## [Mt. Jiromaru and Taromaru]

Mt. Jiromaru and Taromaru are considered brothers, and have elevations of 393 meters and 281 meters and 281 meters respectively; they have been included in "The Kyushu region one hundered top mountains".

You are able to view points of interest, such as Tomidaira(遠見平) which means the panorama view and Choju no Wakimizu(長寿の湧水) which means spring water for a long life. You can also enjoy a wide variety of trails.

Some more highlights to look out for are Inazuma Gaeshi(稲妻返し) a zinzagging path that looks like a flash of lightning, as well as Jiro Otoshi(次郎落し) a collection of huge rocks attached to them for the adventurous amongst you to try out.

The course is recommended for both advanced and biginner hikers. To summit both peaks a time of 2 hours and a half is recommended. To summit one peak 2 hours is sufficient.

**a.Directions:** At Matsushima-machi intersection travelling from Route 266, carry on straight through the traffic signal to join Route 324 heading towards Amakusa

city.

There is the Matsushima fire station on Route 324. You go 3.5 kilometers head to the South from the fire starion, and you would find the information board that signs for the start point of Mt. Jiromaru and Taromaru.



**b.**At the start point, there are parking lots, resting area, and toilets.

% Please use the facilities before you start and take a sufficient water and food for your hike.



**c.**We are going to hike with TV crews today.

Now we are ready to go. Two hours adventure has started.



**d.**After we went from the parking lot through the residential district, we were on the authentic hiking path. We god excited.



**e.**On the way, when we were at a steep slope, there were some ropes which have been set for climbing up safely for us. Please use the ropes to keep safely, not to forse going without the ropes.



## f.Found Choju no Wakimizu(長寿の湧水)!



g. You can choose to go right towards "Mt. Taromaru" or to head to go left towards"Mt. Jiromaru". We chose "Mt. Jiromaru" today.



**h.**There are some exciting sections along the trail, use the ropes to assist your climb.



i.Now, the peak commands a panoramic view of the surrounding area.

Please experience the marvelous view for yourself.



We appreciate your cooperation in keeping the environment clean.

Please take all your trash home.