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◆Fare/time: Adult (Junior High School Student and above): 200yen Child (Elementary School Student): 100yen

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(Taxi)

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Duration: One Day

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Pick-up station: KILN ARITA

Rental Fee: 1,000yen/one time (1,000yen is needed as a deposit)

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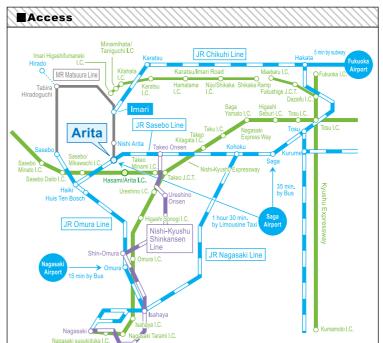
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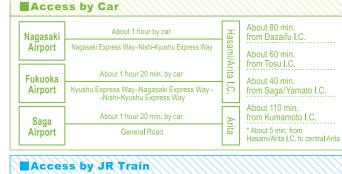
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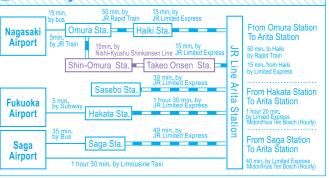
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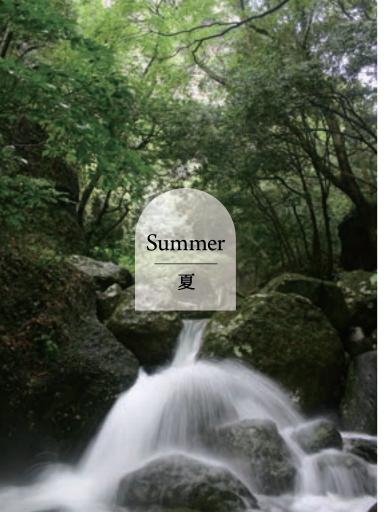
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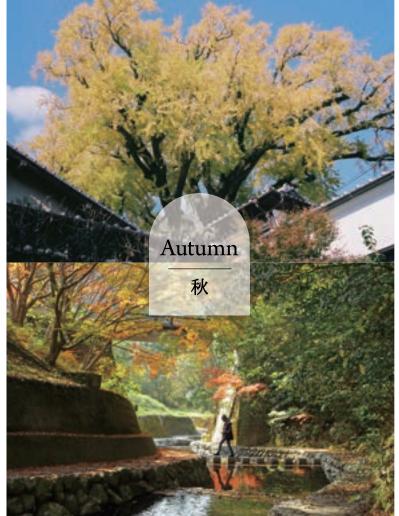
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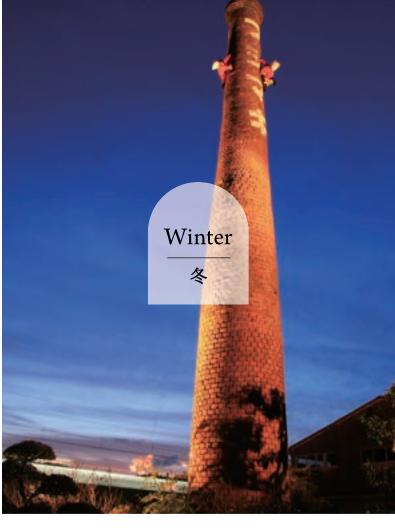


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Enjoy the Delights of Arita's Four Seasons



Arita Ceramic **Hina Doll Festival**

Early February – Mid March

Hina dolls and related porcelain items made at various kilns are displayed and sold. The festival features a five-tier display of the world's biggest porcelain Hina dolls in ancient court costumes.



Arita **Summer Festival**

■ Late July

A summer festival held at the 'History & Culture Forest Park' with a lot of people enjoying stalls and events. After Bon dancing, the festival reaches its climax when about 1,500 fireworks are set off in the night sky.



Arita Sarayama Festival

■ Mid October

A festival known for its unique dish dance. The parade in which all residents participate in chattering small dishes in both of their hands



Arita Autumn Porcelain Festival

■ Late November

An autumn ceramic festival held under the theme of 'Entertain with Good Meals & Excellent Tableware'. Enjoy walking around Arita at the height of the autumn foliage.

Opening of the Climbing Season of Mt. Kurokami

■ The First Sunday of April

Shinto rituals are held to appreciate the nature of Mt. Kurokami and it is prayed for the climbers' safety.



Festival for the Father of Arita Porcelain (Touso-sai)

May 4

A festival to show their deep appreciation to Tozan-jinja shrine, a guardian deity of Arita, and Lee Sampyeon, the Arita ware founder.



Eighteenth Night Festival (Jyuhachi-ya)

August 18

A Gion festival praying for good harvest. Young men's fighting dances and rolling fireworks are dedicated to Buddha in the precincts of Ryusen-ji Temple.



ARITA x Santa Project

■ Early November – December 25

Some Santa Clauses can be seen climbing up an old red brick chimney



Arita Ceramics Fair

April 29 – May 5

The largest ceramic fair in western Japan which is held from Apr 29 to May 5 every year. About 450 stores and stalls line the 4km stretch of road. More than 1 million people from all over Japan come and enjoy shopping.

Arita Firefly Festival

■ Late May – Early June

There are some firefly viewing spots on the Arita river that flows through the central part of Arita. It's a summer festival combined with firefly viewing.



■ Late July – Late August

A competition of show window display by high school students who lead the next generation. Arita's historical townscape changed into a modern one during the event.



Arita Porcelain **Bowl Illumination**

December 31

The people who pay the first visit of the year to Tozan-jinja shrine are welcomed by about 1,000 candles in bowls. Arita's . local dish 'Yukinotsuyu', miso soup with rice cakes, is also served.





What is Arita Ware?

Arita ware refers to porcelain made in the town of Arita and the surrounding areas in Saga Prefecture. Although it was known as Imari ware or Hizen ware during the Edo period, the term 'Arita ware' came into general use during the Meiji period.

