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Here is a list of tourist information centers, tourist attractions and other helpful information sites for your travels around Kyoto.

Languages available at Tourist Information Centers







#### **Major Kyoto Prefecture Tourist Information Centers**

#### **Kvoto Tourist Information Center** (All of Kyoto Prefecture)

Kyoto Station Building 2F, Karasuma Shiokoji-sagaru, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto City Tel:075-343-0548

Open every day: 8:30-19:00 (E) (C) (K)



Kyoto Asahi Kaikan 3F, 427 Ebisu-cho, Nakagyo-ku, Kyoto City Tel: 075-213-1717

10:00-18:00 (Closed: Dec. 29-Jan. 3)

#### Kameoka City Tourist Information Center / JR Kameoka Sta. (Kvoto in forests)

JR Kameoka Station 2F, 1-6 Tanisuji, Oiwake-cho, Kameoka City / JR Kameoka Station Tel: 0771-22-0691

9:00-17:30 (Closed: Dec. 29-Jan. 3)

**Kvoto Prefecture Tourist Information Center in Tokyo** (All of Kvoto Prefecture)

Kyoto Station Building 2F, Karasuma Shiokoji-sagaru, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto City Tel: 03-5220-7055

#### Amanohashidate Tourist Information Center / Tango Tourist Information Center (Kyoto by the Sea)

Inside the Amanohashidate Terminal Center, 314-2 Monju, Miyazu City Tel: 0772-22-8030

Open every day: 9:00-18:00 📵 📵



#### **Keihan Uii Station Tourist Information Center** (Kvoto Infused with Tea)

Keihan Uji Building 1F, 7-13 Uji Otsukata, Uji City Tel: 0774-66-7001

9:00-17:00 (Jan. 2-Jan. 3: 10:00-15:00, Closed: Dec. 29-Jan. 1)

Visit our website for the locations of other tourist information centers in Kvoto Prefecture.

JNTO Visit Tourist information Center in Japan · · · · · https://tic.jnto.go.jp/

#### **Kyoto Prefecture Tourist Information Websites**

#### **All of Kvoto Prefecture**

Official site for Kyoto Prefecture, Japan Kyoto Tourism · · · · · · http://www.kyototourism.org/

#### **Kyoto by the Sea**

Kyoto by the Sea · · · · · · · http://www.uminokyoto.jp/global/ Kyotango City Sightseeing Guide · · · · · · http://en.kyotango.gr.jp/ Maizuru Sightseeing Guide .....http://www.maizuru-kanko.net/en/ Dokkoise Sightseeing Guide · · · · · · · https://dokkoise.com/en/ Fukuchiyama Tourism Association

Ayabe City Sightseeing Guide ..... http://www.ayabe-kankou.net/english/ Amanohashidate Travel Guide · · · · · · http://www.amanohashidate.jp/lang/en/

Ine Town Sightseeing Guide · · · · · · · · http://www.ine-kankou.ip/english/

#### **Kvoto in forests**

Kyoto in forests · · · · · · · https://morinokyoto.jp/ Kameoka City Sightseeing Guide · · · http://www.kameoka.info/foreign/en/

Miyama Tourism Association · · · · · http://kyotomiyama.jp/

**Kyoto Infused with Tea** 

Kyoto Infused with Tea · · · · · · http://ochanokyoto.jp/

Uji City Sightseeing Guide · · · · · · · http://www.kyoto-uji-kankou.or.jp/index-en.html

Kvoto Otokuni Bamboo Grove

Nagaokakyo City Sightseeing Guide · · · http://nagaokakyo-kankou.ip/eng/

Kvoto City Official Travel Guide · · · · · · https://kvoto.travel/en

#### **Tourist Information Websites**

Kyoto Free Wi-Fi & Tax-Free Shop Navi · · · · · http://kyoto-wifi-taxfree.jp/?lang=en Japan Rail Pass http://www.japanrailpass.net/en/





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# Discover your own Kyoto

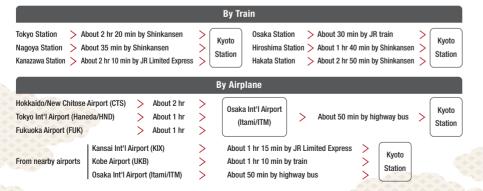
New Chitose Airport (CTS)

Shinkansen

Kyoto City—where the temples, shrines, townscapes, and traditions of the ancient capital remain. Venture out a little farther, and you'll find another Kyoto entirely. To the north you will find "Kyoto by the Sea," with unimaginable views of the natural vistas of the magnificent Sea of Japan. In the center of the prefecture, you'll find "Kyoto in forests," where the rich culture of the woodlands has been passed down from generation to generation. To the south is "Kyoto Infused with Tea," where expansive tea plantations have fostered the Japanese tea culture. Last but not least is "Kyoto Otokuni Bamboo Grove," which was the capital of Japan before it was moved to Heian (modern day Kyoto City), and is still home to ancient burial mounds and bamboo forests. Kyoto, a beautiful place shaped by nature, is out there waiting for you!



#### **Directions to Kyoto Station**

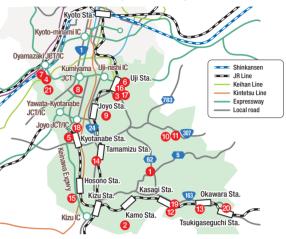




A Journey to Experience the History and Culture of Japanese Tea



Kyoto's tea-producing region, the birthplace of Japanese tea, spreads south of Kyoto City and produces high-quality matcha green tea, gyokuro (the finest grade of green tea), and many other varieties. Enjoy a journey through Japanese history and tea culture by visiting sites such as the birthplace of Nagatani Soen, where you can learn the history of Japanese tea, and Byodoin Temple, a World Heritage Site, and try matcha green tea sweets and hands-on experiences of Japanese tea culture.



# **Suggested Itinerary**

# 1 night / 2 days: Immerse yourself in the world of tea

Dive into the history of Japanese tea, shrines and Buddhist temples south of Kyoto City

Depart

Kyoto Sta. →

JR Kamo Sta.

Walk (5 min)

(1 hr via JR Rapid Service)

\* Travel time is the shortest

estimated time. All fares are adult

JR Kamo Sta. →

















# Tenku Café(Sky Café)

A reservation-only tearoom café on the top of a mountain in Wazuka Sports Park. Enjoy a cup of tea while taking in unobstructed views of the beautiful tea plantations and townscape.

- Wazukavama-no-ie ■ Shirasu Shishigaguchi, Wazuka Town, Soraku District (15 min by Nara Kotsu Bus) ■ 10:00-17:00 ■ On-site reservations required
  - Closed: New Year holidays
  - Admission fee:500 JPY (+ price of tea) Take the Nara Kotsu Bus from JR Kamo Sta. to
  - Wazukayama-no-le. Walk 5 min https://www.facebook.com/wazukacha.cafe

### Joruri-ji Temple

The main temple building and three-story pagoda, nine seated statues of Amitabha Tathagata Buddha, and Four Heavenly Kings statues are all designated as National Treasures. It is also a famous place to view autumn leaves.

