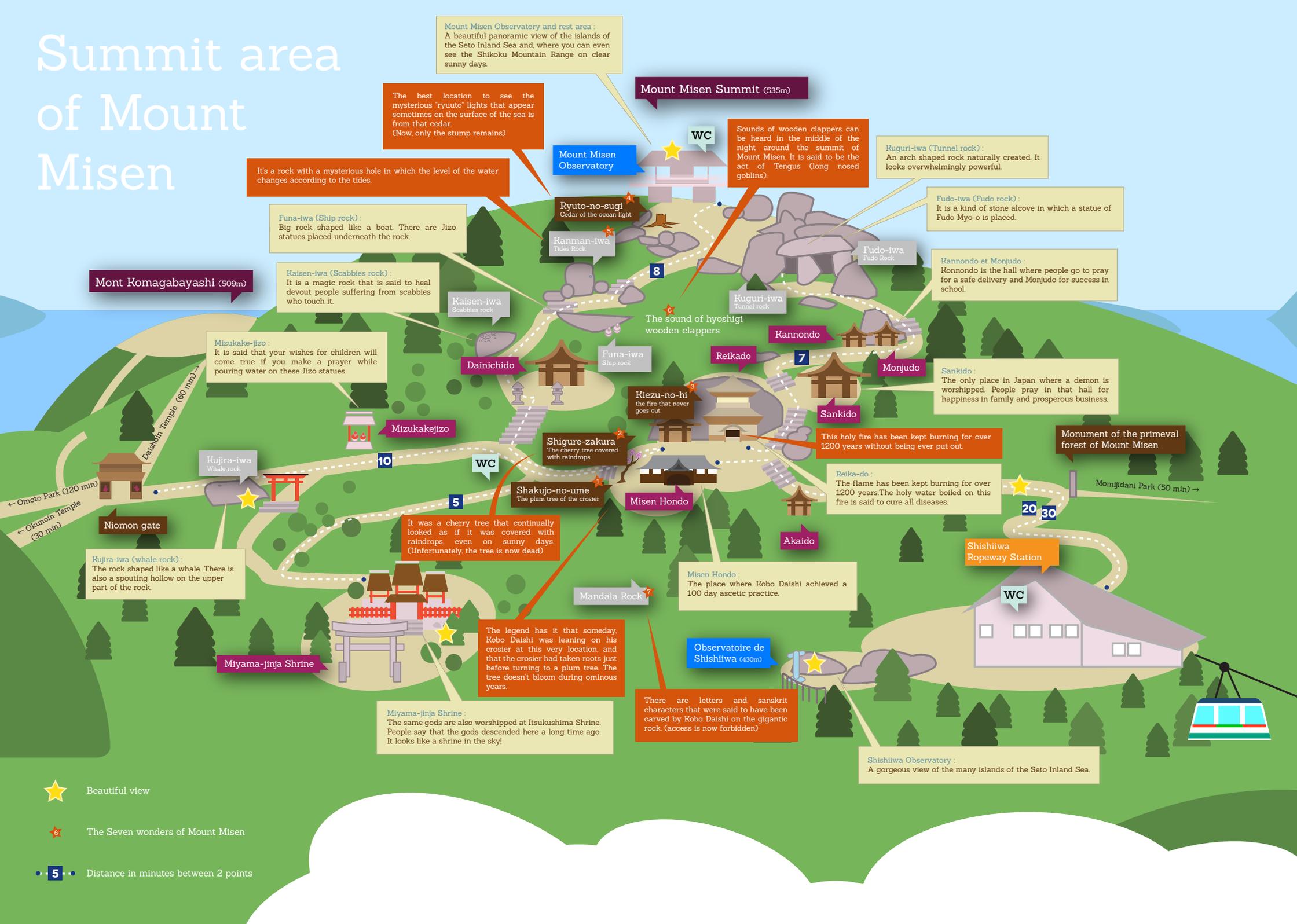


Summit area of Mount Misen



Mount Misen Observatory and rest area :
A beautiful panoramic view of the islands of the Seto Inland Sea and, where you can even see the Shikoku Mountain Range on clear sunny days.

The best location to see the mysterious 'ryuto' lights that appear sometimes on the surface of the sea is from that cedar.
(Now, only the stump remains)

Mount Misen Summit (535m)

Sounds of wooden clappers can be heard in the middle of the night around the summit of Mount Misen. It is said to be the act of Tengus (long nosed goblins).

Kuguri-iwa (Tunnel rock) :
An arch shaped rock naturally created. It looks overwhelmingly powerful.

Fudo-iwa (Fudo rock) :
It is a kind of stone alcove in which a statue of Fudo Myo-o is placed.

Kannondo et Monjudo :
Kannondo is the hall where people go to pray for a safe delivery and Monjudo for success in school.

Sankido :
The only place in Japan where a demon is worshipped. People pray in that hall for happiness in family and prosperous business.

Monument of the primeval forest of Mount Misen

Reika-do :
The flame has been kept burning for over 1200 years. The holy water boiled on this fire is said to cure all diseases.

Misen Hondo :
The place where Kobo Daishi achieved a 100 day ascetic practice.

There are letters and sanskrit characters that were said to have been carved by Kobo Daishi on the gigantic rock. (access is now forbidden)

Shishiwa Observatory :
A gorgeous view of the many islands of the Seto Inland Sea.

It's a rock with a mysterious hole in which the level of the water changes according to the tides.

Funa-iwa (Ship rock) :
Big rock shaped like a boat. There are Jizo statues placed underneath the rock.

Raisen-iwa (Scabbies rock) :
It is a magic rock that is said to heal devout people suffering from scabbies who touch it.

Mizukake-jizo :
It is said that your wishes for children will come true if you make a prayer while pouring water on these Jizo statues.

Raisen-iwa
Scabbies rock

Ryuto-no-sugi
Cedar of the ocean light

Kanman-iwa
Hides Rock

Fudo-iwa
Fudo Rock

Kuguri-iwa
Tunnel rock

Funa-iwa
Ship rock

Kiejuzi-no-hi
the fire that never goes out

Shigure-zakura
The cherry tree covered with raindrops

Shakujo-no-ume
The plum tree of the crosier

It was a cherry tree that continually looked as if it was covered with raindrops, even on sunny days. (Unfortunately, the tree is now dead)

The legend has it that someday, Kobo Daishi was leaning on his crosier at this very location, and that the crosier had taken roots just before turning to a plum tree. The tree doesn't bloom during ominous years.

Miyama-jinja Shrine :
The same gods are also worshipped at Itsukushima Shrine. People say that the gods descended here a long time ago. It looks like a shrine in the sky!

Mont Komagabayashi (509m)

Niomon gate

Rujira-iwa (whale rock) :
The rock shaped like a whale. There is also a spouting hollow on the upper part of the rock.

Miyama-jinja Shrine

★ Beautiful view

6 The Seven wonders of Mount Misen

5 Distance in minutes between 2 points

← Omoto Park (120 min)
← Okunoin Temple (30 min)

Momjidan Park (50 min) →

Shishiwa
Ropeway Station

Observatoire de
Shishiwa (430m)

Mandala Rock

Akaido

Misen Hondo

Sankido

Monjudo

Kannondo

The sound of hyoshigi
wooden clappers

Dainichido

Rujira-iwa
Whale rock

Mizukakejizo

Dainichin Temple (60 min)

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