

Takatamatsubara Memorial Park for TSUNAMI Disaster



The Takatamatsubara Memorial park for TSUNAMI Disaster has been created through the cooperation of the national governments and local governments of Iwate, Miyagi, and Fukushima prefecture. They aim to pass down the memories and lessons learned to the next generation, as well as a desire to provide a place for memorial and reflection on those lost in the disaster, as well as to communicate their strong desire to rebuild to the rest of the world. The memorial area is managed by the national government, with the Iwate government joining in by creating the Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum and the *Michi-no-Eki Takatamatsubara* (rest stop).

■ Michi-no-Eki Takatamatsubara (Rest Stop)

Rest & Parking Spaces

(Car: 140, Bus: 33, Handicapped: 4)
24 hour bathrooms

Information, Traffic, Sightseeing Information

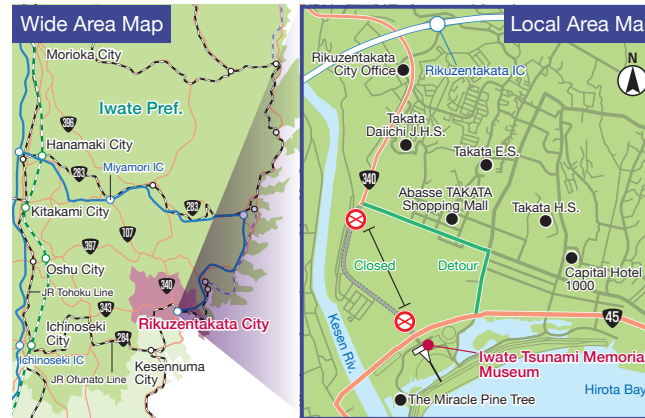
Local Food & Beverage and Goods

Open 9:00-18:00 (March to November)
9:00-17:00 (December to February)
Open all year round

■ Disaster Memorial Facilities within the park

- The Miracle Pine Tree · Rikuzentakata Youth Hostel
- Tapic 45 (*Michi-no-Eki* (Rest Stop) *Takatamatsubara*)
- Settlement Promotion Housing
- Kesen Junior High School

— Access —



Timetable of JR Ofunato Line (BRT)

Kiseki-no-ipponmatsu (Miracle Pine) Sta.

For Kesennuma		For Rikuzentakata & Sakari	
6	13	6	12 57
7	56*	7	57
8	16	8	
9	58	9	42
10		10	27
11	33	11	17
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13	28	13	47
14	11	14	57
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*Closed on Saturdays and National holidays

*Please check East Japan Railway Company's website for up-to-date information.



The Takatamatsubara Memorial Park for TSUNAMI Disaster is located in the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami flood zone.

If a tsunami advisory or warning is announced, evacuate immediately to the designated high ground.

Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Memorial Museum

Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum

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Mission statement

The Japanese Archipelago is rife with the threat of natural disasters and we, the Japanese people, have cultivated resilience in the face of this danger over many years.

Despite this, in the wake of the 2011, March 11th Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami, we were parted with many precious lives. As to not repeat this tragedy again, it is vital that we work to overcome natural disasters by fostering within ourselves the knowledge and wisdom to protect our lives against such disasters. The Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum shares with the world the lessons and teachings we have learned from the realities of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami along with our ancestors' learnings. Additionally, we would like to show our gratitude for all the support we have received in the ongoing recovery process of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami.

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TEL +81-192-47-4455 <https://iwate-tsunami-memorial.jp>
Opening hours: 9 AM to 5 PM (Last admission is 4:30 PM)
Closed days: New Year's holidays (December 29th to January 3rd)
Maintenance days (Approx. 4 days.)



Protecting lives, and living together with the ocean and earth

— To never again experience the sadness of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami —

Entrance

An information zone to greet visitors and provide information on such areas as the park, Rikuzentakata City, the Sanriku Coastal area and the 3.11 Road Map.



Theater

The people of Sanriku have been living with the ocean since ancient times. The sea provided them with abundant blessings, but it also brought them tsunami. This movie is based on the theme of "Protecting Lives, and Living Together with the Ocean and Earth." We will think about what we should do so we never experience the tragedy of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami ever again. (The short film plays three times every hour at :00, :20 and :40 minutes.)



