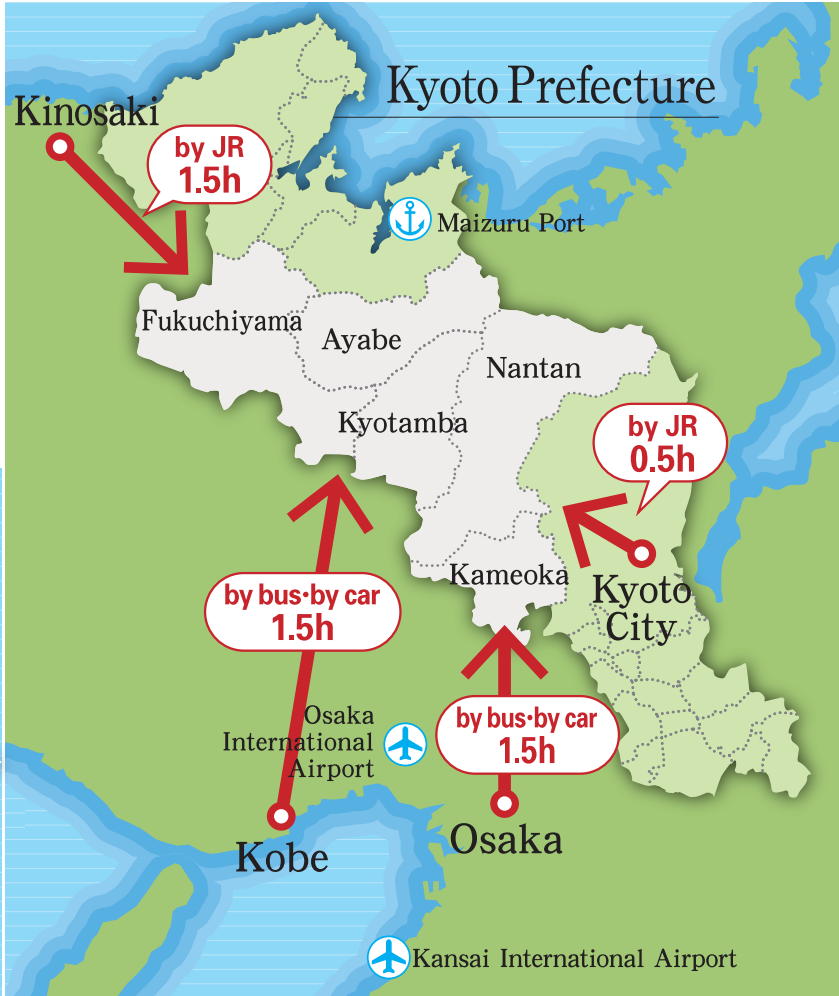
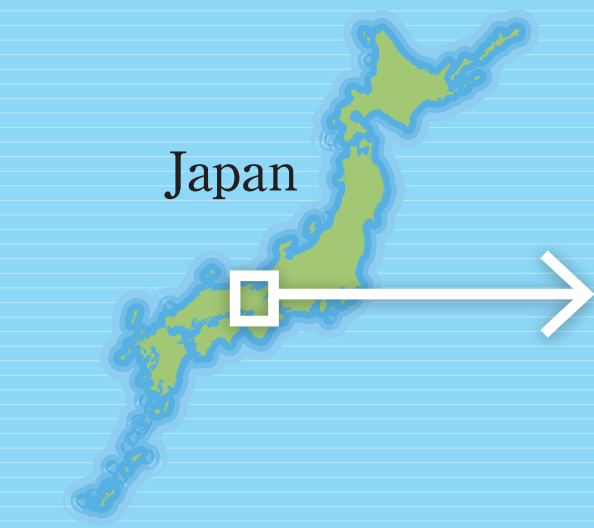




Access to KYOTO in forests

KYOTO in forests area is conveniently nearby the surrounding major cities - 30 minute train ride from central area of Kyoto and within 1.5 hours from Osaka or Kobe on JR lines. You can visit the area on your way to Kinokasa or Ama-no-Hashidate.



