

# Tokyo & Vicinity Walking Guide

**Sixteen Selected Courses** 



Tokyo is undoubtedly one of the most exciting cities in the world. Centuries-old traditions mingle with the latest in modern Japanese culture for an exciting blend that can be experienced nowhere else. The Tokyo Metropolitan Area is the world's largest urban population, with 13 million people living in Tokyo proper alone. There are countless ways to explore Tokyo, but to truly experience the pulse of the city we recommend you take in a walking tour and explore the many sites and sounds of the Tokyo heartbeat on your own.

This guidebook maps out 11 model courses designed to help first-time visitors enjoy the best the city has to offer as well as 5 courses that take you just beyond the city boundaries. For further details, please visit the following websites.

# **Japan National Tourism Organization** http://www.jnto.go.jp

# Tokyo Metropolitan Government

http://www.tourism.metro.tokyo.jp

#### Note to Museum Visitors

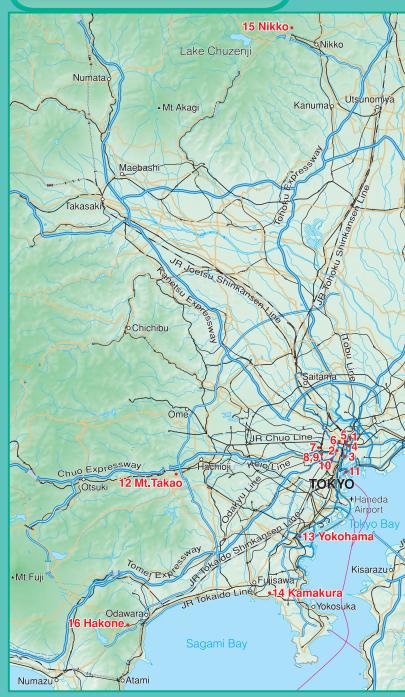
Last admission to museums is generally 30 minutes prior to closing time. Museums are usually closed Mondays (although some close on other days of the week), and the New Year holidays. If the closing day falls on a national holiday, the facility generally closes the following day instead.

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# Map of Tokyo & Vicinity





### Access to the starting point of each course from Tokyo Sta.

#### 1. Course 1 Asakusa

Tokyo Sta. → (5-minute ride on JR Yamanote Line) → Ueno Sta. → (5-minute ride on Ginza Line) → Asakusa Sta.

#### 2. Course 2 Imperial Palace

Tokyo Sta. → (2-minute ride on Marunouchi Line) → Otemachi Sta. → (2-minute ride on Chiyoda Line) → Nijubashimae Sta.

### 3. Course 3 Tsukiji & Hamarikyu

Tokyo Sta. → (2-minute ride on Marunouchi Line) → Ginza Sta. → (4-minute ride on Hibiya Line) → Tsukiji Sta.

### 4. Course 4 Nihombashi

Starting from Tokyo Sta.

#### 5. Course 5 Ueno

Tokyo Sta. → (5-minute ride on JR Yamanote Line) → Ueno Sta.

#### 6. Course 6 Yanaka & Nezu

Tokyo Sta. → (10-minute ride on JR Yamanote Line) → Nippori Sta.

#### 7. Course 7 Shinjuku

Tokyo Sta. → (15-minute ride on JR Chuo Line) → Shinjuku Sta.

#### 8. Course 8 Shibuya

Tokyo Sta. → (9-minute ride on Marunouchi Line) → Akasaka Mitsuke Sta. → (8-minute ride on Ginza Line) → Shibuya Sta.

#### 9. Course 9 Meiji-jingu Shrine, Harajuku & Omotesando

Tokyo Sta. → (25-minute ride on JR Yamanote Line) → Haraiuku Sta.

#### 10. Course 10 Roppongi

Tokyo Sta. → (5-minute ride on Marunouchi Line) → Kasumigaseki Sta. → (5-minute ride on Hibiya Line) → Roppongi Sta.

#### 11. Course 11 Odaiba

Tokyo Sta. → (3-minute ride on JR Yamanote Line) → Shimbashi Sta.