- 40 Nishio Futaba, Kamo-cho, Kizugawa City 9:00-17: 00 (Dec-Feb: 10:00-16:00)
- Open every day
- Admission fee: 400 JPY
- Take the Kizugawa City Community Bus from JR Kamo Sta. to Joruji-mae. Walk 3 min.
- http://ochanokyoto.jp/spot/detail.php?sid=243



# t-See Sights Byodoin Temple (3)

This World Heritage Site was converted from a villa into a temple by Fujiwara no Yorimichi in 1052. The Phoenix Hall is pictured on the 10-yen

- 116 Ujirenge, Uji City
- 8:30-17:30 (Last admission: 17:15) Open every day
- Admission fee: 600 JPY
- 10 min walk from JR Uji Sta. or Keihan Uji Sta, http://www.bvodoin.or.ip/

# One of the three major Hachiman shrines in Japan.

The 10 buildings enshrined atop Mt. Otokoyama are

■ 30 Yawata Takabo, Yawata City

Train + cable car

- 5:30-18:30 (Oct: 6:00-18:00, Nov-Mar: 6:30-18:30 (except Dec. 31 and Jan. 19))
- Open every day Free admission
- Take the Otokoyama Cable Car from Keihan Yawatashi Sta. to Otokoyama-sanjo Sta. Walk 5 min.
- https://www.facebook.com/iwashimizu.or.jp

This temple is linked to Ikkvu, a Zen Buddhist monk of

Train + bus + cable car

the Muromachi Period (1336-1573) who also happens to be the figure that the Japanese anime "Ikkyu-san" is based on. The temple garden is filled with beautiful blooming flowers that are a sight to behold.

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- 102 Takigisatonouchi, Kyotanabe City
- 9:00-17:00
- Open every day
- Admission fee: 500 JPY
- 15 min walk from JR Kyotanabe Sta. http://www.ikkyuji.org/

Uji City

### Must-See Sights Mimuroto-ii Temple · · · · · 6

A temple constructed in 770. The garden features many kinds of flowers, with azaleas and rhododendrons in full bloom in May, followed by hydrangeas in June and lotuses in July.

#### 20 min by bus/on foot from Byodoin Temple (MAP 3)

- 21 Todo Shigatani, Uji City
- 8:30-16:30 (Nov-Mar: Closes at 16:00) (Reception closes 30 min before closing)
- Admission fee: 500 JPY (800 JPY during hydrangea season)
- Closed: Dec. 29-Dec. 31 15 min walk from Keihan Mimurodo Sta.
- https://www.facebook.com/mimuroto

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A 1.4-km embankment between the Uji and Kizugawa Rivers. In spring, roughly 250 cherry trees bloom to form an impressive cherry blossom tunnel.

#### 20 min by cable car/on foot from Iwashimizu-Hachimangu Shrine(MAP4)

- Yawatazaioji, Yawata City 9:00-17:00 In full bloom around early April
- Free admission 10 min walk from Keihan Yawatashi Sta.
- http://ochanokyoto.jp/spot/detail.php?sid=4

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The 356.5 m wooden bridge that straddles the Kizugawa River is a famed filming location for historical dramas. The bridge is designed to float downstream when the river rises.

#### 30 min by cable car/bus/on foot from Iwashimizu-Hachimangu Shrine (MAP(A))

- Nagarebashi (Kozuya-bashi Bridge) in Kozuyamiyamae Kawabata, Yawata City
- Free admission
- Take the Keihan Bus from Keihan Yawatashi Sta, to Kozuva-Nagarebashi, Walk 5 min.
- http://ochanokyoto.jp/spot/detail.php?sid=6

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Jovo City's winter wonderland is decorated with the illumination of 700.000 lights and a stunning 8 m illuminated tree. The event is held every year in December at Konosuyama Sports Park.

#### 50 min by bus/on foot from Byodoin Temple (MAP 3)

- Terada Okawara, Joyo City (Konosuyama Sports Park)
- Scheduled for Dec. 1-Dec. 25, 17:30-21:30 (Starts at 17:15 on Dec. 1)
- Open every day for the duration of the event Free admission
- Special bus service (tentative) every day from JR Joyo Sta. or Kintetsu Terada Sta. during the event period.

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The restored birthplace of Nagatani Soen, an Edo Period (during the 18th century) tea farmer who developed green tea manufacturing methods still in use today. Drying equipment and other tools used for tea processing still remain in the house.

#### 30 min by car from Byodoin Temple (MAP 3)

- Yuyadani Sorabiro, Ujitawara Town, Tsuzuki District
- Open to the public on Sat., Sun., and public holidays (9:00-17:00)
- Irregular holidays Free admission
- Take the Kyoto Keihan Kotsu Bus from JR Uji Sta. to Kougyodanchi-guchi. Walk 35 min.
- http://ochanokyoto.jp/spot/detail.php?sid=299





















This temple is believed to have been built around 800 years ago. The reception hall of the temple features a beautiful heart-shaped window and decorative ceiling paintings.

#### 35 min by car from Byodoin Temple (MAP(3))

- 149 Okuyamada Kawakami, Ujitawara Town, Tsuzuki District
- 8:30-16:30 (Nov-Mar: Closes at 16:00)
- Irregular holidays
  Admission fee: 400 JPY
- Take the Kyoto Keihan Kotsu Bus from JR/Keihan Uii Sta, to Ichu-mae, Transfer to the Community Bus to Okuvamada, Walk 10 min.
- http://ochanokvoto.ip/spot/detail.php?sid=254

#### Must-See Sights Kasagi-dera Temple ......



A temple constructed in 682. An image of the Maitreya Buddha, a sacred object of Buddhist beliefs, is carved into a 15 m rock wall. It is also believed to be a place flowing with sacred, spiritual energy.

#### 20 min by car from Tenku Café (MAP 1)

- 29 Kasaqi Kasaqivama, Kasaqi Town, Soraku District
- Summer: 8:30-17:00, Winter: 9:00-16:00 Open every day Admission fee: 300 JPY
- 45 min walk from JR Kasagi Sta.
- https://www.facebook.com/kasagidera

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A shrine near the Kizugawa River, built by the 96th Emperor of Japan to enshrine his beloved Princess Koishidani. People visit the shrine to pray for safe childbirth and the reciprocation of their love.

#### 40 min by train/on foot from Joruri-ji Temple (MAP 2)

- Minami Okawara Yuyanawate, Minamiyamashiro Village, Soraku District
- Open every day Free admission 5 min walk from JR Okawara Sta.
- http://ochanokyoto.jp/spot/detail.php?sid=164

#### Nature Tamagawa River Cherry Blossoms ······ 14



The 500 cherry trees that line both banks of the Tamagawa River are in full bloom in early April, During this time, you can enjoy the Ide Town Cherry Blossom Festival and evening illuminations.

#### 20 min by car from Shuon-an Ikkyu-ii Temple (MAP 5)

- Ide, Ide Town, Tsuzuki District
- Free admission 3 min walk from JR Tamamizu Sta.
- http://ochanokvoto.ip/spot/detail.php?sid=36

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A park carved into nature, where you can walk around the woodland landscapes of Minamiyamashiro and the Japanese garden featuring a rock cluster composed of 500 giant stones.

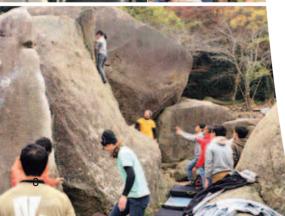
#### 40 min by train/bus from Joruri-ji Temple (MAP(2))

- 6-1 Seikadai, Seika Town, Soraku District
- 9:00-17:00 (Last entry 16:30) Closed: New Year holidays Admission fee: 200 JPY
- Take the Nara Kotsu Bus from JR Hosono Sta. to Keihanna-Kinen-Koen. Walk 1 min.
- https://keihanna-park.net/en/









### **Recommended Hands-on Experience Spots**

#### Hands-on Experiences Tea-making Workshop Uii Tea Doio/Takumi-no-Yakata · · · · · ·

Learn about three delicious types of tea — *qyokuro*, sencha and matcha — and how to make and enjoy them.

