

Okuyabakei Nature Walk Route

The route includes the tomb of the first woman in Kyushu to donate her body for an autopsy and a series of canyons and pits created by the forces of nature. The Manyo-no-Kahi Monument Road en route is safe for children and the elderly to enjoy.

⑤ Sarutobi-Sentsubo Gorge



A series of potholes can be viewed at Sarutobi-Sentsubo Gorge. The potholes were formed when gravels accumulated in the hollows of rocks whirled around by the current and carved the rocks. Numerous potholes of all sizes spread out, and the area became a natural monument in 1935. The name Sarutobi derives from monkeys that used to jump between the rocks.

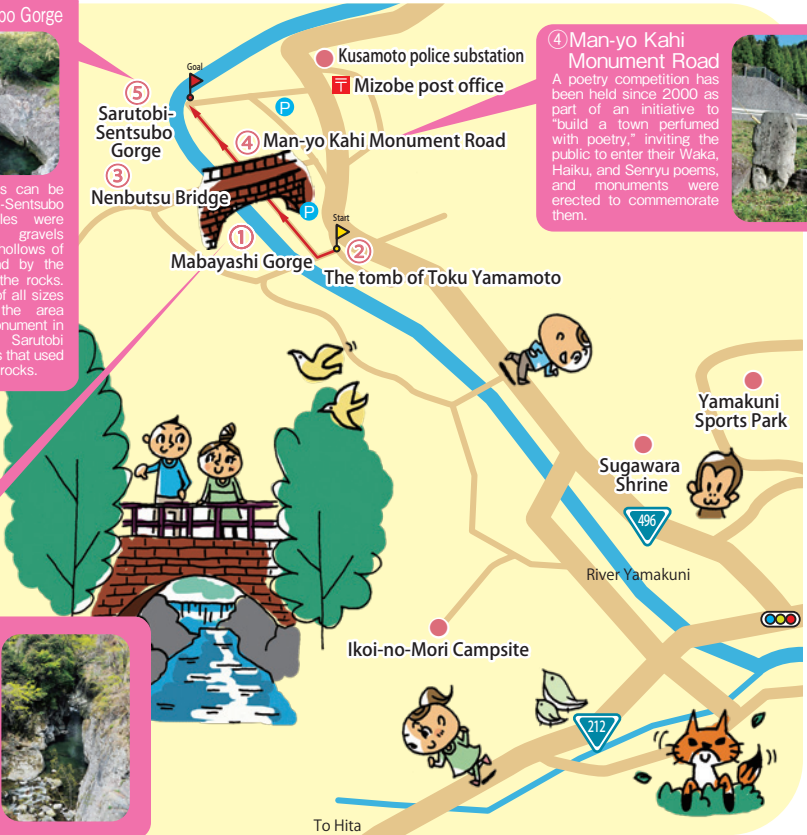
① Mabayashi Gorge

The valley stretches 1.5 km downstream from Sarutobi-Sentsubo Gorge. It was created by a series of giant potholes and is also called Yamakuni-no-Takachiho.



④ Man-yo Kahi Monument Road

A poetry competition has been held since 2000 as part of an initiative to "build a town perfumed with poetry," inviting the public to enter their Waka, Haiku, and Sennyu poems, and monuments were erected to commemorate them.



Course	①Mabayashi Gorge→②The tomb of Toku Yamamoto→③Nenbutsu Bridge→④Man-yo Kahi Monument Road→⑤Sarutobi-Sentsubo Gorge	Book	Tourism Information Center, Nakatsu Yabakei Tourism Association. 219-2, Shimata, Nakatsu City, Oita Prefecture. (JR Nakatsu Station South Gate) TEL: 0979-23-4511 (Japanese only) FAX: 0979-64-6611 (Japanese only) E-mail: info@nakatsuyaba.com FAX and emails in English are available if you are willing to wait some time for a response. Book at least a week in advance by phone or from the website. *Required time: 2 hours on foot.
When?	All year (Apply at least 1 week in advance)		
Times	As per customer request.		
Meet-up	Mabayashi Gorge parking lot Kusamoto, Yamakuni-machi, Nakatsu City, Oita Prefecture.	Fee	[Tour guide fee] 2,000 yen per guide