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Oma Maguro Tuna

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"Oma Maguro Tuna" has national brand status in Japan with people immediately associating maguro tuna with "Oma Maguro". At Toyosu Fish Market's first auction of 2019 a 278 kilo (over 600 pounds) tuna from Oma was valued at 333,600,000 yen (3 million USD), breaking the record for highest recorded price. It is a rare gourmet masterpiece that is difficult to get at even the most famous of restaurants, but you can taste it all year round at sushi restaurants around Oma Town.

Location/View	Oma Town Area
Access	60 minute drive from the port (48km)
Season	Late July - January
Related links	Oma Town's Website: http://www.town.ooma.lg.jp/docs/135/33,135.php
Contact Us[Oma Town Industry Promotion Division]	

Shimokita Wine

TEL: 0175-37-2111

Shimokita Wine is an authentic wine made using grapes grown through great effort in an area that was said to have poor land for growing fruit. No herbicides or chemical fertilizers are used when growing the grapes. The taste of the wine has received high praise from wine lovers both in Aomori and nationwide, and the wine named "Kanon2013" won a gold medal from Japan Wine Challenge in 2014.

Location/View	1-6, Kawadai, Kawauchi-machi, Mutsu City, Aomori, 039-5201		
Access	5 min. walk from "Sun Mamoru Winery mae" bus stop, JR Tohoku-Shimokita Line		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	3 spaces
Related links	Sanmamoru Winery http://www.sunmamoru.com/		
Contact Us [Sanmamoru Winery] TEL: 0175-42-3870 E-MAIL: <u>sunmamoruwinery@dailysha.com</u>			



Kaikyo Salmon (Strait Salmon)

"Kaikyo Salmon" are rainbow trout (Donaldson Rainbow Trout) that have be raised in the Tsugaru Strait for approximately eight months despite being known as freshwater fish. Having been tossed around by the rough waves of the Tsugaru Strait, the fish's meat is firm with just the right amount of fat making for an elegant flavor. The season for Kaikyo Salmon is from May to July.

Location/View	165, Minato-mura, Ohata-machi, Mutsu-City, Aomori, 039-4401 (Змар)		
Access	30min. via car from port(15km)		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	3 spaces
Related links	elated links Northern Fishing Producer's Association: http://www.kaikyou.com/		
Contact Us: Northern Fishing Producer's Association			
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Miso Kai-Yaki

"Miso Kai-Yaki" is a miso-based local dish made by using a scallop shell as the pot and cooking together local seasonal ingredients and beaten eggs in a stock made from dried fish. It is said the dish originated in the Edo Period when a fisherman in Mutsu Bay cooked some fish using a scallop shell in place of a pot. Since different shops use unique ingredients and flavoring, it is fun to try all the different styles.

Location/View	Mutsu City Area
Access	20 minute drive from the port (20km)
Season	Year-round
Related links	
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Masakari Plaza: Mutsu-shimokita Tourism Center

At "Masakari Plaza: Mutsu-Shimokita Tourism Center" you can grab various pamphlets about the area and find out information about sightseeing and events, as well as buy souvenirs and special produce from the Shimokita area.

Location/View	1-10-25, Yanagi-machi, Mutsu-city, Aomori, 035-0031		
Access	5min. walk from "Tanabu" bus stop, JR Tohoku Shimokita Line for Tanabu (4km)		
Season	Year- round	Parking for tour buses	2 spaces
Related links	Related links Shimokita TABI Assist, a general incorporated association <u>https://shimokita-tabi.jp/</u>		
Contact Us[Masakari Plaza]			



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Mt. Osore was founded in 862 by Jikaku Daishi and is one of the three most sacred mountains in Japan alongside Mt. Hiei and Mt. Koya. The strong smell of sulphur and the contrast between the desolate rocky area and white sandy beaches of Usoriyama Lake makes it a very impressive place. Many worshipers visit each year, and it is particularly busy during the festival in July and fall worship in October.

Location/View	3-2, Usoriyama, Tanabu-aza,Oo-aza, Mutsu-city, Aomori 035-0021 AMAP		
Access	Short walk from "Osore-zan" bus stop, Shimokita Koutsu Bus Osore-zan Line (15km)		
Season	May- October	Parking for tour buses	10 spaces
Related links	Shimokita TABI Assist, a general incorporated association <u>https://shimokita-tabi.jp/</u>		
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Hotokega-ura

"Hotokega-ura" ("Ura" is an inlet or bay) is located in Sai Village in the west of the Shimokita Peninsula and is a stretch of coastline approximately 2km in length formed from white-green colored volcanic tuff. The scale of this natural beauty, which was created by the wind and rain over many years, is overwhelming when you see it with your own eyes. Various parts of the coastline have names related to Buddha, such as, "Neck of the Buddha", "500 Arhats", "One rock", "Kannon rock" and "Paradise Beach" and the area will make you think of Buddhist paradise.