When Toyotomi Hideyoshi sent his armies into Korea at the end of the 16th century, the Nabeshima lord forced the Korean potter Yi Sam-pyeong (Kanagae Sanbei in Japanese) and his apprentices to relocate to his domain in Japan. Kanagae is said to have moved to Arita at the beginning of the 17th century, where he discovered high-quality porcelain stone at Izumiyama. Celebrated as the birthplace of Japanese porcelain, Arita has produced tableware, art crafts and expressive works in ceramic for over 400 years, and this tradition continues on to the present day.

History of Arita Ware

Arita Ware during the Edo Period

Porcelain production in Arita began in earnest when Korean Yi Sam-pyeong (first-generation Kanagae Sanbei in Japanese) and his potters relocated to the area and discovered porcelain stone at Izumi-yama in the early 17th century. As porcelain produced in Arita was shipped from the nearby port town of Imari, it was known as Imari ware at the time.

Arita ware produced between 1610s and 1650s is called Shoki Imari (Early Imari). Under the influence of China, sometsuke (underglaze cobalt blue decoration) was the prevailing design style during this period. Porcelain made at this time had thickly potted bases and an overall rustic feel.

Sakaida Kakiemon I succeeded in producing overglaze polychrome enamel porcelain for the first time in Japan during the 1640s. Overglaze enamel was applied to glazed ceramics to produce colourful designs. The introduction of vibrant new colour palette to what was up to that point monochromatic blue created a sensation.

Early products sporting this overglaze polychrome enamel technique produced between the 1640s and the 1660s are known as early polychrome enamel (Shoki iro-e) porcelain. There are two main styles, gosaide (five-colour overglaze polychrome) utilising red, green, yellow, blue and purple enamels, and aode utilising green, yellow, purple and blue colours that cover the entire surface of the porcelain in overglaze enamel.

During the 1650s, the Dutch East India Company (VOC) began exporting Arita ware to many parts of Southeast Asia and Europe. Possessing porcelain in Europe became a status symbol among royalty and the aristocracy since the techniques for producing true porcelain made in China and Japan were still unknown to them at the time. Arita ware in European aristocratic collections was known as Imari, and Arita porcelain continues to be highly appreciated today.

From the 1670s to the 1690s, the Kakiemon style came into fashion. A classic characteristic of Kakiemon style is the nigoshide milky-white body. Asymmetrical design compositions are placed carefully against the milky-white ground. Many objects in Kakiemon style were exported to European countries and displayed in the palaces of European nobility. They were also copied in the kilns of Meissen in Germany and Chantilly in France.

In the second half of the 17th century, the local government to support the Nabeshima lord moved the domain official kiln from Arita to Okawachiyama in the city of Imari. This kiln produced porcelain exclusively for the Nabeshima clan to be used as gifts for the Tokugawa Shogunate, nobility and other lords (daimyo). This type of porcelain is known as Nabeshima style ware. It is characterised by its sophisticaion, standardised shapes and regulated designs in overglaze polychrome enamels, underglaze cobalt blue and celadon. The products and the manufacturing process were strictly controlled by the Nabeshima domain.

During the Genroku era (1688-1704) of the Edo period, a style known as kinrande emerged. This style, that has been passed down to the present day, and of decorative designs depicting flowers and other nature inspired elements executed in reds and gold enamels on underglaze blue decorated porcelain. The designs often cover the entire surface. These lavish decorations are thought to reflect the economic prosperity of the Genroku era, and the style found favour in Europe on account of its ornate patterns. Even today, many kinrande style wares, including large vases, can be seen at museums and palaces around the world.

Arita Ware during the late Edo Period (1800-1860s)

During the late Edo period, Arita had a significant economic downturn. In 1828, the town experienced a major fire that destroyed a large section of the town. As porcelain production grew during this period in the Mino and Seto areas of modern day Gifu and Aichi prefectures, Arita lost its edge in the domestic market. Export of Arita ware to Europe began to decline from the mid-18th century, until Hisatomi Yojibei, a wealthy Arita merchant, acquired an exclusive export license and resumed the export of porcelain products to Europe in 1841. Hisatomi marked the pieces he made with characters reading 'Zoshuntei Sanpozo' the first instance of such branding on porcelain.

Exclusive exports by Hisatomi and his associates during the Bakumatsu period (1850s-1860s) came at a significant time of change. Only 16 workshops were licensed to execute overglaze paintings, although there were increasing calls to expand on those numbers. Ultimately, trading rights were subsequently extended by granting export licenses to an additional nine merchants, including Fukagawa Eizaemon and Hirabayashi Ihei. The Sarayama magistrates office, which had long controlled the area, closed when domains were abolished in favour of prefectures in 1871. This eliminated the practice of licensing kilns and overglaze painters and freed the Sarayama ceramics businesses allowing for competition.

Arita Ware during the Meiji Period (1868-1912)

Gottfried Wagener, a German chemist, was invited to Arita by the Nabeshima domain in 1870 to teach local potters Western chemistry. He introduced a new firing technique using coal kilns and artificial cobalt blue paint instead of natural pigments derived from ore. The Nabeshima official kiln was eventually abolished when domains were replaced by the system of prefectures during the Meiji Restoration.

Arita ware from the Meiji period gained renown by being exhibited at World Expositions, which were frequently held in cities across Europe at the time. Saga domain participated in the World Exposition of 1867 in Paris, exhibiting Arita ware together with the Satsuma domain at the request of the Tokugawa government and garnering praise for the items exhibited. At the same time, Japonisme spread throughout the continent from Paris, and the popularity of the exhibits after the Vienna World Exposition generated pressure on the government to meet growing demand, leading to the establishment of Kiryu Kosho Gaisha, Japan' first company to serve as a general trading company.

Arita ware was subsequently sent to World Expositions in Vienna (1873), Philadelphia (1876) and so on, where works by Koransha, Seijigaisha, and Fukagawa Seiji won gold medals and other prestigious awards. The ambitious efforts to participate in World Expositions during this period resulted in a renewal of interest and a high regard for Arita ware overseas.

Arita Ware after the Taisho Period (1912-to present)

During the 1910s, the demand for industrial products and electrical insulators grew, benefiting the Arita porcelain kilns. A small ceramic market, which started as a supporting event for an annual ceramic competitive show that began in 1896, was officially established in 1916. This market went on to develop into the current Arita Ceramic Fair.

