

Seasonal Events and Dates for Blossoms

Spring

Mid- to Late May

Rape blossoms on Yamamotoyama Heights
Around 35,000 m² of rape flower fields are spread out on the side of Yamamotoyama.

Early to Mid-April

Cherry blossoms in Funaoka Park
With some 300 cherry trees planted in the park, this is one of the best spots in Ojiya for viewing cherry blossoms.

Once a month, May to November

Tsunotsuki bullfighting
Designated an Important Intangible Folk Cultural Asset, this is a traditional event continued from the later half of the Edo Period.



Tsunotsuki bullfighting

Summer

Mid-July

Nikko Jinja Shrine Festival

The festival includes a puppet show, dance performance, and parade featuring puppets in the form of a maiden and old man.

Mid-August

Sunflower fields on Yamamotoyama Heights

Sunflower fields are spread out over Yamamotoyama Heights, where there is an observation deck.

Mid-August

Ojiya Festival

This exciting festival includes folk songs, Bon festival dancing in costume, a parade of mechanical lantern dolls, fireworks, a parade of fighting bulls, and more.



Ojiya Festival

Fall

Early to Mid-September

Sodenosawa Terraced Fields

Located in the southern most part of Ojiya, from here you can look out over the Uonuma Hills and Mikuni Mountains.

September 9 and 10

Katakai Festival

Around 15,000 fireworks are shot off, including the world's largest fireworks (the Sho-Yon-Shaku-Dama) and a "star mine" fireworks display.



Katakai Festival

Winter

Mid-January

Sai no Kami

An event at the time of the First Full Moon Festival, when New Year's pine decorations and shimenawa (ropes used to cordon off sacred spaces) are burnt.

Mid-February

Honyarado Festival

Candles are lit in small igloos (called honyarado) in a snowfield. There is also a fireworks display.

Late February

Ojiya Balloon Festival

This is a hot air balloon competition held above the snow. At night, there is a fireworks display as beautifully lit balloons float in the air.



Ojiya Balloon Festival

Getting to Ojiya

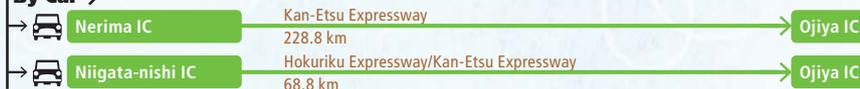
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By Car



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