

## Where Japan's Farming, Culture, and Fashion Began

Many aspects of Japanese culture are thought to have originated from the Kyotango area. Legends attribute the start of rice farming in Japan to Xu Fu, a Chinese explorer, with some claims that he settled near Kyotango around 200BCE. Along with the harvest of rice, the production of sake, rice wine, also started in the Kyotango area.

Ancient burial mounds in Kyotango contain evidence of extensive trade with the ancient kingdoms of China. Through this trade the Kyotango area is thought to have been one of the most influential regions on the Sea of Japan.

Some of Japan's most enduring legends can also trace their origins to Kyotango. 'Urashima Taro', the legend of a fisherman who went on a magical adventure only to find hundreds of years had passed in his village, and 'Hagoromo' the legend of an angel who came to Earth and married a hunter, can both trace their oldest written versions to the 'Tango no Kuni Fudoki'; a chronicle of legends from in and around Kyotango.

Kyotango has been at the heart of the kimono industry for over 300 years. The chirimen silk fabric produced here is of a very high quality, and has helped to shape styles and trends of this cultural icon.

In this way the Kyotango area has shaped Japanese culture for thousands of years.

#### [Timeline]

210BCE - Explorer Xu Fu brings farming and fermenting knowledge from China to Kyotango

250CE Trade during the Kofun period makes Kyotango a local power

713CE Tango no Kuni Fudoki is published sharing local legends

1721CE Chirimen silk is introduced and gains popularity as a luxury kimono fabric



#### **Lantern Making Experience**

Using traditional techniques and materials you can make your own cute size chibimaru lantern. It makes a great piece of memorabilia from you holiday to Japan.

**Hours:** 10am - 2pm (1 hour duration) **Fee:** 4400 yen **Location:** Kojima-An **Access:** Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Asamogawa 3 min. walk





#### **Kamai Sea Kayaking**

Setting out from a quiet beach in Kamai, you can explore some of the topography of the geopark coastline. Try and spot the seaside treehouse looking out over the bay.

Hours: 8:30am - 2pm (2 hour duration)
Open: April - October Fee: From 7700 yen
Location: Kamaihama Beach Access: 12
min. drive from Kumihama Station



#### **Tobiwatari Sea Kayaking**

Based in the quaint Mitsu Harbour this sea kayak activity has different difficulty levels based on your skills and confidence. Whether you want a simple paddle around the harbour or you want to explore sea caves and find hidden coves, there's something for everyone.

Hours: 9am - 2pm (45 minute duration)
Open: April - October Fee: From 2880 yen
Location: Mitsu Harbour Access: 15 min.
drive from Amino Station



## Stand-Up Paddle with Kyotango 135°

With the help of the friendly instructor from Kyotango 135° you'll be standing and gliding over the sea in no time. The summer sea in Kyotango is very calm making it the perfect place to learn how to do SUP with confidence.

Hours: 10am - 5pm (1 hour duration)
Open: April - October Fee: 4000 yen
Location: Hamazume Yuhigaura Beach
Access: Get off at Yuhigaura-Kitsu-Onsen
Station, change to a local bus Bus stop:
Hamazume 9 min. walk



#### **Fruit Picking at Tango Kingdom**

From mid June to late October Tango Kingdom has a variety of fruits available for picking. Starting with melons, then peaches, grapes and pears, you'll be blown away by the incredible fresh taste.

Hours: 10am - 2pm (40 minute duration) Open: Mid June - end October (depending on the fruit) Closed: Tuesdays (except summer holidays)

Fee: From 700 yen (depending on the type of fruit) Location: Tango Kingdom

Fruits Garden Access: 10 min. drive from Amino Station or Mineyama Station

## Activities

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#### Visit a Japanese Katana Blacksmith

Learn about the ancient craft of katana making from the skilled artisans themselves.

Visit a working forge, and see how

Visit a working forge, and see how these famous blades are made. Learn the key markers so you can appreciate these iconic swords as works of art.

Hours: 10am - 2pm (1 hour duration) Closed: Everyday except Wednesday and Sunday

Fee: 10,000yen

Location: Nippon Genshosha Access: Get off at Mineyama Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Miyake 3 min. walk



#### **Wedding Kimono Experience**

This activity is a chance to try on a special type of kimono that is worn only for Japanese weddings. Both men and woman are invited to try on these special kimono. The bride's kimono are colorful and the grooms's are traditionally black with a crest located on the sleeves, breast, and back.

