

Local gourmet



Kurikoma Koei Iwana-don

In the Koei district of Kurikoma, five restaurants sell the "Kurikoma Koei Iwana-don." This is a bowl of rice topped with char from the streams of Mt. Kurikoma, prepared and seasoned differently by each shop.



Japanese yams

The Japanese yam is a wild species of yam indigenous to Japan. The Japanese yams of the Hanayama district are grown utilizing the cool climate and natural environment that is similar to where they grow in the wild, and reputed to be sweet, flavorful, and fragrant. "Mugitoromeshi," featuring this yam grated with barley rice, is exquisite.

Really makes you want to eat!

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Everyone really wants to come!



Hanayama soba

The difference in temperatures between night and day in the foothills of Mt. Kurikoma make the locally grown soba (buckwheat) exceptionally delicious. In every area of Kurihara you can enjoy fragrant soba dishes. At the "Shin-soba Festival" you can enjoy eating three types of fresh soba: fresh ground, fresh kneaded, and fresh boiled.

Gelato, sherbet

Enjoy gelato and sherbet made from local seasonal fruits and vegetables. Available flavors change with the season. Taste the seasonal flavors of Kurihara!



Shrimp "Mochi"

This is a well-known household dish from Kurihara. Mochi dishes have been traditional for New Year's and other feasts since long ago. Boiled freshwater shrimp packed into white mochi to form "shrimp mochi," one of the distinctive mochi dishes of Kurihara.



Local sake

The breweries here boast long histories here where excellent local sake is brewed from various types of delicious sake rice grown in Kurihara. Water from the clear streams of the Kurikoma mountain range are used to make the sake, where fans will find an array of exquisite selections.

Kampo Wagyu

This is a completely new type of Japanese beef in which 14 types of herbs are blended to make feed mixed with Chinese herbs. The melting point is low at about 23.9 degrees, so you can enjoy the texture of this soft beef melting in your mouth.



Hiking on Mt. Kurikoma

Mt. Kurikoma, which is an easy mountain to hike even for beginners, officially opens to summer hikers on the 3rd Sunday in May, when there is still snow. Hikers can enjoy alpine flora during June and July, and beautiful fall colors at the end of September.

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Really makes you want to play!

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Old Wakayanagi Station

This formerly important station on the now discontinued Kurihara Den'en Railway, nicknamed "Kuriden," was sadly closed in 2007. Now this area is a railway park.

Old Kurihara Den'en Railway Wakayanagi Station DATA

- Address: 17-24 Kawakitatsukanone Wakayanagi, Kurihara-shi, Miyagi
- 15 minutes by car from JR Kurikoma-Kogen Station
- 5 minutes by car from the Wakayanagi-Kannari IC on the Tohoku Expressway
- Inquiries: Kurihara City Planning and Design Division ☎0228-22-1125

Hosokura Mine Park

This mine tunnel theme park was renovated and reopened in July, 2016. The Hosokura Mine was discovered about 1200 years ago, and was used to mine lead, zinc, gold, and silver. After closing in 1987, it became popular as a spot for learning about mines, and many tourists have visited the new Hosokura Mine Park.



Hosokura Mine Park DATA

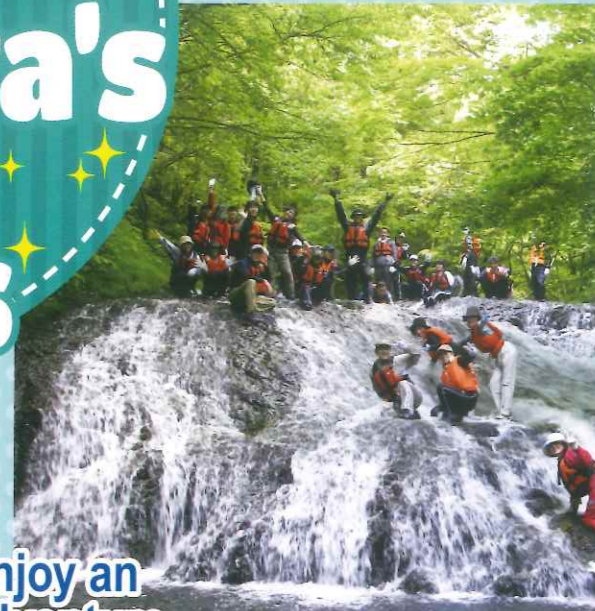
- Address: 2-3 Uguisuzawanango Yanagisawa, Kurihara-shi, Miyagi
- 40 minutes by car from JR Kurikoma-Kogen Station
- 40 minutes by car from the Wakayanagi-Kannari IC on the Tohoku Expressway
- Inquiries: Hosokura Mine Park ☎0228-55-3215



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Kurihara's best spots



Enjoy an adventure in a stream

This experiential program allows participants to camp on the Hanayama lakeshore, enjoy competitive outdoor activities, observe nature, play in the streams, and enjoy many other activities out in a beautiful natural area.

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Experience Ai-zome, Japanese indigo dyeing

This is the only place where visitors can try their hand at traditional Ai-zome dyeing. The traditional dyeing method in the Kurikomamonji district of Kurihara has a history going back more than 1,000 years, and visitors can experience it for themselves.

Transform little articles into fashionable accessories with indigo dyes



Airando, Monji DATA

- Address: 103 Kajiya Kurikomamonji, Kurihara-shi, Miyagi ☎0228-47-2141
- 35 minutes by car from JR Kurikoma-Kogen Station, 30 minutes by car from the Wakayanagi-Kannari IC on the Tohoku Expressway
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Sendai Han Hanayama Village Trace of Nuruyu Bansho

Nuruyu Bansho was a checkpoint on the Akita side of the Hanayama-goe checkpoint that leads to the Ogachi District in Akita. It was called the "Sendai Domain Hanayama Village Nuruyu Bansho Site." It became a border sentry station when Masamune Date came to Iwadeyama in the early 16th century. For the next 200 years those who passed through had their goods inspected here. In the 1850s there was additional construction to build a style of temple gate featuring four supporting pillars and a garbled roof to house government officials.

Sendai Han Hanayama Village Trace of Nuruyu Bansho

- Address: Honsawanuruyu Hanayama, Kurihara-shi, Miyagi
- 50 minutes by car from JR Kurikoma-Kogen Station
- 45 minutes by car from the Tsukidate IC on the Tohoku Expressway
- Inquiries: ☎0228-56-2040 (Hanayama Onsen Nuruyu Sanso)