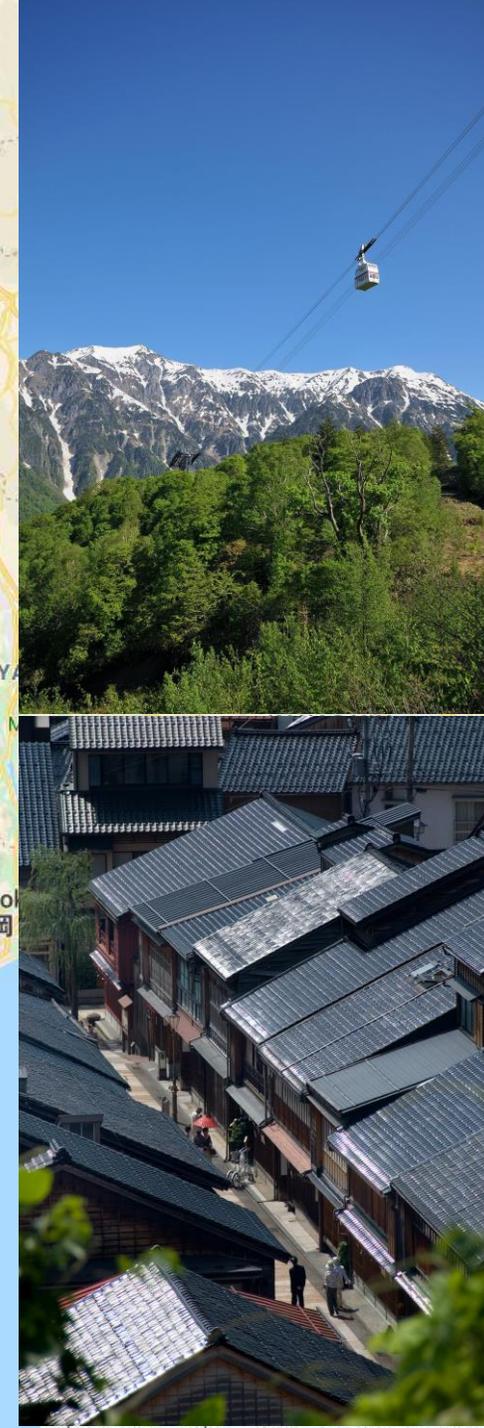
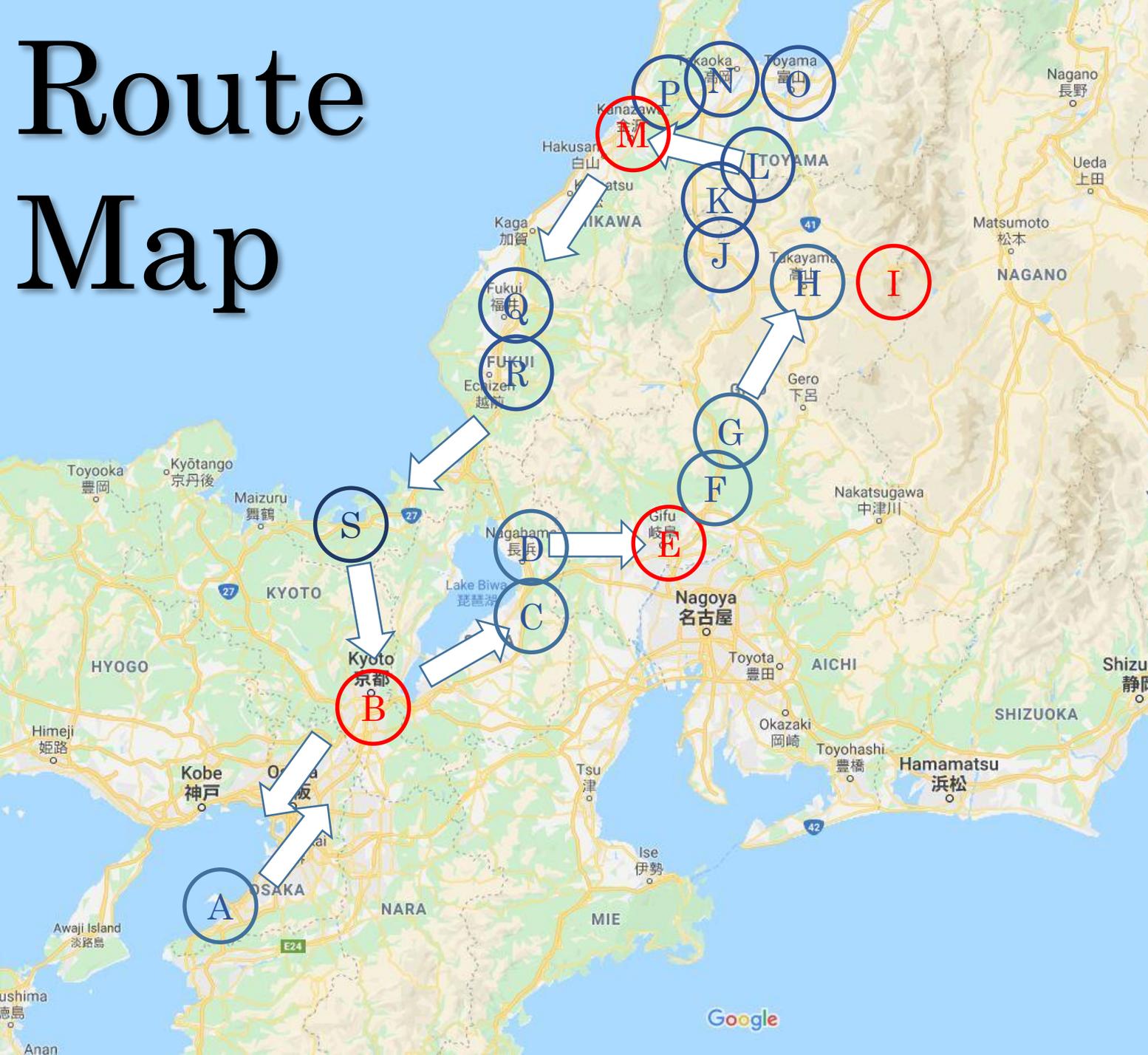


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HOKURIKU 6N7D Itinerary

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Day 1

From Kansai Airport To Osaka

50.1 km, 43m



Hospitable Osaka established its reputation for commerce and entertainment back in the Edo period. In Shinsaibashi, and among the bright lights of the Dotonbori district, you'll find some of the best shopping and eating in Osaka. Come and experience the liveliest and most colorful area of Osaka.

