

THE MUSEUM OF TOYOMA

ACCESS

Meiji Village Museum of Miyagi

TOYOMA TOWN

A town with a nostalgic feel of the Meiji era



Time required for~

Matsushima~Toyoma 45km/28miles (1hour)

Sendai City~Toyoma 70km/44miles
(1 hour and 40 minutes)

Sendai Airport~Toyoma 80km/50miles
(1 hour and 50 minutes)

Hanamaki Airport~Toyoma 100km/63miles (2 hours)

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HISTORY MUSEUM

Admission fee for History Museum

Admission fee for each facility Japanese yen

		Education Museum	Police Museum	Mizusawa Prefectural Office Memorial	Samurai Museum	Traditional Performing Arts Museum
Individual	Adults					
	High school students					
	Elementary and Junior high school students					
Group	General public					
	High school students					
	Elementary and Junior high school students					

The group charge applies to 20 or more people

Economy ticket for 5 places Japanese yen

Division	Individual	Group
General public		
High school student		
Elementary and Junior high school students		

Opening hours/9:00A.M.~4:30P.M.

Days the museum is closed/
from December 28th to January 4th

Toyoma Tourism and Local Produce Center

Tōyama no Sato

Tourist Information Center／Souvenirs／Restaurant

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Education Museum

The school house of Toyoma Elementary School under the old system of education
National important cultural assets

Visiting time required 30 minutes Admission fee 400 yen
One minute walk from Toyoma Tourism and Local Produce Center



Built in 1888(Meiji Era), this building is representative of western—style school architecture of the time.

The two—story wooden building has a symmetrical appearance with a channel shaped layout.

Both ends of the building have an entrance in a half hexagonal shape (called “Roppou” in Japanese).

A balcony runs along the outside of the rooms.

A feature of the building is the balcony that spans the interior side of the schoolhouse and is a symbol for the building with a hip roof and tile roofing.

Inside the building there is an exhibition of the history of education since Meiji era. Items displayed include photos and the recreation of the classroom to resemble those of the Meiji era.



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Samurai Museum

Visiting time required - 15 minutes Admission fee 200 yen
One minute walk from Toyoma Tourism and Local Produce Center



The building was built in 1961 on the former ruins of Teraike castle.

It way donated by Masando Watanabe who was a distinguished townsman of Toyoma.

Items exhibited in this building include artifacts connected with the Date famiry

These articles are precious cultural assets depicting the days when Toyoma was a castle town of the Date clan (from the 17th century to the 19th century).

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Mizusawa Prefectural Office Memorial

Important cultural asset designated by Toyoma Local Government

Visiting time required - 15 minutes Admission fee 200 yen
Two minutes walk from Toyoma Tourism and Local Produce Center



In 1871, a new prefectural government was established in Toyoma.

The office building was completed the following year.

The name of the prefecture was changed from Toyoma to “Mizusawa,” and the building had been used until 1875.

The wooden gate, magnificent roof, and gable with lattice make it typical of Japanese architecture.

However the main building is Western style which made it a valuable building of those days.

This building was formerly used as an elementary school and court of justice.

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Police Museum

The former Toyoma Police Station
Important cultural asset designated by Miyagi Prefecture Government.

Visiting time required - 15 minutes Admission fee 300 yen
Seven minutes' walk from Toyoma Tourism and Local Produce Center
Two minutes from Toyoma Tourism and Local Produce Center by car.



Established in 1889, this western style building had been used as the police stasion until 1968.

The two-storied wooden structure has a stairwell, balcony, a hipped roof and clay tile roofing.

The outer wall was painted.

The building is regarded as a very valuable cultural asset in terms of pseudo western architecture of the mid Meiji era.

“Shun-ran-tei”, literally means “Spring Orchid House”

Shunran-tei is an old samurai residence built over 400 years ago.

The name of the house stems from the fact that the house provided “Shun-ran tea,” which was made from processed spring orchid growing wild in Toyoma.

In the tea room with the fireplace, visitors can enjoy Shun-ran tea, powdered green tea, coffee, ice cream, and drinks of the season.

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Mori Butai or stage-Traditional Performing Arts Museum

Visiting time required - 15 minutes Admission fee 200 yen
15 minutes walk from Toyoma Tourism and Local Produce Center
Two minutes from Toyoma Tourism and Local Produce Center by car.



In Toyoma Town, “Toyoma Noh(traditional masked dance-drama)”, “Okayachi-Nannbu Kagura(Shinto Music and dance numbers)” and “Toyoma Bayashi(festival music)” have flourished since the 17th century.

This type of art has been handed down from one generation to another by the town’ s citizens.

This museum called “Mori Butai,” which was built for the center of local culture,has an authentic Noh stage, practice room, and exhibition room.

Noh performances are held twice a year (June and September). It is characterized by “Takigi Noh”(plays performed outdoors with lights supplied by bonfires).

This museum is used as a place for the promotion of traditional performing arts.

