Japan, with about 70% of its land covered by mountains, is blessed with thermal hot springs or in Japanese, "onsen." Over 3,000 hot spring areas are found around the country, ranging from large resorts to small groups of inns isolated in the mountains. On this list are 20 hot springs that JNTO selected for their authentic "onsen" atmosphere, convenience of transportation, and facilities for overseas guests.

**Information Reference Numbers:**
1. Access
2. Feature(s)
3. Public Hot Spring (For those staying at inns without hot spring baths.)

---

**IN THE VICINITY OF TOKYO**

1. **Hakone** 首根 (Hakone-machi, Kanagawa Pref.)
   1. Shinjuku Sta. (Tokyo) → Hakone Yumoto Sta.: 1 hr. 30 min. by Odakyu Railway LEX “Romance Car.”
   2. Tokyo Sta. → Odawara Sta.: 40 min. by JR Tokaido Shinkansen “Kodama”

2. About 17 hot springs such as Yumoto Miyagino & Tono-sawa are located in the Hakone area featuring a view of nearby Mt. Fuji and Lake Ashi.

3. **Kappa Tengoku:** In Yumoto. Open-air bath. Admission: ¥800. Open: 10:00–22:00.

4. **Tenzan Tohji-kyo:** In Yumoto-Chaya. Open-air bath. Admission: ¥1,300. Open: 9:00–23:00.


6. **Kantarono-yu:** In Miyagino. Admission: ¥800. Open: 11:00–19:00(Weekdays) 10:00–20:00(Stat., Sun. & National Holidays). Closed: Fri. (except holiday Fridays)

7. **Hakone-Yuriko:** In Yumoto. Admission: ¥1,400.
   1. Open: 10:00–21:00 (Weekdays) – 22:00 (Stat., Sun. & National holidays)

8. **Hakone Lake Hotel (H):** In Togendai. Admission*: ¥1,200. Open: 11:00–16:00. Closed: Tue. Tel: (0460)84-7611 URL: http://www.hakone-lakehotel.com

9. **Fuji Hakone Guest House (M):** In Sengokubara. Admission*: ¥1,050/hour. Open: 10:00–15:00.
   Note: Reservation needed.
   Tel: (0460)84-6577

10. **Hakone-no-yama (P):** In Gora. Tel: (0460)82-1882

11. **Kappa-Tengoku (R):** In Yumoto. Tel: (0460)85-6121

12. **Hakone Kowakien Yunessun:** In Inotaira is a hot springs spa resort and water amusement park with two zones. The Yunessun spa resort zone requires the wearing of swimsuits, and offers Roman-style baths, a green tea spa and other amenities. The other zone is Morinoyu, a traditional Japanese-style bathing resort, where swimsuits are not worn.
   Admission: ¥2,900 for Yunessun, ¥1,900 for Morinoyu, ¥4100 for both zones
   Yunessun Open: 9:00–18:00
   Morinoyu Open: 11:00–20:00.

4. **Yugawara 湯河原 (Yugawara-machi, Kanagawa Pref.)
   1. Tokyo Sta. → Yugawara Sta.: 1 hr. 15 min. by JR LEX “Odoriko” on Tokaido Line.

3. **Area extends along the river from mountainous Oku-Yugawara to the beach.**

3. **Kogome-no-ju:** Next to Manyo Koen (Park).

Tel: (0466)72-6688

4. **Yugawara Mizunokoi (R):**
   1. Admission: ¥1,830
   2. Tel: (0466)72-6353
   3. Shiroyama Bekkan (R):
   4. admission: ¥3960
   5. Tel: (0466)63-1111

5. **Yugawara-machi Tourist Center:** In front of the station.
   URL: http://www.yugawara.or.jp/

5. **Ito 伊東 (Ito City, Shizuoka Pref.)
   1. Tokyo Sta. → Ito Sta.: 1 hr. 45 min. by JR LEX “Odoriko” on Tokaido & Ito Lines.

