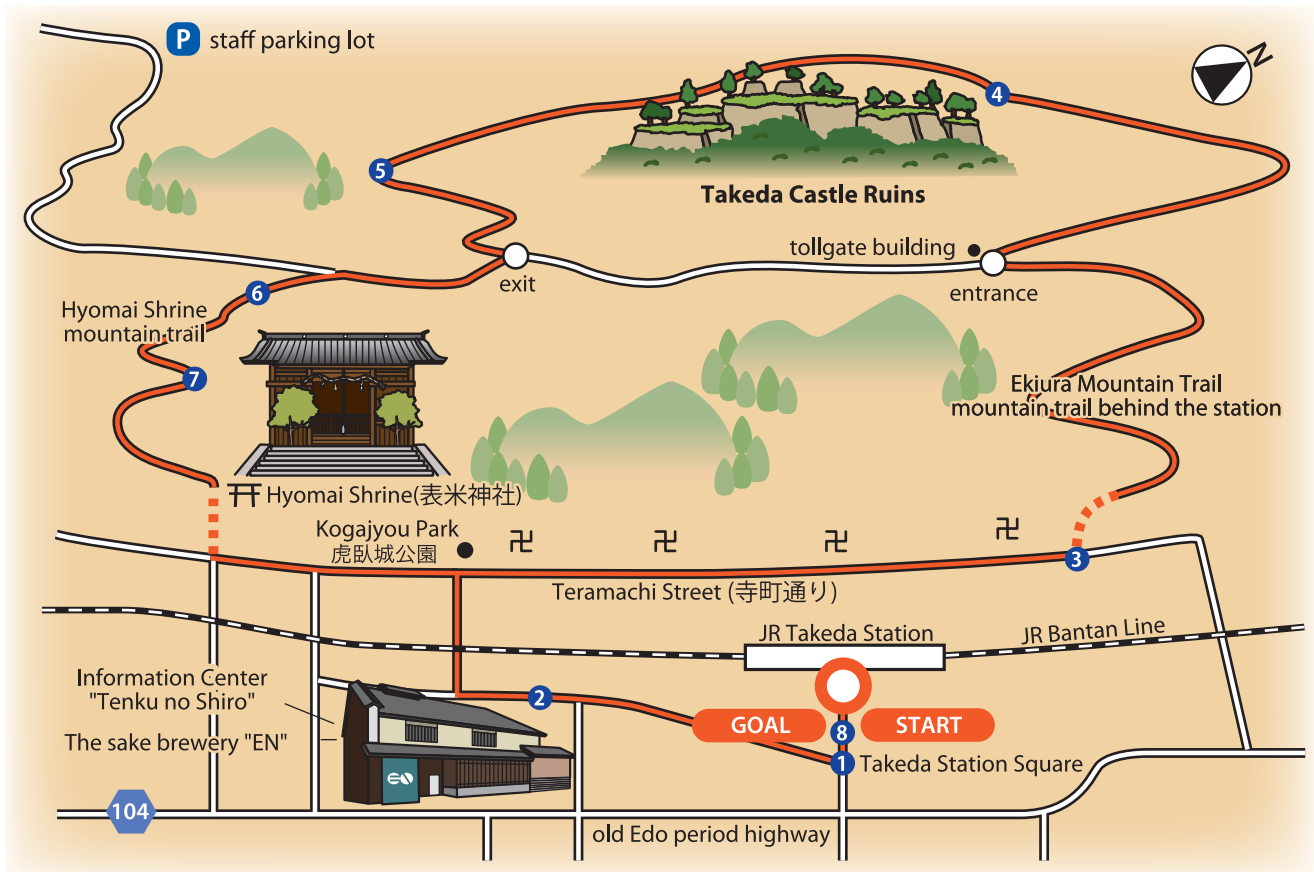


Walk Around Takeda Castle Ruins & Teramachi Street

Takeda Castle is an ancient mountain castle whose ruins still remain at the mountain's summit. It is surprisingly not well known that you can walk up and down this mountain. It takes about 1 hour from the foot of the mountain to the castle ruins at the top if you walk at a leisurely pace. Walk back down the mountain path after enjoying the panoramic scenery from the top of the castle tower whose remains are almost in the original condition. There are many things to do in town like walking around Teramachi Street or learning about the history of Takeda Castle at the museum.



- ① Proceed to the right along the road in front of Takeda Station Square that runs along the tracks.
- ② After about 200m there is an old sake brewery called "EN" on the left that has been renovated into a restaurant and hotel. Cross the railroad crossing on the right, go through Kogajyo park (there is a restroom here) in front of you and out to "Teramachi Street" and proceed to the right along the canal.
- ③ About 200m ahead and to the left is the entrance to the mountain trail behind the station. Climb the mountain trail for about 900m (40 minutes) until you come to the entrance to Takeda Castle Ruins (There are restrooms available here.)
- ④ You have finally reached the entrance to "Takeda Castle Ruins". Watch your footing when walking around the ruins, as there are steep stone steps. The length of the castle ruins that is open for sightseeing is about 400m.
- ⑤ Depart from the exit at the Minami Senjo, go back down to the road, then proceed to the right for about 10 meters and then go to the left.
- ⑥ You will take the Hyomai Shrine mountain trail back down. After about 600 meters you will arrive at Hyomai Shrine.
- ⑦ At Hyomai Shrine you will find prefectural important cultural properties such as a sumo arena. After looking around, go down the stone stairs and go left on to Teramachi Street back to Kogajyou Park and cross the train tracks.
- ⑧ Here you will find "EN" where you can see buildings of the former sake brewery, which are National Registered Cultural Assets and visit the Information Center Tenku no Shiro (Castle in the Sky). There is also a souvenir shop. Once you are done sightseeing and are ready to go, you can walk back along the train tracks for about 3 to 4 minutes to Takeda Station.



- **Difficulty** : ★★☆☆
- **Restroom** : Staff parking lot, Information Center "Castle in the Sky", Wadayama tourist information center (inside Takeda Station), Takeda Castle Ruins tollgate, Kogajyou Park
- **Access** : By Train: Get off at JR Bantan Line Takeda Station
By Car: Takeda Town Tourism parking lot
- **Contact** : Information Center "Tenku no Shiro"
TEL: 079-674-2120

Approx. Distance

3 km