

Oku-Tama Mukashi-Mich

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Notes) The back face is also available. This face covers about half of all way, it is **[Hikawa]** to **[Sogaku Ravine]**.

Oku-Tama Mukashi-Michi History

* Refer to the "Oku-Tama Town Magazine - History Ch."

Oku-Tama Mukashi-Michi (Oku-Tama Old-days Trail) is the historical hiking trail to trace the old Ome-Kaido (Ome Highway) from Hikawa region to Ogouchi region of Oku-Tama Town.

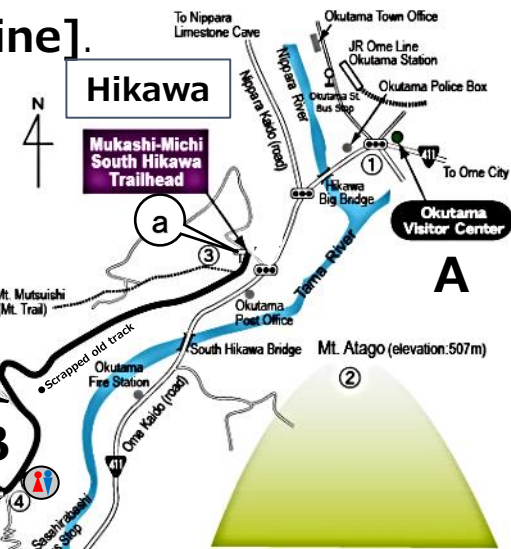
The old Ome-Kaido was first developed in the Keicho period (1596-1615), and it was the route to connect Ome and Shinjuku. In those days, high-quality white soil (lime) was produced in Kami-Nariki region of Ome, and the soil was transported through the route to reconstruct the Edo Castle. Because the starting point of the route was Kami-Nariki, the route was also called the Nariki-Kaido (Nariki Highway).

Later, the route was extended to the west along the Tama River. Because the route led to Kofu over Daibosatsu Pass via Ogouchi region, it was also called Koshu-Ura-Kaido (Koshu Back Road) in the Edo period. Many people used Koshu-Ura-Kaido, because it was about 8km (5miles) shorter than Koshu-Kaido (Koshu Highway). By the way, the present Ome-Kaido (Ome Highway) which was opened to traffic in the 11th year of Meiji (1878) leads to Kofu City though Kamosawa, Taba (places of Tabayama Village), and Enzan (a place of Koshu City).

Through the old Ome-Kaido, various special products (charcoal, white chopsticks, geta materials, and wasabi) were transported to Ome. Packhorse driver inns prospered in Hikawa region of Oku-Tama, because there was a distance of about 10 miles from Hikawa region to Ome and it was difficult to make a day trip.