Hours: 10am - 5pm (1 hour duration) Fee: 2750 yen

**Location :** Centrale Hotel Kyotango **Access :** 1 min. drive from Kyotango-Omiya IC



#### Tateiwa Rock Guided Walk

This guided tour will take you to the 15 million year old tateiwa rock and Onaru burial mounds and surrounding area, as you learn about the geology and the history of the area.

Hours: 9:30am - 4pm (2 hour duration)
Open: March - November Fee: 5 or fewer
people 2500 yen (500 yen per additional
person) Location: Tenki Tenki Tango
Access: Get off at Amino Station, change to a
local bus Bus stop: Tenki Tenki Mura 1 min. walk



#### Chirimen Silk Handkerchief Dyeing

Dyeing a handkerchief made from chirimen silk is a great way to make a souvenir unique to you and Kyotango. Choose from a wide range of paterns and then apply color as you desire.

Hours: 10am - 3pm (40 minute duration)
Closed: Tuesdays Fee: 1650 yen
Location: Amity Tango Access: Get off
at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus
stop: Amity/Amino Chosha Mae 3 min. walk



#### **Incense Making**

Make your own delicate smelling incense as a reminder of your visit to Kyotango. It's scent will help you stay relaxed after your holiday has finished.

Hours: 9am - 3:30pm (30 minute duration)
Closed: Wednesdays and weekday mornings
Fee: 2000yen Location: Inaba Family
Merchant House Access: 7 min. walk from
Kumihama Station



#### Strawberry Picking at Okazaki Farm

Thanks to the greenhouses at Okazaki Farm the strawberry season starts early in the year. The akihime brand strawberries grown there are big and sweet. At Okazaki Farm you can pick as many as you can eat in 30mins.

**Hours:** 10am - 3pm (30 minute duration) **Open:** Mid March - end May **Fee:** Adults 2200 yen **Location:** Okazaki Farm **Access:** Get off at Mineyama Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Miyake 20 min. walk



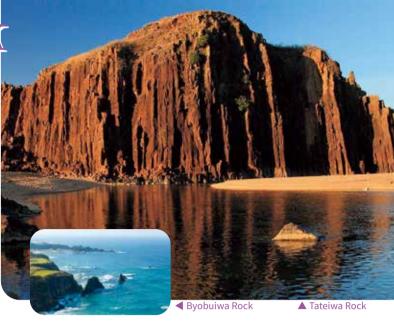
Geopark

The San'in Kaigan Geopark is registered with UNESCO and has a stunning and diverse coastline.

#### Tateiwa and Byobuiwa Volcanic Monoliths

Tateiwa rock stands out from the coast thanks to being made from super hard volcanic rock, which allows it to withstand the harsh winter weather much better than the rest of the coast. The nearby Byobuiwa rock is made of similarly hard stone, and clearly reveals the fault line travelling in a straight line.

**Location :** Tango-cho **Access :** Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Tenki Tenki Mura 7 min. walk for Tateiwa Rock, 35 min. walk for Byobuiwa Rock





#### Cape Kyoga Lighthouse

Cape Kyoga is the most northern point in Kyoto prefecture and the site of one of five lighthouses in Japan with a first order fresnel lens. The chalk white of the lighthouse contrasts with the crystal blue of the sea and the sky. It's also a great place for spotting birds, and sometimes monkeys.

Location: Tango-cho Access: Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Kyogamisaki 20 min. walk



## Mt. Kabuto & Shotenkyo Land Bridge

Taking only about 30 minutes to climb to the top of Mt. Kabuto, the observation deck is worth a visit for the incredible view out over Kumihama Bay. You can also see Shotenkyo, the narrow sand bar that separates the bay from the Sea of Japan. It has been used by fishermen to shelter their boats for hundereds of years.

**Location :** Kumihama **Access :** 30 min. walk from the trail entrance of Kabutoyama Park



#### **Onaru Burial Mounds**

Located on a plateau overlooking the sea and Tateiwa rock the Onaru Burial Mounds are a series of 13 tombs dug into the hillside. The tombs were built in the late 6th early 7th century using volcanic rocks quarried from Tateiwa rock. In the Spring the whole area is covered with little blue and white flowers from wild Japanese horseradish.

**Location :** Tango-cho Access : Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Takano 5 min. walk



#### Tango Matsushima Pine Islands

Bearing an uncanny resemblance to the famous Matsushima Islands, Tango Matsushima is a stunning sunrise spot. It's well worth the early wake up to see the sun rising over this island studded inlet at least once in your life.

