

You walk around this area in this course



Outline of the course

A course starting from Yagawa Ryokuchi green area where spring water flows along the bottom of Tachikawa Cliff Line (Hake), walk along the Yagawa River and spring water from Mama-shita (the bottom of the cliff) of the Aoyagi Cliff Line, toward Ondashi where the Yagawa River and Shimizu River flow into the Fuchu irrigation channel.

Mustsee spots -Walk through the Yagawa Ryokuchi green area, on the boardwalk, while enjoying aquatic plants and bird sanctuaries, which look quite similar to the view of Oze marshland.

- -A scene of the stream with a place to wash vegetables on the banks (Yagawa River)
- -Shiken-zaike Park, where an ancient burial mound was moved to and reconstructed
- -Abundant spring water from the bottom of the cliff, selected as one of the 57 best spring waters in Tokyo.
- -Yagawa Ondashi, where the Yagawa River and spring water from the bottom of the cliff (Shimizu River) join the Fuchu irrigation channel

Distance around 4.5 km

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Recommended spots

Yagawa Ryokuchi nature conservation area

Located in the Tachikawa Cliff Line, and designated as a nature conservation area to preserve the environment where many

creatures can live to the next generation. It consists of hygrophytes preservation area, forest floor preservation area and sanctuaries (habitats of plants and animals), etc. that can be enjoyed throughout the four seasons.



Yagawa River

A small stream originated from abundant water flowing out from the bottom of Tachikawa Cliff Line (Hake-shita). It is approx. 1.5 km long, 2 m width and knee-deep to a child. The atmosphere reminds us that the river was closely connected to



people's daily lives. There is a boardwalk leading to Yagawa Ikoi-no-hiroba Park, a relaxing place for local people, on the opposite side of the road, allowing you to walk on both sides of the river. Isn't it nice? The murmuring stream flows into the woodland of TAKINOGAWA GAKUEN facility site located downstream of the river. This is private property, so those wishing to explore must obtain approval from the school.

Yagawa Ikoi-no-hiroba Park

As it is adjacent to Kunitachi 6th Elementary School, you will hear the lively voices of children. This is an open space, with facilities and the stream, which makes you feel relaxed and refreshed. You can use the restroom here before heading toward the route.



Statue of Gochi Nyorai (Five Wisdom Nyorai, or Tathagatas)

There is a small shrine facing Koshu-kaido Road and beside the Yagawa River. It is said that a person lived in Hachioji who was originally from Echigo Province and moved to this place and enshrined the Gochi Nyorai in which the person had faith in his hometown. Gochi Nyorai represent Buddha with five different wisdom in Esoteric Buddhism. It is also called Dainichi Nyorai. The five Nyorai include Ashuku, Hosho, Amida, Fukujoju, and Dainichi Nyorai at the center.

Shiken-zaike Park

In the 2nd excavational investigation conducted in 2001, 10 ancient burial mounds were discovered, and the first one was removed and reconstructed in this park. It is a circular tomb mound esti-



mated to have been constructed in the 7th century. The mound was lost but the circumferential groove and horizontal cave tomb made of river stones to place the body were excavated.

Spring water from Mama-shita (the bottom of the cliff)

Water flows out from the bottom of Aoyagi Cliff Line. It is easy to walk around here, as the stairs, waterside and walkways have been improved. Mama in mama-shita (bottom of the cliff line) is said to be an archaic word for hake, and in this region the



terraced cliff line (hake) is called mama. It has one of the largest amounts of water in Tokyo, being one of the 57 best springs in Tokyo. Abundant water gushes forth in winter as well. This is the very popular spot for children.

Ondashi and rural scenery

Yagawa River, crossing below Koshu-kaido Road, flows along the TAKINOGAWA GAKUEN facilities and reaches the bottom of the cliff line. This Yagawa River and Shimizu River, to which spring water from Aoyagi cliff line such as spring water from



Mama-shita (the bottom of the cliff) flows, join the Fuchu irrigation channel. This point where these rivers converge is called "Ondashi" or "Yagawa Ondashi." It is presumed that the "Ondashi" is a corrupted pronunciation of "Oshidashi," meaning pushing out. You will enjoy the traditional rural landscape made by the cliff line together with farm lands.

A little advice

☆This course has few places to evacuate (public facilities, stores, etc.) in case of trouble while walking, so please be sure to take action in advance as soon as possible for anything.

☆This course is followed by No. 5 Yaho area - Visiting its history. Touring the area introduced in courses no. 3, 4, 5 and 8 allows you to experience the village forest of Yaho area that conveys its long history. Why not visit the area?