ZONE 1 Tracing history

Tsunami disasters will be uncovered from historical and scientific perspectives. We will reexamine the knowledge, techniques, and culture that have been fostered since ancient times, and rethink how to live together with nature.

- 1-1 The Earth's activities and earthquake/tsunami
- 1-2 History of repeated earthquakes and tsunamis
- 1-3 Natural disaster measures in Japan



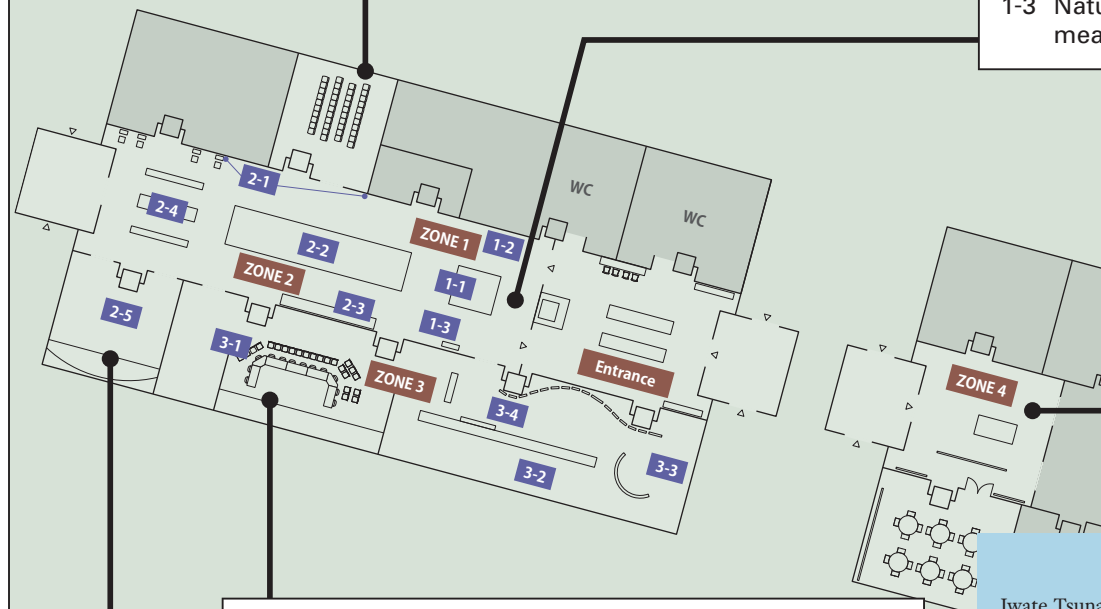
ZONE 2 Learning the facts



We will look at the facts of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami through actual objects that were damaged, photos of damaged sites, and the voices and memories of the victims.

- 2-1 Overview of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami
- 2-2 Power of tsunamis as conveyed by disaster victims
- 2-3 A lost landscape
- 2-4 Victims talk about the threat of the tsunami
- 2-5 March 11, 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami

We will trace the facts of March 11, 2011, using scientific data and images and videos that capture this earthquake and tsunami. (The short film runs repeatedly. The running time is about 7 minutes.)



ZONE 4 Moving towards restoration together

Expressing gratitude for the support from the rest of Japan and the world along with conveying the aspects of damaged areas ability to overcome and move past the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami.



- Appreciation for your support
- Table to think about reconstruction together

ZONE 3 Learning lessons

We will share lessons about how to protect lives by showcasing people who escaped, helped and provided support.

- 3-1 Saving lives
- 3-2 Protecting and supporting lives
- 3-3 Evacuate in order to live
- 3-4 Building a future



Request for donations

Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum aims to realize a society that is resistant to natural disasters by conveying the facts and teachings of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami abroad and within to future generations.

Donations from individuals and organizations are used for such purposes as the enrichment of permanent activities and exhibitions along with development of facilities.

We request for your support and cooperation.

For further information please visit our website, "Information on Furusato Iwate donations and support."

<https://www.pref.iwate.jp/kensei/zei/furusato.html>

