The Lovely Shop Ladies of やまでら YAMADERA GUIDE MAP

If you have any questions we'll be happy to help you in any way we can!

The Lovely Shop Ladies of Yamadera warmly invite you to look for souvenirs or enjoy a meal at any of the shops on this map!

Yamadera is known as a "power spot" that helps protect you from bad luck and brings good luck your way! 1015 stone steps (a 60-90 minute round-trip walk) will take you to Okunoin Hall at the top of the mountain.

Mountain Entrance Fee
¥300 <General public>
¥300 <Highschool students>
¥200 <Junior high school students>
¥100 <Children>

Godaido Hall
From the observation deck here, you have a view of Yamadera like no other!

Gyokei (Imperial Visit) Commemorative Hall

Kaisando Hall
Enshrined within is a wooden statue of Jikaku Daishi

Tenguiwa Cliff

Nokyodo Hall

Koroiwa Cliff

Hyakujo Iwa Cliff

Sanju shoto Pagoda (Important Cultural Property)

Daibutsuden Hall

Kezoin Sub-Temple

Mogami Yoshiaki Mausoleum

Okunoin Hall
The spiritual center of Yamadera

AED

AED device is only available for use during temple open hours

Chushoin Sub-Temple

Shakado Hall

Mountaintop Souvenir Shop
Cold drinks available!

Konjoin Sub-Temple

Shozoin Sub-Temple

Niomon Gate
The fierce stares of two Nio guardians should prevent those with wicked hearts from passing through

In Yamadera, you will find many stone monuments inscribed with the poems of Matsuo Basho.

Semizuka Monument

Risshakuji Hondo building

宝珠山立石寺
—Hojusan Risshakuji Temple—
Risshakuji Temple, commonly referred to as "Yamadera", is a sacred temple of the Tohoku region founded in the year 860 AD by Jikaku Daishi, a Buddhist priest of the Tendai sect.

Temple gate (Temple office)

Midahora Rock
Good fortune is said to come to those who can see the image of Amida Nyorai here

Ubado Hall
According to Jodo Buddhist belief, below the Ubado Hall is hell, and above is paradise

Nembutsudo Hall

Shoro (Bell Tower)

Honmotsuden (Treasure Hall)

Hie Shrine
The Sanno Shrine Festival is held on May 17. Come and see the "fighting" MIKOSHI (portable shrines)!

Hie Shrine

Matsuo Basho haiku monument

Konpon Chudo Main Hall (Important Cultural Property)
You may pray before the eternal Buddhist flame in this building, said to be Japan's oldest beech wood structure

CHIKARA ("power") KONNYAKU

<Hojusan mountain light-up schedule>
Summer: late July – late August (about 1 month)
autumn: late October – early November (about 2 weeks)
* During these periods, talks will be given by the head priest of Risshakuji Temple.
* The Lovely Shop Ladies of Yamadera will also recount folktales on weekends.

閑さや岩にしみ入る蝉の声
in the Stillness / the cries of cicadas / penetrate the rocks (Matsuo Basho)

Welcome to Yamadera!

Sanmon Baiten Shop
Come in and take the weight off your feet!

Kashidokoro Fuga
We hope you'll pay us a visit!

Monzen Cafe
Featuring a wide range of Yamadera goods

Itcho Teahouse
Give your body a boost with our CHIKARA ("power") KONNYAKU!

Fumotoya (main location)
Try our cherry soft-serve ice cream, or our soba with GESO (squid legs) tempura

Jorikibo
Stop by for freshly pounded rice cakes and ZUNDA (sweet soybean paste) ice cream

Endo Branch Store
Don't leave without trying our famous Yamagata pickles!

Izumiya
Sample a bowl of our delicious IMO-NI stew

Kofuku no Kane
(Bell of Good Fortune)
Make a wish and ring it twice!

Tourist Information

Dainichido Hall

Tarumizu Fudoson Temple

Senjuin Temple
One of the Mogami 33 Kannon Temples

Yamadera Pottery
We specialize in handmade Yamadera pottery ware

to Sendai

Mountain entrance

to Omoshiroyama

Yamadera strawberries are the best!

to Tendo

to Yamagata

Takifudo Kisoba
Our house specialty is tempura soba, hot or cold

Mountain exit

pick-your-own fruit orchards
Enjoy the delicious seasonal fruit of Yamadera.

Basho-bashi Bridge
On the parapets of the Basho-bashi Bridge, you will find famous haiku and poems of Yamagata carved in relief.

Taimenseki
A restaurant with a scenic view

Hojubashi Bridge

Endo Main Store
Drop by for our IMO-NI Stew and HOJUKKO (savory stuffed rice flour buns)

Sakura Biyori
Browse our selection of handmade coin purses and CHIRIMEN (crepe fabric) goods

Outdoor vegetable market

Terakoya Honpo
We sell handmade rice crackers and Japanese and Western goods

Mitoya
Gaze upon the river as you enjoy our handmade soba noodles

Maidoya
Enjoy our IMO-NI stew and handmade soba noodles

Shoseido
Our specialties are MOROKOSHI sweets and MANJU confections

Fumotoya (mountain entrance location)
How about a ZUNDA (sweet soybean paste) parfait to go with your coffee?

Tachiyagana River

to Yamadera Elementary/Junior High School

Yamadera Police Station

Yamadera Post Office

Free shuttle van service (Tendo – Yamadera)

At Yamadera station, climb up to the observation platform to enjoy the view of Hojusan Risshakuji Temple.

Yamadera Station

to Yamagata

Masuya
River fish cuisine accompanied by a panoramic mountain view

Within the mountainous depths of Yamadera lies a wealth of scenic wonders such as Yusen ravine and Byobu (folding screen) rock.

Yamadera Basho Memorial Museum

Free shuttle van service (Tendo – Yamadera)

Yamadera Goto Museum of Art

to Furakuchi mountain pass

"Ice Hill", located across from the Hojusan mountainside, offers the only vantage point from which Okunoin Hall is visible.

Here in Yamadera, you can enjoy:
<Spring> fresh spring greenery
<Summer> cherry picking
<Fall> autumn leaves
<Winter> mountain vistas evocative of india ink paintings

INFORMATION

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Yamadera Station	023-695-2100
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public restroom