


Guides

Volunteer Guides
Otomoshi Yugakukai

Tour of Otomo Funai's historical sites


The walking trail takes you on a tour of the historical sites associated with the Otomo family while unraveling the history of the Otomos that enjoyed the height of glory for nearly 400 years.

Statue of Lord Sorin Otomo




Lord Otomo was one of the military commanders of the Sengoku period who governed Funai. He is also famously known as the Christian Daimyo.

③Manju-ji Temple




The main temple main hall, priests' kitchen and living quarters, the Buddha hall, Zen meditation hall, sutra repository, and a temple dedicated to Kannon stand in a line on the expansive temple grounds.

④The site of Deus Cathedral




Otomo Sorin welcomed Francisco Xavier to Funai and permitted him to preach Christianity and build churches. The Deus Chapel (Funai Church) became the base for missionary work in Funai.

The site of Otomo manor (Uenoharu Yakata)



There were two Otomo family manors in Funai, one in Kentoku-machi, and the other in Ueno. The one in Ueno was called "Uenoharu Yakata," and it was built in a place that possessed a commanding view of the town of Funai.

①Namban BVNGO Koryukan



The museum showcases relics associated with the Otomo clan and the atmosphere of Namban culture promoted by Otomo Sorin. You can experience what it was like in those days through the large screen images and enjoy the site of the just-restored Otomo manor gardens.

Course	①Namban BVNGO Koryukan(Start・Goal) → ②Manju-ji Temple → ③Daichi-ji Temple → ④The site of Deus Cathedral → ⑤Wakamiya Hachiman Shrine → ① Namban BVNGO Koryukan	Book	Volunteer Guides Otomoshi Yugakukai Ninomiya, Chairman. Mobile: 090-4580-1594 (Japanese only)
When?	As and when needed(Book at least a week in advance: call and then send a letter)		
Times	Start 9:00AM, finish 3:00PM About 2 hours (depends on the course)	Fee	200 yen per person (inclusive of accident insurance) Free admission for elementary and junior high school children.
Meet-up	Namban BVNGO Koryukan		

There is also a course called "Town Walk" which takes you on a tour of the site of Funai Castle and the sculptures in Yuhu Park.