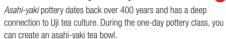
#### 10 min on foot from Byodoin Temple (MAP 3)

- 17-1 Uji Mataburi, Uji City 11:00-17:00 (Last order: 16:30) Closed: Wed.
- 5 min walk from Keihan Uii Sta. Tea: 500 JPY (Tea and sweets: 650 JPY)
- http://ochanokvoto.ip/spot/detail.php?sid=163

#### Tea-making Workshop (Gyokuro, Sencha, Matcha)

- 2 times/day: 11:00-12:30 and 13:30-15:00
- Reservations required 1.500 JPY (Cash only)
- If you need an interpreter, you can reserve one in advance

Hands-on Experiences Asahi-vaki One-Day Pottery Class 



#### 10 min on foot from Byodoin Temple (MAP 3)

- 11 Uii Yamada, Uii City
- 2 times/day: 10:30 and 14:00 (Start times are negotiable)
- Closed: Mon 10 min walk from Keihan Hii Sta
- Products take roughly 2 months to complete. Finished products will be mailed via FMS.
- Visa, Mastercard, AMEX and other credit cards accepted English text is available
- http://www.asahivaki.com/sakuto/english/

#### One-Day Pottery Class

- Slab building: Requires 1 hr 30 min, 1 piece from 3,780 JPY
- Pottery wheel: Requires 1 hr 30 min, 1 piece from 4,320 JPY
- Drawing: Requires 30 min, from 3,240 JPY

# Hands-on Experiences Green Tea Plantation Factory Tour

Tour tea fields where tencha is picked by hand, and the factory to learn

how tencha is processed to become matcha green tea. After the tour, enjoy tasting the rarest, highest grade green tea and seasonal sweets, while learning about the history of tea and how to brew it at home.

#### 40 min by train/on foot from Shuon-an Ikkyu-ji Temple (MAP 5)

- 20-1 Mizushi Minamigaito, Joyo City 10 min walk from Kintetsu Tonosho Sta.
- Tea-picking experiences are offered around May of each year
- http://www.magouemon.com/en/

#### Tour of Magouemon (Green tea plantation tour, green tea factory tour, highest grade green tea tasting)

- Starting at 9:30 (Start times are flexible). Tours take around 2 hr 30 min.
- Reservations required at least one week in advance
- 6.480 JPY (Visa, Mastercard and JCB accepted)
- If you need an interpreter, you can reserve one in advance (Extra fee of 4,320 JPY)
- http://www.magouemon.com/tour/

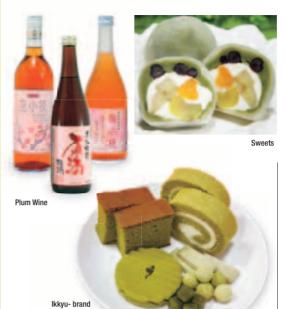
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Kasagi Town has featured areas for bouldering since the 1980s. There are more than 100 routes of varying levels - something for everyone to enjoy, from beginners to experts.

#### 20 min by car from Tenku Café (MAP 1)

- Kasagi Town, Soraku District Free admission 10 min walk from JR Kasagi Sta.
- Please bring your own equipment.
- http://ochanokyoto.jp/spot/detail.php?sid=495

#### Gourmet & Souvenirs



Sweets

### Tea Sweets & Japanese Plum Wine

Enjoy colorful sweets made from local ingredients from Seika Town, Ikkyu brand sweets proudly offered by Kyotanabe City, and more. Japanese plum wine made in Joyo City — a prominent Japanese plum producing area — makes the perfect souvenir.



Souvenirs UII Tea

Uji City is the greatest tea producing area in Kyoto. It is the only area in Japan that produces the three main types of Japanese tea: matcha, sencha and gyokuro. You are certain to find the finest teas of all Japan in Uii Citv.





#### Facilities

## Ocha-no-Kvoto Rest Area

Minamiyamashiro mura ..... 20

A rest area where you can experience the best food grown in Minamiyamashiro Village. There are plenty of fresh vegetables and tea, the village's specialty product, as well as local dishes and tea sweets.

#### 30 min by car from Tenku Café (MAP1)

- 102 Kitaokawara Tonda, Minamiyamashiro Village, Soraku District
- 9:00-18:00 (Varies by facility) Closed: 3rd Fri. of each month
- Visa and Mastercard accepted
- 10 min walk from JR Tsukigaseguchi Sta.
- https://www.facebook.com/michinoeki.minamivamashiro/



### Gourmet Shokado Bento (Boxed Lunches) ······ 21

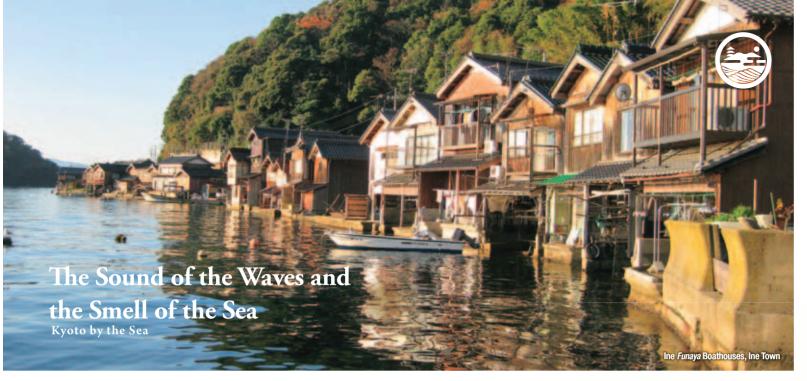


#### Kitcho Shokado

A bento (boxed lunch) with a mix of seasonal flavors, served on a compartmentalized tray that resembles the one used by Shokado Shojo, A monk from Iwashimizu-Hachimangu Shrine.

### 20 min by cable car/bus from Iwashimizu-Hachimangu Shrine (MAP4)

- 43-1 Yawata Ominaeshi, Yawata City
- 11:00-14:00 (Last order), 17:00-19:00 (Last order) (Thu, : 11:00-15:30 (Last order)
- Closed: Mon. (Open on public holidays. Closed on weekdays after public holidays). New Year holidays
- Visa. Mastercard and JCB accepted
- ■Take the Keihan Bus from Keihan Yawatashi Sta. to Oshiba Shokadou-mae, Walk 1 min.
- http://kvoto-kitcho.com/shoplist\_en/shokado/



The sky and sea extend endlessly in northern Kyoto Prefecture, which faces the Sea of Japan. Encounter magnificent scenery, from Amanohashidate, one of the top three scenic spots in Japan, to the town of Ine, where people live on the sea in one-of-a-kind funaya (homes on the water with space for boats on the bottom floors), and more.



# **Suggested Itinerary**

# 1 night / 2 days: Feel the salty sea breeze

Experience the distinct culture and presence of the magnificent sea











#### Bus (1 hr)







"Amanohashidate" describes the way the sandbar looks like a bridge crossing over to the heavens. From Kasamatsu Park, enjoy the view of what looks like a dragon rising into the sky.

- 75 Ogaki, Miyazu City (Kasamatsu Park)
- 8:00-16:30 (Later closing during some seasons) Open every day
- Take the cable car from Ichinomiya Sanbashi Pier of the Amanohashidate Sightseeing Boat to Kasamatsu Sta. Walk 1 min.



#### **Handweaving Experience** Yosano Town Sightseeing Association

handweaving loom. You can make small accessories with your choice of colored thread.

