

of the wall that helped defend Japan from the Mongolian armies 750 years ago.

JR Shimoyamato Station

This route will immerse you in the history



the loyal spirit of Iki no Atai Maneko, who died in place of Takenouchi no Sukune after being falsely accused. The name of the area "Iki no Matsubara" is said to have originated from when Empress Jingū planted a pine branch upside down to predict victory in battle, and the branch miraculously grew and flourished.

According to Nihon Shoki, this shrine honors

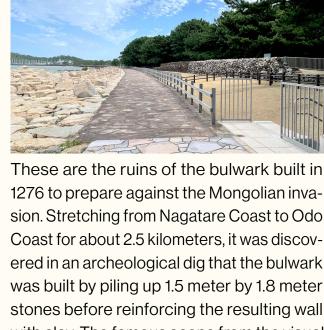


Torii Gate of Iki Shrine

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ute a solemn atmosphere to the park.





with clay. The famous scene from the visual record of the Mongolian invasion (Moko Shurai Ekotoba) depicts Takesaki Suenaga riding a horse here, a warrior who served as a vassal of Shogun at the time.

Highlights Along the Route