How to use the Healthy Walking Map

Walking is an easy way to get exercise. You will also find pleasures of walking, such as enjoying the views and learning about local vegetables, etc. Creating My Map by writing your comments on the walking map will be fun too.

Points to remember when walking

Warm-up

To prevent injury, gently move your ankles and knees before walking to stretch your Achilles' tendons, calves, and thighs.

Be sure to stay hydrated

Drink water or a sports drink to stay hydrated. Drinking a cup of water before you start walking is recommended as well.

Hints to increase the amount of activity by walking

Use the stairs as much as possible

Going up and down the stairs as part of daily life is a great opportunity for exercise! Use the stairs instead of elevators, etc.

Wear a pedometer

Walking walkable distance instead of using a car increases the amount of activity. Keeping records of your steps with a pedometer will encourage you to continue.



Those aged 40 or over should have a health checkup every year.

Insurers provide health checkups for those aged 40-74 for early detection and prevention of "metabolic syndrome," which causes lifestyle-related diseases, and for those aged 75 and over for early detection of lifestyle-related diseases and low nutrition as well as prevention of serious illnesses.

Kunitachi City Health Examination has added its own test for early detection of chronic kidney disease. Early detection of chronic kidney disease is important because if the disease progresses, artificial dialysis may be necessary, which will greatly affect your life.

There are services available for those who have concerns about the medical checkup results, such as health consultation and lifestyle improvement support by a national registered dietitian and public health nurse. Please make inquires soon.

Taking the medical checkup every year will help you understand your health condition, and you will be able to use the results for your health management. It can also reduce the burden of medical expenses. Let's take good care of our own body.

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No. 4 A course touring the clear stream of the Yagawa River and Mama-shita spring water and where they converge Japanese white-eye Tokyo Women's College of **Physical Education** 2 Hake-ue (top of the cliff) Road No.4 A course touring the clear stream of the Yagawa River and Mama-shita spring water 4 Yagawa Ryokuchi and where they converge (Tachikawa city) North-Tokyo public Distance: around 4.5 km Time allowed: around 70 minutes Yagawa Mercado Yagawa-kita apartment Shopping Street Supermarket Number of steps: around 6,400 steps Calorie consumption: around 210 kcal *These are estimates given for a male, weight 60 kg, one step= 70 cm, moving at 4km per hour, walking 10 min.=30 kcal Tokyo public Yagawa-kita apartment Yagawa Daycare Center South Otaka-mori St. Yagawa St. Restaurant Otaka-mori St. Near the JR Nambu Line, there is an Inari-jinja Shrine called Otaka-mori. It is said the name came from Otaka-mori, as "Otaka" is another way of pronouncing "Inari." It became the nickname for Koyo Daycare Center Do-it-yourselfthis street. Kunitachi Dairoku Black-winged damselfly ☐ Eifuku-ji Temple Statue of Gochi Nyorai (Japan Agricultural Flow of Yagawa River Cooperatives) Citizens' restroom Yagawa Ikoi-no-hiroba Park Yagawa Ryokuchi nature conservation area (Seiyu supermarket Nagae-mikuri bur-reed along the Designated as a nature conservation area in Aoyagi shop) Koshu-kaido Road banks of the Yagawa River and the ochi Nyorai 1977. It consists of marshes, woodlands and bird black-winged damselfly can grow sanctuaries, inhabited by rare plants and only in an environment with clear Nagae-mikuri bur-reed 保 Ayumi Daycare Center (Sparganium japonicum) Kunitachi Local Culture Museum Nanyo-ji Temple Start/Goal main gate Hake-ue Aoyagi Yagawa St. (top of the cliff) railroad crossing Nanyo-ji Temple Social Welfare Foundation Shiken-zaike Park TAKINOGAWA Kunitachi Local Culture Museum Yagawa Ryokuchi green area (Japan Agricultural East→North→West→South→East Fuchu irrigation channel 300m Mama-shita (the bottom of the cliff) Yagawa Statue of Nanyo-ji Temple Legend 9 Yagawa River Ondashi Gochi Nyorai main gate Mama-shita Yusui Park 保 Aoitori Daycare Center 説 Explanation board Traffic lights A monument of land measurement by Kanagawa Prefectural Government Restroom Farm stand There is a stone monument on the footpath Shiken-zaike Yagawa River along the paddy field under Chuo-do Road. Convenience Street sign post Ondashi Park This proves that North Tama belonged to Spring water from Mama-shita Kanagawa Pref. until it came under the Little egret **Daycare Center** (the bottom of the cliff) jurisdiction of Tokyo Metropolitan Government in 1893.