Calendar of Events
October 2019

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Momiji-gari もみじ狩り
As Japan enters into late autumn, the leaves begin turning red and yellow. People head to the mountains in search of the vibrantly colored leaves, this is called "Momiji-gari", which literally means "hunting for autumn leaves”. Many people visit the ancient capital of Kyoto and other sites, hikers go to the forest and mountains famous for autumn leaves.

Ukai 鵜飼い
Cormorant fishing, an ancient method of catching Ayu (sweetfish or trout-like fish), handling cormorants. This usually takes place at night under the blazing torches fastened to the prows of fishing boats from May until October.

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<td>Festival on the shores of Lake Akan. Marimo (unique spherical green algae) is the nation's special natural monument and a symbol of this festival which features traditional dances and religious rites handed down by the Ainu people.</td>
<td>(1) JR Nemuro Honsen Line to Kushiro Sta. From there, take bus to Akanko Onsen Bus Stop (2 hrs.) (2) From Kushiro Airport, take bus to Akanko Onsen Bus Stop (1 hr.)</td>
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<td>Summary: Paper Lantern Festival or annual festival of the shrine, featuring seven floats decorated with 3000 lighted lanterns, parading along the main streets of the city daily. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●10/5 17:50-23:30 Parade of seven floats from Kamegai Rotary to JR Nihonmatsu Sta. ●10/6 8:25-14:50 Parade of seven floats from JR Nihonmatsu Sta. to Kamegai Rotary 16:30-18:30 Parade of Mikoshi from Nihonmatsu-jinja Shrine</td>
<td>JR Tohoku Honsen Line to Nihonmatsu Sta.</td>
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<td>Summary: Festival of two shrines. The highlight of this festival is Hikifune Matsuri, festival of towing a ship, in which Mikoshi of Osaki-jinja Shrine carried onto the ship sails in Kamaishi Bay. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●10/19 10:00- Hikifune Matsuri ●10/20 12:15- Parade of two Mikoshi from each shrine and floats 14:10- Parade of Mikoshi, leaving for each home shrine</td>
<td>JR Tohoku Shinkansen Line to Shin-Hanamaki Sta. From there, take JR Kamaishi Line to Kamaishi Sta., and then walk 5min.</td>
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<td>JR Tokaido Honsen Line to Gifu Sta. From there, take bus to Nagarabashi Bus Stop (15 min.)</td>
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<td>Summary: Cormorant fishing. Fee is 3,000 JPY without meal. There are also lunch cruise every Tue., Thu., Sat. and Sun. with 5,000 JPY. For reservation, please call 0568-61-2727 (Kisogawa Kanko) or reserve through major travel agencies. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●10/1-10/15  19:00-19:45 Lunch Cruise (every Tue., Thu., Sat. and Sun.) 11:50-13:50</td>
<td>JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Nagoya Sta. From there, take Meitetsu Inuyama Line to Inuyama-Yuen Sta. (East Exit), and then walk 3 min.</td>
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<td>JR Takayama Honsen Line to Takayama Sta., and then walk 20 min.</td>
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<td>JR Takayama Honsen Line to Mino-Ota Sta. From there, take Nagaragawa Tetsudo Line to Seki Sta., and then walk 7 min.</td>
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<td>JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Hamamatsu Sta. From there, take bus (for Okuyama) to Inasa Yokoo Bus Stop (60 min.), and then walk 3 min.</td>
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<td>Ito Orange Beach: From JR Tokyo Sta, take JR Limited Express &quot;Odoriko&quot; to Ito Sta., and then walk 3 min.</td>
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<td>JR Chuo Honsen Line to Tajimi Sta. (North Exit), and then take free shuttle bus (every 30 min.)</td>