During the 1920s, a nationwide recession affected production in Arita. Large ceramic industries in Seto and Mino reduced prices and Arita kilns could not compete, which lead to increasing unemployment. Some unemployed potters opted to found their own kilns, resulting in the emergence of a sector of small-scale ceramic artists. The publication Matsuura Tojiho Newspaper reported that more than 30 such potters were operating around the end of 1930.

During World War II, kilns were forced to become military arsenals and produce military-related products made from porcelain such as coins, hand grenades, and rocket parts. The kilnsoutput was controlled by the government and distribution and pricing was regulated. Reflecting the fear that these changes would lead to the loss of advanced manufacturing technologies, a small number of kilns and potters received 'Art Preservation' and 'Technique Preservation' designations that allowed them to produce and sell products outside the militarised economy. Under the 'Art Preservation' designation Matsumoto Haizan in Arita produced art objects, while under the 'Technique Preservation' designation Kakiemon kiln, Imaemon kiln, Koransha, Fukagawa Seiji, Kawanami Kisaku, and Mitsumatsu Soichi produced skilled porcelain works using traditional techniques that lay between art objects and everyday products.

After the war, in the 1950s and 1960s, both production volume and sales of Arita ware increased substantially.

In 1976, the Kakiemon Ceramic Techniques Preservation Society and the Iro-Nabeshima Imaemon Ceramic Techniques Preservation Society were designated as Important Intangible Cultural Properties by the government. In 1980, the ruins of the Tengudani kiln site, Yanbeta kiln site, Haraake kiln site, and Izumiyama quarry were designated as National Cultural Heritage sites. In 1991, the Arita Uchiyama area was designated as an Important Preservation District for Groups of Traditional Buildings. In this way, Arita' cultural value was recognised on a national level.

Today, production of tableware and fine art-crafts remains at the centre of the Arita porcelain industry, although its companies also manufacture other industrial products, including tiles, insulators, and acid resistance porcelain.

From the **1610S**



Shoki Imari (Early Imari) style Dish with landscape design in underglaze cobalt blue (Arita Ceramic Museum)



1670S

Kakiemon style

Hexagonal jar with bird and flower design in overglaze polychrome enamels (The Kyushu Ceramic Museum)



Nabeshima style
Dish with peach design in underglaze
cobalt blue and celadon glaze
(The Kyushu Ceramic Museum)

From the late



Kinrande style

Dish with flower and basket design in overglaze polychrome enamels

(Arita Ceramic Museum)

Gottfried Wagener (1831-1892)

Gold Medal winner at the 1900 Paris World Exposition Large vase with phoenix and circle pattern design in overglaze polychrome enamels, made by Fukagawa Seiji (Currently on display at the Chūji-Kan, China On The Park)

900



Ceramic coins
(Arita History and Folklore Museum)

Arita ware encompasses a variety of styles



Hakuji: White Porcelain

This type of porcelain has a white body that is covered with glassy translucent glaze, and fired at high temperature. Picture: Small flower-shaped white porcelain cup (Mr. and Mrs. Shibata Collection, The Kyushu Ceramic Museum)



Yōkoku: Relief Design Created with a Mould

Designs are created by pressing a mould with a pattern into the clay body.

Ficture: Chrysanthemum-shaped white porcelain dish (Mr. and Mrs. Shibata Collection, The Kyushu Ceramic Museum)



Sometsuke: Underglaze Cobalt Blue Porcelain

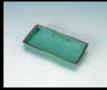
Designs are painted with cobalt-based pigments (gosu) covered with transparent glaze and then fired at a high temperature which causes the gosu to turn blue. Picture: Bottle with pine, bamboo, and fruit tree design in underglaze cobalt blue (Mr. and Mrs. Shibata Collection, The Kyushu



|ro-e: Overglaze Polychrome

Designs are painted onto the already fired and glazed ceramic body in red, yellow, green, purple, gold, and silver enamels (overglaze enamels).

Picture: Dish with bird and flower design in overglaze polychrome enamels (Mr. and Mrs. Shibata Collection, The Kyushu Ceramic Museum)



Seiji: Celadon

Glaze to which a small quantity of iron oxide has been added in order to obtain a blue-green colouring after a reduction firing. Picture: Rectangular dish in celadon glaze (Mr. and Mrs. Shibata Collection, The Kyushu Ceramic Museum)



Ruriyū: Porcelain with Cobalt Blue Glaze

Glaze to which cobalt oxide has been added to obtain a deep blue colour after firing. Picture: Gourd-shaped bottle with twist design in cobalt blue glaze (Mr. and Mrs. Shibata Collection, The Kyushu Ceramic



Sabiyū: Porcelain with Iron Brown Glaze

Glaze to which iron oxide has been added to obtain a brown colour after firing.
Picture: Small lobed dish in iron blown glaze (Mr. and Mrs. Shibata Collection, The Kyushu Ceramic Museum)



Shinsha: Porcelain with Copper Red Glaze

Glaze to which copper oxide has been added to obtain a vivid red colour after reduction firing.

Picture: Bottle with design in underglaze copper red (excavated from Hirose Mukai Kiln Site No.1, Arita Board of Education)

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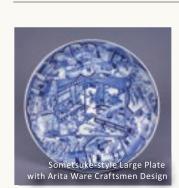












The Kyushu

☎0955-43-3681

Parking up to 300 cars

Ceramic Museum

Hours 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Fee Free (There may be a charge for

the next weekday.), Year-end (29-31 Dec)

some special exhibitions)

Closed Mondays (In case it is a national holiday the

museum will be open that day and closed on

3100-1 Toshaku-Otsu, Arita-cho

Arita Ceramic Museum

MAP:G-5

1-4-2 Odaru, Arita-cho

☎0955-42-3372

Hours 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Fee Adult 120yen/Group 80yen High school student and below

Year-end & New Year holidays Parking Available





A ceramics storage built in 1874 was renovated and this place was opened in 1954. There is a ceramic board on a monument with the [Arita Sarayama nite] poem by the symbolist poet Ariake Kanbara on the outside the walls of the museum and the museum itself is also designated as a part of the Important Preservation District for Groups of Tradtional Buildings. Inside the museum you can see Saga Prefecture Important Cultural Assets such as [Touchou Akae no Komainu] and [Sometsuke-style Large Plate with Arita Ware Craftsmen Design]. Besides that, they also have collections of Arita Ware from the time of the beginning of the industry to the present. The museum itself is a historic building, a small retro art gallery focussing on Arita Ware.

