

FOOTPATH MAP

Futaba Town

A path connecting the past to the future

Distance around 4.2 km

Time around 1.5 hours

Course outline

This is a walking course along the seaside, centered around Futaba Town's reconstruction center, F-BICC. The course is flat and easy to walk on, but it can be windy, so visitors should be careful of the cold, especially in winter. The landscape here will change dramatically over time due to the construction of modern facilities and parks. Roads and traffic conditions may change.

Many areas are still untouched, making for a different feel to other footpath courses. On the other hand, in the Ryotake district along the way, there are still traces of the pre-earthquake scenery, so with each step you can feel the progress of reconstruction firsthand.

Enquiries

Futaba Town Reconstruction Promotion Division
TEL: 0240-33-0127 8:30 AM - 5:15 PM
Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, public holidays, and the New Year's holiday period (December 29th - January 3rd)



Access

Approximately 2km from JR Futaba Station
Shuttle bus: Approximately 6 minutes, ¥200 one way
Shared bicycles: Free (¥100 deposit required)

Spots to Visit

It is a course that can be enjoyed all year round.



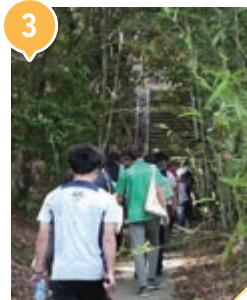
Futaba Town Industrial Exchange Center

This reconstruction base facility has a food court, restaurant, rest area and souvenir shops, and is adjacent to the Great East Japan Earthquake and Nuclear Disaster Memorial Museum and the Reconstruction Memorial Park. The rooftop observation space offers a panoramic view of the surrounding area, so looking at it as part of your walk will give you a good idea of the footpath course and its scenic surroundings.



Nakano Hachiman Shrine

Once built in connection with Yawata Taro Yoshiie's (Minamoto no Yoshiie) conquest of Oshu, this shrine was washed away during the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami, but was rebuilt in 2021. It features a gazebo and a frog statue, making it a place where visitors can relax and take a break.



Morotake district

The area straddles both Namie Town and Futaba Town, and is located northeast of Dangoyama. It is a pleasant area to walk around, with traces of the village and old roads remaining from before the reconstruction.

Etiquette

Footpath courses take you through scenery that has been cultivated in that region for generations. As you enjoy your time here, please keep in mind the local residents who have kept watch over this area.

- Greet local residents you meet.
- Take your trash home with you.
- Don't take crops or produce from local farms.
- Don't touch livestock or farm equipment.
- Don't enter farmland, woodland or private residences.
- Be aware of changing weather conditions and local wildlife.
- Be aware of hornets in mountainous or wooded areas.

What is a Fukushima Footpath?

Footpath tours are walking routes that allow visitors to enjoy the scenery of old towns and villages in the region. The Fukushima Footpaths, which are scattered throughout the 12 cities, towns and villages affected by the nuclear disaster, allow you to enjoy the rich culture, nature and interaction with local people. This is a great chance to witness first-hand the progress of Fukushima's revitalization efforts, and learn more about a beautiful area of Japan.

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Morotake Suwa Shrine

The shrine is located on a hill about 30m above sea level, and offers a great view of the Pacific Ocean from above. During the Great East Japan Earthquake, about 50 people, including local residents, fled the tsunami here. There is also a road leading north to Namie.



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Futaba Super Zero Mill Air Kaoru Futabamaru

There is also a shop where you can purchase towels and other items at the Asano Twisted Threads factory. There is also a cafe and rest area, making it a hub for recovery and exchange.

Business hours 10:00-18:00 Closed on Mondays



Hinata Workshop Futushima Futaba

The theme of this workshop is remade clothing, production of custom-made shirts, and the restoration of household items and memories. It has an atelier and shop attached.

Business hours 10:00-17:00
Closed on Sundays and Mondays

Great East Japan Earthquake and Nuclear Disaster Memorial Museum

The exhibits show the reality of the unprecedented complex disaster that occurred in Fukushima, including the earthquake, tsunami, and Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant accident, as well as the progress being made towards recovery.

Business hours 9:00-17:00 Closed on Tuesdays

White Jizo

The name Shirokaki Jizo seems to come from a legend that refers to the plowing of rice fields (the process of adding water to the field before planting rice, breaking up the soil into small pieces, and leveling it out). (Please do not enter as this is private property.)

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