#### 12. Course 1 Mt. Takao

Shinjuku Sta. → 50-minute ride on Keio Line semi-special express train → Takaosanguchi Sta.

#### 13. Course 2 Yokohama

Tokyo Sta.  $\rightarrow$  (35-minute ride on JR Keihin-Tohoku Line or 25-minute ride on JR Tokaido Line)  $\rightarrow$  Yokohama Sta.

#### 14. Course 3 Kamakura

Tokyo Sta. → (55-minute ride on JR Yokosuka Line) → Kita-Kamakura Sta.

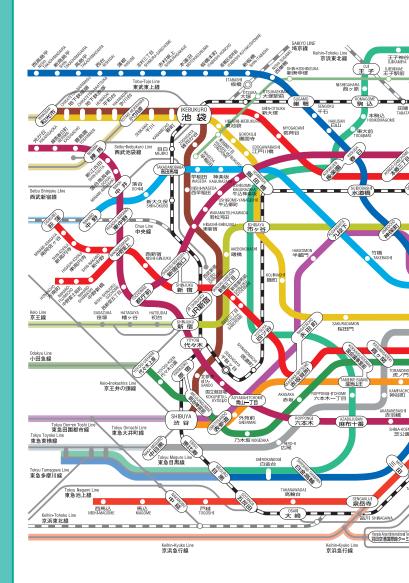
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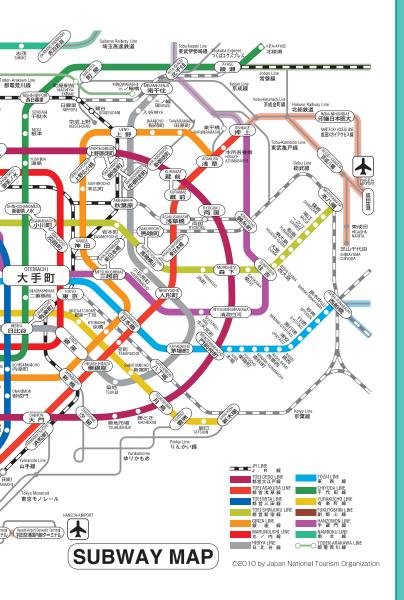
Tokyo Sta. → (5-minute ride on JR Yamanote Line) → Ueno Sta. → (5-minute ride on Ginza Line) → Asakusa Sta. 2-minute walk to Tobu Line Asakusa Sta.

#### 16. Course 5 Hakone

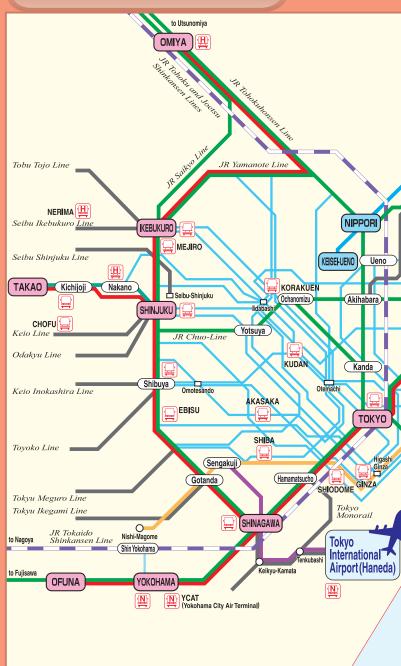
Tokyo Sta.  $\rightarrow$  (15-minute ride on JR Chuo Line)  $\rightarrow$  Shinjuku Sta.

# Map of Subway/JR





# **Access from the Airport**





# Transportation in Tokyo

# Tokyo Tour Ticket (Tokyo Free Kippu)

Allows unlimited one day use on all Tokyo Metro subway lines and Toei subway lines, buses and trams as well as JR lines within Tokyo City limits. Fare: 1,590 yen for adults, 800 yen for children Available in each JR station, major subway stations (Tokyo, Shinjuku, Shibuya, Ginza, etc.), and sales offices for Toei buses, trams.

