

A Summary of Oyattosa, the Natural Hot Spring Footbath at Kagoshima Airport

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As part of a larger promotion plan for Kagoshima Airport, our company held four events from July of 2004 that created a footbath using water brought in on tanker trucks from nearby natural hot springs. During those events, a large number of our customers used the footbaths, and many people gave us feedback expressing their desire that the footbath be made permanent. Based on that feedback, we established the Japan's first permanent natural hot spring footbath inside an airport. In addition, the footbath provides a successful public relations campaign for Kagoshima, a leading natural hot spring area. The footbath's concept draws on three ideas: "represent Kagoshima," "possess warmth," and "kindness towards people." Water pours down a rock mountain that was created in the image of Sakurajima and Kirishima, and wood from Kagoshima Prefecture was used for the roof, beams, and pillars. Additionally, there are handrails and a sloped section that allows people in wheelchairs to use the footbath.

## Overview

1) Name	Kagoshima Airport Natural Hot Spring Footbath "Oyattosa"
2) Location	Domestic Terminal's 1 <sup>st</sup> floor across from the 3 <sup>rd</sup> entrance of the main walkway
3) Hours	9:00 am to 7:30 pm
4) Area	728.5 ft <sup>2</sup> (67.68 m <sup>2</sup> )
5) Capacity	20 people (10 benches that seat 2) and 1 wheelchair location
6) Water Source	1,498 meters below Kagoshima Airport's Domestic Terminal parking lot
7) Water Temp.	115 °F (46.6 °C)
8) Output	10.6 gal/min (40 liters/min)
9) Water Quality	sodium bicarbonate from a saline spring (multilayered well)
10) Health Benefits	(for bathing) cuts, burns, and chronic skin conditions
11) Established	December 20, 2005
12) Miscellaneous	Original Towel (¥300)