**Location :** Tango-cho **Access :** Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Konoshiro 7 min. walk



## **Beaches**



Relax on the white sand beaches and swim in the emerald blue sea in Kyotango.

#### Kotohikihama Beach

Kotohikihama beach is famous as one of Japan's singing sand beaches. In dry conditions the sand squeaks as you walk on it, a curious phenomenon caused by the very high quartz content. In order for the sand to 'sing' it has to be very clean, this resulted in it being Japan's first smoke free beach. To make sure the sand keeps singing the locals spend a lot of time cleaning the beach of floatsam too.

Fee: Parking fee applies (year round)
Location: Amino Access: Get off at Amino Station,
change to a local bus Bus stop: Kotohikihama 5 min. walk



#### Takashima Beach

Takashima beach has very fine grains of white sand. The beach has many reefs where you can look for small crabs or fish. The seaside campsite is well equiped and can accommodate either tents or campervans.

**Fee:** Parking fee applies (summer only) **Location:** Tango-cho **Access:** Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Ueno 5 min. walk



#### **Tateiwa Nochigahama Beach**

This white sand beach is right in the heart of the San'in Kaigan geopark. Nochigahama beach is at the foot of Tateiwa rock giving great views of it even when you're splashing around in the water.

**Fee :** Parking fee applies (summer only) **Location :** Tango-cho **Access :** Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Tango Chosha Mae 2 min. walk



#### Kamaihama Beach

This beach has a sea wall making the waves gentle and the water shallow. The fine, white sand is beautiful, and the gentle calm makes it feel like a private beach.

Fee: Parking fee applies (summer only)
Location: Kumihama Access: 12 min.
drive from Kumihama Station

#### Hamazume Yuhigaura Beach



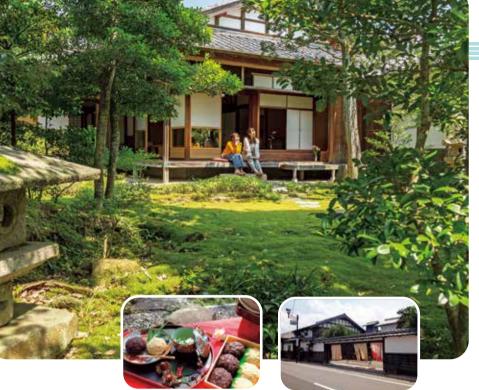
At the northern end of the 8km 'long beach' the Hamazume Yuhigaura Beach is right next to a large number of ryokan hotels making it very convenient to get from your room to the beach.

**Fee:** Parking fee applies (summer only) **Location:** Amino **Access:** Get off at Yuhigaura-Kitsu-Onsen Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Hamazume 4 min. walk



#### **Stunning Sunsets**

The 'Yurari' beach swing is one of Kyotango's premier photo spots, and is perfect for watching the gorgeous sunsets, which this area was named after.



#### Inaba Family Merchant House

The main wing of this historic property, called the omoya, was built over 130 years ago and was registered as a National Tangible Cultural Property in 2003. It has been meticulously re-built with features from the Edo period. The restaurant Ginshosha was built over 220 years ago, here you can enjoy the local redbean sweet 'Botamochi' while looking at the quaint Japanese style garden.

Hours: 9am-4pm Closed: Wednesdays Location: Kumihama Access: 7 min. walk from Kumihama Station



#### **Nyoiji Temple**

This temple is famous for its three-leaved azaleas, they cover the hillside in purple blossoms in April. Perfect for flower lovers this flower temple always has gorgeous flowers in bloom.

**Location :** Kumihama **Access :** 15 min. walk from Kumihama Station



#### Sennichie Festival

This summer festival takes place on August 9th, it showcases some of the highlights of summer in Kyotango, including a fireworks display, floating lanterns and 'daimonji', large character, light up on Mt. Kabuto nearby.

**Location :** Kumihama **Access :** 15 min. walk from Kumihama Station



#### **Singing Sand Museum**

The Singing Sand Museum is dedicated to preserving the natural and scientific importance of Kotohikihama 'singing sand' Beach. You can also hear the sand squeak no matter the weather conditions outside. Here you can learn about the tiny organisms that live in the sand, and the ongoing preservation work to maintain the beach.

**Hours**: 9am - 5pm **Closed**: Tuesdays **Fee**: Adults 290 yen, 6-15 years old 90 yen (Group rates available) **Location**: Amino **Access**: Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Kotohikihama 1 min. walk

## Culture



Uncover the unique culture of Kyotango at historic properties, shrines and temples.