# Tokyo Metropolitan District Pass (Tokunai Pass)

Allows unlimited travel for one day on all JR East lines withinTokyo City limits.

Fare: 750 yen for adults, 370 yen for children Available in major JR stations (Tokyo, Shinjuku, Shibuya, etc.).



### Suica / PASMO

Suica and PASMO are prepaid IC cards. They can be used for travel on JR, subways, buses and private railways in Tokyo and neighboring areas. Suica are issued by JR, and PASMO are issued by private companies. However, the cards can be

used interchangeably.

Just touch the card to the scanner at the entrance gate or exit gate and walk through. Prepaid IC cards have a maximum balance 20,000 yen. At the time of purchase a deposit of 500 yen will be included in the cost of the new Suica or PASMO. When the card is returned, the 500 yen deposit is refunded along with the remaining balance on the card, minus a handling fee of 220 yen.

Both cards can be purchased at travel service centers, or at ticket vending machines at major stations.



# N'EX Tokyo Round Trip Ticket

This special discount ticket is only available to overseas visitors. It is a round ticket on the Narita Express (N'EX) - a train from Narita Airport to Tokyo metropolitan area. It's only available at the JR-EAST Travel Service Center and JR Ticket offices at Narita Airport Terminal Stations.

Fare: 4,000 yen (Round) for adults, 2,000 yen (Round) for children.

Validity period: 14 days



# One-day Economy Pass for the Toei and Tokyo Metro Subway Network

Allows unlimited travel for one day on all Toei and Tokyo Metro subway lines.

Fare: 1,000 yen for adults, 500 yen for children



# One-day Open Ticket (Tokyo Metro Subway)

Allows unlimited travel for one day on all Tokyo Metro subway lines.

Fare: 600 yen for adults, 300 yen for children Available in major Tokyo Metro stations and at vending machines on the day of travel.



### One-day Economy Pass for the Toei Network

Allows unlimited travel for one day on Toei trams, buses, and subway lines operated by Tokyo Metropolitan Government.

Can be bought at vending machines on the day of travel.

Fare: 700 yen for adults, 350 yen for children Available in every Toei subway station, Toei bus office and on Toei buses and trams.



### Tokyo Shitamachi Bus

Toei Bus operates the Tokyo Shitamachi Bus, which runs between Tokyo and Kinsicho Stations via Nihombashi, Akihabara, Ueno, Kappabashi and Asakusa, popular tourist destinations in Tokyo. It's a regular route bus every 20 minutes.

# One-day Open Pass for the Yurikamome

Allows unlimited travel for one day on the Yurikamome Line.

Fare: 820 yen for adults, 410 yen for children Available at vending machines in every station on the Yurikamome Line.



### **Taxis**

Taxi stands are at many stations, and taxis can also be hailed on the streets.



# **Useful Information**

# **Tourist Information**

### **Tourist Information Center (TIC)**

Address:1st FI, Shin-Tokyo Bldg., 3-3-1, Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo Access: 5 min. walk from Yurakucho Sta. Map: see page 17

Map: see page 17 🕍 TEL: 03-3201-3331

Hours: 9:00AM - 5:00PM (Closed on Jan. 1)



# **Tourist Information Centers (Narita International Airport)**

#### Terminal 1:

Address: 1 fl., Arrival Lobby, Terminal 1,
Narita International Airport, Narita City, Chiba

TEL: 0476-30-3383

Hours: 8:00AM-8:00PM every day year-round

Terminal 2:

Address 1 fl, Arrival Lobby, Terminal 2, Narita International Airport, Narita City, Chiba

TEL: 0476-34-5877

Hours: 8:00AM-8:00PM every day year-round

# **Tokyo Tourist Information Centers**

http://www.gotokyo.org/en/tourists/info/center

1) Tokyo Metropolitan Government Building Headquarters

Address: 2-8-1 Nishi-Shinjuku, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo

