



Mt. Hino and the Hino River

Echizen City, Sabae City, Minami Echizen-cho, Fukui City

A walk along the Hino River brings back fond memories of childhood: fishing in its pristine waters, viewing the verdant green of Mt. Hino...all sights that sooth the soul.



Mt. Hino (Echizen City)^①



Rape blossoms along the banks of the Hino River (Sabae City)^②

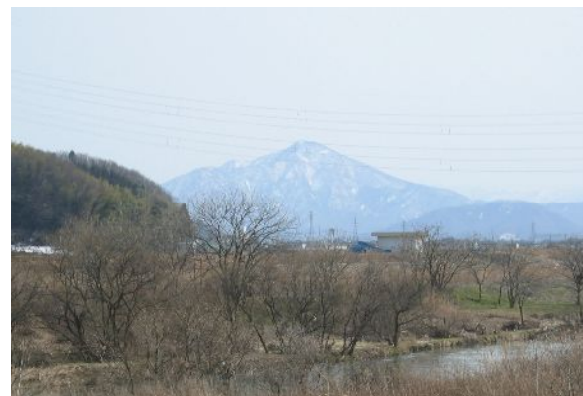
From Echizen City, one can see the peak of Mt. Hino in sharp relief against the endless blue sky. Its beauty has earned it the nickname “Echizen’s Mt. Fuji.” It has been the symbol of the domain of Echizen (present day Echizen City) since the Nara Period, and has been the subject of Murasaki Shikibu’s poetry. When her father, Fujiwara no Tametoki, became lord of the domain, Murasaki would often write poems while viewing its snow-covered mountainsides.



Fishing for ayu near Nanjō Ōhashi^③



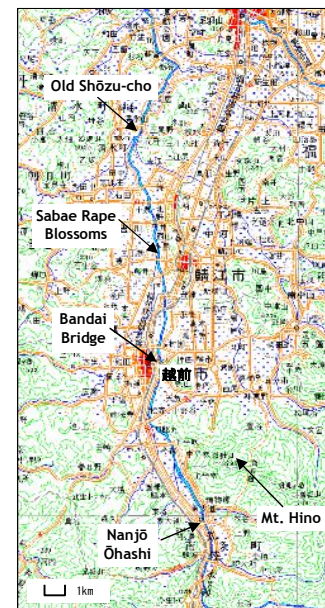
The Bandai Pedestrian Bridge (Echizen City)



Mt. Hino, as viewed from Fukui City’s former Shōzu-cho

The Hino River originates in Minami Echizen-cho on the western side of Mt. Hino, and flows north 66km through Echizen City and Sabae City before converging with the Kuzuryū River. In April, rape flowers burst into bloom along its banks, blanketing them with brilliant yellow flora. From the beginning of June until early September, anglers from all over come to fish for the ayu that swim in its waters.

Echizen City’s Bandai Pedestrian Bridge gives strollers an unforgettable view of both Mt. Hino and the Hino River.



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