#### **Kotohira-jinja Shrine**

The main shrine of the Mineyama area, it is famous for being the only shrine in Japan to feature 'guardian cat' statues, usually they are dogs. The cat statues were created to show the importance of cats in catching mice, who were a danger to the local silk industry.

**Location :** Mineyama **Access :** 20 min. walk from Mineyama Station







#### Kamitani-jinja Shrine

This shrine has a giant rock 'Iwakura' where a god is said to reside. The rock as been split to line up with the polestar and it was likely used by ancient people to mark the passage of time.

**Location :** Kumihama **Access :** 5 min. walk from Kumihama Station



#### Takano-jinja Shrine

Named in the 'Engishiki', an 8th century document, as the only large shrine in the Takano area, it is thought to have a connection to the emperor. The presence of the Imperial Chrysanthemum Emblem and the neighbouring burial mound, Shinemeizan, used as an imperial tomb, supports this claim.

**Location :** Tango-cho **Access :** Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Tenki Tenki Tango 8 min. walk



#### **Komachi Park**

Thought to be the final resting place of the 9th century poet Ono no Komachi. She was one of six famous poets during the Heian period. A mound in the park is said to contain her tomb.

Hours: 9am-4pm Closed: Wednesdays Fee: Park is free, 200yen/person for the exhibition Location: Omiya Access: 10 min. drive from Kyotango Omiya IC



#### Heiji Jizo

At over 5 meters tall this statue is the tallest stone jizo (guardian deity of children and travellers) in Kyoto prefecture. Every year in November a ritual is held to dress it in a straw hat and coat, weighing over 60kg.

**Location :** Omiya **Access :** 12 min. drive from Kyotango Omiya IC



#### **Local Buses**

Local buses that run throughout
Kyotango City.
Bus fare:
200 yen

#### **Expressway Buses**

The expressway buses that connect Kyotango with Kyoto or Osaka. You can visit Kyoto or Osaka inexpensively.
\*Reservation required



#### Railway

Kyoto Tango Railway is a privately run railway that runs the north area of Kyoto Prefecture. You can reach Kyota using the limited express train (no transfer required) fro



Tango no Umi

#### **Tango Matsushima** Cape Kyoga Lighthouse **Takashima** Kyuso Nakahama 178 **Sodeshi Rice Terraces WUkawa Onsen Yoshino no Sato** Mizunoesato Urashima Park Honjohama ari Highlands Farm - Urashima-jinja Shrine Ine Town Tomari Niizaki-jinja Shrine Tango Peninsula Ecological Park "Swiss Village" Roadside Station Funaya-no-Sato Ine ┌ Noma River Ine Bay Water Taxi Ine Bay Boat Tour — Midono Waterfall Lady Gracia Hosokawa Monument Ine Boathouses Highland Resort Seya-no-Sato • Seya Highlands Family Camping Site Miyazu City Uchiyama Beech Forest Beech House Uchiyama ♣Tango Eco-Future Park Amanohashidate n 卍 Nariai-ii Temple Masamatsu Park Tango Regional Museum Miyazu Bay anohashidate sce Wakasa Bay Amanohashidate Amanohashidate Onser Miyazu City Marine Fishing Spot • Amanohashidate View Land Miyazu City Kanabiki Tango Yura Waterfall Kanzaki Miyazu-Amanohashidate IC oto-Jukan Expressway

#### Kounotori Tajima Airport (Toyooka City)

Airport (Toyooka City)
2.5 hours from Tokyo via connection at Itami.

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#### Getting Here

#### Train

Kyoto to Kyotango >>>>> about 2.5 hours

Osaka to Kyotango >>>>> about 3 hours

Access to Kyotango by Train is convenient from either Kyoto or Osaka. There are several scenic towns on the way where you can change train lines. There is also a direct train from Kyoto, the 'Tango no Umi', which runs twice a day. Rail passes are also available for the Kansai area.





JR West Rail Pass

#### Car

Kyoto to Kyotango >>>>> about 2 hours

Osaka to Kyotango >>>>> about 2.5 hours

Kansai International (KIX) to Osaka >>>>>> about 50 mins

Visiting by rent-a-car gives you the freedom to explore Kyotango and the surrounding areas at your leisure. The Kyotango-Omiya Interchange (IC) makes getting here by expressway simple and efficient.







#### Bus

Kyoto to Kyotango >>>>>> about 3 hours

Osaka to Kyotango
>>>>> about 3 hours

Highway buses make access from Osaka and Kyoto convenient and cost-effective. These luxury buses provide comfort, safety, and reliable service in one convenient package.



