

Gassho Village: Restaurants

Gassho Village has three restaurants: Ichikura, Gassho Chaya, and Banko-an. Ichikura specializes in freshwater fish, such as *ayu* (sweetfish) skewered and slowly grilled over charcoal, and also serves local specialties such as marinated chicken grilled with vegetables (*keichan*) and sushi wrapped in dwarf bamboo (*sasazushi*). Gassho Chaya is a noodle restaurant that serves soba and udon. It also offers regional snacks, such as *gohei mochi*, a hearty dish made from pounded rice and covered in sweet miso paste that can double as a dessert. Banko-an is located on a hilltop and offers views over the houses below. It serves mainly drinks and desserts such as *anmitsu* (jelly cubes, sweet azuki bean paste, and fruit topped with black *kuromitsu* syrup).