

# The four seasons of Tenryu Village

Tenryu village located in Shinshu in the south is a mountain village where the Tenryu River flows through the center of the village and carves a deep valley. Therefore, you can experience "genuine rich nature".

## Village Symbol

●Gold-banded Lily (Village Flower)

Grown naturally in the village.



●Trachycarpus (Village Tree)

Even in Nagano Prefecture, this tropical tree is grown widely, especially south part of village.



●Dollar Bird (Village Bird)

The natural Monument of Nagano Prefecture. This bird visited the village every first May.



## Festival Calendar

Jan 3rd- The Okiyome Festival in Mukagata (Amaterasu Kodai Shrine)

Jan 4th- The Winter Festival in Sakabe

Jan 5th- Ikedai Shrine Annual Festival in Okouchi

Late Feb. Sunday- Water god(Kozawa) Sunday of Spring and Autumn equinox-Sanjusansho-Kannon in Nakaisamura

April 14th- Spring Festival in Mitsuishima Shrine

Late April- Event of Deer-Chasing in Lunar Calendar.

March 3rd in Ikedai Shrine. (for praying to prevent beast hazard) Busa Festival in Lunar calendar. March 3rd in Sakabe

(archery festival)

August 14th to 16th- Bon Dance and Kake Dance in Sakabe, Mukagata and Okouchi

\*Sakabe is only on the 14th

Oct 10th- Fifteen Shrines Festival in Matsuishima

Mid Oct Sat & Sun- Autumn Festival in Mitsuishima-Shrine and Regular Festival in Ugusu-Shrine

Oct. 20th- Regular Festival in Hachiman-Shrine in Fukuishima

Late November Sunday- Autumn Festival in Nakaisamura.



●Hiraoka Dam 5 (Terryu-Kikumkawa Quasi-National Park, Hiraoka)



5 Hiraoka Dam

Cherry blossoms shine on the dam like.

14 Nisenji

About 50 cherry trees are located along the Tenryu River and the view from Sulin Bridge is superb.

6 Matsushima Park

Station of Chubu Electric Power, which are lit up at night.

9 Shitano-Koshi (Shitano in love)

There are about 400 cherry trees in front of the Furusato Taste Hut at the entrance of the village, and we welcome you.

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They'll tell you the earliest news of cherry blossoms in Shinshu.



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●Wachino River Festival(late July)

A lively festival is held at the Wachino River Campground, such as catching fish and opening stores.

●Yoshino cherry tree blooming time: late March-early April

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●blossoming time: late February-early March

About 100 plum trees are planted along the Tenryu River.

●Baika Ekiden (3rd Sunday in February)



●Furusato Summer Festival(August 15th)

It is very crowded with Bon festival dances and fun events. In addition, the fireworks on the riverbed of the Tenryu River echo in the mountains, which is magnificent.



Summer

Summer in Shinshu Mountains in a deep green village

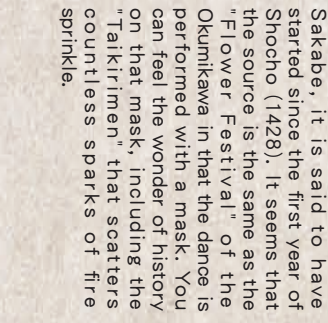
Autumn

Village is dyed in maple color, and the taste of autumn is in full swing



Winter

Shimotsuki Kagura", an important intangible folk cultural property of the country in winter. Three major festivals to call God



●Ikedai Shrine Annual Festival (Okouchi) 3 January 5th

As well as the Okiyome Festival of Mukagata, it is Yudei Kagura without a mask held by "Mudo" and "Nagei". Job titles of priesthood. Ma (dance) is dedicated throughout the night while changing the handheld fans and swords one after another. In particular, the final Shizume-no-Mai(dance of calming) is said to be a solemn dance performed by the experts.

