

A photograph of the interior of Makido Cave. The cave walls are covered in numerous stalactites of varying sizes, some illuminated by warm yellow light. In the center, a pool of water is lit with a vibrant blue light, creating a striking contrast. A wooden walkway with a red railing runs along the right side of the pool. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and awe-inspiring.

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Niimi, Okayama



# A Mystical World

“Makido” is based on Japanese poem  
which was composed by Yosano Akiko.

It's formative gallery made by water and eternal time.

See everything with your eyes

and feel the brevity of human time.




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Total Length: 450 meters  
Time Required: 30 Minutes





満奇の洞千畳敷の  
蠟の火の  
あかりに見たる  
顔を忘れぬ

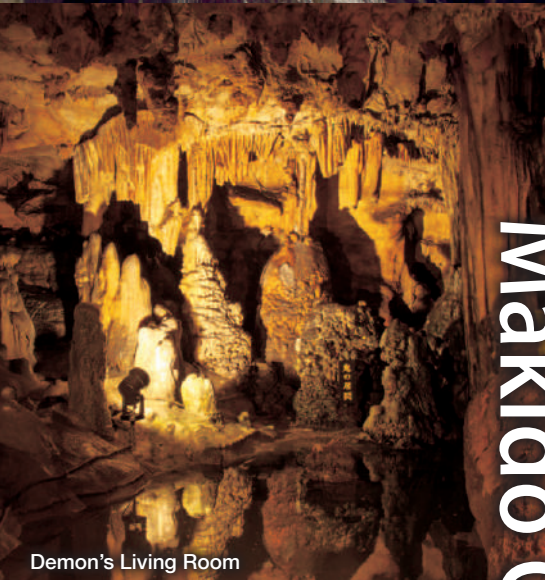
晶子

Akiko Yosano wrote this poem with her husband  
when she visited Makido Cave on April 10, 1929.





Go through the small cave...



Demon's Living Room



Lover's Fountain: Darkness enclose you when the lighting turns off.

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**Soba Dojo-Inakaya**

"Kusama Soba" is popular due to the best ingredients. You can try soba making at the workshop.



**Niimi Chiya Hot Springs-Ibuki no Sato**



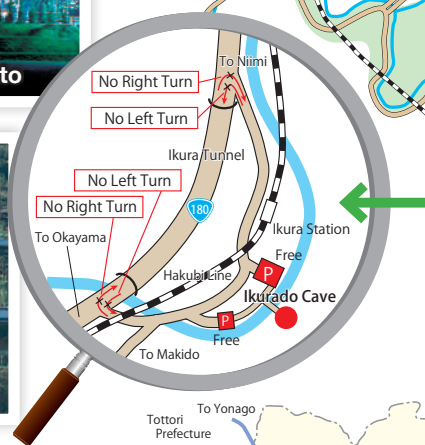
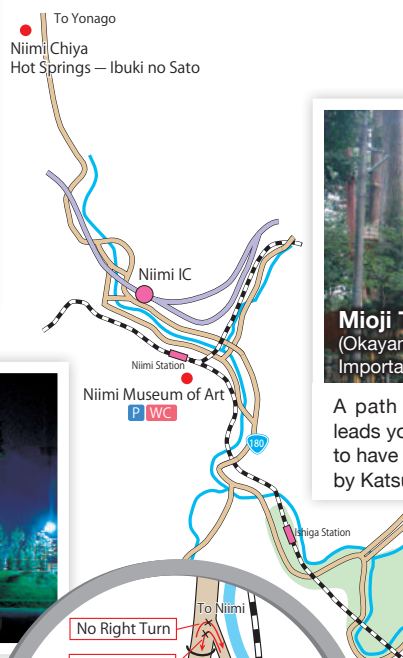
**Niimi Museum of Art**



**Kinugake Falls**

The water that falls from the 60 meter cliff looks like silk threads.

## Makido and Ikura



**Ifurai Museum of Art**

The works of the sculptor Ifurai and local Hosonaka-style ware are displayed.



A path leads you to have a view by Kats...

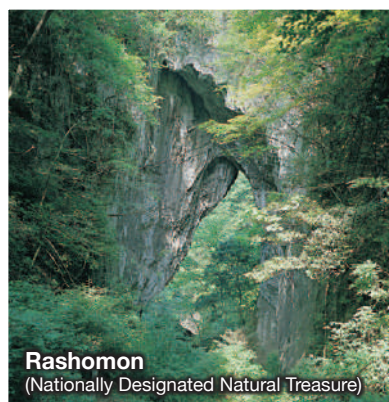
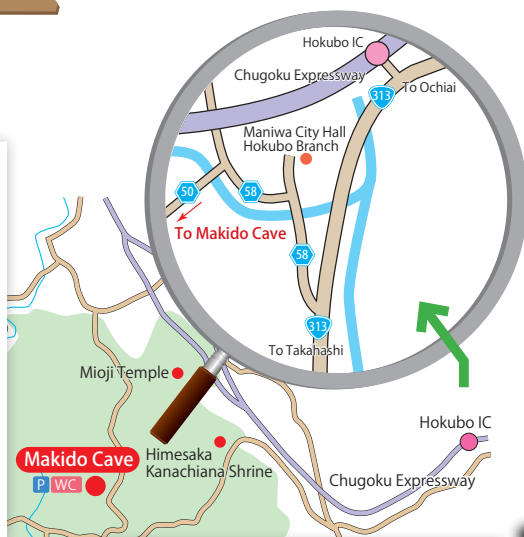


# Ikurado Area Map



**Temple**  
Niimi Prefecture-Designated  
Intangible Cultural Asset

of tall 1000-year-old cedars  
you to the main temple. It is said  
been rebuilt in Eiroku 2<sup>nd</sup> (1559)  
Susuke Sho.



