ASUKA TO TANZAN SHRINE

7.70 miles · 12.40 km

Asuka Station to Orii via Tanzan Shrine

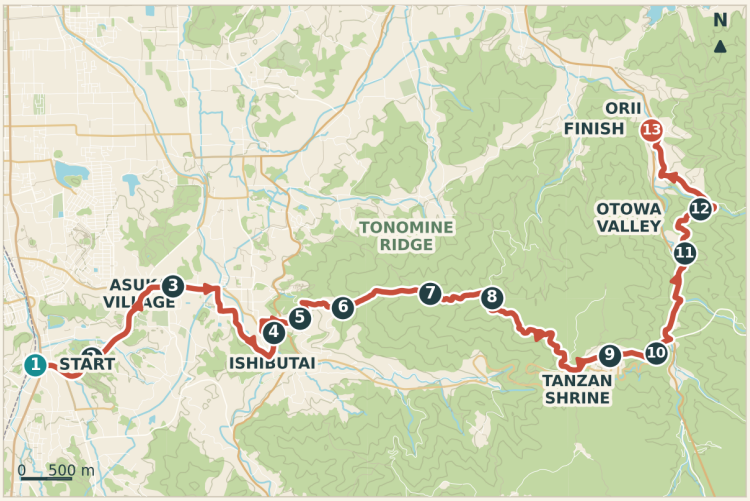
V1 / MOUNTAIN WALK

Allow about 4–5 hours

Gain ~2,070 ft · Loss ~1,610 ft

VILLAGE TO SHRINE

North up · 50 m contours



GETTING TO ASUKA

From Morinomiya, take the Chuo Line west one stop to Tanimachi 4-chome. Change to the southbound Tanimachi Line for Tennoji and walk to Kintetsu Osaka-Abenobashi. Take a Yoshino-bound Express or a reserved Limited Express that stops at Asuka (F44).

TERRAIN

Country lanes and greenways lead to a steep wooded climb. The descent follows mostly narrow shared roads and village lanes. Around 15% is mapped woodland footpath. Around 43% runs through mapped woodland, including roads.

THE WALK

Follow the Asuka greenways and field lanes past the Ishibutai Tumulus approach. Climb a wooded footpath to the ridge and continue along forest lanes to the Tanzan Shrine entrance. The 13-story pagoda is inside the paid grounds.

Continue east on the old Tonomine approach, then follow valley lanes north toward the Orii bus stop. Expect short shared stretches on Routes 155 and 37 with limited walking space.

CHECKPOINT		MILES
1	**Asuka Station forecourt**	**0.00**
2	Asuka countryside path	**0.44**
3	Asuka greenway	**1.19**
4	Ishibutai Tumulus approach	**2.25**
5	Upper Asuka lanes	**2.65**
6	Forest ascent	**3.06**
7	Wooded ridge	**3.65**
8	Ridge road junction	**4.10**
9	Tanzan Shrine entrance	**5.30**
10	East Gate approach	**5.61**
11	Tonomine valley lanes	**6.37**
12	Otowa valley	**6.79**
13	**Orii bus stop approach**	**7.70**

Cumulative miles from Asuka Station.

Walk in daylight. The climb can be slick after rain. Watch for vehicles on bends and use the roadside margin where available.

The East Gate approach permits walkers. At the damaged former Jojuin gate, follow the signed pedestrian detour. Its local alignment may differ from the GPX.

BUS TO SAKURAI

At Orii, take the Tonomine community bus toward Sakurai Station South Exit. For a shorter walk, board at Tanzan Shrine instead. Check the last departure and carry cash. From Kintetsu Sakurai (D42), take an Osaka-Uehommachi-bound train to Tsuruhashi, then the JR Osaka Loop Line to Morinomiya.

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