- 1060 Kaya, Yosano Town, Yosa-gun
- 10:00-16:00 (Hands-on experiences take 30 min to 1 hr) You can make coasters and braided Closed: New Year holidays
- Take the Tango Kairiku Kotsu Bus from Tantetsu Yosano Sta, to Chirimen-Kaido

# Maizuru Brick Park

This cluster of red brick warehouses was constructed around 1901. There is a café inside the facilities where you can enjoy local specialties like curry and nikujaga (meat and potato stew).

- 1039-2 Kitasui, Maizuru City
- 9:00-17:00 Closed: New Year holidays Free admission Admission fees: World Brick Museum only: 300 JPY; Museum + Maizuru Repatriation Memorial Museum: 400 JPY (Cash only).
- Take the Kyoto Kotsu Bus from JR Higashi-Maizuru Sta. to Shiyakushomae. Walk 1 min.
- https://www.facebook.com/MaizuruAkapa/

Tickets are sold at the World Brick Museum.

Depart

Kyoto Sta. → Tantetsu Line (Kyoto Tango Railway) Amanohashidate Sta. (2 hr via JR Limited Express

Amanohashidate Sta. → Inewan-Meguri/Hide (1 hr by Tango Kairiku Kotsu Bus)

\*Travel time is the shortest estimated time. All fares are adult

230 distinctive Funava (boat houses) stand in a row around For picturesque scenery, a boat tour is recommended.

- 11 Aza Hide, Ine Town, Yosa-gun
- The 25 min boat tour departs between 9:00-16:00, every
- Open every day (Closed during rough weather) Fare: 680 JPY
- Take bus from Tantetsu Amanohashidate Sta. to Inewan-Meguri/Hide.
- http://www.ine-kankou.jp/english

Try your hand at making textiles with a tabletop



- Hands-on Experience Fees: Coaster: 900 JPY, Braided Bead Bracelet: 600 JPY (Cash only) ■ Reservations required for groups of 8 or more ■ Interpretation is not available

Walk 1 min http://yosano-kankou.net/

#### Tateiwa Rock (San'in Kaigan Geopark) · · · · · · 5



A gargantuan rock with views that are truly magnificent. Legend has it that an ogre is trapped inside this rock.

#### 50 min by car from Ine Bay Pleasure Cruises ferry boarding place (MAP 1)

- Taiza, Tango-cho, Kvotango City
- Free admission
- Take the Tango Kairiku Kotsu Bus from Tantetsu Mineyama Sta. to Tango-Chosha-mae. Walk 5 min.

#### Yuhiqaura Bay (San'in Kaigan Geopark) · · · · · · · 6



A spot from where you can best appreciate the view of the Sea of Japan. Don't miss the setting sun or the view of the surface of the sea changing from dark crimson to blue.

#### 50 min by car from Amanohashidate (MAP 2)

- Hamazume, Amino-cho, Kyotango City
- Free admission
- Take the Tango Kairiku Kotsu Bus from Tantetsu Yuhigaura-Kitsu-Onsen Sta, to Hamazume, Walk 3 min

### Must-See Sights Ayabe Gunze Square ...... 7



The grounds include a museum of Gunze, a textile manufacturer founded in Ayabe, as well as the Tokusankan, where you can purchase specialty products. Another highlight is the rose garden, which boasts 1,200 roses.

#### 40 min by car from Maizuru Brick Park (MAP 4)

- 1-2 Kamenashi, Aono-cho, Ayabe City
- 9:00-17:00 (The museum is open from 10:00-16:00)
- Closed: Tue. (Unless public holiday, then next day is a holiday)
- Free admission 10 min walk from JR Ayabe Sta.
- http://www.ayabe-gunze-square.com/english/

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This temple enshrines Kannon—the Buddhist goddess of mercy—in the form of a statue of a beautiful woman, so it is said that a visit to this temple can beautify the body and mind. It is also a very popular spot to view autumn leaves.

#### 10 min by bus from Amanohashidate (MAP 2)

- 339 Nariaiji, Miyazu City
- 8:00-16:30 Open every day
- Admission fee: 500 JPY (Cash only)
- 20 min by car from Tantetsu Amanohashidate Sta.











#### Must-See Sights Former Bito Family



A modern retro Western-style house on the Chirimen Kaido, a route that connects the chirimen (silk crêpe) industry. Exhibits inside the warehouse and rooms show nostalgic traces of the past.

#### 3 min on foot from Handweaving Experience (MAP(3))

- 1085 Kava, Yosano Town, Yosa-gun
- 9:00-17:00
- Closed: Mon. (Unless public holiday, then next day is a holiday), New Year holidays
- Admission fee: 200 JPY (Cash only)
- Take the Tango Kairiku Kotsu Bus from Tantetsu Yosano Sta. to Chirimen-Kaido, Walk 1 min.

#### Must-See Sights Kongo-in Temple .....



A famous spot for viewing a three-tiered pagoda (a Japanese Important Cultural Property) against gorgeous seasonal scenery: lush green leaves in the spring, stunning autumn colors, and beautiful layers of snow in the winter.

#### 35 min by bus/on foot from Maizuru Brick Park (MAP4)

- 595 Kahara, Maizuru City 9:00-16:00 Open every day
- Entrance fee: 300 JPY, Treasure House: 500 JPY (Reservations required)
- 25 min walk from JR Matsunoodera Sta.

#### Must-See Sights Yoshihara District .....



This colorful district sits on the shores of Maizuru Bay. The distinct fishing village scenery is a popular spot for pictures.

#### 40 min by bus/on foot from Maizuru Brick Park (MAP 4)

- Nishiyoshihara, Maizuru City Free admission
- 25 min walk from .IR Nishi-Maizuru Sta

#### Must-See Sights Fukuchiyama-jo Castle ...... 12



The warlord Akechi Mitsuhide constructed the castle during the Warring States Period (end of the 15th century to end of the 16th century). Currently, the castle serves as a local history museum that features artifacts from the castle and surrounding areas. From the castle tower, you can see unobstructed views of the Fukuchiyama townscape.

#### 40 min by car from Handweaving Experience (MAP(3))

- 5 Naiki, Fukuchiyama City
- 9:00-17:00 (Last entry 16:30)
- Closed: Tue. (Unless public holiday, then next day is a holiday), New Year holidays
- Admission fee: 320 JPY (Cash only)
- Take the West JR Bus from JR Fukuchiyama Sta. to Fukuchiyamaio-Koen-mae, Walk 1 min.
- https://dokkoise.com/en/temple\_shrine/index.html









## **Recommended Hands-on Experience Spots**

Hands-on Experiences Sake Brewery Tours/ Various Areas in the Kyoto by the Sea Region

Each area in the Kyoto by the Sea region is home to several sake breweries that use only the purest water and highest-quality rice to brew their sake. At these breweries, you can learn how sake is made, and taste it too!

- Various areas in the Kyoto by the Sea region
- Opening hours, holidays, etc. vary by facility

# Hands-on Experiences Kyoto Tango Railway Sightseeing

The Kyoto Tango Railway—known locally as "Tantetsu"—takes you to famous places around the Kyoto by the Sea region. The Aomatsu, Akamatsu and Kuromatsu sightseeing trains feature interiors decorated with different tree themes, and are popular not only with railway fans but also with tourists who visit this area. The train passes slowly over bridges between Tango-Yura and Tango-Kanzaki Stations to give passengers expansive views of the Sea of Japan stretching out beneath them. In the Kuromatsu Train, you can request a multi-course lunch to enjoy the local cuisine during the ride.