*Reservation needed for explanations of the exhibition





Arita History and Folklore Museum

MAP:H-5

1-4-1 Izumiyama, Arita-cho ☎0955-43-2678

Hours 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Fee Adult 120ven/Group 80ven

High school student and below Free

Closed Year-end & New Year holidays Parking Available



A museum located next to Izumiyama Quarry, the birthplace of Arita ware. Materials related to Arita's history and folklore have been collected and preserved here. Porcelain grenades and coins made during World War II are also on display. An old rotary quern and a kiln are located outside and the changing of the leaves during autumn is a beautiful sight.

*Reservation needed for explanations of the exhibition



Imaemon Kiln/ **Imaemon Museum of old Ceramics**

MAP:G-6

2-1-11 Akaemachi, Arita-cho

☎0955-42-5550

Hours Tue to Fri/1:00 pm-4:00 pm Sat,Sun/10:30 am-4:30 pm

Fee Adult 300yen/Group 200yen (above15) Special exhibitions have an additional charge Closed Mondays (if falls on a national holiday,

Tuesday will be closed) Year-end & New Year holidays (Dec 29 to Jan 6)



This is one of Japan's various [Iro-Nabeshima] collections. They have been assembled and passed on from generation to generation among the Imaemon and display Koimari and historic Imaemon pieces together with production utensils and fragments of old kiln remains.





Kakiemon Kiln/Kakiemon Museum of Old Ceramics

MAP:E-6

☎0955-43-2267

Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

352 Nanzan-Tei, Arita-cho

Fee Free Closed Year-end & New Year holidays

A porcelain museum attached to the 15th Kakiemon's kiln that displays the kiln's representative works including Kakiemon-style big jars and vases that attracted attention throughout the world. Visitors can appreciate the origin and 380-year history of the Kakiemon kiln and its transition over time.



Kōransha Museum of **Old Ceramics**

1-3-8 Kobira, Arita-cho **☎**0955-43-2132

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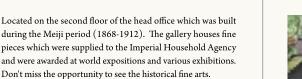
Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Fee Free

Closed Year-end & New Year holidays

Parking up to 15 cars



Located on the second floor of the head office which was built during the Meiji period (1868-1912). The gallery houses fine pieces which were supplied to the Imperial Household Agency and were awarded at world expositions and various exhibitions.





Fukagawa Seiji China On The Park

111 Haraake-Otsu, Arita-cho ☎0955-46-3900

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Hours 9:00 am - 5:30 pm

Fee Free

(Open in case it is a national holiday.)

Year-end & New Year holidays *"CURRY HOUSE KURINTO" is closed on Tue, Wed

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Parking Available



China On The Park is a ceramic theme park operated by Fukagawa Seiji Porcelain Company, a purveyor to the Imperial Household Agency. Gallery 'Chuji Kan' houses outstanding porcelain from the Fukagawa collection including a big vase which was awarded at the Paris World Exposition held in 1900.



MAP:E-5

Eizaburo Hara Museum

1-1-10. Nakanohara. Arita-cho. ☎0955-42-2840

Hours 12:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Fee About 200ven

Junior High School Student and below Free

Closed Irregular



Enter the universe of Eizaburo Hara! The museum exhibits modern artworks and ceramic art. The building and garden date back the early 19th century.



Kajiken Seiji **Mould Museum**

the Vienna World Exposition held in 1873 is a must-see.

The gallery was constructed in the image of The Zwinger of

Dresden, Germany and you can enter the Arita ware porcelain

world with fine arts exported to the world from the 1850s to

the 1910s. A big vase, 182 centimeters high, which was sent to

Closed Irregularly
Parking Available

2892 Kuromuta-Hei, Arita-cho ☎0955-42-3177

Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

(Open only during the time of the Arita Ceramics Fair or when a reservation is made.) Fee Free

Closed Reservations neccesary Parking Available



Kajiken Seiji is a long-established kiln and its museum displays the molds which had been used in the kiln before plaster and machines emerged. A part of thousands of molds ranging in size from 4 inches for a small dish to 50 inches used for a large plate are on display.



Gen-emon Kiln/ Ko-Imari Museum

2726 Maruo-Hei, Arita-cho

☎0955-42-4164

Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Fee Free Closed Sat.Sun.Holidays Year-end & New Year holidays

Parking Available



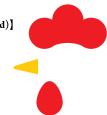
This museum is attached to Genemon Kiln which has a history of 260 years and shows old Imari and other old ceramics which were collected by the kiln to use as their reference materials. It's an overwhelming experience to see fine arts from all over the world with your own eyes.



Arita-yaki Gozen is a new lunch special served by 4 famous restaurants in Arita which features 5 different cooked chicken dishes in an Arita ware lunch box. Both local ingredients and Arita ware can be enjoyed at the same time. These special porcelain lunch boxes inspired by a jewelry box or a casket are served with a lid and tied with a beautiful string. You will be fascinated by not only its elegant presentation but also its beautiful porcelain container.

[All Restaurants 1,800 (tax included)]

*Reservations are recommended. *Reservations may not be accepted during Arita Ceramic Fair (Apr 29 to May 5)



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1) Kamei-Sushi MAP: F-6

A famous sushi restaurant where more than 50 years experienced chef serves jewel-like sushi and a wide range of authentic Japanese dishes. Kamei Sushi's Arita-yaki Gozen comes with gorgeous chirashi sushi(sushi dressed with various ingredients).

2-10-12 Iwatanigawachi, Arita-cho **2**0955-43-2951

Hours 11:30 am to 2:30 pm/ 5:00 pm to 9:30 pm (last call) Arita-vaki Gozen after 5:00 pm Closed Irregularly Parking up to 18 cars

Enjoy the atmosphere of Arita surrounded by as many as 2,500 coffee cups. One of this restaurant's features is that your coffee can be served in your favorite cup. Gallery Arita's Arita-yaki Gozen is well known for its women-friendly and health-conscious chicken dishes.