Timetable From Kyotango to Kyoto

Kyotango to Osaka



Web Page: www.visitkyotango.com









## **Nature**

There are many places to get close to nature in Kyotango, whether it's in the hills or by the seaside.

#### **Hanago OKADA Flower park**

Hanago OKADA flower park is only open in the spring. It is the size of 5 baseball fields and filled with a wide range of flowers. Depending on when in spring you visit you'll be treated to waves of tulips, a wisteria terrace 300 meters long or a rose garden with lots of little nooks for romantic picnics.

Hours: 9:30am - 4:30pm (last entry at 4pm) Open: Mid April-early May, late May-mid June Fee: Adults 700 yen, 6-12yrs 350 yen, under 6 free Location: Amino Access: 5 min. drive form Yuhigaura-kitsu-onsen Station





#### Lake Hanare

Lake Hanare is the largest freshwater lake in Kyoto Prefecture and has a small mountain with a park at its foot on the southern shore. There are paths on the mountain, as well as a promenade with benches around the mountain, perfect for a quiet break by the lake. The promenade is lined with cherry blossoms and in the spring lanterns are strung between the trees for night-time flower viewing.

**Location :** Amino **Access :** Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Kobama 3 min. walk



#### Mt. Takaten Hiking Trail

The peak of Mt. Takaten looks out over the town of Amino and out to sea. The other way you can see over the hills all the way to Kumihama Bay, and beyond. The trail to the peak is surrounded by tall pine trees, but the final approach has a rope to help you up the steep slopes. It's a challenging climb but well worth the view.

**Location :** Amino **Access :** 90 min. walk from the trail entrance of Mt. Takaten



#### Kirifuri Waterfall

The beauty of the waterfall is highly praised, and this location has been designated by the city as a Cultural Property. There is a parking lot with room for 2-3 cars. From there it is a 10 minute walk to the waterfall.

**Location :** Amino **Access :** 10 min. drive from Amino Station



#### Tennyo no Sato Village

Deep in the forested hills of Kyotango is Tennyo no Sato. This interactive facility has traditional cottage accommodations, as well as mountain stream fishing, and soba and konjak making activities.

Open: Open year round Fee: Camping starting from 2000 yen per night Location: Mineyama Access: 20 min. drive from Kyotango-Omiya IC Reservation: Necessary



#### **Deluxs Outdoor Resort**

Perfect for people who want to make the most of the outdoors but still want the comfort of hotel style accommodations. The Deluxs Outdoor Resort also has anamatronic dinosaurs, and LED swings to bring out the child in us all.

Fee: From about 42,000 for 2 people per night Location: Kumihama Access: 17 min. drive from Kumihama Station

**Reservation :** Necessary

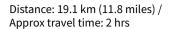
#### Areas to Explore

Take your time and explore Kyotango by foot or by bike to find its hidden treasures.

#### **E-bike Tour of Amino**







- 1 Hire an e-bike from Amino Station
- 2 Visit the Kotohikihama 'Singing Sand' Beach
- 3 Stop for an ice cream at Acacia
- 4 Take a rest at Hatchohama Beach
- S Visit Shizuka-jinja Shrine and get a stunning view over the Sea of Japan
- **6** Stop at Asamogawa Onsen before returning to Amino Station

#### **Walking Tour of Mineyama**





Distance: 3.7 km (2.3 miles) / Approx travel time: 50 mins

- 1 Set off from Mineyama Station
- 2 Stop for a fusion lunch at Enishi restaurant
- 3 Pick up a cake for later from Daido confectionary
- 4 Visit Kotohira Shrine and see the unique Komaneko 'cat' Statues
- 5 Behind Kotohira Shrine are a series of easy woodland trails
- 6 Exit the trails at Mineyama General Park and head back to Mineyama Station

#### Walking or E-bike Tour of Kumihama





Walking Route (A) / Distance: 3.4 km (2.1 miles) / Approx travel time: 39 mins

E-bike Route (B) / Distance: 13.9 km (8.6 miles) / Approx travel time: 1 hr 40 mins

- 1 Set off from Kumihama Station (For route B hire an e-bike)
- 2 Visit Kamitani-jinja Shrine, and see the Iwakura Rock
- **3** Visit the Nyoiji temple
- 4 Have a barazushi lunch at the Inaba Family Merchant House
- S Take a break at Amenity park before heading back to Kumihama Station
  - **5** Get a fruit smoothie from the fruits trail
- 6 Leaving the bikes at the park, hike to the top of Mt.
  Kabuto for a great view
  (about 30 mins to summit)
  - 7 Stop at Kinoshita Brewery to get a bottle for later (no tasting, drink cycling is prohibited), head back to Kumihama Station





#### **Torimatsu & Matsutaro**

This Japanese restaurant has over 90 years of history, and maintains a reverence for traditional Japanese cooking while looking abroad for inspirations for new recipes. One of the specialities of this restaurants is Kyotango's famous dish 'barazushi', a layered sushi dish with a variety of toppings.

