



Takahama and the Old Tango Highway

Wada, Takahama-cho and Elsewhere

From Wakasa-wada to Takahama stretch open beaches and glimmering seas. At sunset the skies glow orange, the waters a gentle gold, and nearby Mt. Aoba a soft purple.



The view from Mt. Adzuchi



The Wada shoreline^①



Wakamiya shoreline^②

Though it originally developed as a transit area for seafood and religious pilgrims, today the area between the Takahama and Wada districts of Takahama-cho that once comprised part of the Tango Highway have become a popular destination for swimmers, brimming with lodgings and homes catering to this industry.

From atop the nearby mountains hikers can enjoy views of *kawarabuki*-roofed homes from the early Showa Period dotting the town.



Neighborhoods of Wakamiya

From Wakamiya to the Honmachi district, the bustling town is home to many traditional two-storied houses, and small streets run between them wooden- and *namako* latticed plaster-walled homes and inns from Sonobe to Wada.



Narrow streets of the Wada district



Road marker for the old Tango Highway^③



Locally made *hina* dolls^④

Every year during the Hina Festival, *hina* dolls decorate the stretch of Honmachi bordering the Tango Highway. Visitors can see these dolls, many locally made, at stores in town.