Event calendar		
Late-January	Yukitourou (lanterns made of snow and illumination of thatched houses)	Kayabuki-no-sato, Miyama / Nantan
Early-February	Oomoto Setsubun Grand Festival	Chosei-den / Ayabe
Early-April	Light-up of Weeping Cherry Blossom and Events	Kyoto Prefecture Greening Center / Fukuchiyama
April 18th	Hanashizumi Festival / Izumo Furu Hana (Flower Dance) Festival	Izumi Daijingu Shrine / Kameoka
May 3rd	Kameoka Mitsuhide Festival	Several Places in Downtown Kameoka
Early-June	Niou Park Festival	Niou Park / Ayabe
Mid-June~September	Ayu (Sweetfish) Garden	Michi-no-Eki Nagomi / Kyotamba
July 14th	Kagura(Shinto Theatrical Dance Performance) of Tauta	Yasaka Shrine / Nantan
Late-July	Ayabe Minazuki Festival	Riverside of The Yura River / Ayabe
August 14th	Kyoto Nantan Firework Festival	Around Ooi Bridge / Nantan
Mid-August~Late-August	Fukuchiyama DOKKOISE Festival	Along Hirokouji Street / Fukuchiyama
Early-September	Motoise Hassaku Festiva	Motoise Geku Toyouke Daijinyja Shrine / Fukuchiyama
Late-September~October	Dream Cosmos Park	East of KAMEOKA sports ground and gym / Kameoka
Late-October	Kyotamba Food Festival (Grand Prix of market stalls)	Kyoto Tamba Shizen Undo Koen / Kyotamba
Late-October	Mt. Ooe Shuten-doji (drinking demons) Festival	Around Ooe Station of Kyoto Tango Railway / Fukuchiyama
October 23rd~25th	Kameoka Festival	Several places including Kameoka Area and Kuwayama Shrine / Kameoka
Mid-November	Kurotani Washi (Handmade Japanese Paper) and Maple Festival	Around Kurotani Washi Hall / Ayabe
May 20th / December 1st	Big Water Arch at Kayabuki-no-sato, Miyama	Kayabuki-no-sato, Miyama / Nantan
October	Matsutake-mushroom, Chestnut and Kuromame (black-colored soybean) of Tamba	all areas of KYOTO in forests, especially Kyotamba
4th Saturday of every month (in general)	Regular Performance of Traditional Arts	Dentou-Geinou Jyosetsu-Kan of Michi-no-Eki Nagomi / Kyotamba



KYOTO in forests



Discover your own Kyoto “KYOTO in forests”

In harmony with its deep and fertile forest, local people around “KYOTO in forests” area have enriched their life and culture. Nurtured with their warm heart, the forest is now waiting for you to unwind and inspire your mind.



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KYOTO in forests area is in the central part of Kyoto Prefecture, where local people respect one another with warm hearts and live in rich nature. It is accessible within an hour from metropolitan area of Kyoto. You can enjoy a very attractive part of Japan, full of nature and traditional Japanese scenery.



Three shrines of Motoise
Motoise Naiku Koutai Shrine is said to have enshrined the Japanese God of the Sun. The three shrines are still worshiped as the original place of Ise Grand Shrines.



Cloud sea of Mt. Ooe
You can enjoy magnificent scenery of cloud sea from autumn to winter. The supernatural sight of clouds covering all around the mountain will surely impress you.



Weeping cherry blossoms
At Tree Planting Center in Kyoto, the blossoms are at their best in mid-April. These beautiful pink tree arches along the street are lit up at night and create fantastic mood.



Black soybeans
The soybeans in Kyotamba are well known to people all over Japan. The fertile soil and the big difference of temperature between day and night create bigger beans with richer taste.



Shitsumi Hachimangu Shrine
The shrine has a long history with its architecture built in Heian Period. In its precincts, old trees including 400-year-old cedars still remain and surround halls in a solemn mood.



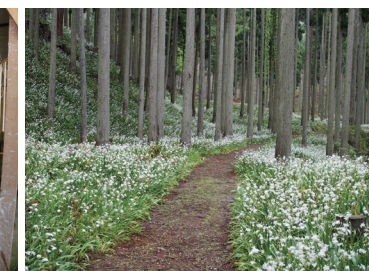
Wachi Ningyo Jyoruri (Traditional puppet show)
It is characterized by Hitori-zukai, the technique to manipulate a doll by oneself. The delicate combination of the technique, storytelling and music makes the show very unique.



Kisaichi Maruyama Kofun Park (Ancient grave park)
The Kofun is the grave for a king of the area on the Yura River, constructed about 1600 years ago. The top of the Kofun commands a fine view of the Yura River.



Kurotani Washi (Japanese handmade paper)
The paper has been used for about 800 years. Artisans still make handmade paper in its traditional way. You can experience making your own postcard made of Washi.



Cluster of Japanese iris
In early-May, you can see cluster of Japanese iris in Ichigaya village. Enjoy beautiful white flowers in fantastic contrast with the sunlight filtering through Japanese cedar trees.



Miyama Kayabuki-no-sato (Houses with thatched roofs)
The scenery of houses with thatched roofs located on the stairs of the mountain reminds us of the past Japanese countryside.



Ruri-Kei Onsen (Hot Springs) GRAX
A rest resort on the hill that you can enjoy for one-day or overnight trips. You can enjoy BBQ in nature, campfire under the starry sky, and sleep over the rustle of leaves.



Springs Hiyoshi-Hiyoshi Onsen (Roadside Station & Hot Spring)
Situating just below Hiyoshi dam, there are an Onsen, a pool, restaurants and a BBQ center. Suitable to spend a relaxing holiday with your family.



Sagano Romantic Train
The railroad goes through the mountain with tunnels and bridges. You can enjoy beautiful views including cherry blossoms, maple trees and landscape of Hozu-gawa canyon.



Hozu-gawa River Boat Ride
A thrilling boat journey about 16km with 10 rapid streams and unique rocks and stones. You can enjoy the beauty of nature in the canyon, which changes with the seasons.



Yunohana Onsen (Hot Springs)
The Onsen has an old legend that injured warriors visited the spot to heal their wounds. You can enjoy its rustic mood with attractive landscapes, not found in urban areas.