Hours: 1st floor: 11:30am-3:30pm 2nd floor: 11:30am-5pm Closed: Tuesdays, Wednesdays Location: Amino Access: 8 min. walk from Amino station



#### Taiza Crab (Try them at Hisami)

Kyotango's special variety of snow crab is Taiza crab, they are only landed in small numbers leading them to be called 'phantom crabs'. Unlike most crab Taiza crab are caught, landed, sold, and can be cooked all on the same day, making them among the freshest in Japan. The restaurant Hisami is close to the port where they are landed making it a great place to try them.

Hours: 11am - 2pm, 5pm - 9pm Closed: Wednesdays, Thursdays Location: Hisami Access: Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Taiza Shinryojo Mae 1 min. walk Reservation: Crab plans are served the early November to the mid of March. Clab plans must be reserved, reservations recommended in general



#### All-You-Can-Eat Oysters

The conditions in Kumihama bay are perfect for growing big tasty oysters, and they can be prepared in a variety of delicious ways, from steaming, frying, or grilling. At the restaurant Furan no Yakata you can try all you can eat steamed oysters, a highly recommended way to experience this delicious shellfish.

**Hours:** 11am - 2pm, 6pm - 9:30pm **Location:** Furan no Yakata **Access:** 12 min. drive from Kumihama Station



#### **Kinoshita Brewery**

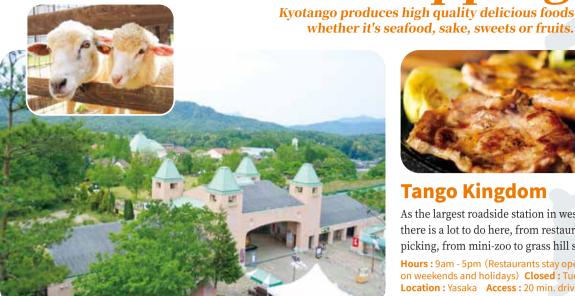
This brewery has made several innovations in the sake brewing world, by looking both forward and back. Their 'Time Machine' sake is made using older methods to give a taste closer to what historic sake would have tasted like. They also have ranges made using a spontaneous fermentation method which is relatively rare in the sake world.

**Hours:** 9am - 5pm **Location:** Kumihama **Access:** 3 min. walk from Kabutoyama Station



## Food & Shopp







#### **Tango Kingdom**

As the largest roadside station in western Japan there is a lot to do here, from restaurants to fruit picking, from mini-zoo to grass hill sleding.

**Hours:** 9am - 5pm (Restaurants stay open until 9pm on weekends and holidays) **Closed**: Tuesdays **Location**: Yasaka **Access**: 20 min. drive from Kyotango-Omiya IC



#### **Daido Confectionary**

With more than 120 years of history, this shop manufactures and sells sweets connected to Kyotango's legends and history, especially the Komaneko (guardian cats) from Kotohira Shrine. Their popular sweet Komaneko Monaka (red adzuki beans in a wafer case) has been enjoyed by their customers for many years.

Hours: 10am - 8pm Closed: Wednesdays Location: Mineyama Access: 20 min. walk from Mineyama station



#### Kumihama SANKAIKAN

This roadside station is bursting with local products, has a restaurant, fruit picking activities, and is part of the Fruits Trail.

Hours: 8am - 5pm Location: Kumihama Access: 13 min. walk from Shotenkyo Station



#### **Amity Tango**

This souvenir shop carries a wide range of local products, such as Japanese rice wine, craft beer, sweets, and chirimen silk products.

Hours: 9am - 5pm Closed: New Year Holidays Location: Amino Access: Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Amity/ Amino Chosha Mae 3 min. walk



#### Matsusakaya

This sake shop has the best selection of local rice wines produced in the Kyotango area, of any shop. They also have a range of 'cold-aged' sakes for a unique taste.

