

## Akanuma Nature Information Center

See the overhead view map on the back to outline the route of your

Tochigi Prefectural
Nikko Natural Science Museum

Chuzenii Boat House is now used as a rest house where

urrounded by the beautiful landscape of Lake Chuzenji

you can enjoy rich nature and get closer to water,

Nikko Yumoto Visitor Center

connected with Lake Kirikomi, about 300 m across at its widest point and the same depth of 15 m. MAP 13 Karenuma Swamp Karenuma Swamp is a dry lake, as its name literally suggests. Many hikers take a rest here along their mountains, varieties of alpine plants bloom in early summer. In autumn, the leaves of trees begin to change colors at the foot of the mountain.



the Sanno Pass, you can see Mt. Nantai right in front of you. The road toward Kotoku is a downward slope. While walking down the trail, you'll see the trees on the way changing from coniferous trees to broadleaf tress like Mongolian oak and Russian rock birch. MAP 15 Kotoku Park This small resort, the base of hiking trail is equipped with accommodations, a hot spring,

MAP 16 Kotoku Swamp and cystal clear indeed in the profit gives on a studing injectsorin. There are many tall malus toringo trees in the area, which produce pretty white flowers in June. The center of the pond is accented with yachibozu, an aquatic plant. If you walk the trails along the Sakasagawa River from Kotoku Swamp toward Sakasagawa Bridge for about 25 minutes, you'll encounter the "Kotoku Iriguchi" bus stop along National Route 120.





carved the image in a Japanese Judas tree.

MAP 24 Italian Embassy Villa Memorial Park The former Italian Embassy Villa was built in 1929 and designed by Antonin Raymond, an architecture. It had been used as a villa up to 1996. Then it was opened to the public as a memorial park after being renovated by Tochigi Prefecture. It features inside and outside walls covered with cedar bark and a wide veranda from which you can enjoy the fantastic view of Lake Chuzenji.

journey and plan the locations to visit.

INFORMATION

Mujinakubo faces Lake Chuzenji and is the best spot to take a rest and enjoy the superb view. You will be impressed by a different face of Mt. Nantai from the same altitude as the lake. About a 20-minute walk along Lake Chuzenii from here will take you to the Italian Embassy Villa Memorial Park.

MAP 23 Mujinakubo

MAP 25 British Embassy Villa Memorial Park The building in the park was originally built as a private summer cottage for Sir Ernest Mason Satow, a British diplomat. Then it was used as an official villa by successive British ministers. The view overlooking Lake Chuzenji and Mt. Shirane is overwhelming from the villa situated on its hill, especially from the second floor of the building. In the hall, the history and the culture

Tachiki Kannon (an important cultural property), the principal idol of Chuzenji Temple, is another name of Senju Kannon (the Buddhist Goddess of Mercy with 1,000 arms). Senju Kannon is the Honzibutsu (original Buddhist deity) of Mt. Nantai. Chuzenji Temple, which was founded in 784 by Shodo Shonin, is a branch temple of World Heritage Rinnoji Temple. According to tradition, it is said that when Shodo Shonin was cruising on Lake Sainoko, the golden Senju Kannon appeared from the water. He then carved the image in a Jananese Ludas tree

of the Lake is exhibited, based on the descriptions in the Satow's diary. Nikko-zan Chuzen-ji Temple Tachiki Kannon

Kotoku Swamp, which is a small pond located in the upper reaches of Sakasagawa River, is about 300 m in circumference and about 1 m deep Sakasayawa Niver, is about 300 min Crummerere and about 1 mideey. The source of its water is spring water from a nearby mountain. The cold and crystal clear surface of the pond gives off a stunning impression.

MAP 14 Sanno Pass Sanno Pass is located almost at the midpoint between Mt. Sannoboshi in the east and Mt. Mitsudake in the west. Standing on

Yugawa River is a short river with a total length

at the south of Lake Yunoko to join Jigoku River by way of Ryuzu Falls, to finally reach

unspoiled river running from south to north

MAP 6 Akanuma Pond

According to a myth called "Shinsentan," in ancient times

there was a swamp around here which became blood-stained as a result of the fierce battle between the

Senjoghara Marshland. It's convenient to get off the bus here to start hiking the Senjogahara Marshland Nature Research Trails.

MAP 7 Shakunage Bridge

The Yugawa River flows toward Ryuzu Falls via

Falls, is located about a 10-minute walk away

from Ryuzu Falls. Mongolian oak trees are seen in the area. There is Low Emission bus

Sejogahara Marshland. The Shakunage Bridge, which runs from Senjogahara Marshland to Ryuzu

gods from Mt. Nantai and Mt. Akagi. That's why the swamp was named Akanuma, which literally means "red

swamp." Akanuma Pond is located at the gate to

fishing

meanders along the west side of Senjogahara

Marshland and is an excellent spot for brook trout

of about 12.4 km. It flows down from Yudaki Falls

public toilets and a parking lot.





