

Tonami Plains Country Museum — Tonami Sankyo Village Museum

Sankyo – Beautiful Scenery, Opulent Source of Water, Green Surroundings – An Oasis of Relaxation



The landscape of Sankyo in the plains of Tonami is noted to be one of the most well known Japanese rice crops villages in Japan. Tonami Sankyo Village Museum was established with the purpose to upkeep the landscape and to promote the dispersal of the local culture throughout the country. Tonami Plains Country Museum serves as a base to help stimulate the vibrancy in the district. The museum comprises of the Information Center, Heritage Center and the Community Center, where one can capture information and experience the traditional culture of Sankyo.



The view of Tonami Sankyo Village Museum from the recreational pond

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Operation hours : 9am – 9pm

Off day : Wednesdays, Thursday of the 3rd week of each month
(excluding public holidays), 29th December – 3rd January

Entrance fee: Free

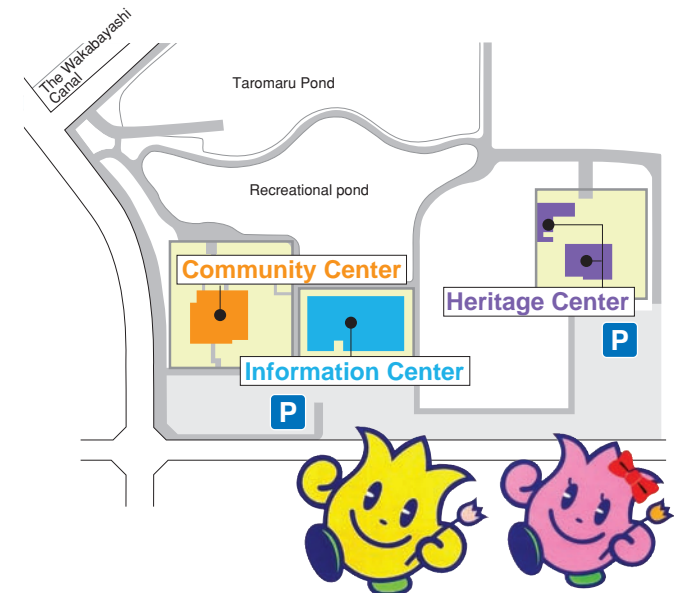


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Heritage Center — A Place to Experience History



The Heritage Center is a restored structure from the early Taisho and Showa period. The white walls of Azumadachi, the grounds of Genka, the balance between the main roof and the bottom roof are the reconstructions of the common traditional local house in Tonami. The interior of the house is furnished with irori (fireplace) and shibaya (performing room). The barn and the haigoya (a shed for ashes) are among the common features outside the farmer's house in Sankyo Village.



Information Center — Learn and Experience the Splendor of Sankyo



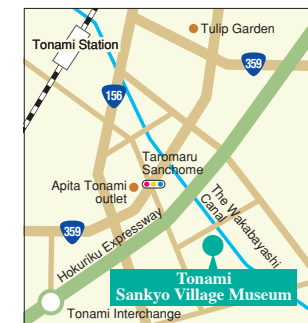
The Information Center was inspired by the Maenagare, a traditional house in the district of Tonami. It is a central facility that serves as a General Information Center for the Tonami Sankyo Village Museum. It also acts as an Information Center for the Tonami Plains Country Museum. In the facility, we have an exhibition corner that allows visitors to experience Sankyo's best features, also an educational corner where visitors can learn about Sankyo by using the computers. The center also has a section where visitors can experience how to make the special local products. Training rooms for group visitors who wish to run their own activities are also available.



Community Center — A Traditional Home with a New Lifestyle



The Community Center is an example of another local traditional house known as Azumadachi, in the district of Tonami, with adjacent sections allowing 2 to 3 families to live together in the same house, renovated to suit the contemporary home lifestyle. Known as a Lifestyle Community Center, the center caters for various local community activities, group discussions, classes, talks and other multi purpose activities.



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