

## Zuihozan Honzan Jionji Temple

This ancient temple is believed to have been established during the Nara period by the decree of Emperor Shomu. The entirety of Jionji Temple's grounds has been designated as a national historic site. Within these revered grounds stand the main hall, recognized as a nationally designated Important Cultural Property, along with the gate, the Yakushido Hall, and the three-storied pagoda, each bearing witness to the passage of time with solemn grace.

[Jionji Temple Office] ☎0237-87-3993



慈恩寺テラス  
JIONJI TERRACE

## Jionji Terrace

This facility serves as a comprehensive information center, dedicated to showcasing the allure of the national historic site, Jionji Temple grounds, in a clear and accessible manner. The Jionji Terrace, conceived with the aim of enlightening the community and its future, embodies the concept of "connecting time and place," offering diverse programs that delve into the rich historical significance of the Jionji Temple grounds. ☎0237-84-6811

## 100% natural hot spring for radiant, beautiful skin Sagae Onsen

### Sagae Onsen

Sagae Onsen, established in 1954, offers a rejuvenating escape with its abundance of 100% natural hot spring water. Nestled near Sagae Station, numerous inns dot the city center, beckoning travelers to unwind in luxurious comfort. Don't miss our signature bath experience featuring floating roses, a cherished Sagae specialty renowned for its skin-beautifying properties, especially adored by our female guests.

### Shin Sagae Onsen

This new hot spring emerged in the southern part of Sagae City, specifically in the Takase area, back in 1980. Since then, both the public bathhouse and the hot spring facilities at Mogamigawa Furusato Park have gained popularity, becoming favorite destinations for locals and visitors alike.

## Day-use Hot Springs

**Sagae City Public Bathhouse Yururisagae**  
This public bathhouse, inaugurated in April 2023, boasts amenities including saunas and baths designed for accessibility.  
☎147-15 Shima, Sagae City ☎0237-86-1126  
✳Closures: Second Thursday of every month  
⌚Hours: 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Sagae Hanasaka Onsen Yu Cherry**  
The facility features two indoor baths along with an outdoor bath. Additionally, meal-inclusive packages are offered for convenience.  
☎15 Sagae Kubo, Sagae City ☎0237-83-1414  
✳Closures: First Monday of every month  
⌚Hours: 6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

**Miizumi Onsen Yoshinoyu**  
The day spa offers a simple and cozy ambiance, blending modern Japanese-style aesthetics with the soothing sounds of jazz music.  
☎153-2 Shimogawara, Sagae City ☎0237-85-1300  
✳Closures: Third Tuesday of every month  
⌚Hours: Mondays - Fridays ▶ 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
Saturdays, national holidays ▶ 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
Sundays ▶ 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

## Roadside Station Sagae Cherry Land Sagae



Cherry Land Sagae offers an array of seasonal specialties and handcrafted treasures sourced from across Yamagata Prefecture. With over 600 cherry-themed products, it stands as a premier tourist destination, inviting visitors to savor the region's delights at the restaurant, showcasing Yamagata's charms and delicacies.

- Souvenir market
- JA farm produce



### Tourist Information Center

The tourist information center offers comprehensive tourist information covering the entire prefecture, including details on Sagae's attractions, tourist spots, events, and more.

### Sakuranbo Kodomo Campus CLAAPIN SAGAE

Opened in April 2024, this facility features an indoor children's play area where kids can engage in a range of educational activities, from foreign language learning to music appreciation. Additionally, lodging options such as a luxurious camping area are available on-site.

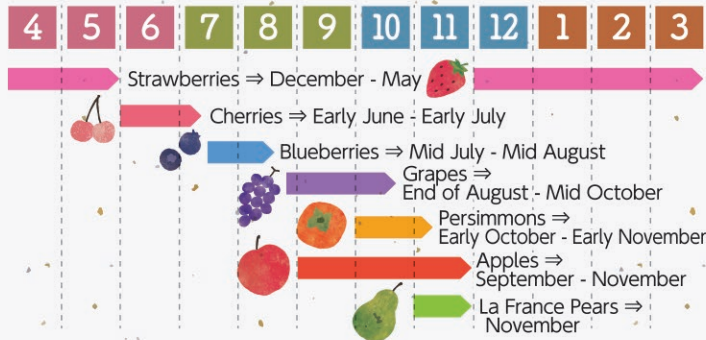
### Sakuranbo Kaikan

Sagae City Tourism and Agricultural Promotion Council  
☎0237-86-1811  
Marukajiri Sagae's fruit picking reservations are now live! Book your experience today!  
<https://sakuranbo.info/>

