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## HOJUJI-TEMPLE

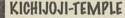
This stone guidepost is said to be the oldest among the 88 temples founded by Kouboudaishi in Shikoku.



#### KOUBOUSUI

This is a legendary fountain which Kouboudaishi created. This rare type of fountain in Saijo city spouts water from under the seabed. A lot of people use this water as it is believed to ensure them a long life.

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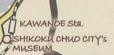
It's said Kichijoji was founded by Kouboudaishi in the 800's. There is a stone statue called the heavenly maiden which people can pass through while visiting the temple. This reportedly removes poverty and gives them wealth. Therefore, if you pass through it, you may have divine favor. After you pray, please try it!

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## SHIKOKU CHUO CITY'S MUSEUM

Sikoku Chuo City's museum has a calligraphy work written by the winner of a high school contest. It is 4 meters long and 6 meters wide. Also, you can try your hand at making paper art.



## SANKAKUJI-TEMPLE

In 1600's this statue of the Budhist saint was destroyed by fire. Then the statue was remade of copper in 1977. The height is seven meters.



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# KOUONJI-TEMPLE

in the late of 500's, this temple was built by Prince Shotoku to pray for his mother's (Empress, Yomei's) illness. In 1976, the temple was remade of concrete. It is known that Kouboudaishi prayed for pregnant women near the temple so women would have a safe delivery. It is famous in Shikoku as a temple of praying for a safe delivery. Many pregnant women visit there on the day the Buddhist calendar designates as a lucky day for childbirth.



#### MAEGAMIJI-TEMPLE

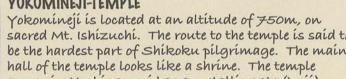
Mt. Ishizuchi is one of the seven scared mountains in Japan. Maegamiji is located on Mt. Ishizuchi. During the climbing season, many people clad in white formal uniforms worship at the temple.



YOKOMINEJI-TEMPLE

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sacred Mt. Ishizuchi. The route to the temple is said to be the hardest part of Shikoku pilgrimage. The main hall of the temple looks like a shrine. The temple annex in Hoshigamori has a metallic gate (torii).



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