<td><a href="http://chuoka-taiji-go.or.jp/tajimaindex.html">http://chuoka-taiji-go.or.jp/tajimaindex.html</a></td>
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<td>Summary: Festival featuring parades led by a troop of the three most famous feudal lords in the age of warriors; &quot;Nobunaga Oda&quot; (1534-1582), &quot;Hideyoshi Toyotomi&quot; (1536-1598) and &quot;Ieyasu Tokugawa&quot; (1542-1616). Many events are scheduled at the festival sites in the city during the festival period. Schedule &amp; Key events: ● 10/19 13:57-15:33 Parades of the three lords from JR Nagoya Sta. to Yaba-cho area ● 10/20 12:55-14:01 Parades of the three lords from City Hall to Yaba-cho area</td>
<td>JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Nagoya Sta.</td>
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<td>Summary: Festival with a 300-year history. The highlight of this festival is Kaichu-Togyo (people carrying floats into the sea and parading around). Schedule &amp; Key events: ● 10/26 13:40-18:20 Parade of four huge floats from each different district to Yatsurugi-jinja Shrine through the city, and demonstration of local performing arts ● 10/27 10:45-11:50 Kaichu-Togyo on Miya-kaigan Beach 12:00-17:35 Parade of all floats from Wakamiya-jinja Shrine to Yatsurugi-jinja Shrine 12:10-17:45 Shinto dance performance with music at Wakamiya-jinja Shrine 17:45-18:15 Shinto dance performance with music at Yatsurugi-jinja Shrine</td>
<td>JR Tokaido Honsen Line to Mikawa-Miya Sta.</td>
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<td>Summary: Sham Battles of famous &quot;Kawanakajima Kassen&quot; battle fought between famous warlords, &quot;Takeda Shingen&quot; and &quot;Uesugi Kenshin&quot;, in the 16th century. The battles are held by 900 people on the riverbeds of Fuefuki River, in front of Fuefuki city hall. Schedule &amp; Key events: 13:10- Sham battle</td>
<td>JR Chuo Honsen Line to Isawa-Onsen Sta., and then walk 20 min.</td>
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<td>Annual Autumn Festival of the shrine. The festival is held to appreciate good harvest in this year and the highlights are Zuiki Mikoshi (portable shrines made from vegetables) parade and Chigo-mai (sacred dance performed by gaily-dressed children).</td>
<td>From JR Kyoto Sta., take municipal bus No. 50 or 101 to Kitano Tenmangu-mae Bus Stop (30 min.)</td>
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<td><strong>Kyoto Antique Fair</strong> 京都アンティークフェア</td>
<td>Grand Antique Fair with over 300 dealers from around the world. Admission is free.</td>
<td>Kintetsu Kyoto Line or Karasuma Subway Line to Takeda Sta., and then (1) walk 15 min. (2) take free shuttle bus from West Exit (5 min.)</td>
<td><a href="http://www.gomoku-do.com/">http://www.gomoku-do.com/</a></td>
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<td>Festival featuring 13 magnificent floats decorated with lighted lanterns and Karakuri-ningyo performed on floats.</td>
<td>JR Tokaido Honsen Line to Otsu Sta., and then walk 3 min.</td>
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<td>Summary: Deer Horn Cutting Event. Admission is 1,000JPY. Please enter by 14:30. If it rains heavily, the event will be canceled.</td>
<td>● daily 12:00-15:00 Demonstration of cutting horns</td>
<td>(1) JR Nara Line to Nara Sta. From there, take Nara Kotsu bus to Kasuga Taisha Omotesando Bus Stop (8 min.), and then walk 7 min. (2) Kintetsu Nara Line to Kintetsu Nara Sta., and then walk 30 min.</td>
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<td>Aki-no Ochamori-shiki 秋の大茶盛式</td>
<td>Summary: Tea Ceremony in autumn, using giant tea bowl. Admission is 3,500JPY (for sharing a giant bowl of green tea, having a bowl of buckwheat-noodles served, and prayer service).</td>
<td>Schedule &amp; Key events: 9:00-15:00</td>
