

## Day Trip to Shirakawa-go and Gokayama, Japanese Alps, Japan

Saturday, 16-Mar-2024 - Saturday, 16-Mar-2024



Embark on a magical journey through time with a day trip to the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Shirakawa-go and Gokayama. Nestled in the serene Japanese Alps, these historic villages are celebrated for their traditional gassho-zukuri farmhouses, some of which are over 250 years old. As you wander through the scenic landscapes, you'll be captivated by the unique architecture, designed to withstand heavy snowfall, and the tranquil atmosphere of rural Japan. This itinerary is crafted to ensure you experience the rich culture, history, and natural beauty of these iconic destinations.



# Trip Summary

## Day 1 - Saturday, 16-Mar-2024

- ① 08:30 Ogimachi Castle Observation Deck [Google Maps](#)
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- ⑤ 14:00 Gokayama village [Google Maps](#)

① **08:30 Ogimachi Castle Observation Deck**

Ogimachi, Shirakawa, Ono District, Gifu 501-5627, Japan

The Shirakawa-go Observation Deck offers stunning panoramic views of the traditional Gassho-style thatched-roof houses and is a UNESCO World Heritage site, making it a must-visit for tourists.



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② **09:30 Wada House**

Japan, 501-5627 Gifu, Ono District, Shirakawa, Ogimachi, 501-5627

Wada House in Shirakawa-go is a famous traditional Gassho-style house, known for its unique architecture and cultural significance. It's a must-visit for a glimpse into Japan's rural heritage.





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### ③ 10:30 - 10:30 Hatotani Hachiman Shrine

Japan, 〒501-5629 白川郷

Shirakawa Hachiman Shrine is a historic Shinto shrine in the picturesque village of Shirakawa-go, known for its unique thatched-roof architecture and stunning mountain views. A must-visit for cultural and natural beauty.

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### ④ 12:30 - 12:30 Murakami House, Gokayama

742 Kaminashi, Nanto, Toyama 939-1914, Japan

Murakami House is a well-preserved example of a traditional Japanese farmhouse located in Gokayama Village, a UNESCO World Heritage Site in the Japanese Alps. This historic house showcases the unique architectural style known as Gassho-

zukuri, characterized by its steeply pitched thatched roof resembling hands pressed together in prayer ("gassho"). Constructed without the use of nails, the farmhouse features a spacious interior with wooden beams and tatami mat flooring, reflecting the traditional lifestyle of rural Japan during the Edo period. Visitors to Murakami House can explore its interior, including living quarters, storage areas, and hearth, offering insight into the daily lives of past inhabitants and the craftsmanship involved in building such structures. As one of the preserved heritage houses in Gokayama, Murakami House provides a captivating glimpse into Japan's rich cultural heritage and architectural legacy.



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## ⑤ 14:00 - 14:30 Gokayama village

Gokayama, Ainokura, Nanto, Toyama 939-1915, Japan

Gokayama Village is a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its traditional Gassho-zukuri style farmhouses. Visitors can experience rural Japanese culture and stunning mountain scenery.



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