20955-42-2952





② Gallery Arita MAP: F-7

3057 Honmachi-Otsu, Arita-cho Hours 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

(4:30 pm last call) 11:00 am to 2:00 pm Closed Irregularly Parking up to 25 cars

Carp

Cuisine



③ Restaurant Maruishi MAP:E-6

A popular restaurant among all ages with various dishes on the menu and the tastiness of the meals is guaranteed. Their menu includes Arita specialties and pizza baked with home-made ham and bacon. Maruishi's Arita-yaki Gozen provides five distinctly different chicken dishes.

731-1 Toshaku-Hei, Arita-cho **☎**0955-42-4680

Hours 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm/ 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm (last call) Closed Irregularly Parking up to 18 cars

The rice from Arita's terraced-rice-field is grown with clear water from the Kunimi mountains. In some areas where machines can't be used, rice is carefully grown by



Grown in the clear spring water from Ryumon valley selected as one of the best 100 natural water in Japan, the carp sashimi here have a firm and crunchy texture with no fish smell. Enjoy a good combination of its elegant taste and a isticated Arita plate. * Serving Restaurants: No 51 Ryusuitei, No 52 Ryusenso



Other Good Eats in Arita

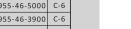
Restaurant	Japanese Cuisine	Noodles & Rice Bowls	Korean Cuisine/Korean BBQ	Cafe	To-Go
East Area					

Taro Ramen Shop

Ш	East Area								
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6	CONNECT.		☎080-1723-7010	G-5	22	Kyoto Cuisine Yaowa		☎0955-42-2292	F-7
7	Hitofushi Ramen		☎0955-42-3024	G-5	23	hapi cafétta		☎0955-42-2057	F-6
8	Arita Porcelain Lab Café		2 0955-29-8079	G-5	24	Japanese Restaurant Yasuna		☎0955-42-2733	E-6
9	Meiji Yumean (Open Only Sat & Sun)		☎0955-41-1505	G-5	25	DAIKICHI cafe		☎0955-25-9003	F-5
10	Gettoan Saredo		2 30955-43-3760	G-6	26	arita huis		☎0955-25-8018	E-5
11	Confectionary "Un Beau Jour" (Akae Town Store)		2 3080-8394-9787	G-6	27	Japanese Restaurant Akae		☎0955-42-5437	E-5
12	kasane		☎0955-42-3100	F-6	28	MARUBUN BAKERY CAFE		☎0955-43-2351	E-5
13	Italian Bar DOMA		2 090-2853-2068	F-6	29	Korean Restaurant Toraji		☎0955-42-6934	E-5
14)	SPICE HOTARU (Open Only Fri & Sat)		Instagram : spice_hotaru	G-7	30	ILHA / CAFÉ		☎0955-42-2575	F-6
15)	Aji Eal Restaurant		☎0955-42-4010	F-6	31	Soba Restaurant Norito		☎0955-43-2890	E-7
16	Gallery Baekpasun Café 100bar		☎ 0955-25-9683	F-6	32	Sushi Restaurant Kureba		☎0955-42-2934	E-6
17)	Café Terrace AYA		☎0955-43-3681	F-7	33	Kitchen Grandma		☎0955-43-5010	E-6
18)	Café Restaurant Copain		☎0955-43-2880	F-7	34	Ōkawa Udon		☎0955-42-3345	D-6

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■West Area								
No.	Restaurant Name	Туре	Phone	MAP				
41	CURRY HOUSE KURINTO		☎0955-46-5000	C-6				
42	China On The Park Chuji Hall Refresh Room		☎0955-46-3900	C-6				
43	Yakiniku Kamura		☎0955-46-3310	C-6				
44	Soba Miyoshi		☎0955-46-2352	C-6				
45)	Azuma-ya		☎0955-46-3033	C-5				
46	Yamato Isshin'an Setsugetsuka		☎0955-46-3170	B-5				
47	Shungyo Kisai Ikesu Yamashita		☎0955-46-3923	C-6				
48	Morisei		☎ 0955-46-2263	C-3				
49	Fried Chicken Karaage Don Don		2 30955-46-4660	C-3				
50	Kanzantei		☎0955-46-3511	C-2				
(51)	Kawazakana Ryūsuitei		☎0955-46-2155	F-3				
(52)	Sõsaku Kawazakana Ryūsensõ		☎0955-46-3617	E-3				







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Un Beau Jour's

home after eating.

Phone: 0955-41-1122 Hours: 10:00 am - 7:30 pm

1933-1 Maruo-Hei, Arita-cho

Baked Pudding

Closed: Wednesdays Parking: up to 6 cars

Yoshinaga-Confectionary's Hamaemon Cookie

A smooth and gorgeous pudding in an Arita ware cup. The cups with different patterns can be used at





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Godofu

also recommended.

Takashima Tofu Shop

Takahashi Tofu Company

Phone: 0955-43-3252

1525 Honmachi-Hei, Arita-cho

Closed: Irregularly Parking: Available

2-9-7 Iwatanigawachi, Arita-cho Phone: 0955-43-2463 Hours: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Godofu is a chewy tofu unique to Arita made from

soy milk and kudzu(arrowroot) flour with a

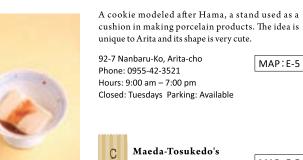
traditional method. The most common sauce is

sesame, but brown sugar syrup and soybean flour are

Closed: New Year's Day Parking: Not Available

Hours: 8:00 am - 6:00 pm (Dec - Feb 8:00 am - 5:15 pm)

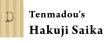
Arita,,,, Souvenirs,,,,,



MAP:E-5 Tosuke Okoshi

Pieces of rice cake are roasted and shaped with starch syrup. It has a crispy texture and a ginger taste. Once you try, you will become hooked.

1-16-12 Izumiyama, Arita-cho Phone: 0955-42-4411 Hours: Weekdays: 8:00 am - 11:00 am/2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Sat, Sun, Holidays: 8:00 am - 6:00 pm Closed: Irregularly Parking: Not Available



Pottery-style cookies printed with Arita-yaki designs. The thoughts and history behind the design will be delivered through the cookies.