Map: see page 24 🎴 TEL: 03-5321-3077

Hours: 9:30AM- 6:30PM Open

all year round except year-end and New Year holidays

#### 2) Haneda Airport Branch

Address: Haneda Airport International Terminal 2F,

2-6-5 Hanedakuko, Ota-ku, Tokyo

TEL: 03-6428-0653

Hours: 0:00AM- 12:00PM Open all year round

#### 3) Keisei Ueno Station Branch

Address: 1-60 Uenokoen, Taito-ku, Tokyo

Map: see page 20 TEL: 03-3836-3471

Hours: 9:30AM- 6:30PM Open all year round

### **Keikyu Tourist Information Center**

Address: Haneda Airport International Terminal 2F station on KEIKYU Lines, 2-6-5 Hanedakuko,

Ota-ku, Tokyo TEL: 03-5789-8686

Hours: 7:00AM-10:00PM Open all year round



### **Asakusa Culture Tourist Information Center**

Address: 2-18-9 Kaminarimon, Taito-ku, Tokyo

Map: see page 12 4 TEL: 03-3842-5566

Hours: 9:00AM- 8:00PM Open all year round

# **TOBU Sightseeing Service Center**

Address: 1-4-17, Hanakawado, Taito-ku, Tokyo

Map: see page 12 TEL: 03-3841-2871

Hours: 7:45AM-5:00PM (-6:00PM on weekends) Open all year round except Dec.30-Jan.3

# Odakyu Sightseeing Service Center Shinjuku

http://www.odakyu.jp/english/center/index.html

Address: Odakyu railway Shinjuku station, 1st floor (ground floor),

1-1-3, Nishi-shinjuku, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo

Map: see page 24 🙎 TEL: 03-5321-7887

Hours: 8:00AM- 6:00PM Open all year round

# **Guided Tours**

Tour companies offer morning, afternoon, day, night and special interest tours with English-speaking guides.

### JTB Sunrise Tours

http://www.jtb-sunrisetours.jp Tel: 03-5796-5454 (8:00AM-8:00PM)

# **Hato Bus**

http://www.hatobus.com/en/ Tel: 03-3435-6081 (9:00 AM - 5:30 PM)

# **Japan Gray Line**

http://www.jgl.co.jp/inbound/

Tel: 03-5275-6525

# **Club Tourism YOKOSO Japan Tour**

http://www.yokoso-japan.jp/en/ Tel. 03-6734-5115 (9:15AM-5:30PM)

# **ATM Services**

Major foreign credit, debit and cash cards can be used at some 26,000 Post Office ATMs labeled 'International ATM Service' and at some 20,000 Seven Bank ATMs, which can be found in Seven-Eleven convenience stores.

# **Emergency**

Police: Call 110

Fires, medical emergency: Call 119



# Course 1 Asakusa (浅草)

Asakusa, which served as Tokyo's downtown area in the 1600-1800s, still offers a taste of "Old Edo," with narrow back streets, and row upon row of old-style buildings and shops peddling traditional wares like kimono and hand-made combs. Nakamise-Shopping Arcade provides a colorful shopping experience and is the perfect place to pick up beautifully crafted souvenirs. Nearby Sensoji Temple, also known as the Asakusa Kannon Temple, takes its name from the Kannon, or the Goddess of Mercy, to whom main hall is dedicated. The temple is said to have been founded in the 7th century by three fishermen who discovered a tiny 5-centimeter-high image of Kannon in their net while out fishing. The Asakusa Shrine was built in their memory



### Annual Events in Asakusa

There are festivals in Asakusa almost every month. Listed below are some of the biggest events held in Asakusa.

#### January 1:

Hatsumode, the year's first shrine or temple visit

#### Feburary 3:

Setsubun, bean throwing ceremony

#### March 18:

Kinryu no Mai, dragon dance performance

#### Mid-April:

Yabusame, archery on horseback at Sumida Park

#### Mid-May:

Sanja festival, one of the biggest festivals in Tokyo

### End of July:

Sumida River Fireworks Display

#### Last Saturday in August :

Asakusa Samba Carnival

#### **December 17-19:**

Hagoita-ichi, Battledore Fair

by order of the third Tokugawa Shogun. The Edo Shitamachi Traditional Crafts Museum displays more than 370 works of art made by craftspeople of the Asakusa area. Shopping along Rokku Broadway and Orange-dori Street on the way to Asakusa Station is another great way to enjoy Asakusa.