Day 2

From Osaka To Shigaraki

92.3 km, 1h20m



It is believed that Shigaraki got its start in pottery and ceramics in 742, making tiles for a nearby palace. Over time, the color and quality of Shigaraki clay became popular for tea utensils. Now this area is known as one of the six great pottery regions of Japan along with Bizen (Okayama Pref.), Tamba (Hyogo Pref.), Tokoname and Seto (both in Aichi Pref.) and Echizen (Fukui Pref.).

Day 2 cont.

From Shigaraki To Hikone

75.9 km, 1h8m



Hikone Castle may be small, but its donjon has remained nearly untouched since 1622. It's only five castles listed as a National Treasure. It displays a mix of architectural styles, and if you pay close attention you can spot the clever tricks built in to help defend the keep.

Day 2 cont.

From Hikone To Nagahama

14.5 km, 24m

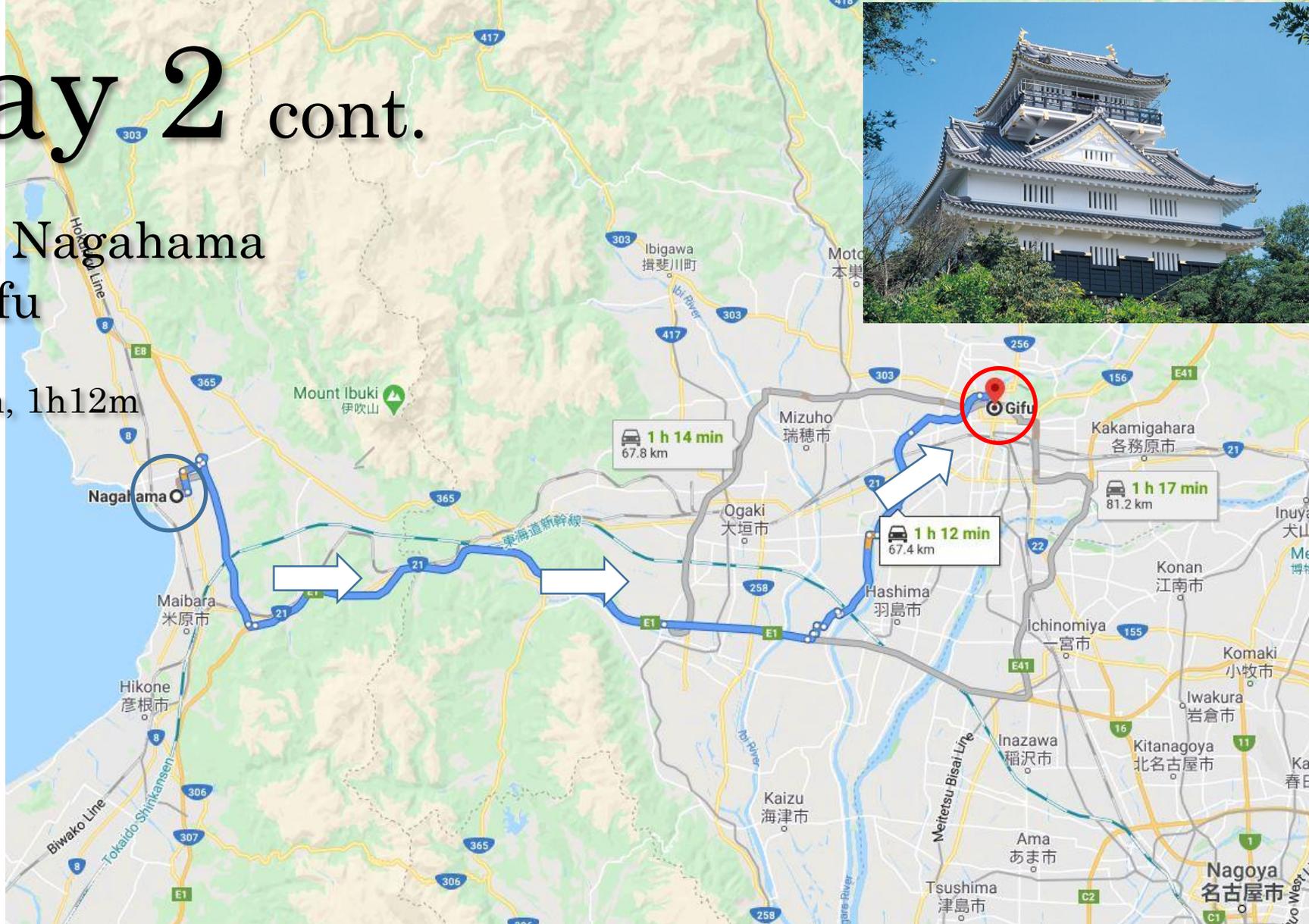


Nagahama lies on the northeastern shore of Lake Biwa in Shiga Prefecture. Once a castle town of legendary warlords, Nagahama nowadays strikes a more peaceful pose. Famous for artisanal glass manufactures and the oldest preserved railway station in Japan, the town streets burst into theater and song in April when children take to the streets and perform Kabuki as part of the Nagahama Hikiyama Festival.

Day 2 cont.

From Nagahama
To Gifu

67.4 km, 1h12m



High on Mt. Kinka on the banks of the Nagara River, Gifu Castle has one of the most impressive views of any castle in Japan and was rebuilt to the specifications of the 16th century original. It takes around an hour to reach it on foot or a few minutes by ropeway. The area around the base of the mountain is packed with shrines, temples and museums.