<td>(1) JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Kyoto Sta. From there, take Kintetsu Kyoto Line to Yamato-Saidaiji Sta., and then walk 3 min. (2) JR Nara Line to Nara Sta. From there, take Kintetsu Nara Line to Yamato-Saidaiji Sta., and then walk 3 min.</td>
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<td>Summary: Fighting Festival or annual festival of the shrine. The highlight of this festival is three huge Mikoshi jostling by teams of loin-clothed youth in and out of the precincts of the shrine.</td>
<td>●10/14 11:00-14:00 Procession of seven gorgeous Yatai floats from seven different districts to the shrine ●10/15 9:00-12:00 Three huge Mikoshi jostling in and out of the precincts of the shrine 12:10- &amp; 16:15- Parade of three Mikoshi and six floats from the shrine to Otabisho, where Mikoshi jostle again</td>
<td>JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Himeji Sta. From there, take Sanyo Dentetsu Line to Shirahama-no-miya Sta., and then walk 5 min. JR山陽新幹線姫路駅より 山陽電鉄線で白浜の宮駅下車、徒歩5分</td>
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<td>Summary: Festival, registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO, featuring a parade of nine lavishly-decorated <em>Danjiri</em> and <em>Oni</em> (people wearing comical ogre-costumes and masks). Schedule &amp; Key events: ● 10/18 19:00-21:00 Exhibition of all floats decorated with lighted lanterns on the city's main streets ● 10/19 13:00-16:00 Procession of <em>Danjiri</em> and <em>Oni</em>, through the city 18:30-21:00 Procession of <em>Danjiri</em>, through the city ● 10/20 9:00-15:50 Parade of <em>Mikoshi</em>, 100 <em>Oni</em> and the floats, through the city</td>
<td>JR Kansai Honsen Line to Iga Ueno Sta. From there, take Iga Tetsudo Line to Ueno-shi Sta.</td>
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<td>Kinki 近畿 10/22 Kyoto 京都府 Sakyō-ku, Kyoto 京都市左京区 由岐神社、鞍馬街道 Kurama-no-Himatsuri 鞍馬の火祭</td>
<td>Summary: Fire Festival. Long rows of balefire are lit up, and gaily-dressed children march along the street bearing burning torches in their hands, followed by adults bearing larger ones. Schedule &amp; Key events: 18:00- Balefire are lit up on Kurama-Kaido Street</td>
<td>Eizan Kurama Line to Kurama Sta.</td>
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<td>Summary: Festival of Eras, one of the three main festivals in Kyoto. The highlight of this festival is a procession of over 2,000 people clad in the costumes representing each era during a millennium when Kyoto was the capital of Japan. If it rains, the event will be postponed to the next day. Schedule &amp; Key events: 12:00-12:30 Procession from Kyoto Imperial Palace to Karasuma-Marutamachi 12:30-12:50 Procession from Karasuma-Marutamachi to Karasuma-Oike 12:50-14:30 Procession from Karasuma-Oike to Heian-jingu Shrine</td>
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<td>Festival featuring a parade in which about 15 floats, on each of which two or three huge drums called “Dou” are placed, are drawn by children and townspeople while drums are pleasantly beaten by men accompanied with the floats. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●10/20 11:45-13:00 Floats gather at Matsue Castle 13:30-15:30 Floats parade around Matsue Castle</td>
<td>JR San-in Honsen Line to Matsue Sta. From there, take Lake Line bus to Matsue-Jo (Otemae) Bus Stop (10 min.)</td>
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<td>JR Ako Line to Inbe Sta.</td>
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<td>Annual Festivals of the shrines, with a 400-year history, featuring magnificently sculptured Danjiri and lavishly adorned Dashi, and a huge Mikoshi carried by over 100 youths, accompanied by Danjiri. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●10/20 daytime Parade of Danjiri and Dashi from Osumi-jinja Shrine ●10/27 daytime Parade of Mikoshi and Danjiri from Tokumori-jinja Shrine</td>