Stores: The Kyushu Ceramic Museum, Arita Station "Arita Meihinkan", Arita-Kan, etc.

Munemasa Sake Brewery's Pure Rice Premium Sake 'Munemasa'

A pure rice premium sake with a harmonious balance of a sweet fragrance and a fruity deep flavor. Can be served with a wine glass.

340-28 Toya-Otsu, Arita-cho Phone: 0955-41-0020

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Tomosuva's Chawan Monaka

This is a Monaka (wafer cake filled with bean jam) imitating a rice bowl with a lid made of Arita Ware. Recreated in a size that fits in the palm of the hand. Please add anything you like to the sweet inside and

2-3-21 Odaru, Arita-cho Phone: 0955-29-8929

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*Reservations for puchases are now open! Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays



changed.

Etoile Horie (Arita Branch)'s Tonbai Arita

Arita Terrace's

Arita-yaki Curry

Winner of the JR Kyushu Ekiben Grand Prix, the

Arita-yaki Curry is served in an Arita-yaki and

incorporates the flavor and aroma of 28 different

spices. Additionally, the Arita-yaki is very convenient

for after use. The patterns of the bowls are sometimes

This sweet is designed after tonbai walls, which can be found in Arita's back alleys and which are built from bricks and waste material.

1023 Honmachi-Hei, Arita-cho Phone: 0955-43-2203 Hours: 9:30 am - 6:30 pm Closed: New Year's Day Parking: Not Available

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Walking around the Uchiyama area: See, Learn, Play

Explore the porcelain town to feel the winds of history and atmosphere.



try. Having been dug for 400 years. the rocky mountain has become the current strange spectacle.

at Arita Town Office) Parking: Available

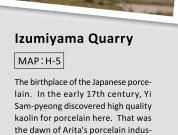


Pottery Studio

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who wish to start a kiln in Arita. Not only you can watch porcelain making processes, but also experience porcelain painting. Young potters' pieces are also on sale.

☎0955-41-1310 Hours: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Closed: Irregularly Parking: up to 2 cars



1-5 Izumiyama, Arita-cho ☎0955-46-2500

"Akae-za"

An incubation studio to support young potters







MAP: F-6, G-5, G-6 The area which has watched the

development of Arita ware for 400 years was designated as a National Important Traditional Structures Preservation area. The streets are lined with old Japanese plaster houses, western-style houses, kiln showrooms and so on.

Townscape of

Locations: Arita-cho Izumiyama Kamikohira, Odaru, Kobira, Akae-machi, Nakanohara, Iwatanigawachi areas Parking: Available



Strolling through



also old kiln tools

Locations: Arita-cho Izumiyama Kamikohira, Odaru, Kobira, Hiekoba, Akaemachi areas Parking: Available



Tozan Shrine/ Yi Sam-pyeong Monument

MAP:G-6

painting &

potter's

wheel.

Tozan shrine is a Shinto shrine founded in around 1658 and dedicated to Emperor Ojin and Yi Sam-pyeong, the father of Arita porcelain. A big Shrine gate (Torii), a pair of guardian dogs, a big jar and parapets in the shrine are made of porcelain.

A monument which praises Yi Sam-pyeong's achievement, a five-minute walk from Tozan-jinja shrine, was built in 1917 in commemoration of the 300th anniversary of Arita porcelain. From here, you can command a panoramic view of Arita town

2-5-1 Odaru, Arita-cho Parking: up to 20 cars



Tashiro Western-style House

MAP:G-6

Tashiro Western-style House, which features both Western and Eastern architectural elements, was built in 1876 by the wealthy merchant Sukesaku Tashiro as a facility to lodge and entertain merchants from abroad. Inside, there is a spiral staircase, which was a groundbreaking design in those days. It was appointed to the important cultural property of the country as "the old Tashiros Western-style building" on December 25, 2018. Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays in building can observe.

1-2-6, Kobira, Arita-cho, Hours: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Closed: Weekday, Year-end & New Year holidays

Walking around the town to learn about Arita's history

Let's learn about the history and tradition of Arita at galleries and museums looking closely at fine arts.







The Kyushu **Ceramic Museum**

MAP:F-7

The best place to learn about the ceramic history of Arita. (refer to page 5)



old Ceramics

Imaemon Kiln/

MAP:G-6

Imaemon kiln, a kiln which carries on the history and the tradition of Iro-Nabeshima Style, and its museum (refer to page 6)

Imaemon Museum of

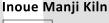


fine arts.

Gen-emon Kiln/ Gen-emon Kiln Ko-Imari Museum

MAP:E-5

Gen-emon Museum of Ko-Imari Porcelain attached to Gen-emon kiln (refer to page 6)



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Mr. Inoue Manji's kiln and his gallery are located in a quiet residential area. Mr. Inoue is a Living National Treasure and a leading artist for white porcelain. He is also enthusiastic to teach young potters.

307 Nanzan-Tei, Arita-cho ☎0955-42-4438 Hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed: Year-end & New Year July & August



Kakiemon Kiln// Kakiemon Museum of **Old Ceramics**

A Kakiemon-style old porcelain museum attached to Kakiemon kiln with a history of 380 years. (refer to page 6)





MAP: E-6



trader, in the early 1910s.

1579-10 Hokaoyama-Hei, Arita-cho ☎0955-42-3272 Hours: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed: Irregularly Parking: up to 3 cars

Aoki Ryūzan Kiln

The works of Mr. Aoki Ryuzan, an

away in 2015), are on display in the

gallery built by Mr. Aoki Junichiro, a

MAP:E-6















Walking Around the Town Looking for Favorite pieces of porcelain

Shopping is one of the most enjoyable parts of traveling.

Try to find your favorite ones while walking around the town.



Fukagawa Seiji Porcelain Company Main Store

MAP:G-5

Famous for its blue paint called Fukagawa Blue, Fukagawa Seiji is one of the top porcelain manufacturers in Arita. Its products are loved by both in Japan and abroad. The head office has a showroom on the first floor and a museum featuring its history and tradition on the second floor.