Day 3

From Gifu
To Mino

22 km, 29m

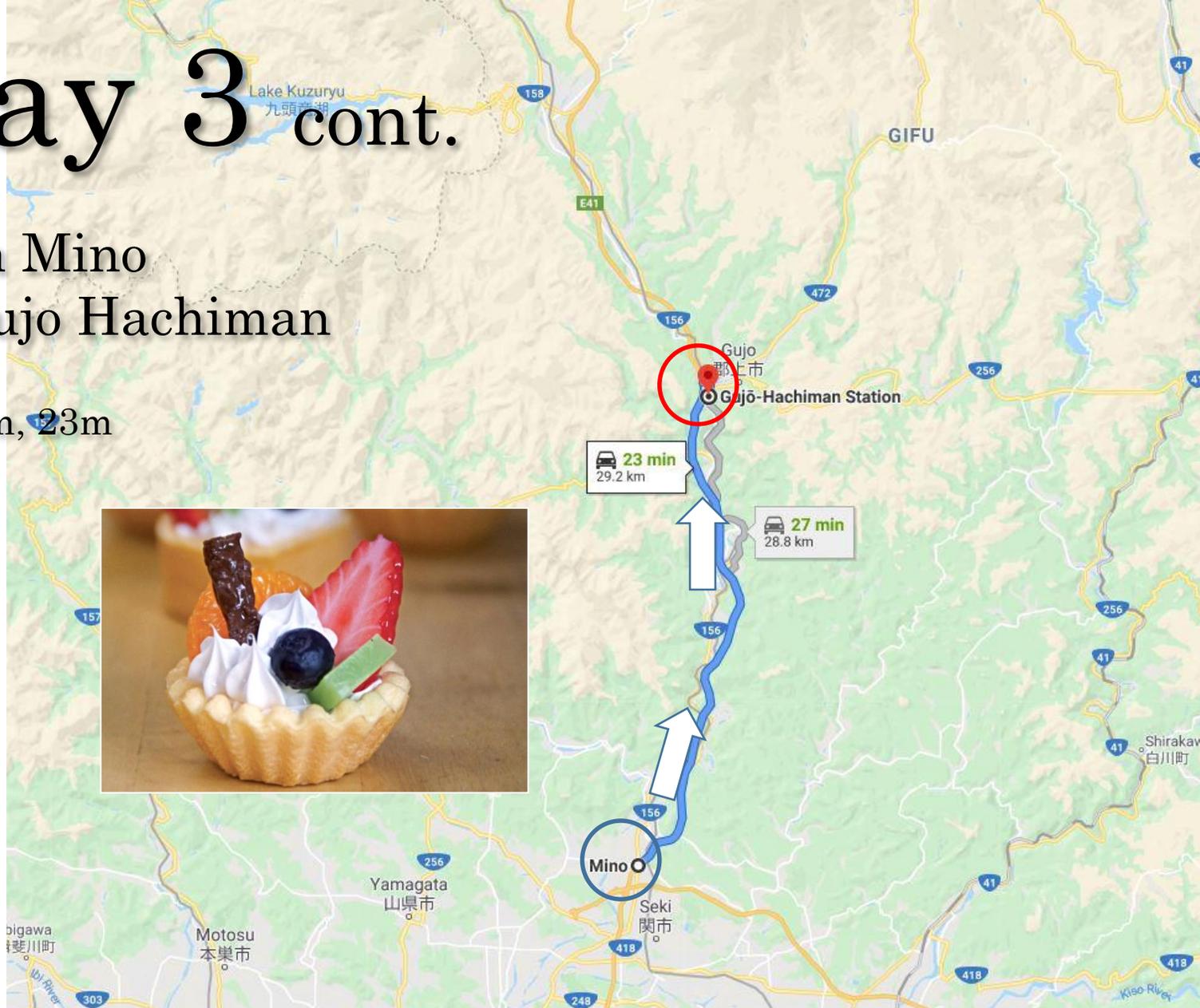


Mino has long been synonymous with Mino washi, a traditional style of paper produced in the area since the eighth century. In 2014 UNESCO recognized the paper and its production method as an intangible cultural heritage.

Day 3 cont.

From Mino To Gujo Hachiman

29.2 km, 23m



The food sample displays in the windows of restaurants are ubiquitous in Japan. Gujo Hachiman is a famous manufacturing center of these food replicas. Several of the manufacturers open their doors to visitors and hold workshops where you can make your own sushi, tempura or vegetable samples.

Day 3 cont.

From Gujo Hachiman To Takayama

79.4 km, 1h4m



Takayama and the surrounding area boast traditional architecture, colorful festivals and a range of the best mountains and onsen in Japan. The heart of Takayama city, the Sanmachi area of preserved buildings, attracts tourists from all over the country. You could spend a whole day wandering these old streets, buying souvenirs from the many craft shops, sampling local tea and digging into local treats like wagyu sushi.

Day 3 cont.

From Takayama To Okuhida Onsen

41.7 km, 54m



Okuhida Onsen is located in the north of Gifu Prefecture, right in the middle of Japan, and is one of the famous natural hot springs. The history is also old, and its opening is said to be the end of the 15th century. Okuhida Onsen consists of five hot spring villages: Hirayu, Fukuji, Shin Hirayu, Tochio & Shin-hotaka. You can enjoy the superb view of the Chubu-Sangaku National Park with about 3,000 meters of mountains, which is one of the attractions of Okuhida Onsen.



