



Time Slip to the Warring States Period

Kenshin Festival (August)

Uesugi Kenshin was a famous general and lord from the Sengoku period (around 450 years ago) whose castle was located in Joetsu. Known as the period's strongest general and a just leader, Kenshin continues to be adored by citizens and students of history.

The Kenshin Festival is held every August to celebrate Kenshin's memory. The festival includes a parade of warriors in period armor & helmets, as well as a thrilling reenactment of a battle with rival general Takeda Shingen's troops.



Uesugi Kenshin Statue



The reenactment features matchlock units & warriors on horseback

Rinsenji Temple



The temple where Lord Kenshin trained from age 7 – 14, and his final resting place. The temple is home to many Kenshin-related artifacts.

Kasugayama Castle Remains



The remains of Kenshin's primary fortress—a classic Japanese "mountain castle," which utilized the complex natural landscape. Traces of the fortress can still be seen.