Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum

The Takatamatsubara Memorial Park for TSUNAMI Disaster is an area that was flooded in the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami. If a tsunami advisory or tsunami warning is announced, evacuate to elevated ground immediately.

Takatamatsubara Memorial Park for TSUNAMI Disaster

Both national and local government agencies have worked together to establish a memorial park dedicated to the recovery effort. The park is a reminder of the strength of the people of this region and includes a national memorial facility, a national memorial park dedicated to the recovery effort, and on its grounds stands a national memorial facility that, along with conveying to the world the region's strong will to recover, is dedicated to remembering the victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake, and passing on the memories and lessons learned from the disaster to future generations.

Michi-no-Eki Takatamatubara (Rest Stop)

The "Gateway to Sanriku"—a place to get information on the Sanriku area sights and specialties, and marine cuisine, and specialty products.

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Address: 180 Dotekage, Kesen, Rikuzentakata, Iwate 029-2204

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Open: 9:00am – 5:00pm (admission until 4:30pm)
Closed: New Year's holidays (Dec 29 - Jan 3), temporary closure days
Admission: Free
Address: 180 Dotekage, Kesen, Rikuzentakata, Iwate 029-2204
TTEL: 0192-47-4455
https://iwate-tsunami-memorial.jp/

Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum (See here for exhibit guide reservations)

Transportation

- From JR Hanamaki Airport Station to JR Ichinoseki Station via JR Tohoku Main Line ~30min from JR Kesennuma Station to JR Ofunato Line ~1hr from JR Hanamaki Airport Station to JR Ichinoseki Station via JR Tohoku Main Line

This mark denotes a Disaster Memorial Facility that provides information on, and lessons learned from, the Great East Japan Earthquake.
Protecting lives, and living together with the ocean and earth

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

The Japanese Archipelago is one of the places on Earth most threatened by natural disaster, and we who spent many years living on this land have built up a strong will to oppose this danger. Despite this, in the wake of the March 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami, we suffered an immense loss of life.

In order to avoid repeating this sorrow, it is of utmost importance that we possess the knowledge, wisdom, and motivation to protect ourselves against various natural disasters, and thus become able to overcome them. The Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum will share the wisdom of our predecessors, the reality of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami and the lessons we've learned with the world to become a society strong against natural disaster. In addition, as part of our efforts in overcoming the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami, we'd like to show our gratitude for the support we have received.

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.

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.

Zone 3 Learning Lessons
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.

Zone 4 Moving towards reconstruction together
We will share lessons about how to protect lives by showcasing people who escaped, helped and provided support.

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.