Day 4

From Okuhida Onsengo
To Shirakawago

82.2 km, 1h27m



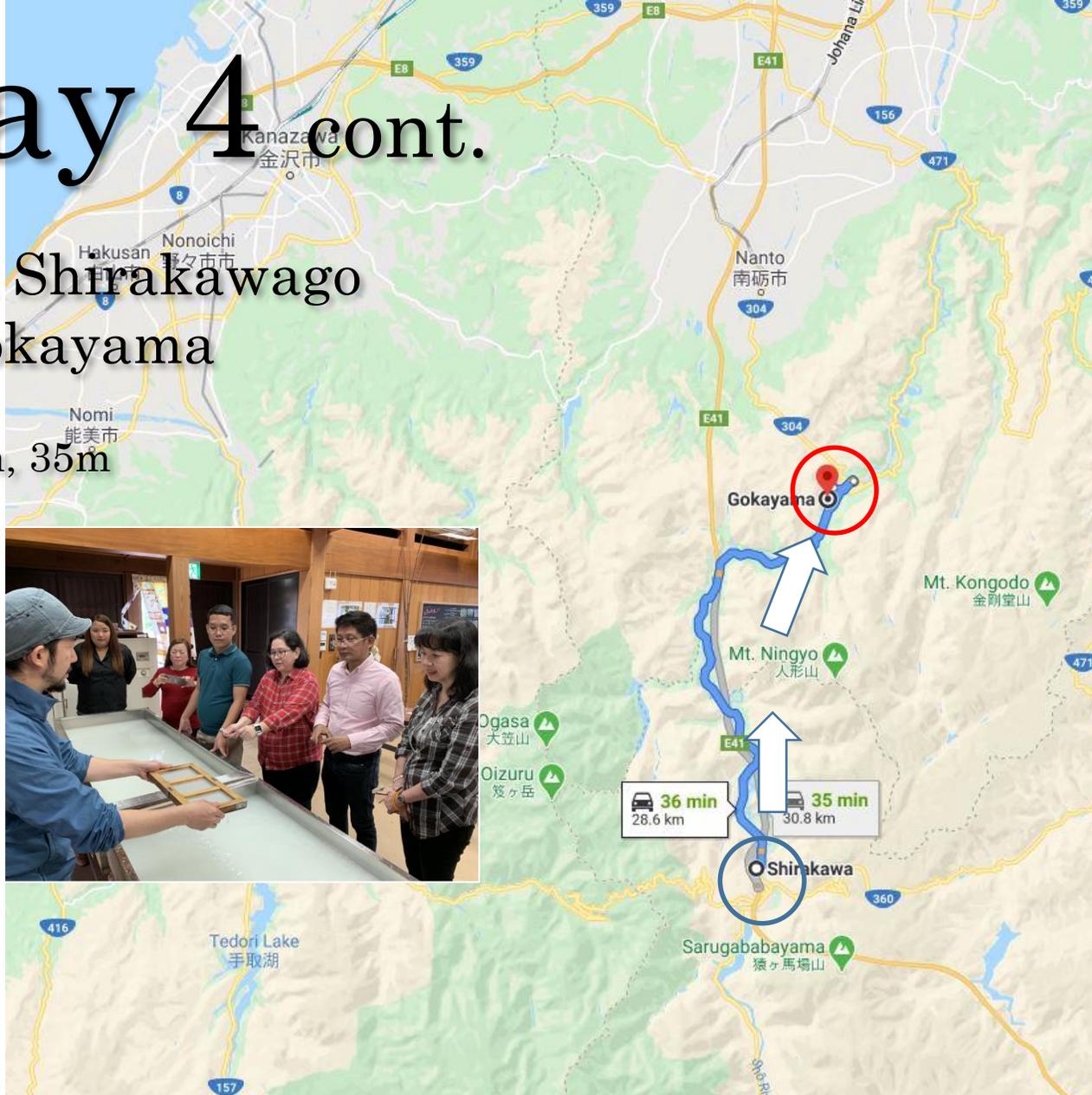
Nestled among woods and mountains, the ancient villages of Shirakawago and Gokayama are a true highlight of your visit to Japan. Listed as UNESCO World Heritage sites, these tiny hamlets take you back in time to a rustic life in a pristine alpine setting.



Day 4 cont.

From Shirakawago
To Gokayama

30.8 km, 35m

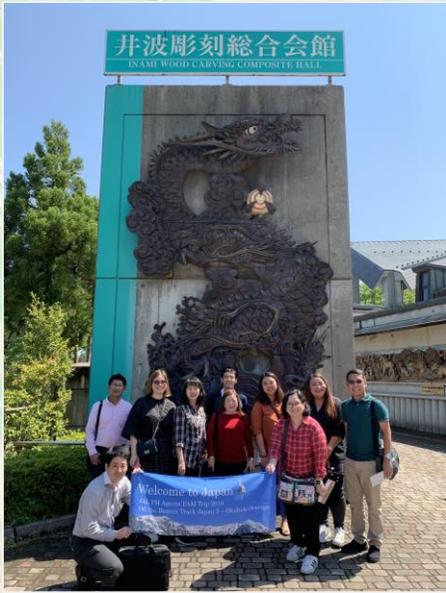
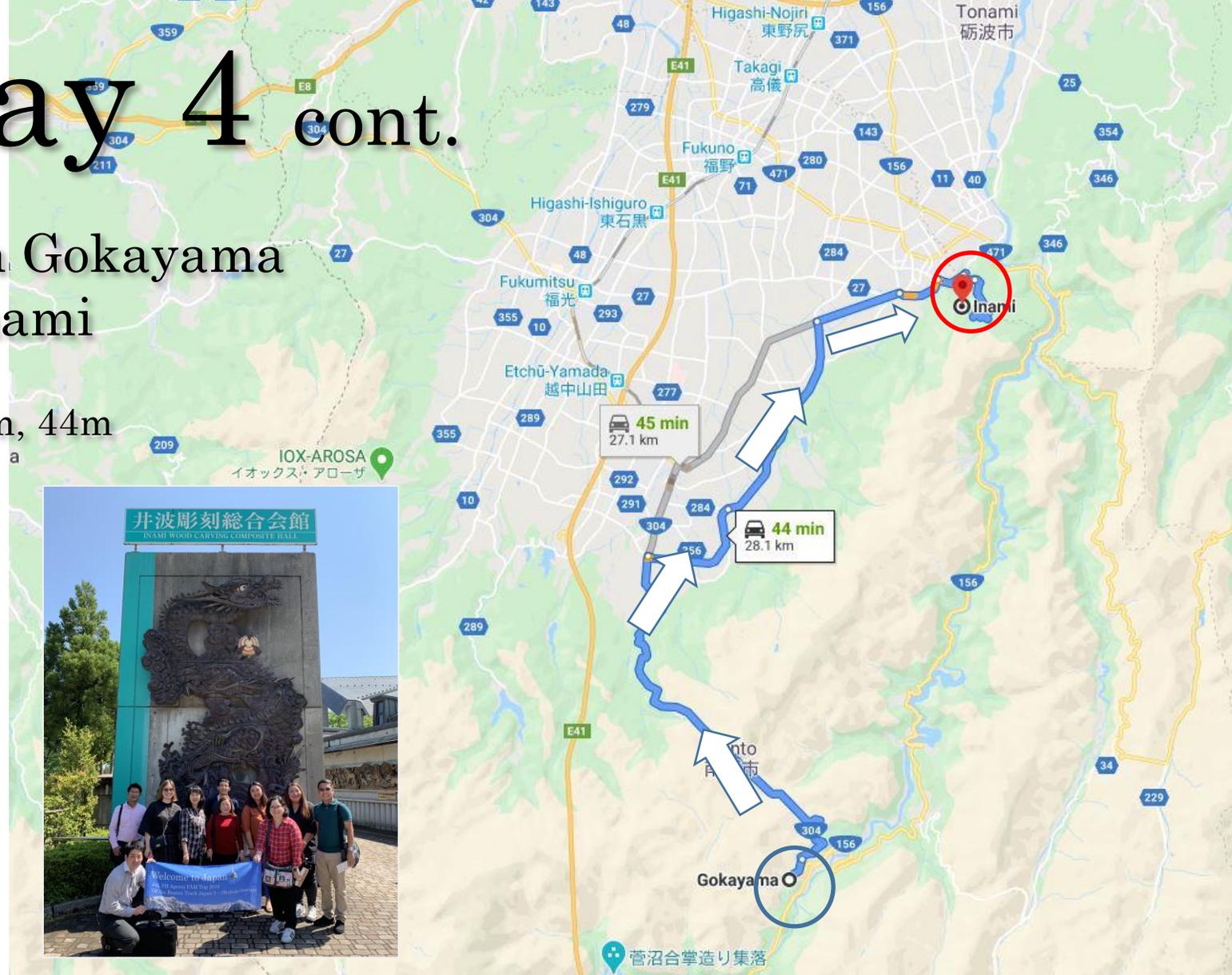


