

Stroll through pure water valleys and stand amongst legendary magnificent rock formations

Mt. Kurokami Area Guide Map

Mt. Kurokami Trails Filled with dynamic scenic beauty

Mt. Kurokami (516m) is located on the border between Takeo City and Arita Town, Nishimatsuura-gun in Saga Prefecture. Tendoiwa Crag sits at the summit while the Oiwa and Meiwa Crag tower between the southern foot of Mt. Seira. A trove of natural beauty, Mt. Kurokami was selected in 1983 as one of the "Japan's 100 natural sites to preserve for the 21st century". The spring waters of Ryumon, which flow from the Kurokami Mountains, were selected as one of the "100 Best Waters" of Japan in 1985. The Ryumon Dam Parking Lot, a trailhead for Mt. Seira and Mt. Makinoyama, also has a town-run mountain house and campground, often bustling with hikers. Designated in 1937, this is the oldest prefectural natural park.



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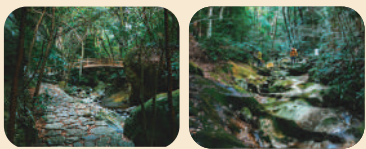
Beginner Friendly Natural Trail

Experience this Saga travel route which connects local attractions about history, culture, hot springs, food, and more. Be a part of the new "OPEN-AIR Saga" lifestyle and enjoy various outdoor activities amongst Saga's beautiful scenery.

Explore! Mt. Kurokami Routes

Filled with information about the area

1 Ryumon Gorge



A valley of mysteriously shaped rocks leading from Ryumon Dam. Selected as one of the "100 Best Waters" of Japan, you can also see two Ryumon Caves, one large and one small, formed by the natural collapse of rhyolite rock. Many stone Buddhas are enshrined in the caves, creating a sacred atmosphere.

2 Mikaeri Pass



A junction point. The natural beauty of Chimachibo Park lies straight east, Mt. Seira and Mt. Makinoyama to the north, and the summit of Mt. Kurokami to the south.

3 Meiwa Crag



The highlight of the Beginner Course! You can head to the edge of Meiwa, a strange rock formation on a precipitous cliff. The view of Oiwa from Meiwa and the landscape below is breathtaking!

4 Mt. Kurokami Summit/Tendoiwa Crag

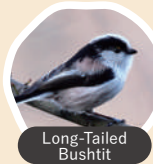


The summit, Tendoiwa, is the most difficult point on the Mt. Kurokami Course. The climb up includes chains, ladders, and ropes! Climb slowly and surely while checking your footing. From the spectacular 360° view atop Tendoiwa, where legend has it that a giant snake coiled around the rock, you can see Arita Dam and the town of Arita.

5 Oni no Iwaya Cave



The name Oni no Iwaya literally means "demon's cave." The giant monolith amongst the rocks is truly mystical! Explore under the rocks, pose and snap photos near this mysterious geology.



Enjoy seasonal flowers and birds



Caution Please watch your step.