Heavenly Yahiko
Even on a day
Of blue clouds
A little rain

(A poem from Man’yoshu, "Collection of Ten Thousand Leaves")

Winter
Yahiko Station in the snow

Autumn
Momijidani Autumn Foliage

Summer
Tamanoshiki Bridge surrounded by venture

Spring
Yahiko Shrine with cherry blossoms in full bloom

Yahiko special confectionaries:
- Tama Usagi
- Yahiko specialty curvy bears

Yahiko specialty toxotoma:
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Take a leisurely stroll to take in all that Yahiko has to offer.

As one walks toward the front of the gate at Yahiko Shrine, the steam rises from the shops and there is a nostalgic smell in the air. Oden, sweet sake, dansuku skewers, and hot spring manju buns... Stroll leisurely while enjoying the food. This is an area with people who are warm and friendly, a place with merriment amid the quiet...

Dec. 31 – Jan. 1 – Rice-molded New Year’s Eve shrine visit
Jan. 3 – Yahiko’s first shrine visit of the New Year
Jan. 1 – Yama shrine ritual
Jan. 7 – First Yumi archery ritual of the New Year

During the morning, there is ritualistic placing of the bowstring by Yamadera and Yamato ("Honkan na Geta"), as well as the ritualistic checking of 100 arrows by ten Shinto priests ("Hakushita no Geta "), from the afternoon, archery specialists carry out the general sacred archery rituals.

Feb. 2 – Rain Tanuki Annual Grand Festival

First shrine visit of the New Year
First archery ritual of the New Year

Harvesting Kochishio Rice
Chrysanthemum Festival
Oct. 30th – Sandayu Festival
Nov. 1-5 – Yahiko Chrysanthemum Festival
The Yahiko Prefecture Chrysanthemum Flower Exhibition, which is held at the grounds of the Yahiko Shrine, sees entry after entry from enthusiasts every year numbering up to 30,000 people.

Nov. 1 – Yahiko Chrysanthemum Festival
Nov. 10 – Yahiko Chrysanthemum Festival

Stakes Lumber Festival
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Early April to Late April – Cherry Blossoms
Yahiko’s cherry blossoms start with the blooming of the Satomi Yahiko cherry blossom in early April. A variety of other cherry blossom types, such as the mid-period varieties, can be enjoyed up until the extended Golden Week holiday at the end of the month.

Mid-April – Yudane (New Water Induction) Festival
At the Yahiko Shrine, water is poured into a large tub, then Kiyado Agemaki (traditional music performances) are performed by the village inhabitants and the shrines at the same time.

Early May – O-Shinto (Shinto Dance) Festival

Later May – O-Shinto (Shinto Dance) Festival

Local specialties
- Nippou-zu soup
- Fresh Fish from the Japan Sea
- Yahiko tan Shitake mushrooms (jumbo shiitake mushrooms)
- Kochishio Rice
- Grape picking
- Kakiwodzura
- Yahiko Muro Morin Green Soybeans (First Harvest Green Soybeans)
- Yahiko Shitake Mushrooms
- Yahiko Tan Tan Shitake Mushrooms
- Yahiko Premium Green Soybeans

http://www.e-yahiko.com/
Site of Takekishi Family's Former Residence
Designated a cultural asset by the village, the main house is thought to be built in the style of the early 18th century, around 165 years ago.

Yahiko-no-oka Art Museum
Masterpieces by members of the Niigata Artists Association are on exhibition here, all of which art museum fans amidst the forest.

Mt. Yahiko Ropeway
Off to the west is the expansive Sado Sea, which hosts the island of Sado, extending westward to the vine-producing Chigo Plateau.

Yahiko Summit Park
Standing on top of the 100m Panorama Tower, an observation tower that rotates and gives an up and down view, one can feel as far away as Sado and Chigo Plateau.

Big Torii Gate
Standing 30m tall, the Big Torii Gate was built in 1992 to commemorate the opening of the Yatsu Shrine Shrine Line.

Manyo Road
Mt. Yahiko has been made home to 60 of the species of plants featured in the poetry of the "Manyo-shu" collection. These bloom as proud as their poetic Manyo-shu counterparts.

Yahiko Park
Covering 50,000 square meters, the park includes the Kameoji Bridge, a replica of an old-fashioned wooden bridge, often spectacular views of autumn foliage.

Yahiko Shrine
It is said that the shrine deity, Arimatsuyamamitarihiko, gave birth to Emperor Jimmu and taught the residents how to get food from the sea, how to fish, and how to cultivate rice.

Natural Monument Yahiko Summit / Yahiko-no-oka cherry blossom trees

Romantic Journey
"Oyahiko-sama," the shrine, is home to traditions from days of old and the legends of the gods. The feeling of the four seasons and distant memories are revived.