With their carefully preserved gassho-zukuri buildings, Gokayama's rural villages overflow with charm and simplicity. In summer, they offer a relaxing retreat from the big city bustle, while in winter you may feel as if you've walked into an old ukiyo-e print, whose snowy rooftops frame scenes of rustic beauty.

Day 4 cont.

From Gokayama To Inami

28.1 km, 44m



The town of Nanto (formerly known as Inami) in Toyama Prefecture is a hub for skilled wood carvers, carpenters and sculptors. Inami wood carving dates back to the mid-18th century. Inami woodwork is characterized by highly detailed, three-dimensional sculpting. Sukashi-fukabori, one of the techniques used for Inami wood work, sees artisans use over 200 different chisels and knives to carve both sides of a piece.

Day 4 cont.

From Inami
To Kanazawa

45.8 km, 57m



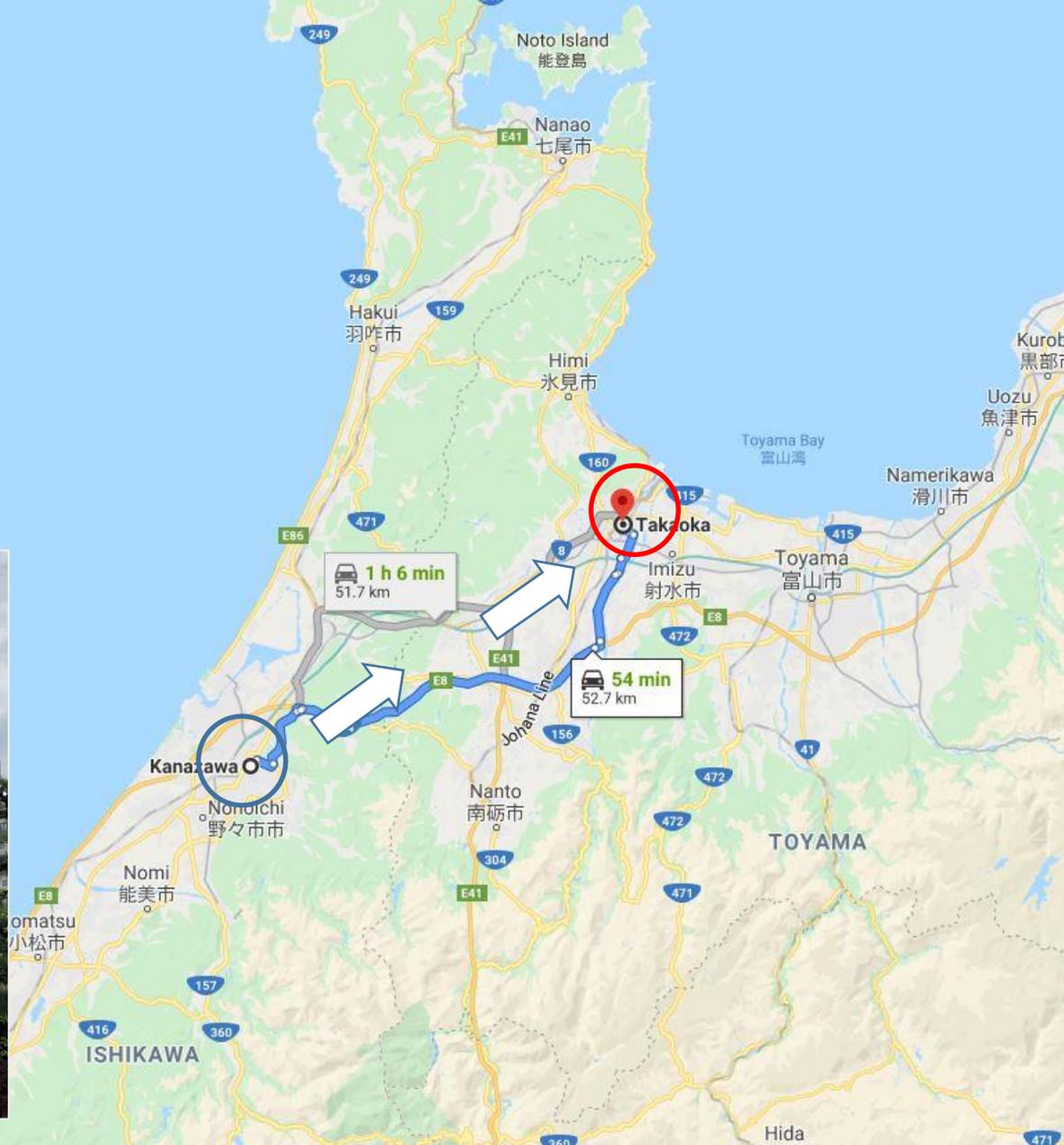
Kanazawa is the prefectural capital of Ishikawa, a narrow stretch of land on Japan's main island of Honshu along the Sea of Japan. It was one of the most important centers for culture and art during the Edo period and remains a haven for art enthusiasts. Kanazawa contains museums and workshops on everything from gold leaf to samurai.



Day 5

From Kanazawa
To Takaoka

52.7 km, 54m



Though not as large or central as Toyama City, Takaoka offers a mix of old-world refinement and modern convenience. Boasting such highlights as Zuiryuji Temple (National Treasure), the abundant green space of Takaoka Castle Park, and one of Japan's three Great Buddha statues, the city attracts visitors year-round.