Location/View	Sai-mura, Shimokita-gun, Aomori (Image)		
Access	90 min. via car from port (60km)		
Season	Middle April-October	Parking for tour buses	3 spaces
Related links	Sai Village <u>http://www.vill.sai.lg.jp/index.html</u> Shimokita TABI Assist, a general incorporated association <u>https://shimokita-tabi.jp/</u>		

Contact Us: Sai Village, Comprehensive Strategy Division TEL: 0175-38-2111

Shiriya-zaki

The Shiriya-zaki Lighthouse is located at northernmost point of Honshu and this brick lighthouse has continuously ensured the safety of ships since 1876. It is also known as the tallest lighthouse in Japan and the oldest western style lighthouse in Tohoku. The white-walled lighthouse standing at the cape and the rolling green meadows transport you to a scene out of somewhere in Western Europe. The "Kandachime Horses" endure the harsh winter wind and snow and are designated as a prefectural protected species.

Location/View	Shiriya, Higashidori-mura, Shimokita-gun, Mutsu-city, Aomori, 035-0111 Amap		
Access	About 50 min. via car from port (About 33km)		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	5 spaces
Related links	Higashidoori Village <u>http://www.vill.higashidoori.lg.jp/</u> Shimokita TABI Assist, a general incorporated association <u>https://shimokita-tabi.jp/</u>		
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Yagen Onsen (Hot Spring)

They say that the onsen was named "Yagen" as the hot spring's source resembles a tool called "the chemist's mortar" (yagen in Japanese) used in Chinese medicine. In 2015 the hot spring celebrated 400 years since its opening when one of Toyotomi Hideyoshi's soldiers came across it after fleeing from defeat in the 1615 Summer Siege of Osaka. There are four hot spring hotels and, including hotel guests, there are many people who come to visit these outdoor baths.

Location/View	Yagen-district, Oohata-machi, Mutsu-city, Aomori		
Access	40min. via car from port (25m)		
Season	Year- round	Parking for tour buses	3 spaces
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Tanabu Festival

Shimokita's biggest festival is held annually from August 18th to August 20th. The festival draws inspiration from Kyoto's Gion Matsuri, stories of which were brought to Shimokita by Edo period "Kitamae-bune" cargo ships. During the festival magnificent floats parade around the city accompanied by traditional music. The festival reaches a climax on the final night with the "Goshowakare" ritual in which 5 festival floats assemble, then everyone drinks a barrel of sake together and vows to meet again the following year.

Location/View	Tanabu-district, Mutsu-city, Aomori
Access	15min. via car from port (4km)
Season	18 August- 20 August
Related links	Shimokita TABI Assist, a general incorporated association <u>https://shimokita-tabi.jp/</u>



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Ominato Nebuta

"Ominato Nebuta" is a traditional festival with a history of over 130 years. The festival is different to others in that the floats are made and operated by locals, including members of the neighborhood association. During the festival, floats are pulled around the town's streets to the music of flutes and Taiko drums followed by a procession of dancers.

Location/View	Ominato-district, Mutsu-city, Aomori
Access	20 min. walk from port(2km)
Season	1st Friday-Sunday in August
Related links	Shimokita TABI Assist, a general incorporated association <u>https://shimokita-tabi.jp/</u>



Nanohana Festival in Yokohama

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Nanohana Festival in Yokohama is held annually during the 3rd week of May when the rapeseed blossoms are at their peak. They host a variety of events from a marathon to a rapeseed blossom maze, special stages and much more. You can also enjoy the rapeseed blossoms in peak bloom from mid to late May outside the festival period.

Location/View	Special Event Site, Mameda, Yokohama-machi, Shimokita-gun & MAP
ccess	Roughly a 50 minute drive from the port (24km)
Season	Mid-March (Peak Viewing from Mid to Late May)
Related links	Yokohama Town <u>http://www.town.yokohama.lg.jp/</u> Shimokita TABI Assist, a general incorporated association https://shimokita-tabi.jp/
Contact Us: Nanohana Festival Planning Committee (within Yokohama Town's Industry	

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