1-1-8 Kobira, Arita-cho

10955-42-5215

Hours: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Closed: Year-end & New Year holidays

Parking: up to 10 cars





Ryumon Campground

MAP:F-3

Close to Ryumon dam and the trail entrance to Mt. Kurokami, Ryumon valley campground can be used as a climbing camp. Camping huts are also available and a day trip is acceptable, so why don't you enjoy outdoor activities in the woods?

Address: Hiroseyama, Arita-cho 20955-46-4022 In case you have difficulty getting through, please call the Agriculture & Forestry Division at Arita Town Office 20955-46-5616 (weekdays only) Parking: Available

Kōransha Porcelain Company

MAP:G-6

Kōransha is a long-established porcelain maker with a history of over 130 years. The company has been leading the industry by resuming exports and introducing innovative methods. The head office in Arita, built around 100 years ago, has a showroom on the first floor and an old ceramics museum on the second floor.

1-3-8 Kobira, Arita-cho 10955-43-2132 Hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed: Year-end & New Year holi Parking: up to 15 cars



Arita Dam

mended.

Parking: Available

Get relaxed

in the nature.

The lake is called 'Secret Color

Lake' because of its celadon color water. Green, red, orange, and

yellow leaves are beautifully reflect-

ed on the water of the dam depend-

ing on the seasons. Taking a stroll

along the walking trail is also recom-

Address: Shirakawa, Arita-cho

Arita Será

MAP: E-5

Arita Será is a ceramics shopping mall that consists of 22 shops carrying various products ranging from daily tableware to fine arts. A big parking lot and restaurants being available, take your time to find your favorite ones.

2351-169 Akasaka-Hei, Arita-cho \$50955-43-2288 Hours: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (Different from store to store) Closed: Open 365 days

Parking:up to 800 cars

Arita Porcelain Park

Let's enjoy shopping!

MAP:G-7

Dubbed a 'Theme Park of Ceremics', Arita Porcelain Park is a commercial complex that includes a museum where ceramics from all over the world are on display, restaurants, an outlet shop, a sake brewery, souvenir shops, a porcelain-making experience studio, and so on. A good place for those who want to use time efficiently.

340-28 Toya-Otsu, Arita-cho ☎0955-41-0030 Hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed: Open 365 days Parking: up to 800 cars



Walking in The Nature

Arita is rich in natural beauty to delight the eye and fill the heart. Fully enjoy nature and get refreshed.



Ryumon Valley

MAP:F-2

Selected one of the best 100 natural water and one of the best 100 water source forests, Ryumon valley has a magical atmosphere with its clear water, colorful leaves and rocks. Cherry blossoms in spring, green leaves in summer, foliage in autumn, and solemn atmosphere in winter. Make yourself relaxed in nature.

Hiroseyama, Arita-cho

☎0955-46-5616
(Agriculture & Forestry Division at Arita Town Office)

Take Terraced Rice Fields

Tanada are terraced rice fields extending down a mountainside like a staircase. The most famous tanada in Arita is located in the Take area and it was selected as one of the best 100 tanada in Japan.The scenery is spectacular, especially the sunset view is beyond description.

Take area, Arita-cho Parking : Available

MAP:A-2



If you want to feel the atmosphere of Arita We provide Arita experiences you'll never forget.



Potter's Wheel Experience

A professional potter will show you

from the beginning how to shape

porcelain on a potter's wheel

Under Glaze Painting Experience

THE REAL PROPERTY.

How about making your original porcelain item using a brush? Some studios offer accessory painting as well.



Porcelain Factory Visit

You can visit a factory and see how porcelain products are made by skillful artists.



Outdoor Acitivities

ee Arita is rich in natural beauty. Through e mountain climbing and camping, fully enjoy nature and get refreshed.

