

Hirakata's Eight Best Views

To commemorate the 35th anniversary of the city's establishment, Hirakata's Eight Best Views were designated with the aim of passing on to the future the scenery distinctive of our hometown Hirakata.
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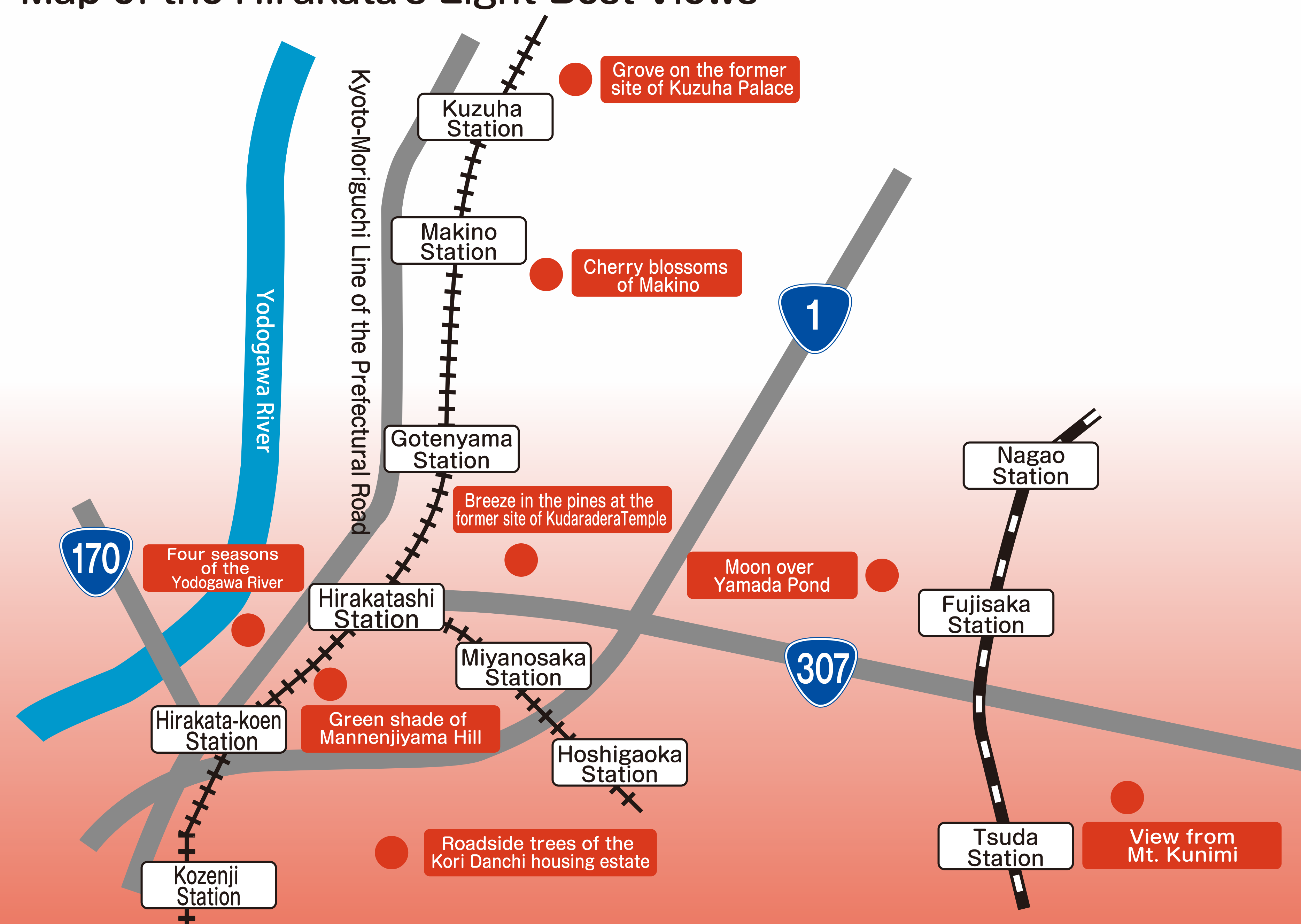


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Map of the Hirakata's Eight Best Views



Roadside trees of the Kori Danchi housing estate

The green hills and fields here became the Tokyo Second Army Arsenal Kori Plant in 1939, and after the war, in 1957, a new residential area was planned by the Japan Housing Corporation, transforming the area into today's Kori Danchi housing estate.

Many years have passed since then, and the roadside trees are now big and healthy, as if they had grown here from seed, and their branches now cover the sky.

In particular, the avenue of zelkovas planted along Keyaki Dori has grown so much that the trees block the sky from both sides. The light green of budding leaves in spring, the sight of the red leaves against the blue sky in autumn, and then in late autumn, the cold north winds seem to blow off all the dead leaves at once, covering the sidewalks.

Illuminated by the setting autumn sun, the red trident maple trees on the east side of Kaisei Elementary School shine vermilion. The setting sun also percolates through the Chinese tallows growing in a row before the main gate, making them look almost if they were created from wax.

The avenue of ginkgo trees along Icho Dori add color to autumn. There are also streets filled with oleander blossoms and lined with weeping willows, while when the cherry blossoms are in bloom Sakura Park and Kannonyama Park are packed with people. Talking of cherry blossoms, the row of cherries in front of the Daiyon Middle School is an impressive sight.

Kori Danchi is an entirely artificial, modern town, but today it offers a calmness gradually built up over the years.

