Magose-toge Pass

The Guardian Statue for Crying Children
This statue was originally put up for travelers to pray for a safe journey, but later became known as the place to pray if your child cries at night.

Monument to the poet Karyoeno Toitsu
At the pass stands a tall rock with a poem written by the famous poet, Karyoeno Toitsu on his visit to Kumano in 1852. The poem reads: Blossoms of the night above a sound can be heard, ah, mountain water.

Walking Route
Kumano Kodo was added to the UNESCO world heritage list
World Heritage Signpost

Distance
Approx. 5.2Km from Michi-no-eki Miyama Rest Station to Owase Station

Walking time
2hrs. and 45mins.

Level
★★★

The Course
The city of Owase is one of the rainiest places in Japan but the large paving stones seemingly woven along this path protect it from water erosion. For those who have time and energy for an extra side course, you can make your way up to the peak, Tengura-san, about 30 min. from the pass, or Binshi-yama about 2 hrs. from the pass. They both command breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and the Sea of Kumano dotted with islands.