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①Tsunagi Rock

The rock from which the name, Tsunagi Onsen, was derived from. When Minamoto no Yoshije attacked Abe no Sadato, where he set up his camp at Yunotate, where he discovered a hot spring. There, he tied his beloved horse to a large rock while he bathed.

2 Tsunagi Onsen Shrine

The Tsunagi Onsen Shrine, also known as Yakushi Shrine, was built around 300 years ago, and is popular among locals of the region as a place for the deity of disease curing, childbirth, and prosperity.

3 Nekoishi Rock

During the battle of Zenkunen no Eki, Minamoto no Yoshiie's ended up trapped by Abe no Sadato. Running out of food, he resorted to hunting and eating mountain animals, and threw their bones at the foot of the mountain. As the bones started forming into a stone in the shape of a cat, it is said to have warned Yoshiie against the taking of life.

4 Shion Statue

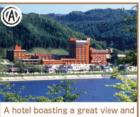
Shion Statue was created by Funakoshi Yasutake, a native of Iwate, in commemoration of the completion of Gosho Dam. The same artist also produced the statue of Princess Tatsuko on the shore of Lake Tazawa.

⑤Fujikura Shrine

Fujikura Shrine was built around 600 years ago in the first year of the Dei Era, and is revered and beloved by the local people.







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10irino Water Botanical Garden

Blooming grounds for Morioka's official flower, the iris. One of the three largest iris gardens along with Yonai, and kaminohashi. Peak viewing season is from mid June to early July, after which, white lilies bloom till August. Fireflies are also viewable in July.

2 Sakuraen

With 200 yoshino cherry trees Planted in a corner of the Lake Gosho Regional Park, the location is considered a highlight for Morioka flower viewing. In full bloom starting around April 20th, all the way to Golden Week, which is about a week later than those located in the central city area.

3 Nanbu Magariya

Iwate has been one of the nation's leading regions in horse breeding since long ago, so there were a number of nanbu magariya, or houses with connected living and stable areas.

This magariya was relocated from a submerged area of Lake Gosho, and reconstructed.

4 Goshoko Monoshiri Museum (Lake Gosho Office / Gosho Dam)

Come on over to the Museum of knowledge, and learn about Gosho Dam, from its operation, to the surrounding nature!

You can also receive a dam card from the Lake Gosho Office.

⑤ Tsunagi Ohashi Bridge Railing

Designed by Fukuda Takashi, former art instructor at Morioka Daiichi High School, the railings of Tsunagi Ohashi Bridge were made to express the "joining together of society and harmony, " in four locations at both





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