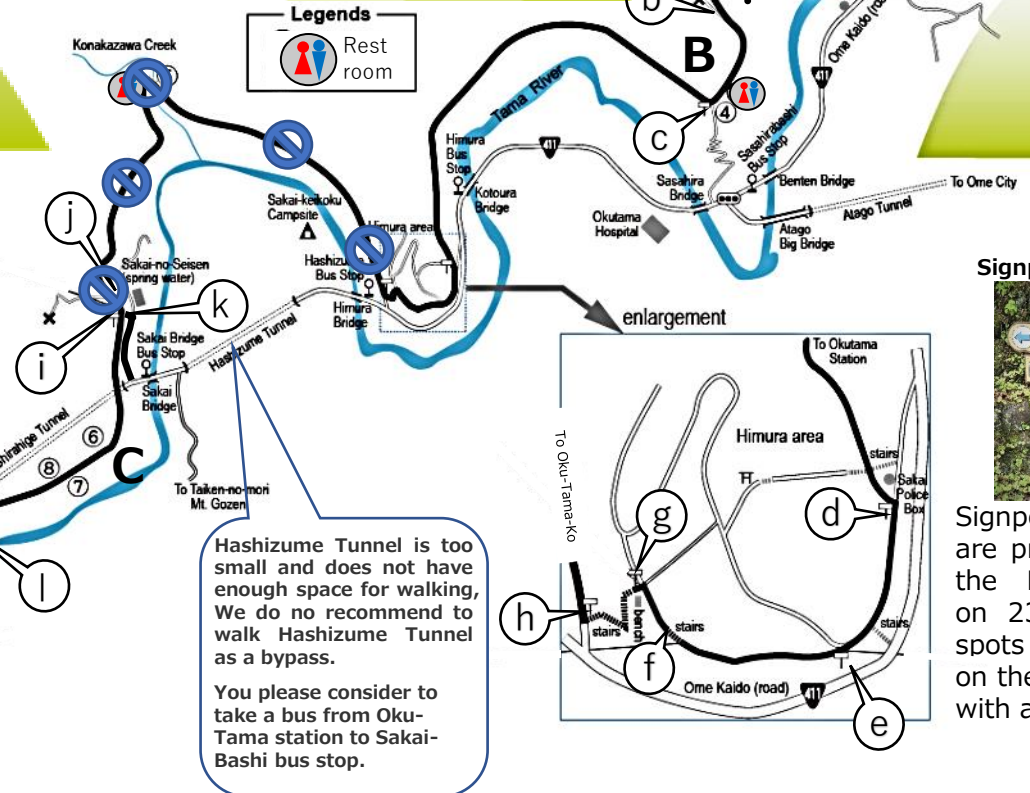
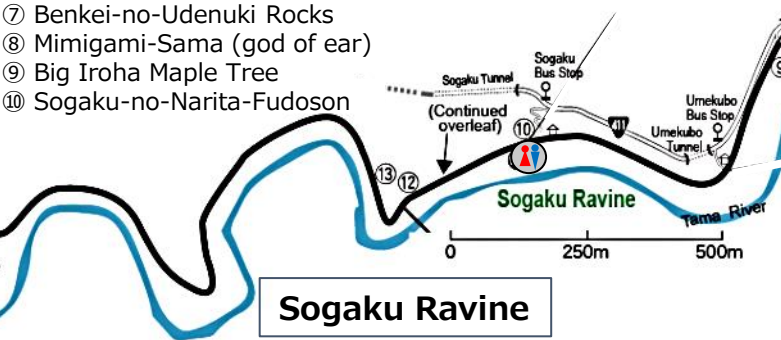
Along the wayside of Oku-Tama Mukashi-Michi, a lot of old stone monuments and small shrines are still seen, and you can enjoy a scene of yore. The route is still the important life road for the local people now.

Oku-Taka-Ko (Artificial lake) was born by Ogochi Dam. For transporting the men & the materials to construct the dam, the train track was also constructed along current Mukashi-Michi. Now, it is scrapped but the remaining figure is still seen at several spot. It likes talking about the past period.



Historical & Cultural Properties

- ① Oku-Hikawa Jinja Shrine
- ② Atago Jinja Shrine
- ③ Haguro Slope/Haguro-Mita Jinja Shrine
- ④ Saikachi-Gi (Japanese honey locust)
- ⑤ Fudo-no-Uetaki Falls / Konakazawa Bridge
- ⑥ Shirahige Jinja Shrine
- ⑦ Benkei-no-Udenuki Rocks
- ⑧ Mimigami-Sama (god of ear)
- ⑨ Big Iroha Maple Tree
- ⑩ Sogaku-no-Narita-Fudosen



Hashizume Tunnel is too small and does not have enough space for walking, We do not recommend to walk Hashizume Tunnel as a bypass.
You please consider to take a bus from Oku-Tama station to Sakai-Bashi bus stop.

Signpost provided



Signposts as above are provided along the Mukashi-Michi on 23 spots. The spots are indicated on the map by (icon with alphabets).

