Access Map

JR
Tokyo – Shinkansen → Shin Aomori .......................... 3 Hours 10 Minutes
Akita – Limited Express → Aomori (Ouu Line) .......... 2 Hours 45 Minutes
Hachinohe – Shinkansen → Shin Aomori .................. 30 Minutes
Aomori – Limited Express → Kanita (Tsugaru Line) ... 30 Minutes
Kanita – Local Line → Minmaya (Tsugaru Line) ...... 40 Minutes
Kanita – Limited Express → Hakodate (Tsugaru Strait Line) 1 Hour 40 Minutes
Kanita – Limited Express → Kikonai (Tsugaru Strait Line) 55 Minutes

Local Bus
Kanita Station – Sotogahama Town Bus → Tairadate ........ 45 Minutes
Kanita Station – Sotogahama Town Bus → Minmaya (Town Office) 55 Minutes
Minmaya Station – Sotogahama Town Bus → Cape Tappi 30 Minutes

Car Ferry
Kanita (Tsugaru) – Wakinosawa (Shimokita) ................ 1 Hour
(Ferry Schedule)
April 21st – November 5th, 2011 Departure Times

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*For specific details, please check the Mutsu Wan Ferry website

Mutsu Wan Ferry Office Telephone:0174-22-3020
http://www.mutsuwan-ferry.jp

Taxi
- Kanita Taxi Service
  Tel: 0174-22-2113 (0120) 391881
- Kanita Kanko Taxi Service
  Tel: 0174-22-3399 (0120) 054915

Sotogahama Town Office
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Higashitsugaru-gun, Aomori 030-1393, Japan
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Homepage http://www.town.sotogahama.lg.jp/
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Obi Island

Keigetsu Oomachi Literature Monument
Shore Fishing
Santaro Kawakami Poetry Monument

Commend photos here.

A well-kept secret spot for fishing-enthusiasts. But it also has been called dangerous so be prepared.

Beautiful. Many people take
in the shore winds are
The thunberg lilies that blow

But it also has been called
fishing-enthusiasts.

A well-kept secret spot for

The views from here look like
they came right out of a
movie, and are worth the visit. The sunset is especially
beautiful.

There are many bees and
tourists in this area. They're
attracted to cars left in the
sun, so be careful.

To the left and right of this road are rows of beautiful
hydrogenas. Be careful not to look too much while driving.

The lights from the fishing boats make
this a very romantic scene to see.

The lights from the impressive white
lighthouse view is worth it.

There are many spots to relax
here so take a break if you
can.

Kanita River is abundant with fish.
Downstream are plenty of icefish,
and upstream are brook trout,
sweetfish, and char.

Sotogahama Town Office (Tairade)

Odaiba Camping Grounds,
Cabin, and Rest Area

Sotogahama Town Office
(Tairade)

Goshogawara City

Sotogahama Town
Minmaya Map

Sotogahama Town
Tairade Map

Sotogahama Town
Kanita Map
1. Cape Tappi
The Tsugaru National Park area known as “Cape Tappi” is the northernmost part of the Tsugaru Peninsula. It is separated from Hokkaido’s Shiretoko Peninsula by a distance of 19.5 km, but is connected underground by the Seikan Tunnel. On a clear day, you can even see Hokkaido in the distance.

2. Route 339 Stairway
With a total of 362 steps, this is the only national highway route that includes a staircase. Historically Route 339 served as a pedestrian thoroughfare before becoming a national highway in 1974. It is a well-known tourist spot known as the “Kaidan Kokudo.”

3. Hydrangea Road
This 15km road going from the Mihimaya train station to Cape Tappi is surrounded by 130,000 hydrangea plants, hence the name. Thanks to these Mihimaya–made flowers, every summer this road provides a very scenic way to reach Cape Tappi.

4. Maya Rock
This boulder has been eroded by the sea over the centuries. There is a legend that Yoshitsune, a famous samurai, prayed at this rock for safe passage over the Tsugaru Strait. The next morning, he saw three flying horses on top of Maya Rock, and it is said that he was able to travel safely to Hokkaido because of this good omen.

5. Tazukadate Lighthouse
This white lighthouse is one of the only lighthouses in the country that stands on a national highway. The lighthouse itself is 23 meters tall, and was built in 1899. It has watched over boats and ships coming into the Mutsu Bay for over 100 years.

6. Mutsu Road
This road serves as the entrance to the Tsugaru National Park, and is surrounded by towering Black Pine trees over 300 years old. This part area was once used by the Tokogawa shogunates to raise money by charging incoming travelers for passage.

7. Old Island
At the northernmost part of the Tsugaru Peninsula, this little island sits right at the base of Cape Tappi. But the island isn’t too small—it is connected to the mainland by a road and can be reached by car.

8. Cape Tappi Seaside Park
This scenic shoreline at the northernmost part of Cape Tappi is great for fishing, swimming, or even scuba diving. Tent Site: 500 yen per tent. Bungalow Rental (1-2 people): 4,000 yen per person. Cabin House Rental (4 people): 12,000 yen per person. Cabin House Rental (6 people): 15,000 yen per person.

