Arima Onsen

90 minutes · Footbath, little shops & snacks

1 / 3 A little walking, plenty to enjoy

Stay around Kin no Yu for a footbath and a leisurely browse. This is a suggested stroll, with no need to visit every stop. The town still has some slopes.

1. Head towards Kin no Yu

Confirm your pickup time and the exact stopping position with your driver.

2. Taiko footbath · Free

Free, beside Kin no Yu. Allow 10-15 minutes; bring a towel. Browse first if seats are full.

3. Around Kin no Yu & Yumotozaka

Browse crackers, souvenirs and ALIMALI. Enjoy a short stretch of Yumotozaka; no need to climb the whole street.

4. Return for pickup

Keep 15-20 minutes to return to 7-Eleven Arima Onsen. Leave shops early if queues are long.

Suggested 90-minute budget: 10 minutes to walk and get your bearings, 15 for the footbath, 40 for shops and snacks, 15 to return, plus a 10-minute buffer. Shorten browsing if queues take longer.

Pickup meeting point

7-Eleven Arima Onsen

1400-4 Arimacho, Kita-ku, Kobe, Hyogo, Japan

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Return by the time agreed with your driver, then check where your vehicle is stopping.

Google Maps (online)

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2 / 3 Small discoveries along the streets

Suggestions for independent browsing, with no commercial affiliation. Popular shops may have queues; keep an eye on your pickup time.



Kin no Yu footbath

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Tansan senbei · Carbonated rice crackers

Arima’s light, crisp local snack. Mitsumori Honpo on Yumotozaka still makes hand-baked crackers: look out for the baking and browse gifts. Production depends on the day.

Arima soda & a small treat

Take a break with Arima cider-a local soft drink-and a snack from the nearby shops. Eat in the area designated by the shop.

Arima Toys & Automata Museum · ALIMALI

Close to Kin no Yu, the shop offers wooden toys, picture books and more. Browse the shop for a short stop; museum exhibitions require a separate ticket. Allow less shopping time if you go inside.

The footbath follows Kin no Yu’s opening and closure schedule. The museum usually opens 10:00-17:00, last entry 16:30; ALIMALI usually opens 10:00-17:00. Check official calendars for closures or changes.

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3 / 3 For a longer stroll: Tosen Shrine

If you enjoy walking and want to see more of the town, spend less time browsing and continue to Tosen Shrine. This optional detour involves slopes and steps.

Fit it into your visit

From Kin no Yu, follow signs and maps towards Onsenji Temple and Tosen Shrine. Reallocate about 25-35 minutes of your 90-minute visit for walking, a short visit and the return. This is an estimate; still leave time to reach the pickup point.

What to notice

The shrine honours deities connected with legends of Arima’s hot-spring origins. Enjoy the quieter atmosphere beyond the shopping streets.

Let time and energy guide you

Stay near Kin no Yu if you prefer to avoid stairs. Skip the detour when paths are wet or time is short. There is no need to fit in both the shrine and paid museum exhibitions.

Tosen Shrine

1908 Arimacho, Kita-ku, Kobe (湯泉神社)

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