

Admission

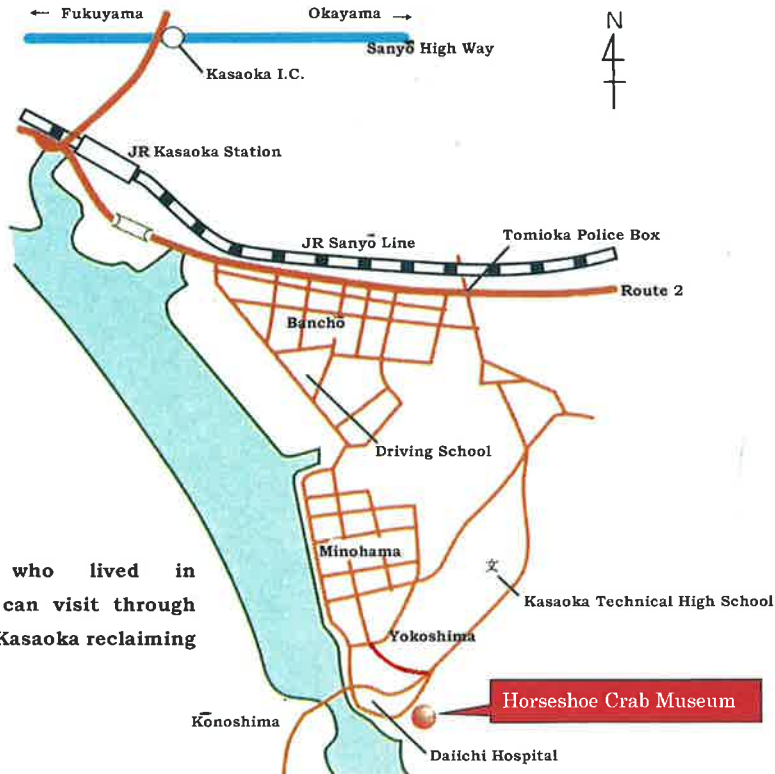
- Hour / 09:00 ~ 17:00 (Last Admission 16:30)
- Closed / Monday, 29 December to 3 January, and the day following a national day.
(Open daily from 25 March to 10 April, 27 April to 10 May, and 15 July to 31 August.)
- Charge /

	General	Group(20 or more)
Adult	520 yen	420 yen
High School Students	310 yen	260 yen
Junior High And Elementary School Students	210yen	150 yen

■ Transport

Bus : Kōnohima line from kasaoka bus station (in front of JR Kasaoka station), to bus stop "Kabutogani Hakubutukan Mae" (about 20 minutes).

Car : 9.7km far from Kasaoka I.C. of Sanyō High Way(about 30 minutes).



Everyone who lived in Fukuyama can visit through the Gulf of Kasaoka reclaiming land.

Horseshoe Crab Museum

KASAOKA CITY HORSESHOE CRAB MUSEUM



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Museum Guide



Mating Adult Horseshoe Crabs

Horseshoe Crab Aquarium

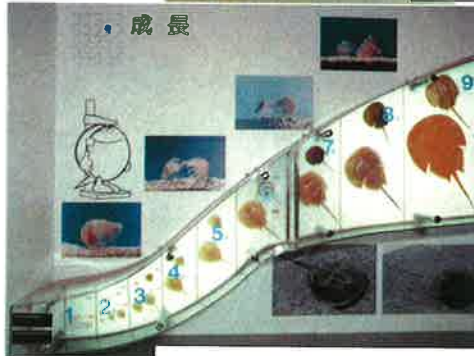
We have a big aquarium. So that you can observe living horseshoe crabs closely. You'll see adult horseshoe crabs.

Living Fossils Corner

There are 8 kinds of fossil animals, sorted into living fossils and their ancestors in the window display. Especially horseshoe crab fossils, which were found in Sornhochen of Germany, are better kept than any other fossils, and their tracks are still left clearly.



