

Torigoe Waterfall and Outaki Waterfall

These landmark waterfalls are especially beautiful in early summer, when they are surrounded with fresh green foliage, and during the autumn when the leaves are changing color.

Torigoe, a waterfall with a 30-meter drop, is located along the picturesque Kakkonda Gorge on the outskirts of Shizukuishi. The falls are close to the Takinoue Onsen hot-springs area, and visitors may see clouds of white steam rising up from the bright green water in the pool at the base. Takinoue Onsen welcomes day visitors, so a trip to the falls can be combined with a relaxing bath. Note that the road that leads to the area is closed in winter.

Outaki is smaller than Torigoe, but visitors can get very close to this series of pretty cascades, which is located in the Oushuku Onsen village. These falls are an easy walk from most accommodations in the village.