



Explore the vibrant and bustling Nishijin Shopping District and Fukuoka City Museum, home to one of Japan's National Treasures (The Golden Seal).

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### Nishijin Subway Station



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### Nishijin Central Shopping Street



In the Nishijin shopping street of Sawara-ku, there is a row of portable stalls in the center of the street. They are nicknamed "the wheeled cart troop". The members of this itinerant merchant association of Nishijin carry and sell fresh vegetables, seafood and flowers. The street of Nishijin is always vibrant and lively with the brisk voices of these chatty merchants.

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### Sazae-san-Dori



Sazae-san-Dori refers to a 1.6 kilometer long street in Fukuoka's Sawara-ku that extends from Wakiyama intersection all the way down to the entrance to the Seaside Momochi Seaside Park Entrance. Along the way there is a bronze statue of Sazae-san that would make for a great photo spot.

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### Seinan Gakuin University Museum



If entering Sazae-san-Dori from the East, a building made of red bricks in 1921 will come into view. The architect of the building was the American born William Merrell Vories. The building is notable for its Georgian Colonial architectural style which can be seen in the bilateral symmetry of its design. The window ornamentation and gravitas of the building are notable features as well.

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### Fukuoka City Museum



Fukuoka City Museum, it was also once used as the theme hall for Yokatopia (The Asian Pacific Expo). The bronze statues surrounding the entrance were created by famed French modern sculptor Antoine Bourdelle. The history of the Fukuoka and Hakata area is covered in the 200m<sup>2</sup> main exhibition hall in a way easy to understand by all sorts of visitors. One can also see "The Gold Seal" here, one of the national treasures of Japan.

## Highlights Along the Route