## Accommodation (Hot Spring Hotels and Inns)

- Kappo Ryokan Yoshimoto ☎0237-84-2138
- Hotel Symphony ☎0237-86-2131
- Kapparaya Ryokan ☎0237-86-4630
- Kappo Ryokan Kanoya ☎0237-84-3034
- Hotel Town Sagae ☎0237-86-8686
- Hotel Symphony Annex ☎0237-83-1222
- Kokoro no Yado Ichiryo ☎0237-86-2233
- Cherry Park Hotel ☎0237-83-1511
- Kappo Ryokan Fukuyoshi ☎0237-84-2661

## Fruit Picking Calendar



## Access

|       |         |                                                           |                       |                                                            |       |
|-------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Train | Tokyo   | 2 hrs 20 mins by Yamagata Shinkansen (high speed railway) | Yamagata              | 30 mins                                                    | Sagae |
|       |         |                                                           |                       | Aterazawa Line                                             |       |
| Plane | Tokyo   | 1 hr 40 mins Tohoku Shinkansen (high speed railway)       | Sendai                | 1 hr                                                       | Sagae |
|       |         |                                                           |                       | Shonan Line                                                |       |
| Car   | Tokyo   | Approx. 3 hrs 20 mins (275km) via Tohoku Expressway       | Fukushima Interchange | Approx. 1 hr 10 mins (Approx. 95km)                        | Sagae |
|       |         |                                                           |                       | Tohoku-Chuo Expressway                                     |       |
|       | Sendai  | Approx. 4 hrs (330km) via Tohoku Expressway               | Murata Interchange    | Approx. 40 mins (53km)                                     | Sagae |
|       | Niigata | Approx. 3 hrs 30 mins (169km) via Tohoku Expressway       |                       | Yamagata Expressway                                        |       |
|       |         |                                                           |                       | National Route 7 - National Route 113 - National Route 287 |       |

● Yamako Bus Sagae Office  
☎0237-86-2181

● Chuou Taxi  
☎0237-86-4111

● Sagae Taxi  
☎0237-86-5151



## Contact

### Sagae Tourism & Convention Bureau

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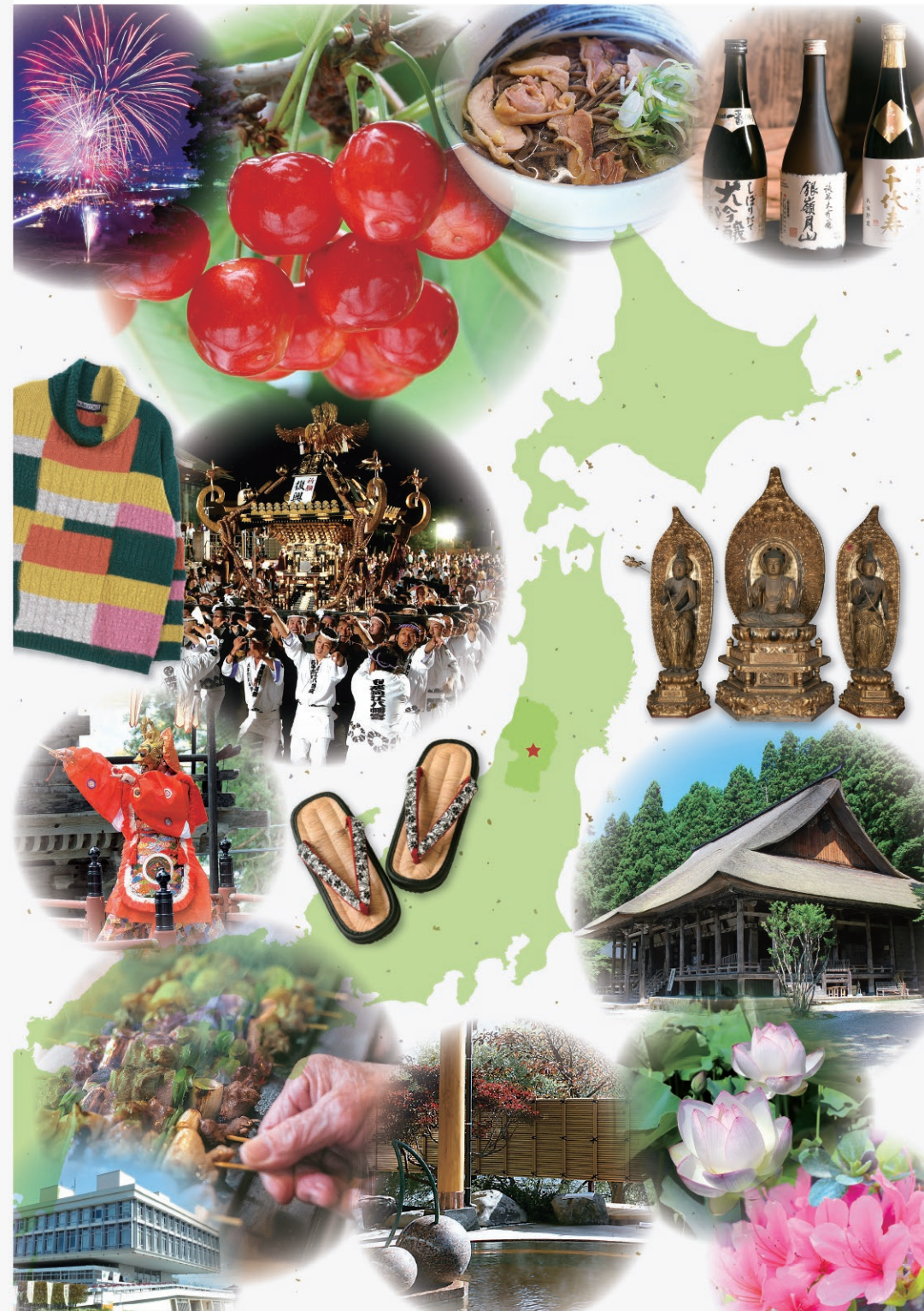


