

COP10 GREEN MAP PROJECT

THE GREEN MAP OF BIODIVERSITY IN OUR LIVING

When we look at our living and community, we can start seeing people and nature . . . the connection of life.

When we start looking at our own daily life and community consciously, we can encounter many findings. Through nature and scenery around us, food we take and clothes we wear everyday, tools we use, traditional craftsmanship and culture, inspiration we get, we realize that we are kept alive in many connections. This time, we have asked many people to post their findings for the COP10 (Tenth time Conference of the Parties of Convention on Biological Diversity) in Nagoya. (Total number of postings: 316) This Green Map has been created based on those selections.

4 Hayato Pond where lotus flowers bloom (Showwa-ku)

This urban pond is precious because you can observe lotus flowers without going to the suburbs. In the middle of the pond, there is an arbor and the view from there is also enjoyable.

3 Space full of energy within a city (Showwa-ku)

This is a valuable forest that has natural shape of a coppice in the city. Lots of birds and bugs are found. This is where people can be well.

8 A massive flock of cormorants (Minato-ku)

Are they from big nests in Chita Peninsula. I understand. Where cormorants are, you can expect fish, and where you can see fish, there are Indian porpoise.

9 Sunset at the harbor (Minato-ku)

The sunset is beautiful at the sea. There will be a fireworks in the Port Festival. It is nice that so many people look up and enjoy the sky at the same time.

6 Place where you can connect with ... (Atsuta-ku)

Not only offering information on environmental events and courses, this is a place where people from varied generations gather and connect with each other.

7 My chopsticks made of trees that had been thinned (Atsuta-ku)

Reuse and Recycle Station - for all people, all time. They also have the environmental programs such as production of your own chopsticks using thinning trees.

10 The first dog-run in Nagoya (Minato-ku)

This is the very first dog-run in Nagoya. Open for 24-hours, people and dogs can gather here and relax at free of charge.

14 Marsh on the Otaka Green District (Midori-ku)

There are many trees in the Otaka Green District and there are also springs here and there. You can relax seeing the marsh plants and dragonflies flying around.

16 Sweet and tasty (Tenpaku-ku)

"Yagato goshu candies" are Aichi's traditional vegetables. People from the Taisho Era could never imagine that they would become popular salad dressing today.

17 Our family's ... (Tenpaku-ku)

This is a place where you can feel kind of strange that you are connected to your own life . . . even though it may not be so close to our living.

23 Living together (Higashi-ku)

I felt that people were looking for a place to rest. I also felt that people were kept alive by the nature.

29 COMBI Honjin (Nakamura-ku)

A group involved in environment preservation, welfare and city planning has turned an abolished elementary school to make it a space where people nearby could get together.

30 Nakagawa Canal (Nakagawa-ku)

Now the water is no longer clean, but it used to support economy and living of Nagoya for long. People used it for drinking and transporting merchandise, etc. Let's hope the water gets clean again someday!

31 Life of Sakura (cherry tree): transformed to kimono (Mizuho-ku)

This kimono was woven from the silken threads that had been dyed using the trunk of a 50-year old Sakura which had to be cut. The life of Sakura goes on in the kimono.

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What is a Green Map?

An activity of making environmentally themed maps using universal symbols (icons) upon checking our own communities' strong and weak points in eco-features. An environmental designer called Wendy Brawer started it for the 1992 Rio Earth Summit, and now it is a global environmental project spreading to more than 650 communities in 55 countries carried out by citizens. Here in Japan, the Green Map activity started in November 2002, and it was adopted as a civic participation project for "The World Exposition Aichi" in 2005.

↓ For detailed information on the Green Map, please see: <http://www.greenmapjapan.org/>