#### Sightseeing Train

- Kuromatsu Train: Dining car, reservations required (Reserved seating). Operates on Fri., Sat., Sun., and public holidays
- Akamatsu Train: Reservations required (Unassigned seating). No trains on
- Aomatsu Train: No reservations required (Unassigned seating). Operates daily
- Routes vary by train
- http://willerexpress.com/en/kuromatsu/

### Hands-on Experiences Activities/Kyoto by the Sea Region

A wide array of activities awaits you in this region. You can swim in the ocean, try pole or net fishing, sea kayaking and other marine activities. You can also enjoy trekking and mountain climbing, and get an adrenaline rush riding on a snowmobile through the snow fields in winter. In addition, you can try an abundance of traditional cultural hands-on activities, from meditating in temples and bamboo groves to working with washi (Japanese paper) and chirimen (silk crêpe).

http://www.uminokvoto.ip.e.adn.hp.transer.com/experience/



Gourmet Matsuba-gani Snow Crab (Taiza-gani Crab, Maizuru-kani Crab)

Kyoto by the Sea has all the flavors of winter. The fishing season starts on November 6, and with it the season for sashimi and hot-pot.



The Kyotango region produces more fruit than any other in Kyoto. Its specialties are melons, pears and grapes, with other seasonal fruits to be enjoyed throughout the year. Fruit picking is also highly recommended.



#### Souvenirs Chirimen (Silk Crêpe) Accessories

A variety of lovely accessories made of Tango chirimen fabric. These accessories make great authentic Japanese souvenirs. You can also try your hand at making your own small accessories.



delicious seafood.

#### Facilities Funaya Biyori ····· 13

A sightseeing and exchange facility where you can enjoy a meal while viewing the beautiful line bay. You can have lunch prepared with locally sourced ingredients as well as fresh and

15 minutes only by bus and walk from Ine Bay Pleasure Cruises ferry boarding place (MAP 1)

- 593-1 Aza Hirata, Ine Town, Yosa-gun
- Ine Café: 11:00-17:00 (Open at 10:00 on Sat, Sun, public holidays; Last order: 15 min before closing), Sushi restaurant Wadatsumi: 11:30-15:00, 17:30-21:00 (Last order: 30 min before closing)
- Closed: Wed., irregular holidays
- Visa, Mastercard, JCB, AMEX and other credit cards accepted
- Take bus from Tantetsu Amanohashidate Sta. to Ine. Walk 8 min.
- http://www.facebook.com/funayabiyori/



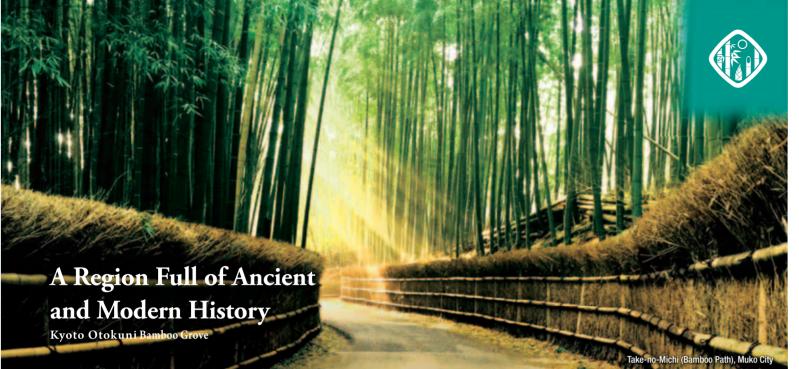
#### Facilities Majzuru Port Tore Tore Center · · · · 14



A roadside rest area with a large seafood market. Choose from a lineup of farm-fresh seafood, and have your purchases grilled or made into sashimi on the spot.

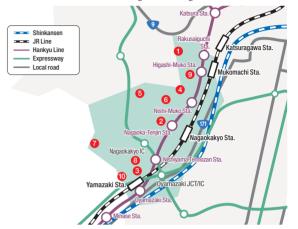
#### 40 min by bus/on foot from Maizuru Brick Park (MAP 4)

- 905 Shimofukui, Maizuru City
- 9:00-18:00 Closed: Wed. (Unless public holiday)
- Visa, Mastercard and JCB accepted (Some stores may not accept
- Take the Kyoto Kotsu Bus from JR Nishi-Maizuru Sta. to Maizuruko-Toretore-Center-mae. Walk 1 min.
- http://toretore.org/en/



#### More info > http://otokuni-kvoto.sakura.ne.ip/

Take-no-Sato (Kyoto Otokuni Bamboo Grove) is a place to experience the pleasant embrace of nature, surrounded by beautiful bamboo groves. This region is also home to Nagaoka-kyo, which was the capital of Japan from 784 to 794, as well as historical landmarks such as ancient burial mounds and the ruins of Nagaoka-kyo, Nagaoka Tenman-gu Shrine and other Buddhist temples and shrines, museums and more. A history that dates back to ancient times still lingers in this region.

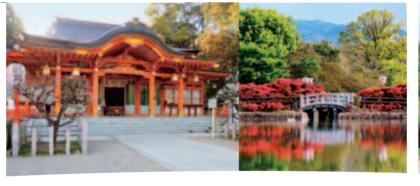


# **Suggested Itinerary**

1 day: **Experience history** and feel the embrace of nature

A journey to experience history and feel refreshed in the bamboo groves







Train + bus

Nagaoka-Tenmangu

A Shinto shrine where Sugawara no Michizane, the god of learning, is enshrined. In addition to traditional festivals, you can admire plum blossoms, Kirishima azaleas and other seasonal flowers that Michizane adored. During the autumn, the leaves are illuminated at night for visitors to enjoy.

2-15-13 Tenjin, Nagaokakyo City 9:00-18:00 (Oct-Mar: Closes at 17:00)

Open every day Free admission

Sights near Nagaoka-Tenmangu Shrine

Komyo-ji Temple . .P18 MAP 6 Otokuni-dera Temple

..P18 MAP 🕜

Yanagidani Kannor Yokoku-ji Temple

Asahi Beer Oyamazaki Villa **Museum of Art** 

This is a British-style mountain villa that was built between 1912 and 1932. It houses an art museum and boasts a garden full of colorful flowers to be enjoyed in any season.

- 5-3 Zenihara, Oyamazaki Town, Otokuni District
- 10:00-17:00 (Last admission: 16:30)
- Closed: Mon. (Unless public holiday, then next day is a holiday), New Year holidays and additional holidays
- Admission fee: 900 JPY (Visa, Mastercard and other credit cards accepted in
- 10 min walk from Hankyu Oyamazaki Sta. or JR Yamazaki Sta. http://www.asahibeer-oyamazaki.com/english/

Depart

Kyoto Sta. → JR Mukomachi Sta. (10 min via JR)

JR Mukomachi Sta. → Higashiyama (20 min by Hankyu Bus)

Walk (5 min)

\*Travel time is the shortest estimated time. All fares are adult

Take-no-Michi (Bamboo Path)

This 1.8-km bamboo forest path is lined with lush green thickets and trim bamboo hedges. The sound of bamboo grass in the wind and the sunlight streaming through the grove makes this a popular place for a soothing stroll.

- From Shibayama, Terado-cho to Nagano, Mozume-cho in Muko City
- Free admission Take the Hankyu Bus from JR Mukomachi Sta. to

- ..P18 **MAP** 👩
- Yanaqidani Kannon Yokoku-ji Temple.

Higashiyama. Walk 5 min. 20 min walk from JR Nagaokakyo Sta.











### Must-See Sights Muko-iinia Shrine · · · · · · · · · 4

Founded in 718, this shrine is a designated Important Cultural Property. The stone-paved path that leads to a massive torii (archway) of the shrine is a great spot for cherry blossoms in the spring, and autumn leaves in

#### 10 min by car from Take-no-Michi (MAP 1)

- 65 Kitavama, Muko-cho, Muko Citv
- Open every day Free admission
- 10 min walk from Hankyu Nishi-Muko Sta.

