

Mt. Bandai

Mt. Bandai is an active volcano that may suddenly erupt at any time.

The volcanic alert level system is divided into 5 levels depending on the scope of danger zones and protective actions required when a volcano erupts. This map illustrates areas that require vigilance, restricted positions, and evacuation routes in levels 2 and 3 of the volcano alert level system.

<Target area>

Level 2 (Do not approach the crater): Approx. 1 km from the crater

Level 3 (Do not approach the volcano): Approx. 2 km from the crater

<Hiking trail>

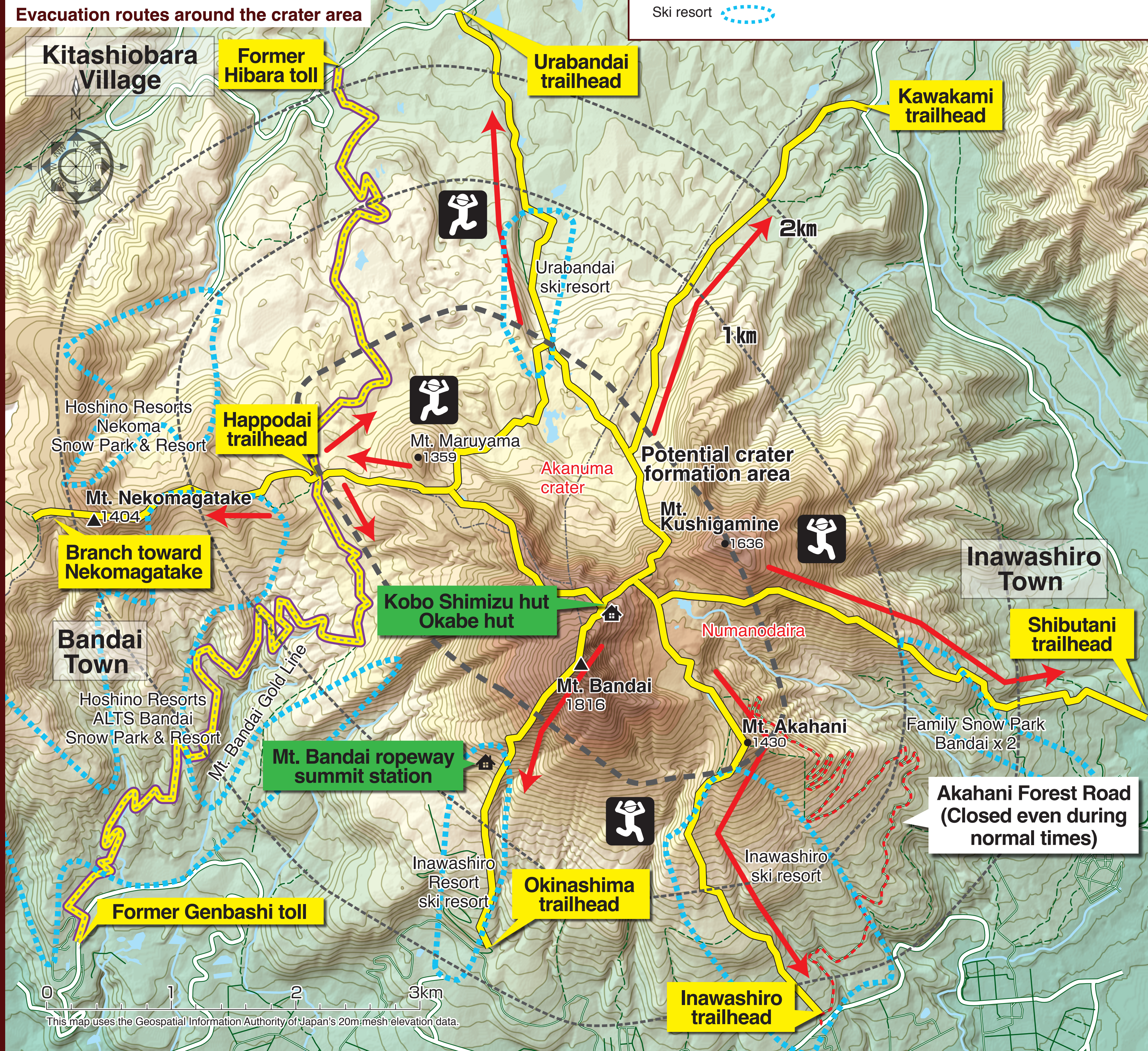
Paths restricted for level 2 

Ski resort 

<Mt. Bandai Gold Line>

Road restricted for level 2 

Evacuation routes around the crater area



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Preparation before hiking



Step 1 Check hiking information before entering the trailhead.

See Japan Meteorological Agency homepage
<https://www.data.jma.go.jp/multi/index.html?lang=en>



Step 2 Check your mountain hiking equipment and carry-along items.

Towel, mask, headlamp, flashlight, large backpack, helmet, mobile phone, portable radio, emergency food, drinking water

Step 3 Submit your hiking notification (hike plan).

Where to submit: Fukushima Prefectural Police Headquarters trailhead box
[Click here for the hiking notification form]
Fukushima Prefectural Police Headquarters homepage
http://www.police.pref.fukushima.jp/07.anzen/-sangaku/-sounan/sangaku_todoke.html



What to be mindful of while hiking

- *Be mindful of the area around the crater.
- *Be aware of the location of the crater and wind direction.
- *Pay attention to information coming in on your mobile phone and portable radio while hiking.
- *Do not get close to fumaroles or depressions or valleys where volcanic gases can easily accumulate.
- *If you discover any abnormal phenomena (such as fumes, odors, fissures, earthquakes, etc.), hiking down to a safe elevation and alert the local municipalities, police and meteorological observatory.



If there is an eruption while hiking

- *Confirm where the eruption has occurred and immediately evacuate in a direction away from the crater.
- *Use your backpack and helmet to protect yourself from volcanic projectiles and ash and take temporary shelter in a mountain hub or behind rocks.
- *Cover your mouth and nose with a mask or wet towel to prevent inhaling volcanic ash or gas.



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