Day 5

From Takaoka To Toyama

23.2 km, 39m



Nestled between the sea and the mountains, Toyama City has the best of both worlds. In addition, Toyama is home to the most substantial number of active glassworkers in Japan, so naturally, it has an excellent museum dedicated to the craft. Conveniently located in Central Toyama, the Toyama Glass Art Museum, designed by a world renowned Japanese architect Kuma Kengo, cuts a distinctive figure in the urban landscape.

Day 5 cont.

From Toyama
To Mitsui Outlet Park Hokuriku Oyabe

48.2 km, 44m

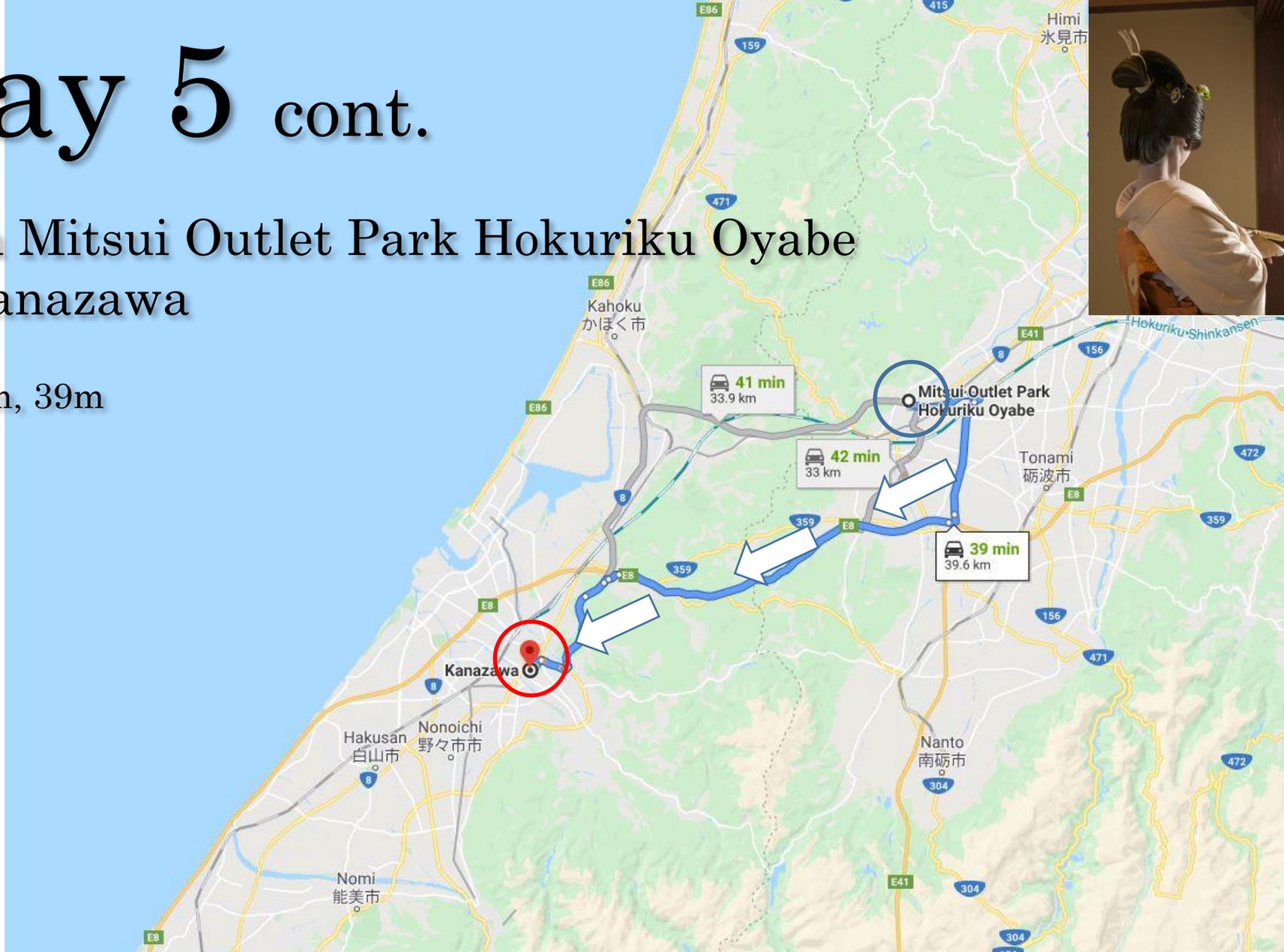


The first outlet mall in the Hokuriku area as the western side of Honshu, Mitsui Outlet Park Hokuriku Oyabe opened in 2015. Consisting of two floors, the facility hosts shops from top international brands and casual brands, lifestyle goods stores, food shops, and restaurants, totaling some 160 establishments in all.

Day 5 cont.

