The Other Side of Kaga

Kaga is well known for its hot spring towns that have gained nationwide popularity, over their 1300 year history. Kaga also has many attractions and delicacies for you to discover and explore. They are "The other side of Kaga".

Mount Hakusan
Majestically standing over the area, Mount Hakusan is one of Japan's three sacred mountains. It is a potentially active volcano, and is the mother of the countless hot springs that have been providing delight and washing for the locals for centuries.

Lake Chubu
Gracefully decorated by the scenic mountain range and the lake, Lake Chubu is the source of the water that flows from Mount Hakusan and setting beyond the nearby Sea of Japan. Bathed in sunlight, the water is said to change its color as the sun travels its course.

Kosoyu (Public Bath)
Yamashina Onsen's public bathhouse revives the tranquil atmosphere reflecting the site of the 20th century and makes artful use of the traditional craftworks such as soyomuroi, ceramic, and stained glass.

Hashitate Fishing Port
One of the foremost fishing ports located on the coast of the Sea of Japan, the Hashitate port provides sashimi and sashimi with numerous species of fish, seafood and delicacies such as the wintertime snow crab and sweet shrimp.

Yamanaka Lacquerware
Widely acclaimed for its unique beauty focusing on traditional techniques, Yamanaka Lacquerware is deeply linked to the area's hospitality tradition and is one of the area's most refined crafts.

Snow Crab
As the waters of the Sea of Japan become colder, the snow crab migrate to the northern and snowy regions. Mapped by fishermen along the coast, this extremely popular winter delicacy is sold during picturesque night auctions at the port in Inakura.

Artisanal Sake
Since Mount Hakusan provides a great amount of clear water, as well as the commitment of highly talented brewers, Yamanaka's sake production has acquired a wide recognition for its variety of tastes and characters.

Rabbit Village
Along with a few restaurants, souvenir shops and an art space displaying local folk crafts, visitors can enjoy feeding and getting to know the numerous rabbits roaming around the forest park. The Rabbit Village is perfect for young families looking connect with nature.

Kakusenkei
Stretching past graceful cascades and luminous chasms, Kakusenkei is a picturesque and colorful walking path along the shore of the Dokojagorong gorge that has splendid scenes in every season.

Geisha at Yamanaka-za Theater
Yamanaka-za is an elegant building with lattice walls and occasional performances located in the center of Yamanaka Onsen. Seeing the town's theater hall, its stage regularly hosts traditional dances and geisha performances.

Kitsune Crafts
One of Kaga's traditional crafts, Kitsuné Pottery is considered one of Japan's most impressive folk pottery traditions. With nearly 350 years of history, it has worked to cover a wide range of artistic approaches and characteristics.

Sukiyaki
Sukiyaki is a traditional Japanese dish, typically made with sliced beef, tofu, and vegetables, all cooked over a hot grill with soy sauce and hot water.