### Must-See Sights Komyo-ji Temple ......

A temple constructed in 1198. Every year from November to December, this well-known spot for viewing autumn leaves is bustling with tourists.

#### 20 min by bus/on foot from Nagaoka-Tenmangu Shrine (MAP 2)

- 26-1 Aosaijonai, Nagaokakyo City
- Free admission (500 JPY for high school student and older during the autumn leaves season)
- Open every day
- Free admission (500 JPY for high school student and older during the autumn leaves season)
- Take the Hankyu Bus from JR Nagaokakyo Sta. to Asahigaoka-Home-mae. Walk 1 min.

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Believed to be the oldest temple in this region. Toward the end of April, around 2,000 tree peonies bloom into large, round flowers.

#### 15 min by bus/on foot from Nagaoka-Tenmangu Shrine (MAP 2)

- 3-14-7 Imazato, Nagaokakyo City
- 8:00-17:00 Open every day
- Admission fee: 500 JPY high school and up
- 20 min walk from Hankyu Nagaoka-Tenjin Sta.

### Must-See Sights Yanaqidani Kannon Yokoku-ji Temple ...

This temple was founded on a hilltop in 806, and is believed to be a temple that can heal ailments of the eye. The beautiful garden within the grounds is a well-known spot for enjoying hydrangeas and autumn

#### 15 min by car from Nagaoka-Tenmangu Shrine (MAP 2)

- 2 Jododani Donotani, Nagaokakyo City
- 9:00-17:00 (Last admission 16:50) Open every day
- Free admission (200 JPY per person for groups of 10 or more)
- Take the Hankyu Bus from JR Nagaokakyo Station to Okukaiinji. Walk 40 min.
- https://www.facebook.com/yanagidani/

#### Mount Tennozan ······ 🔞

A lush 270.4 m tall mountain with stunning vistas and hiking courses, a crowd favorite amongst Kansai hikers.

#### 1 min walk from Asahi Beer Oyamazaki Villa Museum of Art (MAP 3) to the starting point of the trail

- Oyamazaki Furushiro, Oyamazaki Town, Otokuni District
- Free admission 60 min walk to summit from JR Yamazaki Sta

#### Gourmet & Souvenirs



#### Gourmet Creative Bamboo Shoot Cuisine

Taste bamboo shoots creatively incorporated into stewed and grilled dishes, sashimi, tempura, and other dishes unique to this region.

Nearby recommendations

Gourmet/Souvenirs Japanese Whisky

#### Gourmet Bamboo Shoots

Bamboo shoots are a local specialty product with a distinctly soft texture. that come into season in late March.



Gourmet Spicy Cuisine

■ Various places within Muko City

Shopping District

even spicy drinks!

Higashi-Muko Sta

Muko City "Gekikara" Spicy

Enjoy various spicy dishes from ramen to curry and bread-

Business hours and regular holidays vary by store

■ 1 min walk from JR Mukomachi Sta. or Hankyu

https://ja-jp.facebook.com/kyotogekikara/

#### Souvenirs Bamboo Shoot Macarons

Macarons with a bamboo shoot motif-a local treat of Nagaokakyo City. Enjoy different designs and flavors from each shop.



#### 20 min on foot from Asahi Beer Oyamazaki Villa Museum of Art (MAP 3)

Enjoy tours and tastings and buy exclusive souvenirs at Yamazaki Distillery, where Japan's first

- 5-2-1 Yamazaki, Shimamoto Town, Mishima District, Osaka
- **1**0:00-16:45

authentic whisky was created.

- Yamazaki Whisky Museum viewing: Free (Reservations required)
- Yamazaki Distillery Tour: 1,000 JPY (Reservations required/80-minute tours)
- Tours are in Japanese. English/Chinese/French audio guides available (Limited availability)
- Closed:New Year holidays (Factory is closed on certain days)
- 10 min walk from JR Yamazaki Sta.
- http://www.suntory.com/factory/yamazaki/

#### ouvenirs Bamboo Products

Various products made from bamboo range from practical sundries to traditional folk crafts.

### More info > https://morinokvoto.ip/

The vast mountains and forests that spread across central Kyoto Prefecture shower people with blessings as they interact with the nature there. This region's abundance of nature is a great place to stimulate each of your senses through fresh, locally grown Kyoto vegetables, flowers that vividly color the villages in the foothills, mountain and river scenery, and more.







# **Suggested Itinerary**

1 night/2 days: Become one with nature and witness fine craftsmanship

Experience the richness. refreshment and power of the forests













# Depart

Kyoto Sta. → JR Sonobe Sta (35 min via JR Rapid Service)

JR Sonobe Sta. → Kita (1 hr by Nantan City Bus)

\* Travel time is the shortest estimated time. All fares are adult

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Miyama's thatched village (Kavabuki no Sato)

This village boasts 38 thatched roof houses with the scenic backdrop of the lush forests. Take in the scenery of the olden days in Japan and a lifestyle and culture that coexist with nature

- Kita, Miyama-cho, Nantan City
- Free admission
- Take the Nantan City Bus from JR Sonobe Sta. or JR Hiyoshi Sta to Kita.

# ourmet Ayu (Sweetfish) Cuisine

The meaty, fragrant avu (sweetfish) grow naturally into their full size in the Yuragawa River. From June to September, you can enjoy grilled or broiled salted ayu from Miyama and other parts of the Kyoto in forests

For more information about ayu cuisine, please contact the following restaurants in Miyama-cho, Nantan City

Miyam Tourism Association, Tel: 0771-75-1906

# Car + train + bus



Learn about nihonto (Japanese swords) and observe the polished technique of Kyoto's only swordsmith. After the tour, you can make your own penknife at the forge.

- Kameoka City
- 2 times a day: 9:00 and 13:00
- Reservations required
- Tour: 2,500 JPY (Incl. souvenirs), Penknife-making Experience: 16,000 JPY and up (Visa, Mastercard and AMEX accepted)
- If you need an interpreter, you can reserve one in advance (Extra fee riquired)
- Take the Keihan Kvoto Kotsu Bus from JR

Bus (10 min)

# Yunohana *Onsen*

A hot spring town where it is said that warlords in the Warring States Period (the end of the 15th century to the end of the 16th century) came to heal their sword wounds. Have a relaxing soak in the baths and enjoy a lunch overflowing with nature's riches.

- Hiedano-cho, Kameoka City
- Business hours, holidays, fees, etc. vary by facility ■ Take the Keihan Kyoto Kotsu Bus from JR Kameoka Sta. to Yunohana-Onsen. Walk 1 min
- http://www.yunohana-onsen.com/english





Take in the magnificent views of the Western Kvoto mountains on a 16-km ride down the Hozugawa River on a boat operated by a skilled captain.

- 2 Shimonakajima, Hozu-cho, Kameoka Citv
- 9:00-15:30 (Early Dec-early Mar: 10:00-14:30) Closed: New Year holidays (Service is canceled

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- during bad weather) ■ 4,100 JPY
- English OK for reservations/reception
- 10 min walk from JR Kameoka Sta. https://www.hozugawakudari.ip/en/

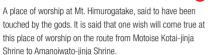
Chiyokawa Sta.

# Must-See Sights Amanoiwato-jinja Shrine ......

This Shinto shrine built atop bedrock is one of the three historic original lse shrines. Visitors have to use the chains fastened to the bedrock to reach the shrine.

- 206-1 Busshoji Aza Hiuragadake, Oe-cho, Fukuchiyama City
- Open every day
- Free admission
- 20 min walk from Tantetsu Oeyamaguchi-naiku Sta.

