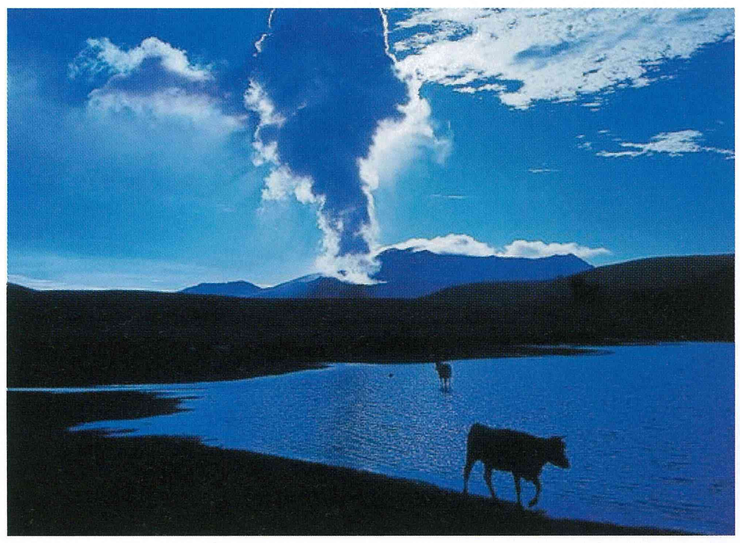
阿蘇市位置図 Location

Aso City is located near the center of Kyushu in the northeastern part of Kumamoto Prefecture. From Fukuoka City, a train or a bus will take you there in about three hours.

■Bus route from Kumamoto Airport to Aso

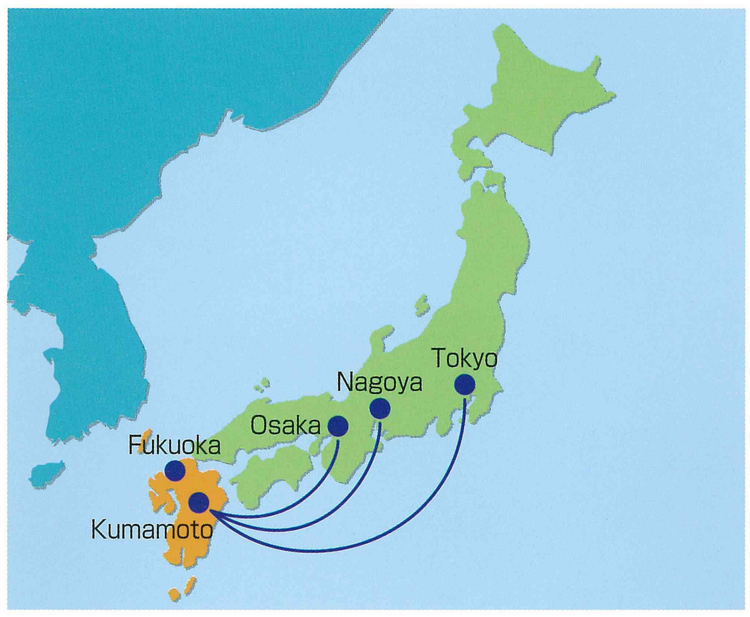
Kumamoto Airport
0:49
Express bus bound for Oita
JR Aso Sta.

■Listed is the standard time required for the trip. It may change depending on traffic conditions.



交通案内 Access

From Tokyo, Osaka or Nagoya, fly to Kumamoto or Fukuoka Airports. Then, take a local train or bus to Aso. Shinkansen passengers arrive at JR Hakata Station, and change to local train lines for Aso Station.



■Air Route from Tokyo, Osaka, or Nagoya to Kumamoto

Tokyo	Nagoya	Osaka
1:40	1:15	1:05
Kumamoto	Kumamoto	Kumamoto

■ Please refer to information on the inside front cover for access from Kumamoto to Aso.

■Railroad Access from Tokyo, Nagoya, or Osaka to Aso

Tokyo —Shinkansen 4:49—
Nagoya —Shinkansen 3:01—
Osaka —Shinkansen 2:10—
Hakata Sta. (Fukuoka) —Kagoshima Line 1:15— Kumamoto Sta. —Hohi Line 1:07— Aso Sta.

■ Listed is the shortest time required for the trip. It may be longer, depending on the day and the time of departure.