**Rashomon**  
(Nationally Designated Natural Treasure)

The limestone forms a 40 meter gigantic  
arch. You'll be impressed by it as the  
name suggests.

## Makido/Ikurado Admission Fee

	Adult	High School Student	Middle School Student	Elementary School Student
General admission	¥1,000	¥1,000	¥800	¥500
Group 20 + People	¥900	¥800	¥700	¥400
Group 50 + People	¥850	¥750	¥650	¥350
Group 100 + People	¥800	¥700	¥600	¥300

※ Each cave requires an entrance fee.

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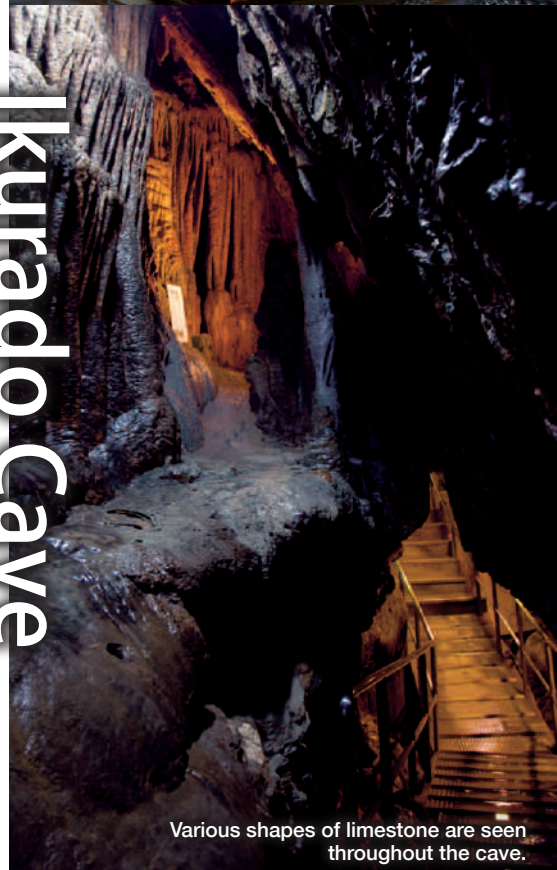


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Earth's Axis Falls



Various shapes of limestone are seen  
throughout the cave.



The stalactite which continues growing up



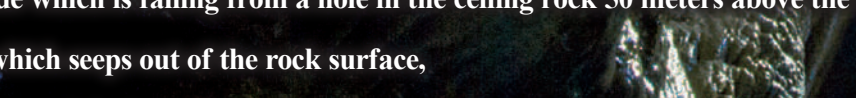
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The map illustrates the layout of the Japanese Garden at the Crystal Bridge. A prominent white path winds through the garden, starting from the '入口 (Entrance)' at the bottom right and ending at the '出口 (Exit)' at the bottom left. The path is marked with red dots at various points of interest. The garden is set against a background of a dark, textured landscape with blue and green hues, suggesting water and foliage. Numerous landmarks are labeled in both English and Japanese, including:

- 夢殿 (Dream Hall)
- 月の廻廊 (Moon Corridor)
- ささやきの間 (Whispering Space)
- 白龍の扉 (Silver Door)
- とつせぬら (Barring the Way)
- 地獄の釜 (Cauldron of Hell)
- 竹林 (Bamboo Forest)
- 三猿 (Sardan-Kyo Ravine)
- 阿里佐の宮 (Arisa's Palace)
- 鏡すだれ (Arisa's Bamboo Blind)
- 音の滝 (Sound Falls)
- 無人の広野 (Deserted Vast Field)
- 見返りの池 (Reward Pond)
- 千人坊主 (Thousand Priests)
- しめろの柱 (Palm Tree Pole)
- だるま大駒 (Dharma)
- 三猿 (Three Monkeyes)
- 八重の塔 (Eight-Story Pagoda)
- 虹の谷 (Rainbow Valley)
- 武人の館 (Samurai Hall)
- 黒い会館 (Black Meeting)
- 瀬戸の海 (Sero Sea)
- 鬼の手袋 (Demon's Glove)
- 水晶館 (Crystal Hall)
- 水晶の滝 (Earth's Axis Falls)
- 金すだれ (Golden Boulden)
- くらげ岩 (Jellyfish Boulden)
- こらもじ岩 (Bat Boulden)
- 参礼 (Climbing Turtle)
- 参礼の滝 (Arisa Falls)
- 化粧臺 (Sumo Wrestler's Ornamental Apron)
- 月口ケツト (Moon Rocks)
- 延命の泉 (Life-Extending Fountain)



# Hear the pulse of the Earth



A cascade which is falling from a hole in the ceiling rock 50 meters above the ground,  
 Water which seeps out of the rock surface,  
 The current sinks into chasm,  
 The black gaping hole in front of you...  
 Where are these lead to?







A family of four (father, mother, and two children) are posing in front of a large, illuminated rock formation in a cave. The father is on the right, smiling and waving. The mother is on the left, also smiling and waving. The two children are in the center, smiling and waving. The rock formation is large and textured, with green and yellow lighting highlighting its features. The overall atmosphere is warm and inviting.

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