1 Fountain made of barrels (Kita-ku)

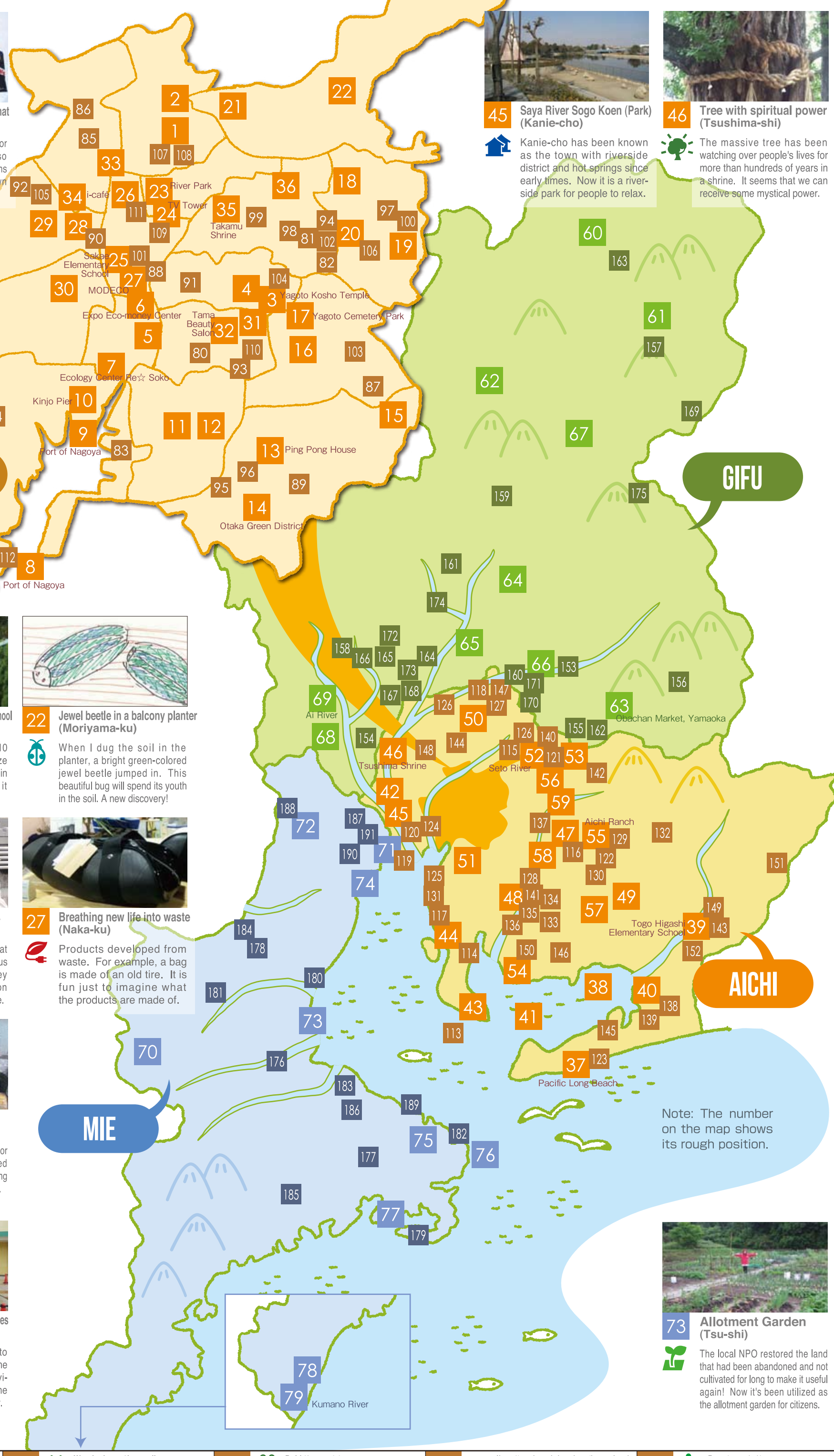
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2 Waterfront experiments in Hori River (Kita-ku)

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Green Map icons (partial)

Note: Here, you can see the icons for the information introduced with photos. To see all the icons (169 in total), please refer to: <http://www.greenmapjapan.org/>

Farm/Local Market	Eco-Agriculture/Pennaculture	Organic/Local Food	Eco-Products	Eco-Resource	Reuse	Composting Site	Green Technology	Public/Local Transportation	Water Transport	Alternative Fuel/Vehicles	Deforestation	Waterfront/Riverside Park	Water Feature	Wetlands	Drinking Water Source	Geological Feature	Eco-Design/Planning Feature	Future Redevelopment	Eco Landscaping	Public Forest/Natural Area	Special Tree	Native Forest/Plants	Spring Blossoms	Significant Habitat	Amphibian Habitat
Protected/Cultured Habitat	Insect Watching Site	Bird & Wildlife Watching	Farm Animals	Park/Recreation Area	Public Space/Square	Dog Run	Scenic Vista	Sunrise/Sunset Site	Art Spot	Cultural Performance	Lively Spot	Artisan/Art Studio	Traditional Way of Life	Historical Feature	Archaeology Site	Traditional Neighborhood	Child Friendly Site	Senior Friendly Site	Eco-Spiritual Site	Eco Information	Environmental Education	Eco Club/Organization	Social Service	Cemetery	

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41 Black pearls in Mikawa Bay (Saku Island)

On a pearl-like island in the sea, there are traditional fishing methods and lots of joyful art plans.

42 Farming method utilizing duckling (Aisai-shi)

At Sava Senior High School, we are challenging to grow organic rice utilizing duckling farming.

43 The natural beach (Minami Chita-cho)

This scenery is precious because it is the natural shore without any touch of human.

44 Slope with pottery pipes (Tokoname-shi)

Reusing pottery pipes in Tokoname, this slope conveys the depth of its history to us.

40 Marine-derived robots (Toyohashi-shi)

Robots made of waste from the sea. They are suggesting not to run the sea?