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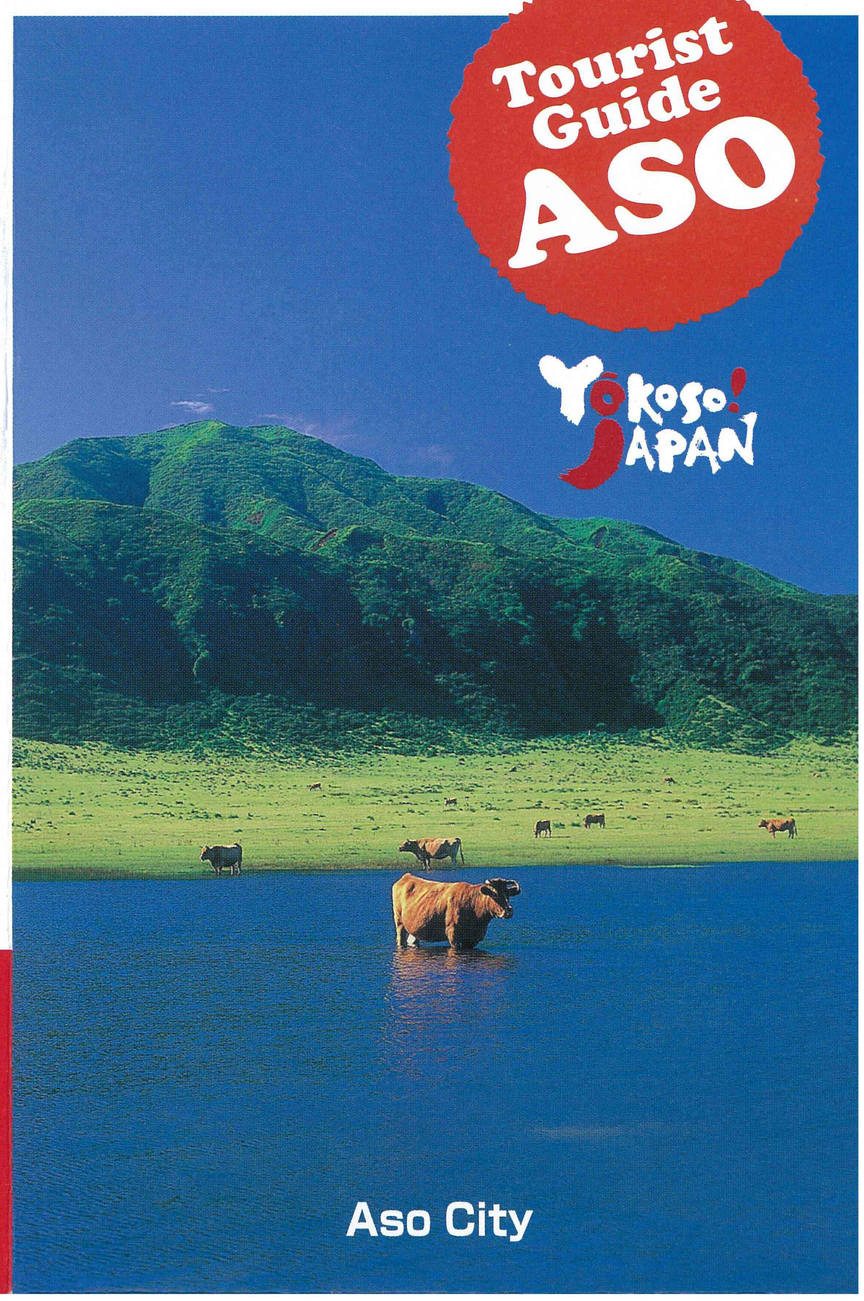
Aso-Kuju National Park



The crater of Mount Nakadake - a dynamic view before your eyes! You can feel the earth breathing, which is why Aso is so inviting.

[Caution!] Volcanic gas (sulfur dioxide or SO_2) is present in the air around the crater.

Please be aware of the potential danger of a volcano. Do not enter the off-limit area, and be prepared for an emergency in order to protect yourself. Access to the crater is sometimes restricted due to volcanic activities. In the event of an emergency, please follow the instructions of the guards on duty nearby.

The following individuals are not allowed to go up to Mount Nakadake due to potentially life-threatening conditions:

■ Asthmatics ■ Individuals with bronchial disorders ■ Individuals with heart trouble

Aso Volcanic Disaster Prevention Council

Mount Nakadake is an active volcano, spewing white smoke from its crater. Lava, hardened into rocks, covers an area of 4 km around the crater. You can walk, drive, or take a cable car up to the crater. It offers a rare opportunity to observe a crater at close range and feel the Earth's heartbeat.

Aso Caldera, one of the largest in the world, stretches 18 km from east to west, 24 km from north to south, and about 120 km in circumference.

Aso is part of Aso Kuju National Park and is blessed with much natural beauty, including Mount Nakadake with its white smoke, many hot springs, abundant and delicious water, and vast grasslands.

春 Spring

Aso is a treasure trove of flowering plants. Miyamakirishima, a variety of azalea, is in full bloom from mid-May, attracting many tourists.

夏 Summer

Green grasslands stretching over gentle hills make a breathtaking contrast with the deep blue sky.

秋 Autumn

A peaceful autumn landscape. The grandeur of Mount Aso and its gently swaying pampas grass are very impressive.

冬 Winter

Seeing a snow-covered Aso, you can hardly believe that you are in Kyushu. Each season you will find a different face of nature.