<td>Tokumori-jinja Shrine: JR Tsuyama Line to Tsuyama Sta., and then walk 15 min.</td>
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<td>Annual Festival of the shrine. Mikoshi and 500 people in traditional costumes parade in the city.</td>
<td>JR Dosan Line to Kotohira Sta., and then walk 20 min.</td>
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<td>Festival featuring Mikoshi and over 20 Chosa (beautifully bedecked floats) carried by youths parading through the city daily during the festival period. The highlight of this festival is Chosa-Katsugi (youths jostling each other and competing their strength in lifting up Chosa).</td>
<td>JR Yosan Line to Toyohama Sta., and then walk 15 min.</td>
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<td>Summary: Drum Festival. 54 huge Taiko (literally meaning drums, but these are floats gorgeously adorned with imagined figures of dragons, wild birds and beasts, which are embroidered with gold and silver threads), each are carried by over 150 men who jostle with one another and compete their strength in lifting up Taiko at several sites, so called Kakikurabe, while they parade along the city’s main streets beating drums.</td>
<td>JR Yosan Line to Niihama Sta.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.city.niihama.lg.jp/soshiki/unyu/taikomatsuri.html">http://www.city.niihama.lg.jp/soshiki/unyu/taikomatsuri.html</a></td>
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<td>Nagasaki Kunchi 長崎くんち</td>
<td>Summary: Annual Festival of the shrine, designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties, featuring three Mikoshi accompanied by Chinese-style floats bedecked with umbrella-shaped decorations. Demonstrations of dynamic local performing arts are daily scheduled at four sites during the festival period.</td>
<td>Suwa-jinja Shrine: JR Nagasaki Honsen Line to Nagasaki Sta. From there, take streetcar to Suwa Jinja Sta.</td>
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<td>Agano-yaki Aki-no Kamabiraki 上野焼秋の窯開き</td>
<td>Summary: Pottery Fair, held at several sites in the town.</td>
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<td>Summary: Fighting Festival. The highlight of this festival is Hono-Gassen (dedication of fighting between Mikoshi and a float). Schedule &amp; Key events: ●10/25 evening Procession of four Mikoshi from Imari-jinja Shrine and Hono-Gassen ●10/26 daytime Procession of four Mikoshi from Imari-jinja Shrine and Hono-Gassen ●10/27 daytime Procession of Mikoshi and floats by men jostling each other to the tune of Taiko drumming at the several places in the city and final free-for-all jostling on the riverbed of Imari River</td>
<td>JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Hakata Sta. From there, take JR Limited Express “Midori” to Arita Sta., and change to Matsuura Tetsudo Line to Imari Sta.</td>
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<td>Summary: Festival with over 100 balloons from around 20 countries taking part. The highlight of this festival is &quot;La Montgolfier Nocturne&quot;, the event of lighting up the balloons tethered to the ground with live music at Launch area. Many other events are also scheduled during the festival period. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●daily 7:00-9:00 &amp; 15:00-17:00 Competitions ●11/3 &amp; 4 18:30-19:15 &quot;La Montgolfier Nocturne&quot;</td>
<td>JR Nagasaki Honsen Line to Balloon Saga (temporary) Sta.</td>
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<td><strong>Naha O-tsunahiki Matsuri</strong></td>
<td>Summary: Grand Tug of War Festival featuring Hatagashira Gyoretsu (a parade of men holding 14 long flags which are the symbols of each community). Schedule &amp; Key events: ●10/12 14:05-18:10 Parade of Shishi-mai (lion dance), folk dancing and performing arts on Kokusai-dori Street ●10/13 11:30-14:00 Hatagashira Gyoretsu on Kokusai-dori Street 14:30-17:00 Tug of war at the Kumojo intersection on National Road No. 58</td>