## Japan

# Sagae City

## Yamagata Prefecture

## Tourism Brochure



Picturesque Countryside of Tohoku, Japan  
History, Culture, Food, Sake



## Activities



●Sagae Sakuranbo Marathon

●Tour de Sakuranbo



●Indoor children's play area  
CLAAPIN SAGAE



●Sagae Skate Park  
(in Mogamigawa Furusato Park)



## Nature's Blessings

●Sagae Onsen



Fruit seasons (approximate timing)

- Cherries (Early June - Early July)
- Strawberries (December - May)
- Blueberries (Mid July - Mid August)
- Peaches (July - August)
- Grapes (End of August - Mid October)
- Persimmons (Early October - Early November)
- Apples (September - November)
- La France Pears (November)

## Rice Cultivar

- Haenuki
- Tsuyahime
- Yukiwakamaru

●Beef from Sagae City



●Traditional Vegetable "Kohimeimo"



●Yasawaume Plums

## History Passed Down by Jionji Temple



Once a grand temple with 3 noble residences and 48 priest dwellings, this revered site achieved "Goganji" status during the Heian period, designated for imperial prayers by Emperor Tobba. In the Edo period, it earned the largest estate (Goshuinchi) in the Tohoku region from the shogunate, valued at over 2,812 koku.



## Sagae Festival



This festival celebrates Sagae Hachimangu Shrine, once the guardian of Sagae Manor. Legend has it that in 1191, the Oe Clan summoned the deity's spirit from Kamakura.



# Sagae City

Thanks to the blessings of the Sagae River, the largest tributary of the Mogami River, flowing from the Asahi Mountain Range and the Three Mountains of Dewa, our city thrives in nature, history, culture, agriculture, industry, and commerce.

## Craftsmanship

Zori sandals, a pillar upholding traditional Japanese culture and festivals



Innovative product development emblematic of a rice-producing region



Nurturing knitwear that elevates fashion across Japan and the globe



## Food Culture

- Processed fruits
- Corned beef
- Simmered carp
- Pure honey
- Miso/Shoyu



●Local sake



●Noodles

●Stewed taro



●Sagae yakitori



## Event Calendar

1 January

●Jionji Temple Shushoe (New Year's Service)  
▶ January 1

2 February



●Jionji Temple Daihannyae (reading service of Daihannyakyo)  
▶ First Sunday of February

3 March

●Hinamatsuri (Girls' Day)  
March - April

4 April



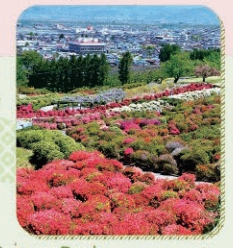
●Sagae Park: Sagae Cherry Festival  
Cherry blossoms from mid to late April

5 May



●Jionji Temple Issaikyoe (commemoration service for scripture)/ Bugakuho (court dance and music)  
▶ May 5

●Jionji Temple Chigozakura cherry blossoms  
▶ Early May



●Sagae Park Rhododendron Festival  
Rhododendron blossoms  
▶ Early to late May

6 June



●Sakuranbo Marathon

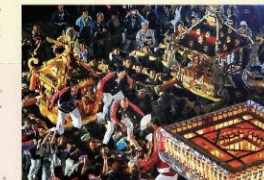
●Tour de Sakuranbo

7 July



●Jionji Temple Jionji Temple Lotus  
▶ July - August

8 August



●Sagae Festival  
Mid September

9 September



10 October

●Jionji Temple Red spider lily  
▶ Late September - Early October

●Umaimonoichi Market

11 November



●Three-storied pagoda at Jionji Temple  
Snowy scenery

12 December

●Jionji Temple Fireworks Festival on New Year's Eve  
Setsugekka