From Mitsui Outlet Park Hokuriku Oyabe
To Kanazawa

39.6 km, 39m

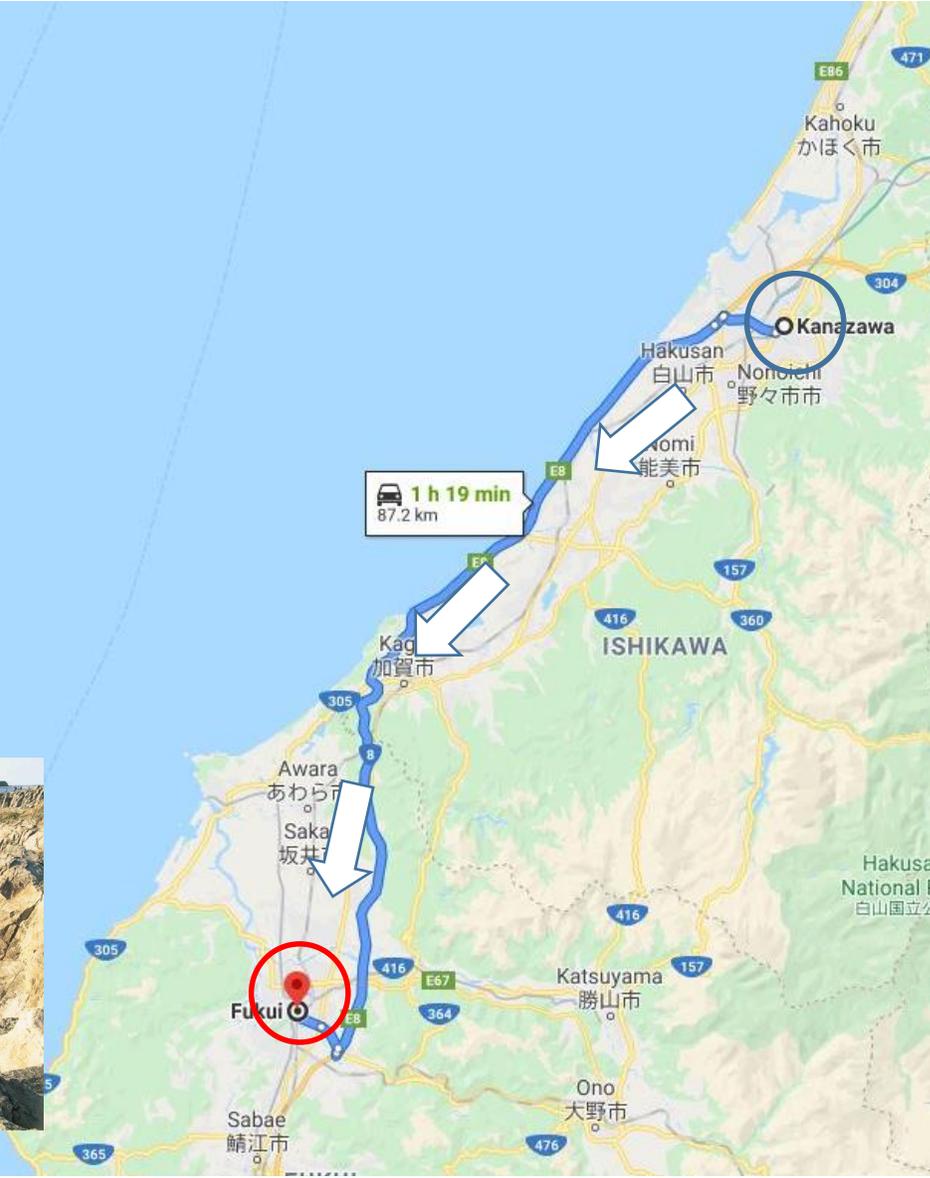


In Kanazawa, you'll find traditional and modern art and architecture, a vast range of Japanese crafts such as maki-e lacquerware, Kutani-yaki ceramics, and swordsmithing, geisha and samurai districts, and one of the most beautiful and acclaimed traditional landscape gardens in Japan.

Day 6

From Kanazawa
To Fukui

39.6 km, 39m



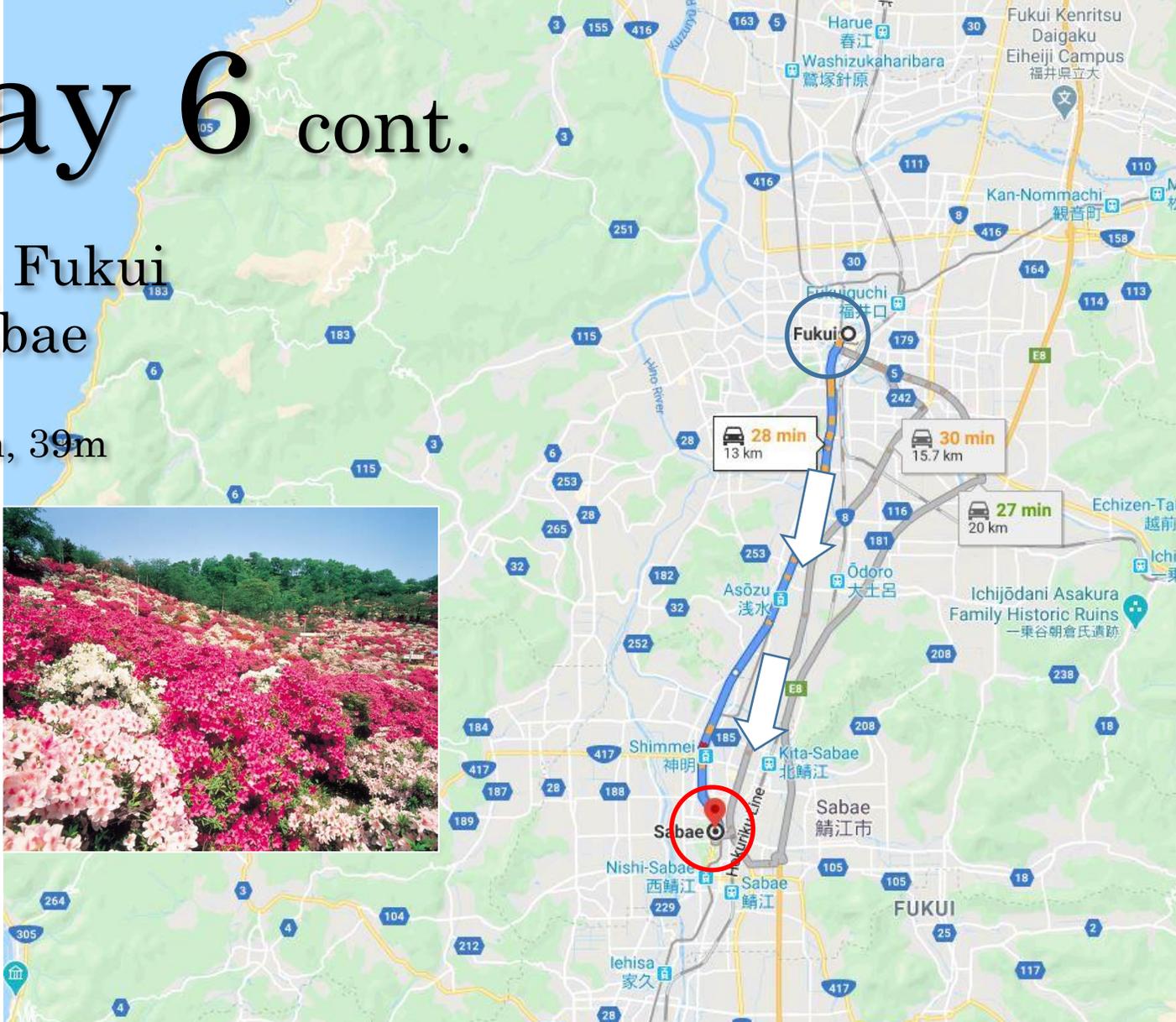
Easily accessible from Osaka and Kyoto, Fukui Prefecture is popular with history buffs, Buddhist scholars, nature lovers and those in search of culinary adventures. Perhaps most famous for its dinosaur museum, one of the best in the world, Fukui is also the birthplace of Echizen pottery and home to Eihei-ji Temple, a headquarters of Zen Buddhism; Maruoka Castle, one of twelve remaining original castles in the country; and spectacular cliffs and coastline at Tojinbo.