<td>From Naha Airport, take Yui Rail (monorail) to Kencho-mae Sta.</td>
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<td>Shinjuku Machi Fes 2019</td>
<td>World dance festival. Dances and traditional music around the world are performed on Shinjuku-dori Street and stages set up around JR Shinjuku Sta. Schedule &amp; Key events: 12:00-16:00</td>
<td>JR Yamanote Line, Tokyo Metro Marunouchi Line or Toei Shinjuku Subway Line to Shinjuku Sta. (M08, S01)</td>
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<td>Ikegami Honmon-ji Temple, Tokumochi Kaikan Hall and others</td>
<td>Ikegami Honmon-ji O-eshiki</td>
<td>Buddhist memorial service featuring a night procession of people carrying Mando. About 100 Mando varying in size, decorated with paper cherry blossoms, are carried by a number of groups of people, starting one after another from Tokumochi Kaikan Hall near Ikegami Sta. to the temple. Schedule &amp; Key events: 10/12 18:00-23:00 Procession of Mando</td>
<td>JR Yamanote Line, Tokyo Metro Marunouchi Line or Toei Shinjuku Subway Line to Shinjuku Sta. (M08, S01)</td>
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**Momiji-gari**

As Japan enters into late autumn, the leaves begin turning red and yellow. People head to the mountains in search of the vibrantly colored leaves, this is called "Momiji-gari", which literally means "hunting for autumn leaves". Many people visit the ancient capital of Kyoto and other sites, hikers go to the forest and mountains famous for autumn leaves.

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2. Dates, times and functions are subject to change without notice. Especially schedule of outdoor events and flower festival may change due to the weather. Be sure to check the latest information in advance.

3. The access shows only major route. Please refer to following URL for alternative transportation from the station where you want to start.

4. Japanese words appearing in the column provide the name of the event, the place and access for you to point out to Japanese passerby when you need help.

5. Please refer to URL (basically in Japanese) for each event. If you have further questions, please call TIC, JNTO at following number.

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- **Dates:** M/D April 3 ⇒ 4/3
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<td>Japanese archery ritual. The archers dressed in ceremonial robes shoot arrows at the targets (figures of a deer) according to traditional rites. If it rains, the ritual will be held in Nohgakudo Hall in the precincts of the shrine.</td>
<td>Tokyo Metro Tozai, Hanzomon Line or Toei Shinjuku Subway Line to Kudanshita Sta. (T07, 206, 505)(Exit 1), and then walk 5 min.</td>
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<td>Buddhist memorial service featuring a night procession of people carrying about 50 <em>Mando</em>. Many open-air stalls are set up in the compound of the temple and its neighborhood daily during the festival period.</td>
<td>(1) Toei Streetcar Arakawa Line to Kishibojim-mae Sta. (2) Tokyo Metro Fukutoshin Line to Zoshigaya Sta. (F10)(Exit 1), and then walk 5 min. (3) JR Yamanote Line to Ikebukuro Sta. (East Exit), and then walk 15 min.</td>
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<td>Chrysanthemum Exhibition. Around 200 pots of chrysanthemum are displayed. Admission is free.</td>
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<td>Takaosan Yakuo'in Temple : Keio Line to Takaosan-guchi Sta., and then walk 3 min. to (1) Kiyotaki Sta. From there, take cable car to Takaosan Sta. (5 min.), and then walk 5 min. (2) Sanroku Sta. From there, take chair lift to Sanjo Sta. (12 min.), and then walk 30 min.</td>
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<td>Tokyo Metro Ginza Line or Toei Asakusa Subway Line to Asakusa Sta. (G19, A18), and then walk 5 min.</td>