#### Himurogatake Place of Must-See Sights Worship .......



- 217 Naiku Aza Miyayama, Oe-cho, Fukuchiyama City
- Open every day
- Free admission
- 20 min walk from Tantetsu Oeyamaguchi-naiku Sta.

### Must-See Sights Ankoku-ji Temple .....

Reported to be the birthplace of Ashikaga Takauji, the first shogun of the Muromachi shogunate (1338-1573). The grounds of this temple are full of colorful leaves in autumn.

- 1 Teranodan, Ankokuji-cho, Ayabe City
- 8:00-18:00 (Oct-Mar: 8:30-17:00)
- Open every day
- Free admission (Reservations and donations required to see the inside)
- Take the Aya Bus from JR Ayabe Sta. to Ankokuji-mae. Walk 1 min.

### Wachi Ningyo Joruri (Puppet Theatre)

Nagomi Rest Area and Road Information Center · · · · · · · · · ·

A traditional performing art in which an actor operates a puppet to tell a story. The actor uses various voices to evoke a range of emotions, and the colorful tones of a shamisen (three-stringed Japanese lute) set the scene.

#### 40 min by car from Miyama's thatched village (Kayabuki no Sato) (MAP1)

- 11 Sakabara Kamimojiri, Kyotamba Town
- Generally held every 4th Sat., 13:30-15:00
- Admission fee: 300 JPY

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20 min walk from JR Wachi Sta.









#### Nanatanigawa River Cherry Blossoms ......



In spring, roughly 1,500 cherry trees bloom along this riverside street. It is one of the most famous local cherry blossom sites in "Kyoto in forests".

- Kokubu, Chitose-cho, Kameoka City
- Cherry blossoms are in full bloom around April 10
- Free admission
- The cherry blossoms are illuminated in the evenings
- Take the Furusato Bus from JR Kameoka Sta. to Nanatanigawa.

#### Rurikei Prefectural Natural Park .....



An attractive spot for viewing the beautiful scenery throughout the seasons. Enjoy a pleasant trek along the 4-km boardwalk through the gorge.

- Okawachi, Sonobe-cho, Nantan City
- Free admission
- Take the Nantan City Bus from JR Sonobe Sta. to Hata, Transfer to the bus bound for Rurikei, Walk 1 min.

#### Kyoto Tamba / Kameoka Yume Cosmos Garden ......



The largest cosmos garden in the Kansai region. From mid-September through October, more than 8 million cosmos of 20 different varieties are in bloom.

- East side of Kameoka Sports Park Gym, Anagawanomizu, Yoshikawa-cho, Kameoka City
- Mid-Sep-Oct: 9:00-16:00 (Sat., Sun., and public holidays: Closes at
- Open every day during season
- Admission fee: 600 JPY (Weekdays: 500 JPY), special price during Sep
- Take the Keihan Kvoto Kotsu Bus from JR Kameoka Sta. to Undokoen-Mae, Walk 1 min.
- https://www.facebook.com/vumecosmosen/

#### Kiri-no-Tenbodai (Sea of Clouds Observation Platform) · · 11



Fog forms in the valley of Kameoka from autumn to winter. From the observation platform atop Mt. Tatsugaoyama, you can look out over the mystical sea of clouds.

- On Mt. Tatsugaoyama, Iodani, Shimoyada-cho, Kameoka City
- Free admission
- 10 min drive from JR Kameoka Sta.











### **Recommended Hands-on Experience Spots**

#### tands-on Experiences Paragliding Birds Paraglider School .....



Eniov the views of villages in the foothills of Kvoto from the skyride with a professional instructor or take a solo flight! All skill levels are welcome to the challenge.

- Chitose Ikehata, Chitose-cho, Kameoka City
- 9:00-17:00 (May change due to weather) Irregular holidays
- Course fee starts from 4.500 JPY
  Visa and Mastercard accepted
- Reservations required Simple English OK
- Pickup from JR Chiyokawa Sta.
- https://www.facebook.com/birdspara/

### Hands-on Experiences Horse-Drawn Carriage Tour Kvobasha ····· (B)



Feel the breeze as you tour the Kameoka area on a leisurely horse-drawn carriage ride that starts at Torokko Kameoka Station. If you also want to enjoy a boat ride down the Hozugawa River, the carriage can bring you to the boat boarding area.

- Yamamoto Jiguro, Shino-cho, Kameoka City
- 9:35-15:35
- Closed: Wed., Jan and Feb
- 15-min tour: 500 JPY, 25-min tour: 1,000 JPY
- 1 min walk from Torokko Kameoka Sta.
- http://www.kyobasha.jp/english/

#### Hands-on Experiences Zen Experience Kyoto International Zendo · · · · · · · · · · · ·



Experience the daily routine of a monk, such as their morning and midday chores and their vegetable-based meals. An orderly life and Zen meditation cultivate a spirit of gratitude and generosity toward others.

- Inukai, Sogabe-cho, Kameoka City
- 4:00-21:00 Irregular holidays
- 1 night/meals included; 3.000 JPY (Cash only)
- Reservations required
- 15 min drive from JR Kameoka Sta.
- http://www.tekishin.org/english/

### Hands-on Experiences Soba Noodle Making Experience / Various Areas of the Kyoto in forests Region

The Kyoto in forests region produces vast amounts of *soba* (buckwheat) thanks to its fertile soil and extreme differences between daytime and nighttime temperatures. You can experience making soba noodles at various facilities.

#### Gourmet & Souvenirs



### Gourmet Wild Boar Hot Pot (Botan-Nabe)

Nothing says "winter" in this region like the local delicacy botan-nabe (wild boar hot pot). Low-calorie, high-protein boar meat is boiled together with vegetables to create a delicious hot-pot stew.



# **Gourmet** Kyoto Vegetables

Throughout the Kyoto in forests region, you can taste fresh vegetables grown in the unique climate of the Tamba Highlands.

# Gourmet Mivama Milk and Mivama Pudding

Enjoy the rich flavor and sweetness of Miyama milk, which is used to make the popular Miyama pudding and gelato.





Souvenirs Kurotani Washi (Japanese Paper)

#### Kurotani Washi Kaikan .....

Handmade Japanese paper has a history of over 800 years, and is used to make a variety of folk crafts and handicrafts.

- 3 Higashidani, Kurotani-cho, Ayabe City
- 9:00-16:30
- Closed: Sat., Sun., and public holidays
- Free admission, Hands-on experience: 700 JPY and up (Cash only)
- Take the Ava Bus Kurotani Route from JR Avabe Sta. to Kurotani-Washi-Kaikan-mae. Walk 2 min.
- https://kurotaniwashi.kyoto

#### Gourmet Wild Game Cuisine

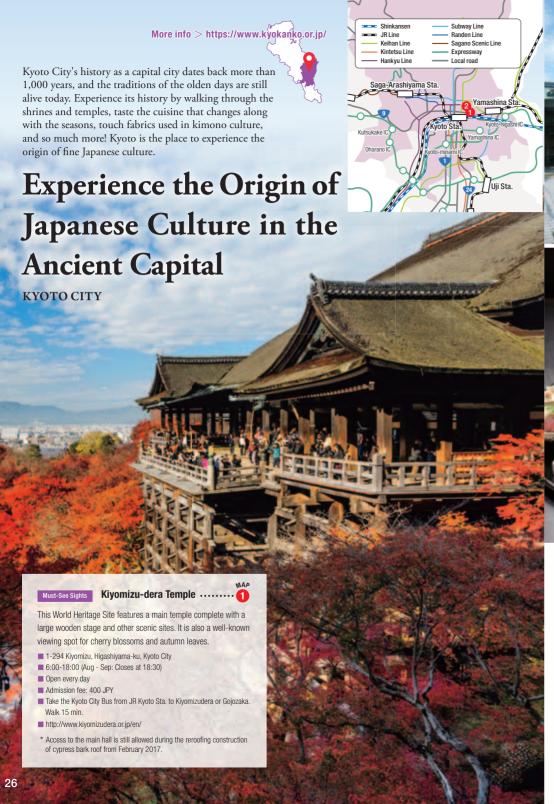
Wild deer live in the verdant mountain areas of the Kyoto in forests region. Various dishes using venison can be enjoyed from autumn to winter.