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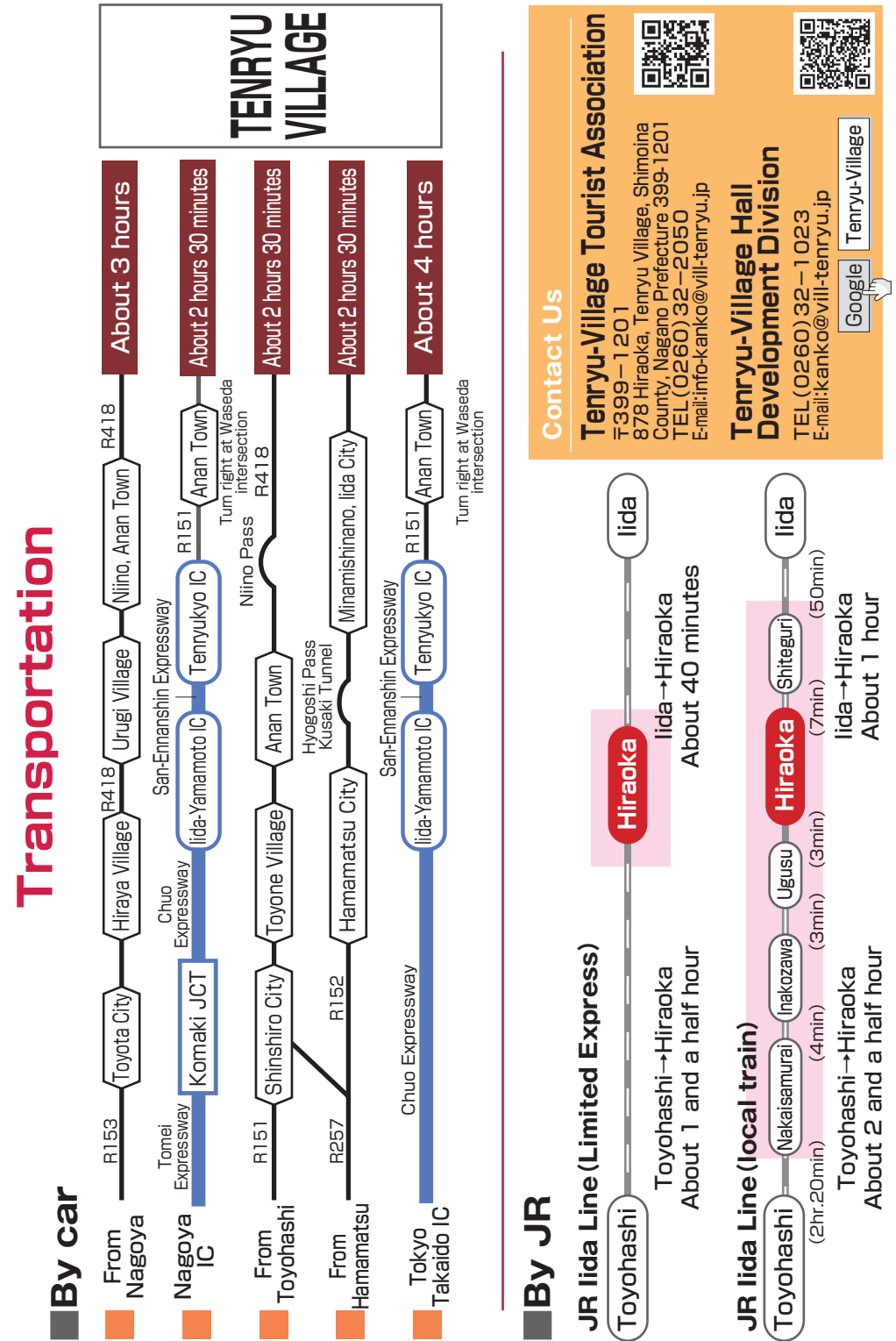
●Okiyome Festival (Mukagata) 1 January 3rd

Originally, this ritual was held only temporarily when the celebration of the whole nation or village and the individual wishes were fulfilled. At the current annual ritual, Kagura (god-entertainment) performs in its short term. In the center of the shrine, there is the cauldron filled with the boiled water on the bonfire, and the ritual is held surrounding it. In the past, only, of "Shimotsuki Kagura", or "Shimotsuki Kagura" (celebration of God by petition performed MaIdance). It is Yudei Kagura without a mask, and performers dance with handheld fans, wooden swords and swords and boil hot water more and more for the gods.

●Winter Festival (Sakabe) 2 January 4th

According to the Kumeaji Biography, transmitted to Sakabe, it is said to have started since the first year of Shochou (1428). It seems that the source is the same as the "Flower Festival" of the Okumikawa in that the dance is performed with a mask. You can feel the wonder of history on that mask, including the talkirmiss that scatters countless sparks of fire sprinkle.

Translated by ICU students



~The Village that Tells Shinshu Spring-Coming~

The Southernmost Village in Shinshu.

Minami Shinshu  
TENRYUMURA

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Area Map

