



Forests of Miyama

Miyama District, Fukui City

From tree planting, to branch pruning, to periodic thinning, the forest's caretakers pass their task from generation to generation, nurturing trees from saplings to towering, 100 year-old giants. One look at the forest illustrates the profundity of their craft.



Sugiyama, in the Miyama District of Fukui City



Felling a 100-plus year-old tree (Miyama District, Fukui City)^①

Approximately 90% of Miyama's area is woodland, and it has a long history of timber production.

Parts of the mountain accumulate over 2m of snow in winter, and the trees that fell as a result are stood up and supported in spring, in order to ensure their continued healthy growth.



Propping up fallen trees (Miyama District, Fukui City)^②



Sanmandani-cho, Fukui City



Miyama-cho Forestry Association Lumber Yard (Sakaidera-cho, Fukui City)

The Miyama district is surrounded by forested mountains, a traditional farming settlement in pristine natural environs. Gazing up at its cedars stretching skyward is a humbling yet relaxing sight that inspires an appreciation of both its natural bounty and the efforts of those who have nurtured it over generations.

Those living in the vicinity have long sustained the lumber production of the area, and continue to do so today while maintaining the traditional feel of this mountain village.