47 Obake (large) hackberry (Toyota-shi)

In this elementary school, pupils wear traditional costumes (girls: sasome, boys: happi) to plant rice as they dance along with singing.

51 Genki-no-Sato (Obbu-shi)

Consuming products produced locally leads to protection of the earth. It is also nice to see the faces of producers.

52 Place where you can relax (Okazaki-shi)

Ducks are gathering.

53 Wisteria blooming in front of a sento (public bath) (Seto-shi)

On the roof of an old sento (public bath) from the Showa Era, this wisteria tree has been blooming for many years even though there are nobody to praise its beauty.

54 Clams in tidal land (Isshiki-cho)

Agave, sandworm, birds and clams are purifying the sea water and the shore. Clams are great!

55 Sticking out the tongue (Nisshin-shi)

Among various cattle in the ranch, cows contribute the most as they provide food for us. Thank you!

57 Fireworks (Okazaki-shi)

Beautiful fireworks in the summer night. Wish they would last forever.

58 Pump (Toyota-shi)

In the Showa Era, people used to haul water out of the driven-well and chewed the fat. This is a place where we can appreciate water.

59 Originally it was a forest ... (Nagakute-cho)

Trees in a forest will be cut and towns will be created, then the nature will be lost. That could be the reason forests are valuable.

60 Charcoal burner's lodge (Hida-shi)

This area at the altitude of 400m has traditional rice terraces and itakura (wooden warehouses). Restored charcoal burner's lodges have a local feel as well.

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64 Eco-tourism (Mino-shi)

"Town corner information station - Minatavara-machi Machiya" opened in a town where they have Udausu. Full of information on eco-tours and outdoor activities!

65 Cormorant fishing basket craftsman (Sekai-shi)

He is the only craftsman who makes baskets used for cormorant fishing in Japan. Deeply impressed by the technique designated by the city as the important intangible ethnic cultural heritage.

66 Treat (Kani-shi)

Gold beetle sucking up nectar of a rose. What a treat!

63 Local production for local consumption of Kanten (agar-agar) (Ena-shi)

This is the town where Kanten (agar-agar) has been produced from long ago. This gift of nature is good for health and tasty. Good example of local production for local consumption.

67 Anekaeshi (sweet) (Gero-shi)

"Anekaeshi (sweet)" is made with freshly-picked mugwort by local people and sold only for two months: May and June.

68 White rice paddy (Yoro-cho)

White rice paddy! This has been invented by a tuten shop owner and is a chemical-free rice paddy using cotton.

69 Koinobori (flying carp) swimming in the real river (Tarui-cho)

This is art! Reusing the useless Koinobori (flying carp) revitalized the town. Displayed from the end of March till May.

70 Welfare robot (Nabari-shi)

"Welfare Robot" was introduced to haul water out of the Grand Shrine of Ise (Ise-shi). It helps disabled people do their exercises.

71 The Moroto Garden (Kuwana-shi)

There are many buildings which date back to the Meiji Era, some of which are designated national treasures. You can enjoy the touch of history here in this garden.

72 Mottainai-ya market (Komono-cho)

"Yasato-ya" is a long-established Tofu-shop. They started this "Mottainai Market" not to waste the Tofu that's irregular to sell.

77 Sato-yama (coppice woodlands) (Shima-shi)

At "Nemu-no Sato", long-abandoned natural habitat (coppice woodlands) has been redeveloped to make people feel close to the rich nature.

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Sato-yama (coppice woodlands) shows the beautiful beauty of rice terraces that had been created in the Edo Era by piling up stones. You can see glossy lily pads flying in tall. There is also an ancient Kumanokoto (stone-paved road) Mt.

79 The Kumanori River Experience (Kihou-cho)

River rafting, catching freshwater shrimps, bamboo work, lunch with country dishes, strolling along the Kumanokoto, etc. You can experience the culture that has been around with the Kumanori River.

144 Running station Gogo River (Kusatsu-shi)

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145 Eco-friendly commuting (Tahara-shi)

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146 Through "Nao" smoking (Tajiri-shi)

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147 Exhibition room for nocturnal monkeys (Japan Monkey Center (Kuyama-shi))

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148 Jida-ya (Owarai-shi)

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149 Third in the country (Arai-shi)

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150 Mt. Sanage beautification climbing (Toyohashi-shi)

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151 Blueberries grown in the fallow field (Shikama-shi)

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152 Group for swimming the Togo River (Shikama-shi)

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154 Hemigrammocypris rasborella (Tajiri-shi)

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156 Fresh verdure and sheep (Kusatsu-shi)

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158 Mugwort-no-mat" hometown experience (Toyohashi-shi)

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159 Eco-friendly Mizu Manju (sweet) (Mito-shi)

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167 Lanes for bicycles (Yoro-cho)

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168 Under a big tree? (Chikusa-shi)

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170 Duplex of "Kakori" made of forest living wood (Mitsushima-shi)

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