

# Noto Railway

Anamizu - Nanao / 33.1km



To Wajima-City: Approx 25mins by taxi or bus.  
To Suzu-City: Approx 60mins by taxi or bus.  
To Noto Airport: Approx 20mins by taxi or bus.

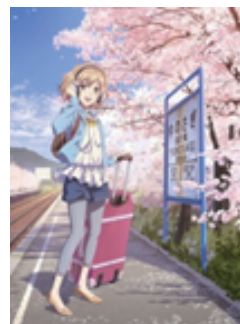
【Bora Machi Yagura (Bora Machi Tower)】 This tower-shaped ‘yagura’ is a scaffold for mullet fishing. Fishermen set their fishing nets besides the scaffold, wait and catch mullet coming into the net. This demonstrates how patient the Noto people are. It is considered the oldest fishing method in Japan.



【Anamizu Station】 Anamizu Station is Noto Railway’ s terminal station located at the northernmost end of Noto. Previously there were railroads towards Wajima and Suzu, however those lines were discontinued respectively in 2001 and 2005. Anamizu Town is the gateway to Oku-Noto and there are bus services to Oku-Noto area including Wajima and Suzu.



【Noto-Kashima Station】 This station is also known as Noto Sakura Station. There are about 100 cherry trees on both sides of the platform, and you can see the cherry blossom tunnel in spring. This station is one of the most famous places for cherry blossoms in Noto.

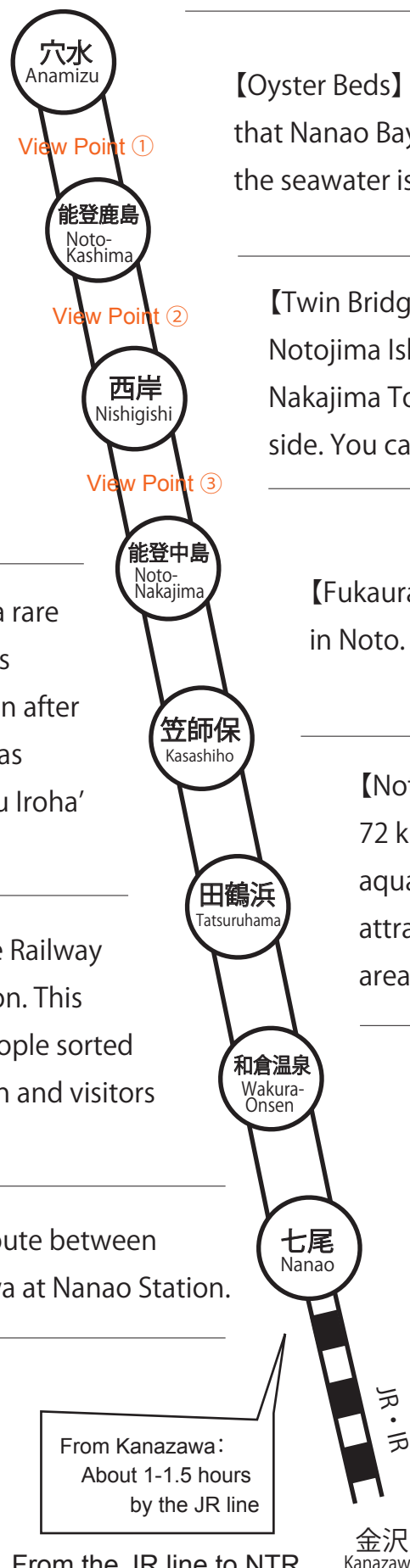


【Nishigishi Station and the anime, Hanasaku Iroha】 Nishigishi Station is a rare train station that has two names. One is ‘Nishigishi Station’ and another is ‘Yunosagi Station.’ A lot of anime fans have been visiting Nishigishi Station after it appeared in the anime, ‘Hanasaku Iroha,’ in 2011. The station appeared as ‘Yunosagi Station’ in the anime. Two decorated trains featuring ‘Hanasaku Iroha’ have been in operation as of 2015.



【Noto-Nakajima Station and Railway Post Office ‘Oyu 10’】 ‘The Railway Post Office OU10,’ a very rare train car, is displayed at this station. This railway post office had been in use until the mid-1980s and people sorted and delivered post items from there. It is no longer in operation and visitors can take a look inside the car.

【Nanao Station】 Nanao City is the largest city in Noto. Noto Railway operates on the 33 km route between Nanao Station and Anamizu Station. Passengers can transfer to the JR line bound for Kanazawa at Nanao Station.



From Kanazawa:  
About 1-1.5 hours  
by the JR line

From the JR line to NTR.  
Transfer at Nanao Sta.

【Oyster Beds】 The big black and blue floats on the sea are oyster beds. It is said that Nanao Bay is suitable for oyster culture because the sea is calm like a lake and the seawater is nutritious there.



【Twin Bridge Noto and Notojima Bridge】 There are two bridges connecting Notojima Island and Noto Peninsula. Twin Bridge Noto is located on the Nakajima Town side and Notojima Bridge is on the Wakura Onsen hot springs side. You can see these two bridges from the train window, too.



【Fukaura Fishing Port】 This is one of the typical old and small fishing ports in Noto. You can see oyster beds and Noto Peninsula in the distance.



【Notojima Island and Dolphins】 You can see Notojima Island, about 72 km in circumference, on the other side of the bay. There are an aquarium and an art museum surrounded by nature, and the island attracts tourists all year round. Wild dolphins began to inhabit the area around the island in 2000 and visitors enjoy seeing the 11 parent and baby dolphins.



【Tatsuruhamma Town famous for ‘Tategu’】 ‘Tategu’ means fittings, especially doors functioning as partitions between rooms in Japanese traditional houses. Tategu is manufactured with wood and paper. There are a lot of craftspeople making Tategu in Tatsuruhamma Town. They create beautiful decorations by coordinating and assembling wood parts without using nails. Tategu from Tatsuruhamma is also used for interior partition walls in the sightseeing train, ‘Noto Satoyama Satoumi Train.’



【Wakura Onsen Hot Springs】 Wakura Onsen is a historical hot spring resort facing Nanao Bay that started operation in 1200. It is said that its origin was a hot spring by the sea where white herons rested their wings and eased their pains.