**Hours:** 7am - 6pm **Closed:** Thursdays Location: Amino Access: 2 min. walk from Yuhigaura-Kitsu-Onsen Station



#### **Fruits Trail**

An alternative way to cool off in summer is with one of the delicious frozen fruit smoothies from the Fruit Trail. A number of orchards in Kumihama have collaborated to sell fruit smoothies made with in season local fruits.

Closed: November - June **Location:** Kumihama



## 

Unwind in the soothing waters of Kyotango's natural hot springs.



#### Ukawa Onsen Yoshino no Sato

The two baths at Ukawa Onsen, 'mountain view' and 'sea view' alternate between male and female every day, and both give great views while you soak in the hot water. There is a restaurant and a shop that sells local food, and a campsite and accommodations as well.

Hours: 11am - 8:30pm Closed: Thursdays
Location: Tango-cho Access: Get off at
Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop:
Ukawa Onsen Yoshino no Sato 1 min. walk



#### Yasaka Ashiginu Onsen

The view from Ashiginu Onsen is out across the Yasaka plain to the forested hills in the distance. The waters here are heated by burning discarded cooking oil. There is also a gift shop and restaurant.

Hours: 10am - 9:30pm Closed: Wednesdays Location: Yasaka Access: Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Ashiginu Onsen Mae 1 min. walk



#### Ono no Komachi Onsen

The Ono no Komachi Onsen is located on top of a tall hill giving an amazing view over the Omiya area. The water at Komachi Onsen is alkaline. This makes it very gentle on the skin.

Hours: 10am-9:30pm, Tuesdays only 4pm-9:30pm Closed: Open all Year Location: Omiya Access: 1 min. drive from Kyotango-Omiya IC



#### Tango Onsen Hashiudoso

The outside bath of Tango
Onsen has a view of the
majestic Tateiwa rock.
Winter is a great time to visit
as you may be able to see
snow resting on the top of
the giant monolith.

Hours: 4pm - 9:30pm Closed: Tuesdays Location: Tango-cho

Access: Get off at Amino Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Tango Chosha Mae 1 min. walk



#### Sotoyu Hanayuumi

The outdoor bath at Sotoyu features a waterfall which provides a relaxing soundscape while you soak in the waters. They also have a lie-down bath so you can be submerged up to your neck. There is a restaurant on site making it a very convenient destination.

Hours: 12noon - 9:15pm Closed: Thursdays

Location: Amino Access: Get off at Yuhigaura-Kitsu-Onsen Station, change to a local bus Bus stop: Sotoyu Hanayuumi 1 min. walk



#### Minato Yuuyuu Onsen

After a relaxing soak in the onsen you can enjoy the view from the rooftop observation deck. With one side facing the Sea of Japan and the other facing Kumihama Bay you'll feel like your on an island.

Hours: 12noon-9pm Location: Kumihama Access: 4 min. drive from Shotenkyo Station



#### Kumihama Onsen Yumotokan

Kumihama Onsen Yumotokan is a large hot spring facility. It prides itself on having a Gensen-Kakenagashi, where water flows directly from the hot spring source. Both the male and female baths have indoors, outdoors, and herbal baths. Flowers bloom during the spring, and in the winter you may see a blanket of snow surrounding the outdoor bath.

Hours: 9am - 9pm Closed: Open all Year Location: Kumihama Access: 8 min. drive from Yuhigaura-Kitsu-Onsen Station

#### **Asamogawa Onsen Shizuka no Sato**

Hours: 10am - 8:30pm Closed: Tuesdays Location: Amino Access: 5 min. drive from Amino Station

#### **Shirasagi Foot Bath**

Hours: 9am - 5pm

Location: Yuhigaura-Kitsu-Onsen Station, Amino

#### Where to Stay

From luxury inns, to cozy guesthouses, Kyotango has just what you're looking for.

#### **Luxury Accommodations**



The luxury hotels in Kyotango are a cut above. From private lodges in a bamboo forest to rooms with private hot spring baths attached you'll truely have an experience like no other.



#### Japanese Style Minshuku Guesthouses



Get a taste of traditional Japan with a stay in a minshuku guesthouse where the futons are laid out on soft tatami flooring. Minshuku are known for having friendly 'okami' hostesses who will give you delicious home cooking after a long day of sightseeing.









#### **Hotels for Foodies**





Japanese inns often specialize in exquisite dining experiences, where every mouthful is bursting with flavor and every dish is immaculately styled. You'll finish the meal feeling full and with a new appreciation for simple good cooking.









