# 4 Kishu Toshogu Shrine



Affectionately known as "Gongen-san," is shrine has ties with the Kishu kugawa family. The steep 108 stone eps lead to a panoramic view of

he inner sanctuary is a nationally ated Important Cultural operty, featuring intricate carvings uriously adorned with painting om both the Kano and Tosa schools

# 5) Wakaura Tenmangu Shrine



Sugawara no Michizane, now worshipped n Wakaura Tenmangu Shrine as the ninto god of academia, was a scholar minister of state in the Heian Period

> After being demoted, it is said that izane visited Wakanoura on his way aifu government headquarters, o his connection with the shrine. gside Daizaifu and Kyoto, Wakaura ts one of Japan's three main

Its colorfully adorned inner sanctuary is nationally designated Important Cultural



# **6** Wakaura Sightseeing Promenade



his ocean-side promenade connects Vakaura Fishing Port and Tanoura shing Port. Horai Rock, jutting from the romenade toward the open sea, has become a popular photo spot due to its unique hollowed-out shape. With lights lining the pathway, you can lso enjoy a breathtaking nighttime stroll

# 7) Saikazaki Lighthouse



On March 31, 1960, Wakayama City established a viewpoint, upon which the apan Coast Guard constructed Saikazaki nthouse. The light house offers a agnificent sprawling view of the Kii nannel and islands such as Futagojima. On clear days, you can even see Awaji and and Shikoku in the distance.

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# Lemon Hill Park

Located on the former site of Saikazaki Elementary School, this park has a delightful view of Saikazaki's charming streets and

Reminiscent of the Amalfi coast in Italy, aikazaki has been stage to actual cultural exchanges with the Italian city.

As a symbol of mutual friendship between the two cities, lemon trees, a specialty of Amalfi, were planted in Lemon Hill Park, leading to its name.



When bathed in the setting sun,

## Mt. Takatsushi **Observation Deck**



Situated atop a 136 m summit, this observation deck offers a 360-degree panoramic view, and has been selected as one of Wakayama's 100 Best Sunrise and Sunset viewing spots.



# 1) Kimii-dera Temple



tablished in 770 (Nara period) by ang Dynasty monk Iko, Kimii-dera i the second site of the Saigoku annon Pilgrimage, and a famous viewing spot for early-blooming rv blossoms

n 2008, a Kannon statue dhisattva of compassion) covered in gold leaves was enshrined in the temple, becoming one of the tallest wooden statues in Japan.

# **2** Tamatsushima Shrine



Worshiped since ancient times, amatsushima Shrine is dedicated to the god of waka poetry. Many waka poems, dedicated by emperors and courtiers across the years, are preserved at the shrine. The nearby Shiogama Shrine is dedicated to the god of safe

longevity, abundant fishing and maritime safety.

# **3** Kataonami Beach



eaturing views of Wakaura Bay that have inspired ancient poetry, the shallow shores of this 1.2 km beach attract many isitors every year

The adjacent park boasts a tness area adjoined with the Man'yo Poetry Museum, as wel as the Man'yo Walkway and a Japanese garden.

# Waka-gawa River Tidal Flats (Mt.Tengu)

These nature-rich tidal flats fan out at the mouth of the Waka-gawa River. The sight of cranes flying

towards the shoreside reeds is depicted in Man'yo poetry and selected as one of the Top Ten Views of Wakaura Bay.

Viewed from Mt. Tengu, the majestic scenery dynamically transforms with the tides, and even waka poetry has confessed the impossible desire to "wrap up the view and take it home."



Promenade

- Path of Sound of Waves
- National Highway
- **Prefectural Road**
- JR Line
- Bus Stop