## Walking Tour in Matsumae

Explore castle town on foot! Distance **2.5km** / Duration **3 hours** 

MATSUMAE TOWN OFFICE

MATSUMAE CASTLE 3-minute walk

#### KOZENJI TEMPLE

1-minute walk

**RYU-UN-IN TEMPLE** 1-minute walk

#### MATSUMAE FAMILY CEMETERY 5-minute walk

## MATSUMAEHAN YASHIKI MUSEUM

10-minute walk

**SENNENJI TEMPLE** 5-minute walk

5-minute walk

**JOKA STREET** 5-minute walk

#### ONSEN RYOKAN YANO GOAL!

## Eat & Shopping

#### **ONSEN RYOKAN YANO** 温泉旅館矢野

This Japanese-style accommodation is located near Matsumae Castle. On-site restaurant serves Matsumae Clan's traditional cuisine featuring fresh local seafood such as tuna (Aug - Dec), squid and abalone.

### SANKYU HONTEN

#### 三久本店

Adjoining the Onsen Ryokan Yano, this folksy shokudo is famous for Chinese style cuisine "Hama Chanpon" using local seafood and vegetable. 11:00 - 20:00

#### JOKA STREET

#### 城下通り

Modern shopping street which reproduced the castle town of the Edo Period. Shops-lined selling Matsumae Pickles, seafood, Japanese confectionery and souvenirs.

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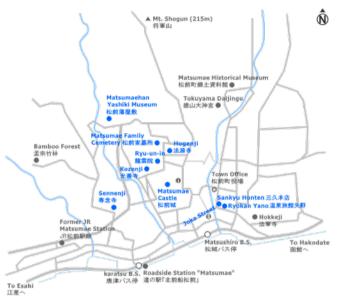
# CASTLE TOWN MATSUMAE

### THINGS TO DO & AREA MAP

The smart travel guide



### AREA MAP



## Sights





松前城 The only one Japanese-style castle in Hokkaido, it was built in 1854 by Takahiro Matsumae. This castle town prospered as a political center of Hokkaido until 1868. Castle tower was burn

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# Temple Town



KOZENJI TEMPLE 光善寺

Here since 1575, this temple is famous for Kechimyakuzakura (bloodline cherryblossoms). On-site beautiful garden was landscaped in the 19th century.



RYU-UN-IN TEMPLE 龍雲院

Matsumae's oldest temple architecture built in 1625, white dandelions and daffodils bloom in spring. Engravings of the temple gate is very elaborate.



#### HOGENJI TEMPLE 法源寺

Located in the calm temple town center, here since 1490. Hogenji has the Hokkaido's oldest temple gate built in the Mid-Edo Period.



#### MATSUMAEHAN YASHIKI MUSEUM 松前藩屋敷

Experience the life of Matsumae Clan in the Edo Period, this open-air museum reproduce the 14 heritage buildings such as magistrate's office, samurai residence and mercantile houses. Walking across the castle town **wearing amor or kimono** (90 minutes, 1500 yen). Folk handicraft shop features traditional accessories using local Matsumae sider. 9:00 - 17:00 from 10 Apr to 10 Dec, 360 yen



#### MATSUMAE FAMILY CEMETERY

松前藩主松前家墓所 Surrounded by cedar forest, standing on the 54 graves of lords and their families onsite.

