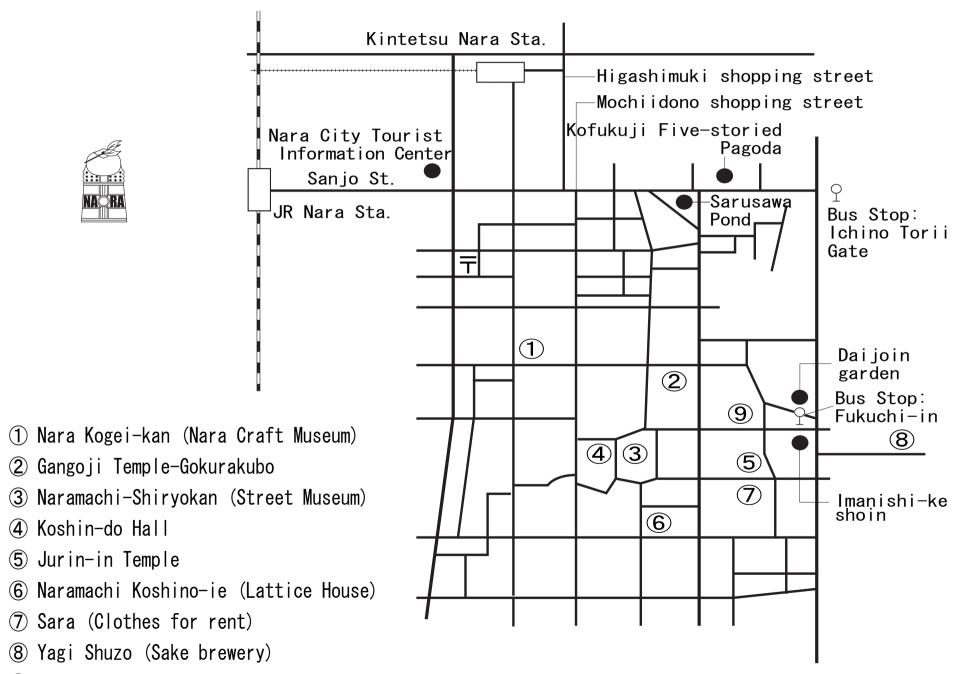
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After visiting all those temples and shrines, why not take a stroll around Nara-machi, where migawarizaru (charms in the shape of monkeys) dangle the eaves, and where you can sample the life of the inhabitants of Nara. Be carefull that places in Nara-machi normally close at 4:30pm

①Nara Kogei-kan (Nara Craft Museum) [No charge] - Exhibits and sells traditional handicrafts. A restroom and resting area are always available. \Rightarrow ②Gangoji Temple-Gokurakubo [400 yen] A 5-minute walk from Nara Kogeikan. Founded in Asuka in the 6th century, this temple was moved here after the capital was transferred to Nara. The Chiko Mandala is dedicated for worship. \Rightarrow The Main Hall and Zen Room of Gokurakubo have been registered as World Heritage Sites. \Rightarrow ③ Naramachi-Shiryokan(Street Museum) [No charge] - A 5-minute walk from Gangoji Temple. Exhibits of signboards and household goods from the 17th to the 20th centuries in Nara-machi. An interesting way to get to know how people lived in yesteryear. \Rightarrow ④Koshin-do Hall [No charge] - A 2-minute walk from Naramachi-Shiryokan. The Koshin religion, as a teaching of Chinese Taoism, spread amongst the common people as a folk religion in the Edo era. (the 17th and the 18th centuries). The Migawarizaru comes to us from these teachings. \Rightarrow ⑤Jurin-in Temple [400 yen] - A 5-minute walk from Koshin-do. This is a branch temple of Gangoji Temple. The unified granite Buddhist image and the small shrine is a rarity in Japan. \Rightarrow ⑥ Naramachi Koshino-ie (Lattice House) [No charge] - A 10-minute walk from Jurin-in Temple. This is a replica of a traditional merchant's house in Nara-machi. The house is narrow but deep due to the fact that tax was levied in accordance with the width of the house. You may visit, free of charge, the site of the Gangoji Temple Pagoda and the Nara-machi Monogatarikan (Historical Library), etc. as well as enjoy a stroll around the area if you have time.

[Helpful Information]

<u>(Clothes for rent)</u> - How about strolling around Nara-machi wearing a traditional Kimono? Between 10:00 and 16:00. You can rent traditional dress for the following fees: Kimono=3,000 yen, Yukata=2,000 yen, Photograph=1,000 yen (underwear, zori, and a bag, etc. included)

(8) Yagi Shuzo (Sake brewery) [No charge] - Observe the sake fermentation process. One of the most famous brands of sake in Nara. The visiting season is between the 26th October and the 20th March.

(9) Naramachi Kobo (Studio of 6 Artists) [No charge] — Dyeing, Glassblowing, Glass Beads and miscellaneous goods of Asia. As long as you reserve beforehand, you may make your own glass bead, sundry goods of Asia, etc. You can make glass bead if you reserve for it beforehand.

*Others: There are shops selling unique linen products in Nara.

*All numbers above correspond with those on the map.

*1km(about 0.6 mile)=Approximately 15 minutes on foot

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