2. Facing the beach and surrounded by mountains. Also features cactus garden and tropical parks.

3. **Yukawa Daichi Yokujo:** Near the station.
   Admission: ¥250. Open: 14:00–21:30 except Mon.

4. **Yukawa Daiin Yokujo:** Admission: ¥250.
   Open: 14:00–22:00. Closed: Wed.

5. **Matsubara Yokojo:** Admission: ¥250.
   Open: 15:00–22:45. Closed: Tue.
   Tel: (0553)38-8926

   Tel: (0553)37-0633

7. **Osakana-buro Bath:** In Hotel Sun Hatoya. Admission: ¥2,000. Open: 8:30–19:00.
   Tel: (0553)38-4126

8. **Otsuka (M):** In Usami.
   Tel: (0553)48-8839

9. **Seizan Yamato (R):**
   Tel: (0553)37-3108

10. **Ito City Tourist Association:**
    Tel: (0553)37-6105
    URL: http://www.itosa.com/

11. **Nikko Yumiko 一日湯木元 (Nikko City, Tochigi Pref.)
    1. Asakusa Sta. (Tokyo) → Tobu-Nikko Sta.: 1 hr. 45 min. by Tobu Railway LEX Spacia “Kegon”.
    2. Nikko Sta. → Yumiko Onsen: 1 hr. 20 min. by Tobu Bus.
2. In Nikko National Park, alongside Lake Yunoko. Hiking trail through swamps and forests to Lake Chuzenji.

3. **Kyukamura NIKKO-YUMOTO** (H): on Lake Yunoko. Set price for hot spring baths & a guest room (reservation needed)

   - **Admission**: ¥2,700 Open: 11:00–17:00 Tel: (0288)62-2421
   - **Yunoyaraya Ryokan** (R): In Yumoto. Admission: ¥800 (cash only). Open: 8:00–20:00. Sometimes bath closes temporarily. Please check the hours before you visit.
   - **Wakasou (M)**: In Yumoto. Admission: ¥500. (Please check the availability before you visit.)

4. **Okajin** (M): In Chuzenji

   - Tel: (0288)55-0410

5. Nikko Tourism Association: Tel: (0288)22-1525

6. **Ikaho 萩保** (Ikaho-machi, Gunma Pref.)

   - Ueno Sta. → Shibukawa Sta.: 1 hr. 40 min. by JR LEX “Kusatsu”. Shibukawa Sta. → Ikaho: 25 min. by bus.

   - A historic street of stone stairs runs for 300 meters in this popular hot spring area. It is flanked by souvenir shops and restaurants. Not far away is the natural beauty of Mt. Haruna and Lake Haruna.


8. **Kogane-nokuran: Admission**: ¥730 Open: 10:00–9:00 (the next morning. Reservation needed)

9. **Ikaho Rotenburo**: Admission: ¥450. Open: 9:00–19:00 (Apr.–Sep.). 10:00–18:00 (Oct.–Mar.). Closed: 1st & 3rd Thu.

4. **Hotel Tenbo** (H): Admission*: ¥1,200 for 2 hrs.

   - Open: 11:00–14:00. Closed: Tue. & Wed. Tel: (0279)72-4489

5. **Fukuichi** (R): Tel: (0279)20-3000

6. **Kusuans Onsen Tourist Association**: Tel: (0279)72-3151

7. **Echigo Yuzawa 越後湯澤** (Yuzawa-machi, Niigata Pref.)

   - 1. Tokyo Sta. → Echigo Yuzawa Sta.: 75–90 min. by JR Joetsu Shinkansen “Toki” or “Tanigawa”
   - From Echigo Yuzawa Sta. → Echigo Yuzawa Onsen: 20 min. on foot.
   - 2. Located on a hill overlooking a river. Also noted as a skiing resort. Alpine plant botanical garden, camping site, bird watching, Daigote Canyon, Yuzawa Fishing Park can be enjoyed during summers.