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<td>Koto Citizen's Festival. Main events are Kiba-no-Kaku-nori (acrobatic stunts on rolling squared timbers), Teko-mai dance by woman in male attire, and Fukagawa-no-Chikara-mochi in which men demonstrate their great strength by lifting straw bags filled with rice. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●daily 10:00-16:00 Many entertainments</td>
<td>Tokyo Metro Tozai Line to Kiba Sta. (T13), and then walk 5 min.</td>
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<td>Summary: Chrysanthemum Exhibition. Admission to the garden is 500 JPY. Please enter by 16:00. The garden is closed on every Monday. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●daily 9:30-17:00 (1) Keio Line to Chofu Sta. (North Exit). From there, take bus (for Mitaka or Kichijoji) to Jindai-Shokubutsu-Koen-mae Bus Stop (20 min.) (2) JR Chuo Line to Mitaka Sta. or Kichijoji Sta. From there, take bus (for Chofueki-Kitaguchi or Jindai) to Jindai-Shokubutsu-Koen-mae Bus Stop (20 min.)</td>
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<td>Summay: Chrysanthemum Exhibition. Admission is free. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●10/25-31 5:40-16:40 ●11/1-23 6:10-16:10 (1) JR Yamanote Line to Harajuku Sta. (Omotesando Exit), and then walk 5 min. (2) Tokyo Metro Chiyoda or Fukutoshin Line to Meiji-Jingumae Sta. (C03, F15)(Exit 2), and then walk 5 min.</td>
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<td>Summary: Chrysanthemum Exhibition. Admission is free. Schedule &amp; Key events: ●daily 9:00-16:00 (1) JR Sobu Line to Kameido Sta. (North Exit), and then walk 15 min. (2) JR Sobu Line or Tokyo Metro Hanzomon Line to Kinshicho Sta. (Z13) (North Exit), and then walk 15 min.</td>
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<td>Sawara-no Taisai Aki Matsuri</td>
<td>Summary: Festival with a 300-year history, designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. 14 beautifully sculptured floats with huge dolls on tops parade through the city to the accompaniment of Sawara-bayashi (festival music). Schedule &amp; Key events: ●10/11 10:00- (1) JR Limited Express &quot;Sawara Aki Matsuri-Go&quot; is available from Shinjuku Sta. on 10/12・13.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.city.katori.lg.jp/sightseeing/matsuri/introduction/aki.html">http://www.city.katori.lg.jp/sightseeing/matsuri/introduction/aki.html</a></td>
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<td>Kanuma Buttsuke Aki Matsuri</td>
<td>Festival, designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. This festival features 26 magnificently sculptured floats, and the floats with lighted lanterns while various kinds of festive music are played competitively on the floats, which is known as &quot;Buttsuke&quot;.</td>
<td>(1) JR Nikko Line to Kanuma Sta., and then walk 20 min. (2) Tobu Nikko Line to Shin-Kanuma Sta., and then walk 10 min.</td>
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<td>Kanuma Buttsuke Aki Matsuri</td>
<td>Schedule &amp; Key events:● daily 9:00-17:00 Festival music is played on the floats at JR Kanuma Sta., Shin-Kanuma Sta. and other sites. ● 10/12 12:30- 26 Floats are pulled into and displayed in the precincts of Imamiya-jinja shrine 17:00- Floats are pulled out from the shrine and parade through the town with &quot;Buttsuke&quot; ● 10/13 9:00-11:50 Mikoshi parades from the shrine through the town 15:00-17:00 Floats parade through the town and gather on Kobugaharamiya-dori Street 15:00- Daidaikagura (Shinto dance and music) is performed in the shrine 17:30- Floats parade through the town with &quot;Buttsuke&quot;</td>