Horseshoe Crab Fossils 150 Million Years Ago



The Growth of Horseshoe Crab

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Everyone doesn't know how many times a horseshoe crab sheds its shell after hatching and when it becomes an adult. It is estimated that a male horseshoe crab sheds its shell 15 times and becomes an adult in 13 years; on the other hand, a female does 16 times and an adult in 14 years.

Roaring And Moving Baryonyx

A moving Baryonyx is exhibited in the ground floor. It is known that this dinosaur first ate a fish in the world. Possibly it had eaten a horseshoe crab.



Baryonyx



Horseshoe Crab Theater

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There are 80 seats in the theater. You can see a picture of horseshoe crabs on a big screen. Besides, you can dialogue with the picture through some quizzes.

Running Times

• "Horseshoe Crab Theater"

09:00~09:15, 09:30~09:45, 10:40~10:55, 11:00~11:15,
11:30~11:45, 12:00~12:15, 12:30~12:45, 13:00~13:15,
13:00~13:45, 14:40~14:55, 15:00~15:15, 15:30~15:45,
16:00~16:15, 16:30~16:45,

• "Chikyuu No Nushi, Kabutogani"

(The Tenant of the earth, horseshoe crabs
10:00~10:34, 14:00~14:34

Dyno Slope

There are some representative dinosaurs of Mesozoic Era. Horseshoe crab has survived through the age to present day, but the dinosaurs couldn't survive and they became extinct. So we can see dinosaurs only with a fossil today.



Dyno Slope

Breeding Exhibition Room

In the Horseshoe Crab Museum, we breed and release larva in order to protect and multiply of the horseshoe crab in the natural monument "horseshoe crab breeding place". In this room, you can see the situation of the artificial breeding and you can see the pretty larva closely.



Breeding Exhibition Room



Tyrannosaurus



Iguanodon

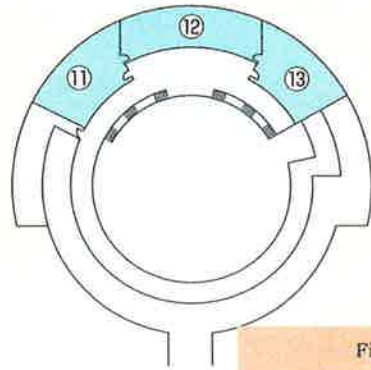
Dinosaur Park

8 resorted dinosaurs (7 species) exist in the park. They are all full-scale, and they are elaborately reproduced under the supervision of some experts.

Plan of Museum



Ground Floor



First Floor

Facilities

two-storied construction made of reinforced concrete on a steel framework

Premises Area

···29,898.60 m²

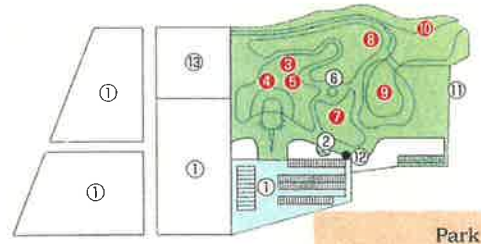
Construction Area

Ground Floor··· 1,588.82 m²

First Floor····· 257.45 m²

Total········· 1,846.27 m²

Dinosaur Park···20,332.00 m²



Park

Dinosaur Park

- ① Hall
- ② Office
- ③ Display Room
- ④ Special Display Room
- ⑤ First Collection Room
- ⑥ Boarding Room
- ⑦ Second Collection Room
- ⑧ Third Collection Room
- ⑨ Curator's Room
- ⑩ Breeding Room
- ⑪ Lounge
- ⑫ Observatin Room
- ⑬ Display Room

- ① Parking
- ② Rest Rooms
- ③ *Tyrannosaurus*
- ④ *Pteranodon*
- ⑤ *Protoceratops*
- ⑥ Rest Place
- ⑦ *Iguanodon*
- ⑧ *Diplodocus*
- ⑨ *Elasmosaurus*
- ⑩ *Apatosaurus*
- ⑪ Museum
- ⑫ Rest Place
- ⑬ Playground