9. **Komakusen-no-yu**: At Nunobu Skiring area. Admission: ¥500. Open: 10:00–20:30 (18:00 in summer).


11. **Yukiguni no yado Takahan** (R): Tel: (0275)784-3758

12. **Yuzawa Town Tourist Association**: Tel: (0275)85-5505

**IN THE VICINITY OF OSAKA AND KYOTO**

8. **Arima** (Kobe City, Hyogo Pref.)

   - 1. Kyoto Sta. or Osaka Sta. → Sannomiya Sta.: 50 min. or 20 min. by JR special rapid train.
   - 2. A quiet, 1,300-year-old hot spring near Mt. Rokko. The nearest spa to the Osaka district. Enjoy a stroll through winding narrow streets.


4. **Arima-gyozen (H)**: Admission*: ¥1,100.

5. **Nagoya-Yokofukoku** (R):


7. **Mint Resort Inn Arima** (H): Admission*: ¥500.

8. **Oeodoro Onsen Monogatari** (大東道溫泉物語):

   - Located at Oeodora area, it is a hot spring theme park where you can enjoy a variety of hot springs as well as the traditional lifestyle and culture of the area. The Details are the following:

   - **Sento** (Public Baths) In Central Tokyo

   - **Jakotse-yu** (蛇骨湯):

   - **Shinkichishi (Kobe) → Arima Onsen Sta.**: 40 min. by Kobe Dentetsu Railway.

   - **Osaka-Umeda → Arima Onsen**: 1 hr. by Hankyu Bus (Reservation required).

   - **Tel**: (078)903-0023
5. Arima Onsen Information Office: Tel: (078)904-0708 (E)
Kobe Convention & Visitors Association: Tel: (078)303-0090 (E)
URL: http://www.visit.arima-onsen.com/

⑨ Shirahama 白浜 (Shirahama-cho, Wakayama Pref.)
Shin-Osaka Sta. → Shirahama Sta.: 2 hrs. 15 min. or
Tennjo Sta. (Osaka) → Shirahama Sta.: 2 hrs. by JR LEX
“Kuroshio” on Hanwa & Kinokuni Lines
Shirahama Sta. → Shirahama Onsen: about 20 min. by Meiko Bus.
2. One of the oldest hot springs along with Arima and Dogo.
Unique Engetsuto (円月島) Island, with a hole through its center, is off the coast.
Senjojiki (千糸敷) 20 min. by bus from JR Shirahama Sta., is located in the point of Setosaki and it’s the huge flat rock.
Great view from Senjojiki to the ocean.
Sandanbeki (三段壁) 10-min. walk from the Senjojiki, is located next to Senjojiki and the rock wall stands up to 50 m straight from the ocean.
Try the Shirahama hot springs bathing tour! : Visit all six public hot spring facilities (including two open-air baths) around Shirahama and collect a rubber stamp at each one to receive a souvenir.
Tel: (0739)42-3016
Tel: (0739)42-3680
Tel: (0739)42-2916
Tel: (0739)42-2900
Tel: (0739)43-5511
Tel: (0739)43-5511

⑩ Nachikatsuura 那智勝浦 (Nachikatsuura-cho, Wakayama Pref.)
2. A large resort town in a scenic setting. Cruises available around Kino-Matsushima Islets. The famous Nachi waterfall is a 25-min. bus-ride away. Fresh seafoods like Tuna sold at fisherman’s market. Whale watching tour starts from late Apr.~late Sep. Tel: (0735)54-0725, (0735)52-5574 or (0735)52-5311
3. Hama-yu: 10 min. walk from the station. Admission: ¥320.
Open: 13:00~22:00. Closed: The 7th & 22nd of each month.
Tel: (0735)52-1201
6 bather: In Hotel Urashiba. Admission: ¥1,000. Open: 9:00~19:00 (except New Year holiday, Goldenweek and Mid-Aug.).