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<td>Summary: Pottery &amp; Food Fair. Stalls selling Kasama-yaki potteries, local Kasama farm products, and snack foods are set up in the park. BIG BAND PICNIC in KASAMA, the music concert by many jazz orchestras, will be held on the open air stage in the park. Schedule &amp; Key events: ● 10/12 9:00-21:00 Stalls for potteries and foods are set up ● 10/13 9:00-17:00 Stalls for potteries and foods are set up 10:00- BIG BAND PICNIC in KASAMA ● 10/14 9:00-17:00 11:00- Stalls for potteries and foods are set up BIG BAND PICNIC in KASAMA</td>
<td>JR Mito Line to Kasama Sta., and then walk 30 min. or take shuttle bus or route bus</td>
<td><a href="http://www.kasama-kankou.jp/upsys_pro/news.php?mode=detail&amp;code=608">http://www.kasama-kankou.jp/upsys_pro/news.php?mode=detail&amp;code=608</a></td>
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| Kanto    | 10/16 ~ 10/17  | Tochigi | Nikko | Tosho-gu Shrine, Omote-Sando Street and others | Nikko Tosho-gu Shu-ki Taisai               | Grand Autumn Festival of the shrine. The highlight of this festival is a procession of about 800 armor-clad people followed by Mikoshi. | ● 10/16  
13:00-14:00 Yabusame on Omote-Sando Street  
10/17  
11:00-11:40 Procession from the shrine to Otabisho (portable shrine resting place), parading on Omote-Sando Street  
12:00-12:30 Bugaku performance at Otabisho  
13:00-13:30 Procession on the same route for returning | JR Nikko Line to Nikko Sta. or Tobu Nikko Line to Tobu-Nikko Sta. From there, take bus to Sogokaikan-mae Bus Stop (10 min.), and then walk 8 min. | https://www.tochigiji.or.jp/event/1506/  |
| Kanto    | 10/19 ~ 10/20  | Saitama | Kawagoe | Hikawa-jinja Shrine and others   | Kawagoe Matsuri                          | Festival designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. The highlight of this festival is a parade of 18 adorned floats to the tune of Ohayashi festival music with Taiko drumming and Japanese flute. | ● 10/19  
13:00-14:30 Parade of Mikoshi from Hikawa-jinja shrine, going throughout the town  
18:00-19:00  
18:20-19:00 Parade of floats by townspeople jostling each other at several sites  
18:30-21:00 Parade of floats throughout the town  
18:30-21:00 Parade of floats by townspeople jostling each other at several sites | (1) JR Saikyo Line, Kawagoe Line or Tobu Tojo Line to Kawagoe Sta.  
(2) Seibu Shinjuku Line to Hon-Kawagoe Sta. | JR日光線日光駅又は東武日光線 東武日光駅よりバスで10分総合会 館前下車、徒歩8分 | http://kawagoematsuri.jp/index.html  |
| Kanto    | 10/19 ~ 11/24  | Ibaraki | Kasama | Kasama Inari-jinja Shrine       | Kasama-no Kiku Matsuri                   | Chrysanthemum Exhibition. Around 10,000 of potted chrysanthemums and dolls made of chrysanthemum are exhibited in the precincts of the shrine. Admission to the exhibition of chrysanthemum dolls is 800 JPY. Please enter by 16:00. | ● daily  
8:30-16:30 Exhibition of chrysanthemum dolls | JR Mito Line to Kasama Sta., and then walk 20 min. | JR水戸線笠間駅より徒歩20分 | http://www.kasama.or.jp/event/event13.html  |
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<td>Futaarayama-jinja Shrine, Shita-machi area, Ue-machi area and others</td>
<td>Kikusui-sai 菊水祭</td>
<td>Festival featuring a parade of Horen (palanquin), armored warriors, and Yabusame horses. If it heavily rains, the event will be canceled.</td>
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Schedule & Key events:
- **10/26**
  - 9:00-9:30: Yabusame in front of the shrine
  - 9:30-15:30: Parade from the shrine, through the Ue-machi area
- **10/27**
  - 9:00-9:30: Yabusame in front of the shrine
  - 9:30-13:30: Parade from the shrine, through the Shita-machi area
  - 13:30-15:00: Yabusame in Utsunomiya Joshi Park
  - 15:00-15:00: Parade from Utsunomiya Joshi Park to the shrine

Access:
1. JR Tohoku Shinkansen Line to Utsunomiya Sta. (West Exit) From there, take bus to Baba-cho or Futaarayama Jinja-mae Bus Stop (5 min.)
2. Tobu Utsunomiya Line to Tobu-Utsunomiya Sta., and then walk 15 min.

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