

# NISHIMEYA VILLAGE, home of Shirakami-Sanchi, a World Natural Heritage Site

## Introducing Nishimeya Village & Shirakami-Sanchi

Nishimeya is located in the southwest corner of Aomori Prefecture, and 93% of its area is forest. Nishimeya contains Shirakami-Sanchi, a registered UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site. Most of the area is virgin beech forest that is part of the core area of the World Natural Heritage Site, and entry is limited. A buffer zone, however, is open to the public, including a walking trail named World Heritage Beech Forest Trail Course. Nishimeya Village is the entryway to Shirakami-Sanchi, home to rare mountain plants and animals, including Japanese monkeys.

Tourist facilities include hot springs, hotels, camping areas and condominiums, a perfect place to stay while visiting this famed mountainous region. Seasonal outdoor activities are also in plenty. Enjoy canoeing, rafting, and picking mushrooms and other mountain vegetables.

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Shirakami-Sanchi mascot  
Bunakki & Bunami-chan



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