⑪ Noboribetsu 登別 (Noboribetsu-City, Hokkaido)
1. Hakodate Sta. → Noboribetsu Sta.: 2 hrs. 25 min. by JR LEX “Hokute” (Hakodate & Muroran Lines.)
Sapporo Sta. → Noboribetsu Sta.: 1 hr. 10 min. by JR LEX “Hokute” or “Suzuran” (Chitose & Muroran Lines.)
Noboribetsu Sta. → Noboribetsu Onsen: about 15 min. by Donan Bus.
Sapporo Sta. → Noboribetsu Onsen: 1 hr. 40 min.~3 hrs. by Donan or Chuo Bus.
Chitose Airport (Hokkaido) → Noboribetsu Onsen: 1 hr. -1 hr. 10 min. by Donan Bus.
Situated in a ravine close to Jigokudani (“Hell Valley”). Bear Ranch and Ainu Village are nearby. 9 types of hot springs pumping up 10,000 lit. (2,361 gallons) of water/day.

OTHER RECOMMENDED HOT SPRINGS AROUND THE COUNTRY

⑫ Daiichi Takimoto-kan: 7 kinds of hot springs.
Admission: ¥2,000 (9:00~16:00), ¥1,500 (16:00~18:00).
Open: 9:00~18:00.
Tel: (0143)84-2050
⑬ Zao 箱根 (Yamagata City, Yamagata Pref.)
2. Located on a highland. Noted as a skiing resort and for Juhyo (snow-covered trees depicting monsters). Lake
Ogamakako with its beautiful emerald-green surface, represents Zao with its superb scenic spot. During the summer, Zao is a treasure house of alpine flora. A trekking expedition is easy thanks to the Chuo Ropeway, which connects the hot springs area to the highlands. Zao Chuo Ropeway: (023) 694-9168

Two other ropeways run to other highland areas.


5. **Ichiyu-no-mori (R):** Tel: (089) 977-1111

6. **Dogo Onsen Tourist Info. Center:** Tel: (089) 921-3708(E) URL: http://www.dogo.or.jp

---

**Unzen 云仙 (Unzen City, Nagasaki Pref.)**


2. Located on the highland in Unzen-Amakusa National Park. Unzen Jigoku (“hell”) consists of more than 30 bubbling thermal ponds. Known as a summer resort. As many swamps still remain, you can enjoy walking through the natural scenery.

3. **Kojigoku:** Admission: ¥420. Open: 9:00–21:00. *Ashiba-hiroba (foot bath):* Admission: free. Open: 9:00–17:00


5. **Seiunso (KS):** Admission*: ¥660. Open: 10:30–18:00. Tel: (0957) 73-3273

6. **Fukiyama (R):** Admission*: ¥1,000. Open: 11:00–20:00. (Wed) 15:00–20:00 (Wed) Tel: (0957) 32-3111

7. **Unzen Tourist Association:** Tel: (0957) 73-3434 URL: http://www.unzen.org/

---

**Beppu 别府 (Beppu City, Oita Pref.)**

1. Beppu Sta. From Kokura Sta. 1 hr. by JR LEX “Sonic” on Nippo Line. From Oita Airport 40–50 min. by Oita Kotsu Bus.

2. One of the most thermally active places in the world with scenic topography. The city of Beppu has eight different hot spring areas, each tapping a distinctive mineral water. The eight jigoku (hell) ponds of the Kannawa area, which gush boiling, steaming water, are a must-see. Famous as having the world’s second largest gushing scale.

   - African Safari: ¥2,500. 9:00–17:00 (Mar.–Oct.), 10:00–16:00 (Nov.–Feb.). Tel: (0978) 48-2331
   - Takasaki-yama National Park: ¥510. 8:30–17:00. Tel: (097) 532-5010
   - Umitamago Aquarium: ¥2,200. 9:00–18:00. Tel: (097) 534-1010

3. About 15 public bath houses are in the area. **Takegawara Onsen:** Open: 6:30–22:30 Admission: ¥1,000. Sand bath ¥1,000.