# **Japanese Sake**

Each brewery produces unique Japanese sake using the purest water from the forests.











# **Kyoto City Recommendations**

#### Must-See Sight

#### Kodai-ji Temple ······ 2



This temple was established by Lady Nene to commemorate the passing of her husband Toyotomi Hideyoshi, an influential feudal lord during the Warring States Period (the end of the 15th century to the end of the 16th century). Visitors can enjoy nighttime illuminations of cherry blossoms in the spring and colorful leaves in the autumn.

- 526 Shimokawara-cho, Higashiyama-ku, Kyoto City
- 9:00-17:0
- Open every day
- Admission fee: 600 JPY
- Authission ree: 600 JP1
- Take the Kyoto City Bus from JR Kyoto Sta. to Higashiyama-Yasui. Walk 5 min.
- http://www.kodaiji.com/e\_index.html

#### Gourmet

#### **Kyoto Cuisine**

Kyoto cuisine exhibits the simple tastes of ingredients such as seasonal Kyoto vegetables and tofu, and is built on the elegant taste of dashi stock. The beautiful presentation of Kyoto cuisine stimulates each of the five senses.

#### Gourmet

#### **Japanese Confectionery Sweets**

Traditional Japanese confectionery sweets developed alongside imperial culture and sado (Japanese tea ceremony). The shapes and colors of these sweets highlight the characteristics of the four seasons.



#### Souvenirs

#### Nishijin-ori (Nishijin Weaving)

Silk fabrics with a history of more than 1,000 years. An extensive range of products from kimono sashes to Japanese accessories, all woven with detailed patterns using beautifully dyed threads are available in the city.

# **Events/Festivals Calendar**

Here is a calendar of places of interest in Kyoto for every season — including events and festivals that are traditional for locals — and when seasonal flowers are in bloom.

- \* Schedules of festivals and events, and peak flower viewing times may vary due to weather or other
- \* Please use public transportation to travel to event venues.

# Early to late Mar

Camellias (Saguri-jinja Shrine and other locations in Kumiyama Town)

Mid-Apr



**Sakura Cherry Blossom Festival** 

(Next to the Agriculture and Forestry Product Direct Sales Store in Minamiyamashiro Village)

**Kyoto Infused with Tea** 

Sun. in Early to Mid-May

First Tea of the Season Festival at the Birthplace of Nagatani Soen

(Birthplace of Nagatani Soen/Ujitawara Town)

# **Kyoto by the Sea**

#### Mar 17

**Ennen Longevity Festival** (Urashima-jinja Shrine/Ine Town)

1st Sat./Sun. in Apr

Fukuchiyama-jo Castle Festival (Goryo Park/Fukuchiyama City)



Takinosennentsubaki Festival (Takinosennentsubaki Park/ Yosano Town)



# **Kyoto Otokuni Bamboo Grove**

#### Mid-Mar

**Plum Blossom Festival** (Nagaoka Tenman-qu Shrine/Nagaokakyo City)

Oni-kusube

(Smoking Out Demons) (Hoshaku-ji Temple/ Ovamazaki Town)



# **Kyoto in forests**

#### Last Sun. in March

Ikimi Tenman-qu Shrine Plum Blossom Festival (Ikimi Tenman-qu Shrine/Nantan City)

Apr 18

Flower Festival/ Izumo Furyu Flower Dancing (Izumo Dai-jingu Shrine) Kameoka City)



### **Kyoto City**

Kyoto/Higashiyama Hanatouro (Light and Blossoms Pathway) (Higashiyama area)

Late Apr to early May

Wisteria

May 15

Jul 1-31

Festival

Gion Matsuri

other locations)

(Yasaka-iinia Shrine and

Aoi Matsuri Festival (Shimogamo-iinia Shrine. Kamigamo-jinja Shrine)



# Summer

Spring

Mar

Apr

Mav

Jun Jul Aug

# Early to late Jun **Hydrangeas**

(Gansen-ji Temple and other

### Aug 16

**Kasagi Floating Lanterns** (Unstream of Kasagi Bridge/Kasagi Town)

Jul to Sep

**Ukai Cormorant Fishing** (Uii River/Uii Citv)



### Late Jul

Minato Maizuru **Chatta Festival** (Maizuru East District/

Maizuru City) Late Jul

Ine Festival (Ine Bay area/Ine Town)



Miyazu Floating Lanterns and Fireworks Festival (Shimasaki Park and Miyazu Bay Area /Miyazu City)



**Hvdrangeas** Festival Yokoku-ii Temple/



Touta-no-kagura (Field Songs and Dancing) (Yasaka-iinia Shrine/Nantan City

Late Jul

Avabe Minazuki Festival

(Yuragawa River area/Ayabe City)

Mid- to late Aug

Oct 23-25

Yamahoko Events at

the Kameoka Festival

(Castle town area/

Kameoka City)

Fukuchiyama Dokkoise Festival (Hirokoji Street/Fukuchiyama City)



Early Aug

Kvo-no-Tanabata (Various venues in Kyoto City)



### Autumn

Sep 0ct Nov

#### Sep 15

Chokusai lwashimizu **Festival** 

(lwashimizu-Hachimangu Shrine/Yawata City)



# Mid-Oct

Roses

(Ayabe Rose Garden and

Late Oct

**Amanohashidate** Winter Fireworks (Fuchu side of Asokai Sea/ Miyazu City)



#### Mid-Oct

Aug 25

Take-no-Michi (Bamboo Path)/ Bamboo Illumination

**Summer Festival** 

(Nagaoka Tenman-gu Shrine/Nagaokakyo City)

(Take-no-Michi (Bamboo Path)/Muko City)

2nd Sun. in Nov



# Late Oct

Kvotamba Food Festival (Kyo Tamba Park area/Kyotamba Town)

Mid-Nov

**Ono Dam Momiii Autumn Leaves Festival** (Ono Dam Park/Nantan City)

### Oct 22 Jidai Matsuri Festival

(Heian-jingu Shrine and other locations)



### 2nd Sun. in Nov

Arashiyama Momiji Festival (Arashiyama)

# Winter

Dec

# Late Feb

Early Nov

**Plum Blossom Festival** 

**Chagenkyo Local Tea Festival** 

(Wazuka Sports Park/Wazuka Town)



#### Early Dec

Kumihama Oyster and Fish Festival (In front of Marine Plaza/ Kyotango City)



# Nagaokakyo Momiji Autumn

(Throughout Nagaokakyo City)

Nagaokakyo Garasha Festival

**Leaves Season** (Nagaoka Tenman-gu Shrine, Komyo-ji Temple Yokoku-ji Temple and



#### Late Jan

**Snow Lantern Festival** (Miyama's thatched village (Kayabuki no Sato) /

Nantan City)



#### Mid Dec

Kyoto/ Arashiyama Hanatouro (Light and Blossoms Pathway) (Saga/Arashiyama area)

Feb 2-4

Setsubun Ceremony (Yoshida-jinja Shrine and other locations)



Jan Feb