\ More experience facilities are available. / Experience Facilities List

No.	Facility Name	Inquiry	Hours	Contents (Yen) *Tax included *Postage excluded	MAP
61	Marukei (Toshiemon gama Kiln)	☎0955-42-3052	9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Reception hours)	Under Glaze Painting (Tea Cup, etc.) : 1,650 -	G-6
63	Pottery Studio Rokuro-za	☎0955-41-1302	10:00 am - 4:00 pm (Closed : Thursdays, Same-day reservation until 1:30 pm)	Potter's Wheel: 1,360 -, Painting (Plate, Cup, etc.): 1,050 -	H-5
64)	Studio Setsugetsuka	☎090-5938-2913	10:00 am - 4:00 pm (Reservations neccesary)	Over Glaze Painting (Mug, Plate) : 2,000 -	G-5
65	Atelier Yume	☎090-7475-5764	9:00 am - 5:00 pm (Reservations neccesary)	Hand Pinching: 1,500 -, Under Glaze Painting (Rice Bowl, Plate, etc.): 1,500 -	G-5
67	Keizan-gama Kiln	☎0955-42-2947	9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Reservations neccesary, Reservations only for weekdays)	Under Glaze Painting (Plate, etc.): 2,200 -	G-6
68	Gallery Shōbun Studio	☎ 090-5296-1765	9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Potter's Wheel: 5,000 - (Free shipping within Kyushu, additional shipping costs outside of Kyushu)	G-5
69	Pottery Studio Akae-za	☎0955-41-1310	10:00 am - 4:00 pm (Reservations neccesary)	Under Glaze Painting : 2,200 -	F-6
70	Arita yaki Studio at Arita Porcelain Park	☎0955-41-0030	10:00 am - 2:30 pm (Reception hours, Reservations neccesary)	Under Glaze Painting (12cm Plate, Small Cup,etc.): 990 -, Potter's Wheel: 2,980 -	G-7
71	Ninomiya Kanzan Accessory Studio	2 0955-43-2169	10:00 am - 5:00 pm	Under Glaze Painting (Wind-bell, Keychain, etc.): 1,100 -	F-6
72	arita mononosu (Gallery)	2 30955-42-3164	9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Weekdays only)	Under Glaze Painting (Plate, Mug, Square Plate, etc.): 1,200 -	F-6
73	Shingama Kiln	☎ 0955-43-2215	8:00 am - 5:00 pm (1:00 pm - 5:00 pm/Sat, Sun, Holidays, Reservations neccesary)	Under Glaze Painting (Cake plate, Bowl, etc.): 2,200 -	E-5
74)	Fukusen-gama Kiln	☎0955-43-2251	9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Weekdays only,Reservations neccesary)	Under Glaze Painting (Plate, etc.): 1,650 -, Factory visiting: Free	E-5
75)	Koraku-gama Kiln (Tokunaga Ceramics)	☎0955-42-4121	10:00 am - 4:00 pm (Reservations necessary)	Factory visiting (including present): 1,100, Treasure Hunting: 5,500 -, Target shooting with Arita Ware bow and arrow: 1,100 -, Painting (transfer printing or under glaze): 2,000 -, Artist in residence (30days): 300,000 -	F-5
76)	Noritō-gama Kiln	☎0955-43-2890	110:00 am - 21:00 pm - (Limited to 2 groups per day)	Potter's Wheel, Painting (Handmade Soba Noodles are served) 6,600 -	E-7
	Fukagawa Seiji China On The Park	☎ 0955-46-3900	9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Reservations neccesary/ Closed : Tuesdays)	Over Glaze Painting (Tea Cup, Mug, Plate): 1,100 -	C-6
78	Shinpō Takeken Kiln	☎0955-46-2344	10:00 am - 4:30 pm (Reservations neccesary)	Over Glaze Painting: 2,750 - ,Under Glaze Painting: 2,750 -	C-2
79	Yashiki Yozaemon Kiln	☎090-8668-4587	9:00 am - 6:00 pm (Reservations neccesary) Transportation services to and from Arita station may be possible. (No services during the Golden Week)	Potter's Wheel: 4,400, Under Glaze Painting: 1,500-	B-1
80	Shigemasa Kōbō Studio (Kajiwara Hironori)	☎090-5732-0215	①10:00 am - ②2:00 pm - ③4:00 pm - (Reservation is requested by the previous day)	Potter's Wheel (1 piece): 3,300- $3,00$ - $1,650$ per piece from the second piece	E-5
81)	Arita Yanagi-gama Kiln	2 090-9737-5504	10:00 am - 4:00 pm (Reservations neccesary/ Closed : Tuesdays)	Over Glaze Painting / Under Glaze Painting / Hand Pinching / Potter's Wheel : Adult \cdots 2,000, Kids under 12 \cdots 1,500	G-5
82)	Iori-Hisashi	☎0955-43-2764	1:00 pm -6:00 pm (Reservations neccesary)	Kintsugi: 9,000 (about 3 hours per person per day)	G-5
(83)	Sō-gama Kiln	23 0955-42-3846	10:00 am - 6:00 pm (Same-day reservation until 3:00 pm)	Marbleware (Dish, checker pattern) : 2,750 - 3,850	H-6

are more facilities not listed here. If you have any questions, please contact each facility directly.

Accommodations List * This list includes various types of lodging facilities. For more information, please contact each facility directly.

No.	. Lodging Name	Inquiry	Address	Access, Website Information	MAP
91)	Seibōan	2 0955-42-5560	1448 Toya-Ko, Arita-cho	10 min. from Arita station by car website : http://seibouan.com/	G-7
92	ILHA / ACCOMMODATION	2 0955-42-2575	1092 Honmachi-Hei, Arita-cho	3 min. from Arita station on foot Facebook available	F-6
93	Keramiek Arita	☎ 080-3998-0477	2-2-2 Kobira, Arita-cho	7 min. from Arita station by car Facebook available	G-6
94)	Koraku-gama Kiln / Happy Lucky Guesthouse	☎ 0955-42-4121	2512 Maruo-Hei, Arita-cho	Long term stay possible (more than one week), 5 min. from Arita station by car	F-5
95	RV Park Koraku-gama Kiln	Only online reservations (until 11pm that day)	2512 Maruo-Hei, Arita-cho	5 min. from Arita station by car website : https://rvparksmart.jp/rv-smart/	F-5
96	Ryumon Campground	お0955-46-5616 (Arita Town Office Agriculture & Forestry Division)	Hiroseyama, Arita-cho	15 min. from Arita station by car	F-3
97	Söfüsha INN	2 090-3799-1144	1517-12 Honmachi-Hei, Arita-cho	5 min. from Arita station on foot website : http://minshukuarita.jimdo.com/	F-6
98	Japanese Style Guesthouse Arita	3 090-3799-1144	3080-12 Kuromuta-Hei, Arita-cho	7 min. from Arita station by car website : http://minshukuarita.jimdo.com/	D-5
99	Hyakubasen Japan-Korea Friendship House	☎0955-25-9683	2-10-3 Iwatanigawachi, Arita-cho	7 min. from Arita station on foot website : http://www.baekpasun.com/	F-6
100	arita huis	2 0955-25-8018	2351-170 Akasaka-Hei, Arita-cho	5 min. from Arita station by car website : http://aritahuis.com/	E-5
101	Guesthouse HIRO	3 0955-42-6344	2722-136 Maruo-Hei, Arita-cho	5 min. from Arita station by car Facebook available	E-5
102	CONNECT.	☎080-1723-7010	1-25-17 Izumiyama, Arita-cho	5 min. from Kami-Arita station on foot Instagram available	G-5
103	Healing INN Fukuan	☎ 090-8767-4798	1568 Kitanokawachi-Hei, Arita-cho	Free Shuttle Service to and from the station (reservation required)	B-5
104	Guesthouse HIRO Maibaru	☎ 0955-42-6344	2482 Maibaru-Otsu, Arita-cho	10 min. from Arita station by car Facebook available	C-6
105	RV Park Arita Onsen	2 30955-42-6988	902 Nanbaru-Ko, Arita-cho	5 min. from Arita station by car	D-5
106	Arita Coyote	2 090-1349-8294	3-9-3 Nakadaru, Arita-cho	8 min. from Arita station by car Facebook available	H-6
107	Villa Kaede	villakaede@gmail.com	2-4-3 Kobira, Arita-cho	Facebook available	G-6
108	Zoku Ijinkan Guest house	2 080-3902-7860	2-2-5 Kobira, Arita-cho	7 min. from Arita station by car	G-6
109	Shukubo Shingetsu	☎ 0955-42-2733	799-1 Honmachi-Hei, Arita-cho	8 min. from Arita station on foot	E-6