   **Natural Sand Bath:** Open: 9:00–16:00 (Nov.–Feb.), 8:30–17:00 (Apt.–Nov.); Admission: ¥780. In Shoningahama Park.

   **Hyotan Onsen:** Open: 9:00–1:00am; Admission: ¥750. In Kannawa. 8 kinds of baths such as a steam bath and a cascade bath.

   **Onsen Hoyou Land:** Open: 9:00–20:00; Admission: ¥1,100. In Myoban. 5 kinds of baths including a mud bath.

   **Suginoi Hotel (R&H):** Admission*: ¥1,500–¥2,400. Open: 9:00–23:00. Tel: (0977) 24-1141.

   **Hotel New Tsuruta (R&D):** Admission*: ¥650. Open: 14:00–21:00. Tel: (0977) 22–1110

6. **Sightseeing Association Beppu City:** Tel: (0977) 24-2828 URL: http://english.beppu-navi.jp
Yufuin (Yufuin-cho, Oita Pref.)
1. Oita Sta. → Yufuin Sta.: 1 hr. by JR LEX “Yufu” or “Yufuin-no-mori” on Kyudai Line.
2. Beppu Sta. → Yufuin: 1 hr. by Kamenoi Bus “Yufurin”.
   Fare: ¥900.
3. At the foot of Mt. Yufu in a quiet, peaceful setting. Enjoy a ride in a horse-drawn carriage (50 min. / ¥1,600 per person) or rental bike (¥250 per hour) and visit to small crafts shops and some 20 museums.

   Admission: ¥800. Open: 10:00–21:00.
   Closed: 2nd & 4th Thu.

Shiroi Buranko (P): Tel: (0977)84-2233
Pension Yufuin (P): Tel: (0977)85-3311

Yufuin Onsen Tourist Info. Center: Tel: (0977)84-2446
Yufuin Hot spring Tourism Association: Tel: (0977)85-4464
URL: http://yufuin.or.jp/global/

Ibusuki (Ibusuki City, Kagoshima Pref.)
   Kagoshima-Chuo Sta. → Ibusuki Sta.: 1 hr. by JR Rapid train on Ibusuki-Makurazaki Line.
   Ibusuki Sta. → Ibusuki Onsen: 30 min. on foot or 5 min. by car.
   2. Famous for natural hot sand bathing in beach. Facing the picturesque Kinko Bay, the area is filled with a tropical atmosphere. Ikeda-ko, biggest lake in Kyushu. 360° of panoramic view can be seen at Nagasaki-Bana and Mt. Kaimon. Many sports events like marathon, triathlon, wind surfing are held here.
3. Over 10 public baths are available.
   Tel: (0993)23-3900
   Moto-ya: Admission: ¥300. Open: 7:00–21:00.
   Tel: (0993)24-2701
   Tel: (0993)22-2131
   Ibusuki Royal Hotel (H&R) Tel: (0993)23-2211
   Ibusuki Hakusuikan (H) Tel: (0993)23-2313
   Ibusuki Tourist Association Tel: (0993)22-3252

Location of the 20 Listed Hot Springs

Note: Transportation expenses, admission fees and other charges may change due to the increase in the consumption tax rate to 8% from April 2014.
All information, including transportation schedules, fares, prices and accommodation charges, which is contained in this leaflet is based on data as of December 2015, and is subject to change without notice. While every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of all information, regretfully errors do occasionally occur. Therefore, you should check with organizations concerned for updated and accurate information on your chosen destination. JNTO shall not be liable for any loss or damage of whatever nature that may arise as a result, directly or indirectly, from the use of any of the information or material contained in this leaflet.
© 2015 Japan National Tourism Organization. All rights reserved. Reproduction in whole or in part without written permission is prohibited.