9. Odulsa Camping Ground
This cabin resort and camping ground is right next to the scenic Matsumae Road in the Tsugaru National Park. The log cottages are separated into types A and type B, with a total of 20 cottages available. Log Cottage: 18,000 yen per night. Camp Site: 1,500 ~ 2,500 yen.

10. Yoshinuma Beach Park
Hot showers and changing rooms are available at this beach park in Mihimaya. You can enjoy fishing from the deck, swimming at the beach, or the various outdoor events held here year-round. Tent Site: 500 yen per tent. Beach is open July through August. Camp site is open from April to October. “Kabuto” hours: 9:00am ~ 4:00pm.

11. Kamenzan Park & Beach
This beach area is right next to the Top Mast tower and Car Ferry in Kaela. Taxis and showers are available (hot water 100 yen) as well as a parking lot capable of holding 200 cars (parking is free). Camping ground use: 200 yen per adult, 100 yen per child for one night.

12. Taradate Public Beach
This beautiful beach on Highway 280 is marked by an all-white lighthouse, and is conveniently located right next to a campground. The water is so clear you can see everything.

13. Kenza Ski Ground
This ski park is mostly meant for families and beginners. It has a 240m Rope Tike to help skiers reach the top, and a rest house at the bottom. Night skiing is also available. Open Season: Beginning of January to the Beginning of March. Night Skiing: Every Tuesday, Thursday from 6:00pm ~ 10:00pm. Open on Sundays from 9:00am ~ 4:00pm.

14. Seikan Tunnel Museum
Here, many displays, panels, video presentations and life-size models depict how the Seikan Tunnel was completed. General Admission: 400 yen. Under-ground Tunnel Admission: 100 yen. Combined Admission (includes under-ground tunnel): 1,300 yen. Children are half-price. Tel: 0174-38-2301 9:00am ~ 4:30pm.

15. Tappi Inn
Many famous figures including the author Osamu Dazai and his friend Ni-kun, as well as the artist Shiko Munakata, stayed in this former-guest-house once called the Okuya Inn. The building has been changed into a tourist information center. Admission: Free. Tel: 0174-31-8025 9:00am ~ 4:30pm.

16. Kabuto
Inside “Kabuto” you will find a light “teppanyaki” corner with a small lunch menu, as well as a local specialty called “Kabutoyama-zen,” which is rice cake made with Kinbu seaweed. Some of the local fishing equipment and history are also on display. Camping grounds are available for 500 yen per tent. Tel: 0174-31-7011 8:00am ~ 5:00pm. Closed on Wednesdays.

17. Weikani
The name of this store comes from “Welcome” and the town name of “Kamia.” You can buy locally-produced vegetables, flowers, fish, meat, and even souvenirs or crafts. Tel: 0174-31-1112 7:00am ~ 8:00pm. Schedule subject to change.

18. The Wind Town Plaza – Top Moti
This facility features a viewing platform 30 meters above the ground offering a beautiful scenic view of the sea. On the first floor is the ticket counter for the Car Ferry and a souvenirs shop. Tel: 0174-22-3181 8:00am ~ 5:00pm. Shoe Lunk: 0174-22-3905 11:30am ~ 4:00pm Closed on Mondays.

19. Oyamaha Historical Museum
This historical museum is most well-known for its collection of Jomoto archeological materials collected at the Oyama Yarramoto Archaeological Site, which contains some of the world’s oldest dated pottery. Admissions: Free. Tel: 0174-22-2517 9:00am ~ 4:00pm. Closed on Mondays and during the New Year’s holidays.

20. Taradate Rest Area
This building is located within the Tsugaru National Park. From here you can enjoy the beach, camping grounds, cabins, and the local mountains. Parking available for up to 10 cars/11 large-sized automobiles. Handicapped spaces also available. 24-hour public toilet. General store open from 10:00am ~ 4:00pm. Closed on weekends and holidays. Tel: 0174-31-2211

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**Accommodations**

- **Nakamura Ryoukan**
  Tel: 0174-22-2046
- **Ryokan Mikurou**
  Tel: 0174-22-3100
- **Sakaki Ryoukan**
  Tel: 0174-22-2104
- **Kita Ryoukan**
  Tel: 0174-25-2312
- **Pension Chateau**
  Tel: 0174-25-2323
- **Daiwa Camp and Car Park**
  Tel: 0174-31-2211
- **Ishida Ryoukan**
  Tel: 0174-25-2317
- **Tazukadate Kurei Oshou**
  Tel: 0174-25-2311
- **Cape Tappi Onsen Hotel**
  Tel: 0174-38-2011
- **Guest House “Bonten”**
  Tel: 0174-38-2845
- **Guest House “Togu Puyu”**
  Tel: 0174-38-2845
- **Guest House “Nambana”**
  Tel: 0174-38-2206
- **Guest House “Togukaburi”**
  Tel: 0174-38-2285
- **Cape Tappi Seaside Park**
  Tel: 0174-38-2741
- **Tappi Ryoukan**
  Tel: 0174-37-2666

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**Tourist Attractions/Facilities**

- Scenic Spots
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