#### Comfortable Ryokan Inns



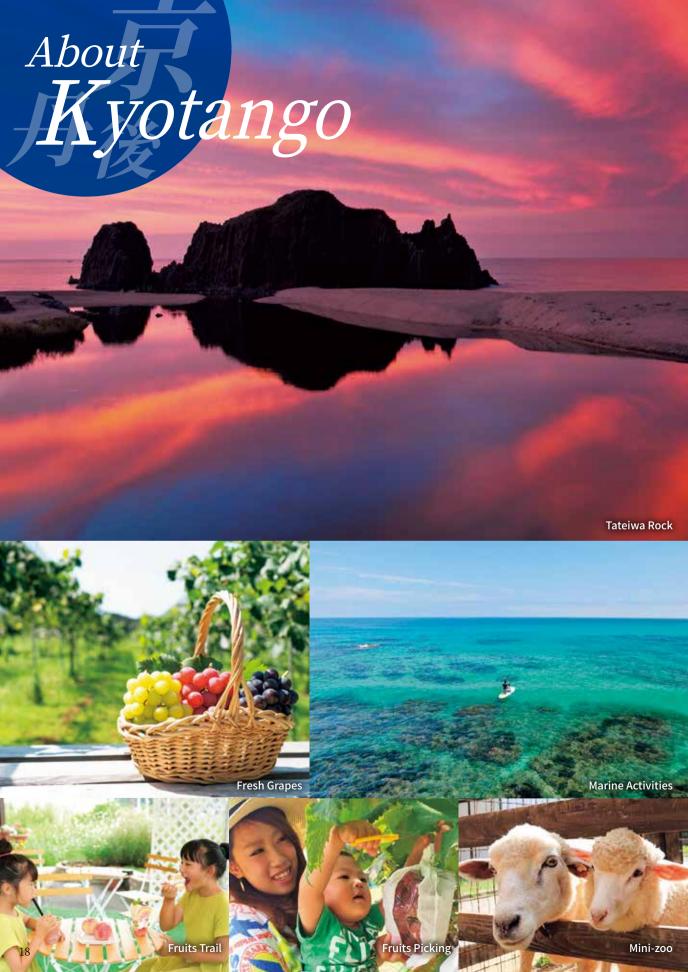


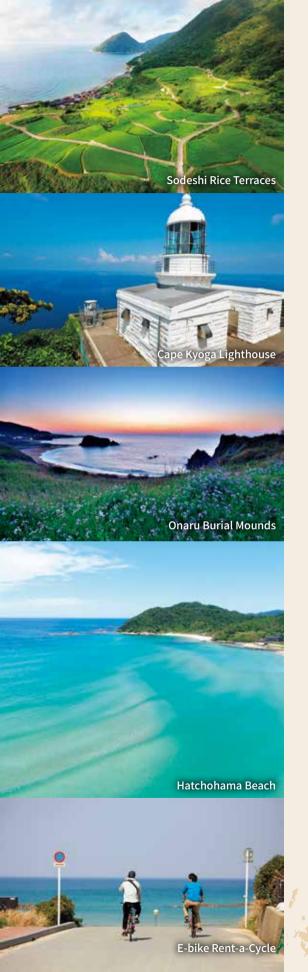




The ryokan inns in Kyotango combine great service with comfort. They have stunning views with plush beds and delicious food can be served right to your room.







### A Natural Playground Waiting to be Discovered

Kyotango is a land of fresh air, clean water and delicious food.

Famous for its sunny beaches and healing hot springs. Discover why Kyotango is known as "Kyoto's Getaway".

Facing the Sea of Japan, Kyotango is known as part of the 'Kyoto by the Sea' area. The wild and varied coastline is part of the San'in Kaigan National Park, a UNESCO recognized geopark. With long white sand beaches, rough and jagged cliffs, and rock pools with plenty of secret coves and sea caves there is no shortage of places to explore.

Kyotango's nature extends inland with forested hills filled with wildlife, plants and rivers. The clean air and rich soil also makes it an ideal place for farming. There are lots of fruit orchards in Kyotango with many brands unique to the area. In between the orchards, and along stretches of coast there are many rice fields, growing that important Japanese staple crop.

Feel the fresh air on your face as you discover Kyotango's hidden treasures by e-bike. Whether it's a visit to the coast to see the geopark and beaches, or through the hills to visit an orchard, travelling though Kyotango is a joy, with wonders around every corner.

Kyotango is also a great place to stay as a travel hub to explore the Sea of Japan area. Positioned between Amanohashidate, one of Japan's three scenic views; Ine Town, famous for its unique boathouses; and Kinosaki Onsen, a picturesque hot spring town. There are lots to see near Kyotango.









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