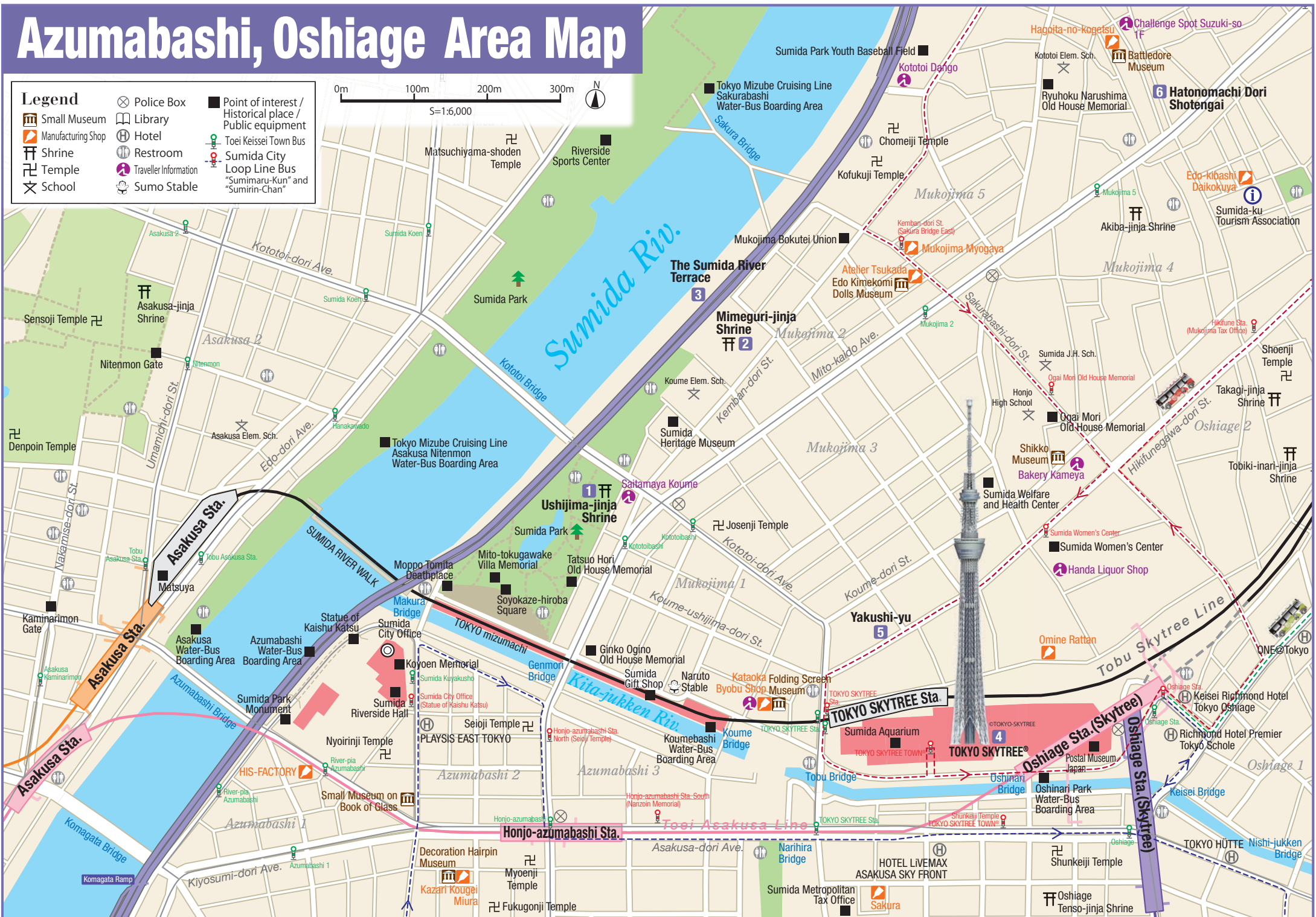
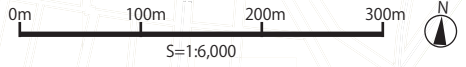


Azumabashi, Oshiage Area Map

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1 Ushijima-jinja Shrine

Founded around 860, this shrine is steeped in history. The main building was constructed solely from cypress and is largely adorned with intricate carving. As is typical of Shinto shrines, Ushijima-jinja Shrine possesses Komainu (lion-dog spirit statue) to guard its entrance. However, it also possesses Komaushi (spirit ox statues) because oxen(Ushi) are this shrine's namesake. Marriage ceremonies are also conducted here, so if you are lucky you may spot a bride in traditional Japanese ceremonial dress.



3 The Sumida River Terrace

Enjoy strolling alongside the Sumida river, in the Sumida River Terrace area; a precious waterside space in the heart of Tokyo. In the early morning you may spot locals on their daily jog or river buses coasting hither and thither.

4 TOKYO SKYTREE®

As the quintessential landmark, TOKYO SKYTREE® is visible from most anywhere in this metropolis. At 634 meters in height, it's the tallest standalone broadcast tower in the world. From the Tembo Deck at 350 meters, or on the Tembo Galleria at 450 meters of elevation, you can feel like you are walking on air.



5 Sento (Public Bath)

Alleviate your travel fatigue at a traditional public bath. Slip into a feeling of community by soaking with the locals. Trying a different sento every day will spice up your journey.



6 Hatonomachi Dori Shotengai (Hatonomachi Shopping Street)

This shopping street has existed for over 90 years. Traditionally lined with historic shops, it has recently been reinvigorated with an influx of unique modern establishments. This hidden gem in downtown Tokyo tends to attract tourists.



2 Mimeguri-jinja Shrine

Mimeguri means "to go around three times". Legend has it that, once upon a time, a sacred fox ran around it three times; thus the shrine's name. The lion statue that once sat outside the Ikebukuro Mitsukoshi department store now resides here as well.



TRIVIA OF AZUMABASHI & OSHIAGE

a. The best spots from which to view TOKYO SKYTREE®

Genmoribashi (Genmori Bridge) is popular with avid photographers. The spaciousness of the sidewalk here allows you to capture both the Tobu trains and TOKYO SKYTREE® in the same shot. The view from Jukkenbashi (Jukken Bridge) facilitates photographs which encapsulate both TOKYO SKYTREE® and its upside-down reflection in the river below.



c. TOKYO mizumachi

A spacious facility with a community hostel to accommodate both domestic and international travelers, a new restaurant business model that integrates the park and river environment, and a cafe where you can also enjoy sports.



b. Let's pray for your health by touching the "Nadeushi" (rubbing cow)

On the premises of Ushijima-jinja Shrine lies a stone statue called the "Nadeushi". Rubbing an afflicted part of your body, then rubbing the same part on the cow statue is said to help you heal.



d. Small Museums

29 facilities within Sumida City exhibit the goods and tools of its culture and industry. Admission is free to all of them, and some offer hands-on experience.



Shrines

Shrines always feature gates; Tori-i. Japanese gods are enshrined in each shrine, and people visit shrines to pray that their wishes may come true.



How to worship