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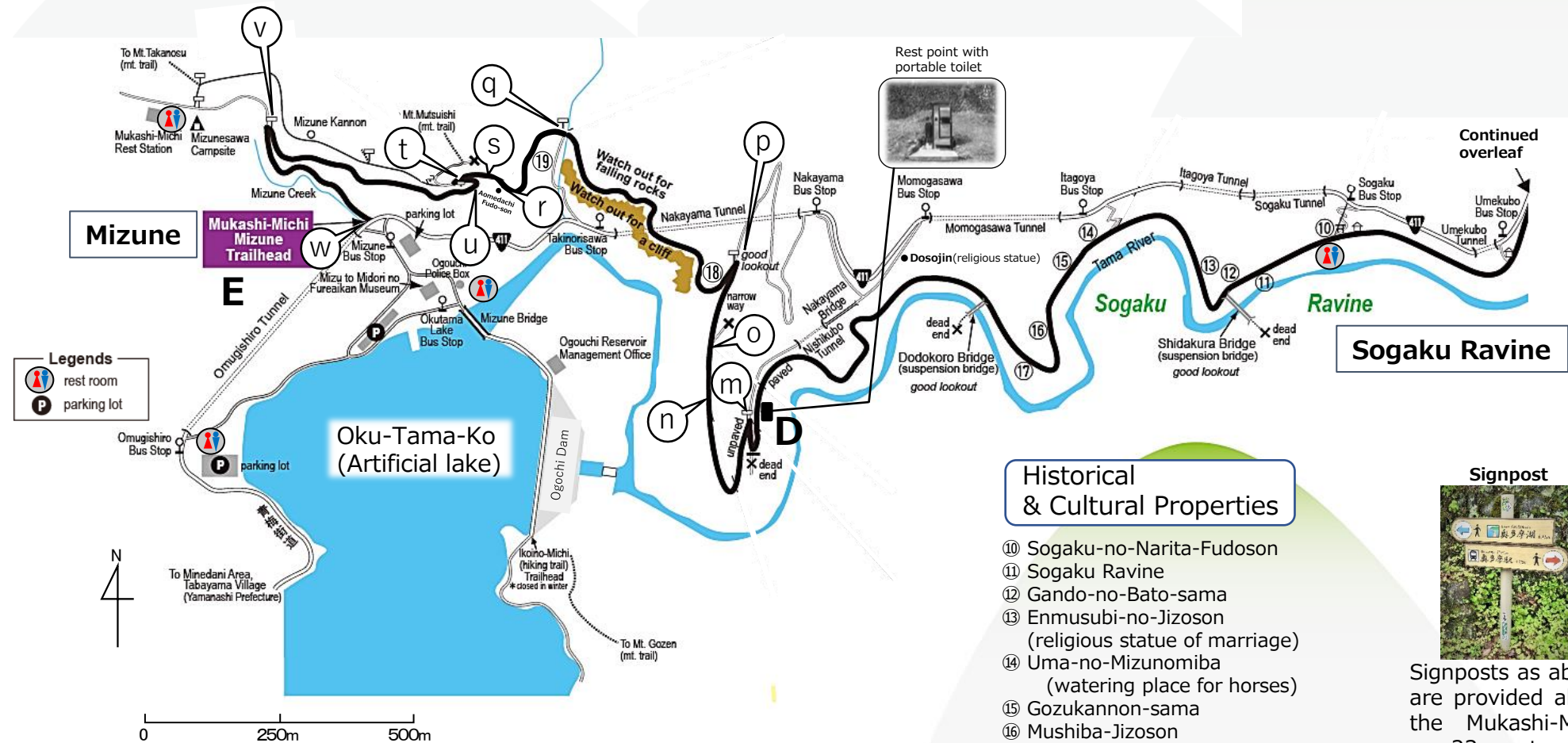
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- Legends**
- rest room
 - parking lot

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- 10 Sogaku-no-Narita-Fudosen
- 11 Sogaku Ravine
- 12 Gando-no-Bato-sama
- 13 Enmusubi-no-Jizoson (religious statue of marriage)
- 14 Uma-no-Mizunomiba (watering place for horses)
- 15 Gozukannon-sama
- 16 Mushiba-Jizoson (religious statue for people w/ toothache)
- 17 Monument of Gyokudo Kawai
- 18 Sengen Jinja Shrine
- 19 Monument of Mizune New Way

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- Take your garbage home (No dumping).
 - Do not harm or gather natural resources.
 - Use public facilities (Toiles etc.) clean.
 - Be careful not to trouble local people.