

1. Please carry some Japanese Currency with you for tickets (and coins for telephone calls, if needed).
2. Arriving at Narita: If the flight arrives by 16:00 hours, there may be no problem to reach Aizu-Wakamatsu on the same day. There are 3 trains starting from Narita - Tokyo - Koriyama. Fortunately, on the same stations, only platforms (levels) need to be changed.
3. At the airport - Narita Express (1 hr) and local (1hr 35 min.) and express trains ( 1 hr 12 mts ) come to Tokyo every 30 minutes, or so.
4. At Narita, please ask for a Non-Reserved ticket upto Aizu-Wakamatsu City (Approximate Cost 10000 - 12000 yen). It is best to show a written - AIZU-WAKAMATSU city, -Non-reserved, to the booking assistant.
5. At the Tokyo platform for TOHOKU Shinkansen ( bullet train platform 22 or 23 ?), Please look at the overhead electronic display board before boarding the train. During the day, 2 - 3 trains are such that these do not stop at Koriyama. Letters for Koriyama in Japanese are written on one of the tickets (please also see attached figure).

a) From Tokyo ( Please take TOHOKU shinkansen : TOHOKU bullet train).

From Koriyama, please take a local train. [ Timings : ]

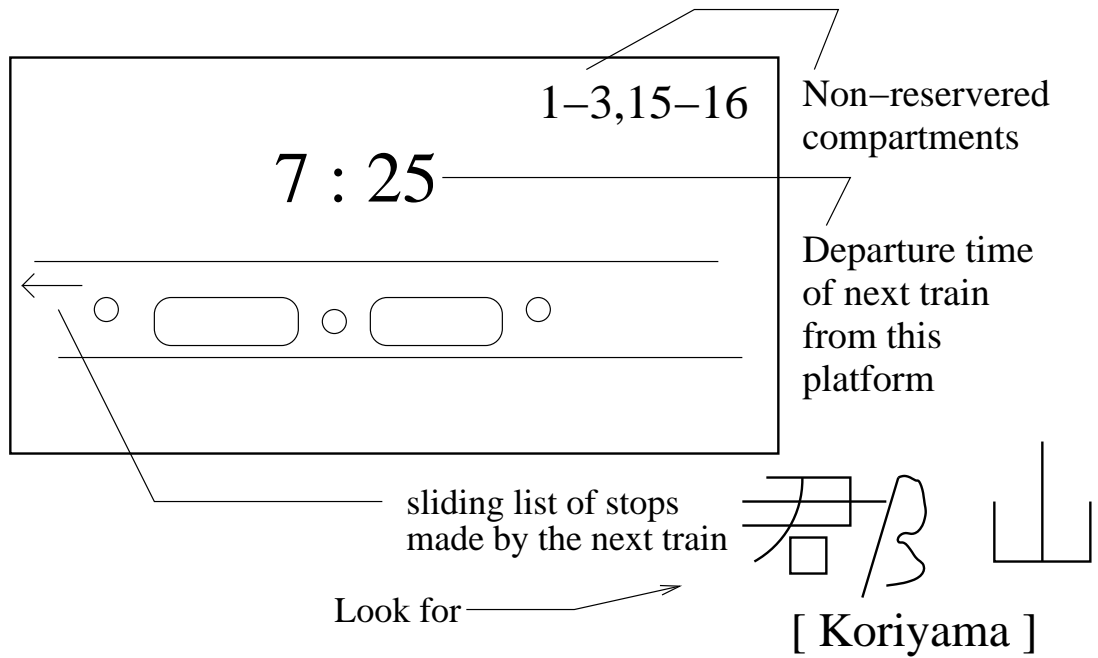
Tokyo - Koriyama	Koriyama - Aizu-Wakamatsu
17:32 - 18:57 (<6-9mnts?>)	18:57 - 20:12
17:56 - 19:22 gap is	19:53 - 21:06
18:15 - 19:54 needed	
18:30 - 19:58	
19:04 - 20:31	20:04 - 21:15
19:24 - 21:07	
19:48 - 21:22	
20:12 - 21:36	20:45 - 21:57
20:28 - 21:53	
20:44 - 22:23	22:30 - 23:41

b) Bus Service is available (Pole no 4) outside Koriyama Stn.

Ticket 1000 yen, starts every hour from 7 am to 20 pm, (additional service at 8:30, 14:30, 17:30, 18:30) reach Aizu-wakamatsu Stn. in 1 hr.

6. Inside the bullet train, English announcements will declare halting stations, and the arrival of Koriyama.
7. At Koriyama, ( if your ticket is upto Koriyama, please buy a 1090 yen (minimum charge) for ticket from a vending machine. Or, board a train, by showing, earlier tickets, please buy it from the TT, or the exit gate after reaching).

# Overhead Display at Tokyo Platform



At Koriyama look for Aizu-Wakamatsu trains

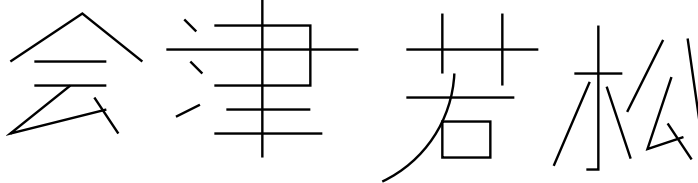


Figure 1: Train , ticket and name recognition

Trains for Aizu-Wakamatsu city are usually at platform 1, and 2. There are no English announcements on local trains. It is about the last or 2nd last last stop after 8 - 10 stops. The names of the stations are written in English at the platforms.

[ Arriving in the Morning : Timings : Approximate ]			
Tokyo -	Koriyama	Koriyama -	Aizu-Wakamatsu
7:56	- 9:20	9:46	- 11:02
8:20	- 10:09		
9:00	- 10:24	10:49	- 12:05
9:20	- 10:54		
9:36	- 11:02	11:12	- 12:11
10:04	- 11:27		
10:16	- 11:39		
10:32	- 12:01	12:22	- 13:35
11:08	- 12:28		
11:24	- 12:47		
11:32	- 13:05		
12:04	- 13:21	13:29	- 14:44
		14:58	- 16:07