste of Edo.

tel.0256-82-2001



Menmentei Wataya

A relaxing stay and premium hot springs. Room options with en suite baths filled with hot spring waters.

tel.0256-82-0001



Japanese-style Inn Matsuya

Authentic atmosphere and aromatic springs. A true Japan retreat steeped in heartfelt offerings.

tel.0256-82-5120



Iwamuro Slow Hostel

Authentic tatami-style hostel that aims to share authentic local Japanese culture with the world

tel.0256-78-8554



Shaga-no-Sato Yumeya

A hot spring inn tucked in behind the trees. Onsen complete with 100% sourced spring waters, plus activities to try at the annex.

tel.0256-82-5151



**The Inn of Warming Trees
Hamamatsu-ya**

Authentic Kaiseki-style fare made with select seasonal ingredients.

Exclusive inn serving just 5 parties each day.

tel.0256-82-5533



Yumotoya

A sense of vibrance from the moment you step in

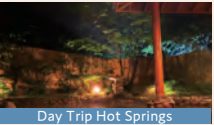
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**Tanoura Onsen
Kaikatei Kawai**

Seaside hot springs with views of Sado Island and the evening sun set over the Sea of Japan

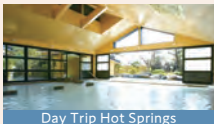
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**Fukuju Onsen Sauna and
Natural Hot Springs
Jonnobi-kan**

A hidden spring awaits at the bottom of a 37-stepped secret stairway

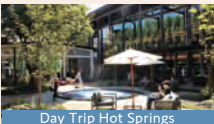
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Tahou Onsen Dairo no Yu

A day trip-use hot spring with three different 100% pure-sourced springs.

tel.0256-82-1126



**Kakudayama Onsen
CAVE D'OCCI Vinespa**

Soak in the springs or settle in with a glass or favorite book

tel.0256-77-2226



**Yukari no Yu Yorinare
(Niigata City Iwamuro Health Center)**

A hot spring perched on a tall little hilltop, complete with swooping views out over the Niigata Plains from the windows of the baths.

tel.0256-82-2270



Free screenings of the full trilogy.

Nishikan Ward hits the big screen in the three-part Nishikan-Movie series. Nishikan Ward takes to the big screen in this story about the vivid beauty of each season, the personal transformation of characters and the connections between them.

ep. 1 "Harmonica Taiyo" ep. 2 "Nishikan" ep 3. "Father and Son"

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Nishikan website

http://nishikan.org/

