

# Hongu Area



## Kumano Hongu Heritage Center

The Kumano Hongu Heritage Center is the focal point for visitor information in Hongu. There are two halls: North and South.

In the South hall is the tourist information center and permanent exhibitions about the World Heritage property "Sacred Sites and Pilgrimage Routes in the Kii Mountain Range".

The North hall features permanent exhibitions about the Hongu area, a multi-purpose hall and temporary exhibition space. Permanent exhibitions are bilingual Japanese and English.

This center is a must visit for those interested in learning more about the region's unique cultural landscape.

Hours: 9:00~17:00 (Open year-round)

Free Admission



## Japan's Spiritual Hot Spring

Yunomine Onsen is an isolated hot spring tucked into a small valley. It is one of the oldest hot springs in Japan and intimately connected to the Kumano Kodo as pilgrims used the hot mineral waters for purification rites.



## Tsuboyu Bath

Tsuboyu is a historic bath in the creek near the center of Yunomine Onsen.

Capacity: 1~2 people  
 Time: up to 30 minutes private use  
 Price: 800 yen, 12 and under 400 yen  
 Hours: 6:00~21:00

First come, first serve. Buy tickets at the counter near Toko-ji temple.

※ No swimming suits, soap or shampoo allowed.  
 LINK: [www.tb-kumano.jp/en/onsen/yunomine/#tsuboyu](http://www.tb-kumano.jp/en/onsen/yunomine/#tsuboyu)

