



## Activities

### Forest Therapy

**[Period]** All seasons  
**[Fee]** ¥2,000 ~

(\*Depending on the number of participants, please check the website.)

#### [Information]

Introduction of Forest Therapy and reservations  
<https://cubic.com/akiotakara>

Tel : 0826-28-1800  
Business hours  
8:30-17:00

\*Closed on the New Year holidays.



### SUP

**[Period]** July to November

\*May change depending on the location condition.

**[Fee]** ¥5,000/person 2 h

\* Experience fee, Insurance fee, Rental fee.

#### [Information]

Introduction of SUP and reservations  
<https://cubic.com/akiotakara>

Tel : 0826-28-1800  
Business hours  
8:30-17:00

\*Closed on the New Year holidays.



### Kayak

**[Period]** Mid-April to November

\*May change depending on the location condition.

**[Fee]** ¥3,000/person 1 h  
¥6,000/person 2 h

#### [Information]

Rapid kayaking school HP and reservations  
<https://www.asoview.com/base/151280/#base-basic-information>

Tel : 090-7898-3736  
Business hours  
9:00-17:00



## Access



### Bus

Hiroshima Bus Center → Sandankyo			Sandankyo → Hiroshima Bus Center		
Local	6:10	8:27*	Local	5:37	7:48*
Highway	8:18	9:33	Highway	6:20	7:44*
Local	9:30	11:36	Local	6:25	8:36*
Local	11:10	13:16	Local	7:40	9:47
Local	13:48	15:57*	Local	9:33	11:42*
Local	15:55	18:04*	Local	12:45	14:52
Highway	16:35	17:50	Highway	15:00	16:20
Highway	18:05	19:21	Local	15:30	17:37
Local	18:28	20:36	Local	16:30	18:37
Highway	19:33	20:48	Local	17:55	20:00

#### One-way Fares

**Local Bus** ¥1,270

**Highway Bus** ¥1,480

\* The arrival times are earlier on weekends and holidays.

Hiroshima Bus Center  
Tel: 082-225-3332



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## Contacts

For inquiries regarding sightseeing

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## Study of Sandankyo and Ota River Watershed (NPO)

HP (Japanese page): <https://cs-akiota.or.jp/news/sandankyo-close2019/>



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# SANDANKYO Nature Trail

## Equipment

- Long sleeved shirt and long pants
- Rain wear
- Walking shoes
- Drinking water
- First aid kit
- Map & Compass



## Caution

1. Collecting plants, animals, and rocks is prohibited.
2. Take your trash home with you.
3. Beware of falling rocks and trees.
4. Recommended activity time; 7:30-17:00
5. There are only three rest room along the trail. Check the map!
6. There is no phone signal in the gorge. (Wi-fi spot; main entrance, Mizunashi gate)

## ⚠ Danger ⚠



Ticks

Poison ivy

Asian black bear

Hornet

Viper

# Forest Floor

# Trees

# Flowers

# Animals

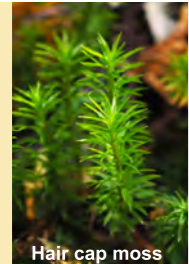
Please observe the ground carefully.  
A beautiful micro-world attracts you.

Please enjoy and feel the seasonal changes of the deciduous broad-leaved forest with all your senses.

Various colors and shapes of flowers attract you.  
It changes seasonally and track the passing of time.

You are so lucky if the animals appear to you. They are looking at you from the river, treetops, or behind rocks.

Many species of *mosses* are in the gorge.



Hair cap moss

Let's look at the soil, rocks, and the woods!

*Filmy fern* has a thin leaf, and its appearance changes depending on the moisture.



Wet → Dry  
*Hymenophyllum barbatum*



Oct-Nov  
Japanese maple (*Acer palmatum*)  
Colored leaves of maple trees well represent autumn in Japan.

The *Katsura* tree has heart-shaped leaves. In autumn, its leaves turn yellow, and give off a sweet odor.



Star-shaped purple flowers of *Iwatabako* greet you at the entrance of the gorge.



Jul-Aug  
*Canadron ramondioides*



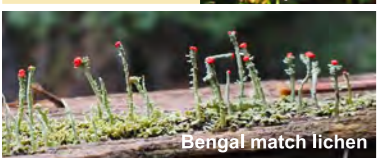
May-Nov  
Kishi-tsutsuji (*Rhododendron ripense*)  
Several kinds of *Tsutsuji* decorate the walls of the gorge with their vivid flower.



*Andrias japonicus*

The *Japanese giant salamander* is one of the biggest amphibia in the world.

They are protected as a special natural treasure.



Bengal match lichen  
*Lichens* are symbiotic organisms of algae and fungi.

You can find many kinds of *mushrooms*.



The *Tochinoki* (Japanese horse chestnut) tree is one of the largest trees in the gorge.



Set-Oct  
*Aesculus turbinata*

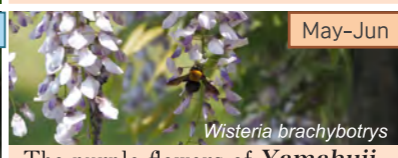
"*Tochi-mochi*" is a kind of rice cake made from *Tochinoki* nuts.



You can buy it at the Nagabuchi gate.



Jul-Aug  
Yama-ajisai (*Hydrangea serrata*)  
*Ajisai's* sepals play the role of petals to attract pollinator.



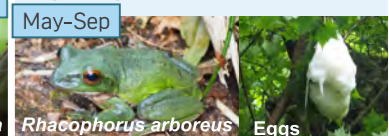
May-Jun  
*Wisteria brachybotrys*  
The purple flowers of *Yamahuji* bloom in clusters. Carpenter bees often visit.

The *ruddy kingfisher* sings like "pyorororoh..." especially in rainy days or before dawn to sunrise.



May-Sep  
*Halcyon coromanda*

The *forest green tree frog* lays its eggs on tree in foam at the beginning of summer.



May-Sep  
*Rhacophorus arboreus* Eggs

- Drinkable water point
- Viewing Point
- Restroom
- Restaurant
- Stone bench\*

\*Stone benches were placed about 100 years ago, by *Nanpo Kuma* who established Sandankyo as a natural sightseeing spot.



Water in Sandankyo is super soft (hardness 9.0). The fall's water springs from the top. You can taste it. A kind of alga (Near-Threatened species) colors *Akadaki* red.



Mizunashi gate

## Kurobuchiso Restaurant

This is the only rest house in Sandankyo gorge. It takes about an hour from Nagabuchi entrance.



9:00-15:30 (Last order 15:00)  
\*Close in winter (December ~ March)  
**Access** (from boarding point)  
• Get on the ferry Boat (7 min)  
• Walking along the trail (15 min)

## Kurobuchi Ferry boat

This is the piston operation shuttle. You can enjoy looking up the viewing on the water and tour guide by operator.



**Schedule** 10:00 - 15:00  
\*Closed in winter (December ~ March)  
**Fee:** round trip (one way)  
Adult ¥500 (¥300) Child ¥400 (¥200)  
\*The ferry operation will be changed by weather. Please check for updates.  
<https://cs-akiota.or.jp/news/sandankyo-close44/>

**[Kurobuchiso Restaurant]**  
Tel : 090-2296-2719  
Facebook : <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100012113984960>

## Kurobuchi (Black Pool) and Byobuiwa (Folding Screen Cliff)

Here is one of the most impressive landscapes in Sandankyo. The depth of the pool is over 5 m. This is why the water looks black. *Byobuiwa* is looks like a folding screen (*Byoubu*).