Day 6 cont.

From Fukui
To Sabae

39.6 km, 39m



The city of Sabae, despite being a lesser known destination, is situated in Fukui prefecture, a region steeped in the production of traditional Japanese craft such as textiles, lacquerware, pottery and Japanese wash paper. Above all, it prides itself as a sacred place for eyeglasses. With its overwhelmingly huge share of 95% in the manufacturing of MADE in Japan eyeglass frames, eyeglasses have come to be a defining feature for the city's image.

Day 6 cont.

From Sabae
To Obama

851. km, 1h9m



Thanks to the recent boom in Japanese cuisine, it is delighting to see many foreigners using chopsticks beautifully! Wakasa lacquered chopsticks are made in Obama city, Fukui prefecture. They were registered as Traditional Crafts of Japan in 1978. Obama produces more than 80 % of all lacquered chopsticks in Japan. Since Obama city shares its name with the 44th President of United States, Mr. Obama, he also received a set of personal chopsticks from the city.

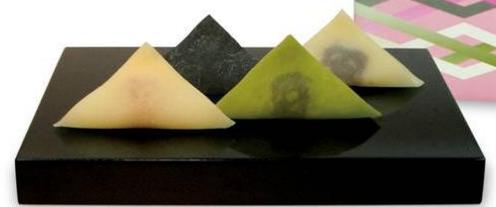
Day 6 cont.

From Obama
To Kyoto

77 km, 1h47m



since 1689



Kyoto City attracts millions of local and international visitors each year looking for traditional Japanese culture. Temples and shrines such as Kiyomizudera Temple and Kinkakuji draw lots off attention from visitors, as do the bamboo groves of nearby Arashiyama. Stay in a traditional ryokan, take a dip in a rejuvenating onsen, and enjoy the seasonal changes of cherry blossoms and brilliant autumn foliage.

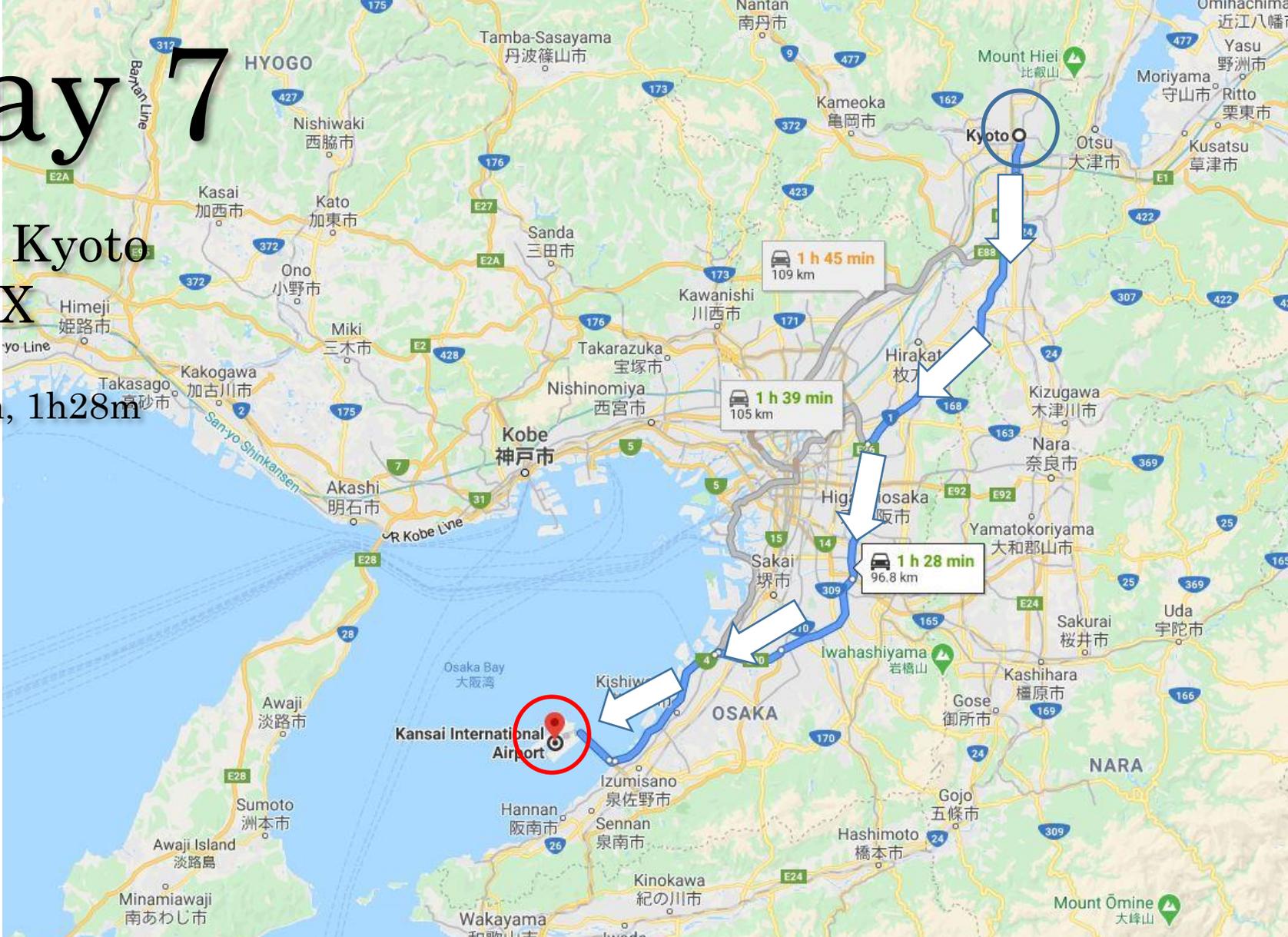


Fushimi Inari Shrine

Day 7

From Kyoto To KIX

96.8 km, 1h28m



Kyoto was the capital of Japan and the emperor's residence for over 1,000 years. It is now home to some of Japan's most popular attractions. Many of these attractions, including Kyoto Goshō and Nijo Castle, are located right in the heart of the city. You can spend several hours exploring the center of Kyoto and see some of Japan's most iconic heritage sites.



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