Sania Festival

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# Other options

#### Sumida River Cruise:

Take a pleasure cruise on the Sumida River, which connects Asakusa to Hama-Rikyu Garden and Odaiba. Hours: 9:50-18:00 http://www.suijobus.co.jp/

#### Hanayashiki Amusement Park:

A small amusement park with Japan's oldest roller coaster

Hours: 10:00-18:00(can be changed by season or weather.)

Admission: 1,000 yen http://www.hanayashiki.net

# Estimate time 3 hrs. **Recommended Course**

# **Asakusa**

start

Asakusa Sta.

3-minute walk



Kaminarimon Gate, Nakamise Shopping Arcade

20-minute stroll



Sensoji Temple

2-minute walk



Asakusa-jinja Shrine

2-minute walk



Yogodou

5-minute walk

30-minute stroll



Edo Shitamachi Traditional **Crafts Museum** 

> Open: 10:00-20:00 (Open hour can change seasonally or weather.) Open year-round Admission: Free



Asakusa Sta.

#### Tokyo Sky Tree:

Opened May 2012 is the tallest self-standing broadcasting tower in the world at 634 meters tall. (As of May, 2012) There is the glass-walled observatory deck at 450meters tall offer panoramic view of the city. Admission: 2,060 yen for main deck (350m),

additional 1,030 yen for galleria (450m) Hours: 8:00-22:00 (enter by 21:00) http://www.tokyo-skytree.jp/english/

#### Kappabashi Dogugai-dori Street:

A street with many wholesalers specializing in kitchenware

#### One Hour Free Walking Tour:

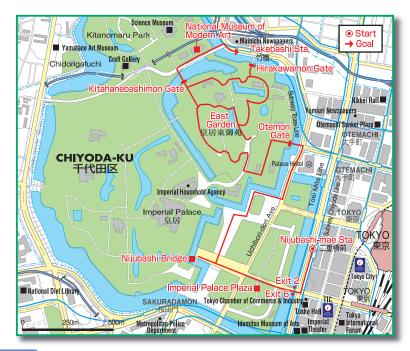
Join the Tokyo Metropolitan Area Systematized Goodwill Guide Club for a free walking tour around Sensoji Temple every Sunday. Tours start at 11:00 and 13:15. People who wish to join a tour should meet at Asakusa Culture Tourist Information Center 10 minutes before departure time.

# Course 2 Imperial Palace

The Imperial Palace, formerly Edo Castle, is still surrounded by its original innermost moat. Courtly gates and old guard towers are set at intervals around the grounds. Access to the main entrance is over the elegant Nijubashi Bridge (Double Bridge) and is open to the public on special occasions. Ruins of the central keep of the old Edo Castle can be found in the East Garden (Higashi Gyoen), which is a spectacle in itself with its countless plant and flower varieties—it's also an ideal spot to relax. The National Museum of Modern Art displays art works of the 20th century, while the five-story Science Museum houses three-dimensional displays of exhibits covering all fields of modern science from space science to agriculture.



Nijubashi Bridge



# Estimate time 4 hrs. Recommended Course

# **Imperial Palace**



Nijubashimae Sta. (Exit 6)

3-minute walk



Imperial Palace Plaza

10-minute walk



Nijubashi Bridge

15-minute walk



# East Garden (Otemon Gate)

Open: Tue. - Thu. & Sat. -Sun., Mar. 1 - Apr. 14: 9:00 - 16:30 Apr. 15 - Aug.: 9:00 - 17:00 Sep. - Oct.: 9:00 - 16:30 Nov. - Feb.: 9:00 - 16:00 Enter at least 30 minutes

before closing time.

Closed: Mon. & Fri. and Dec. 28 - Jan.
3, and on special occasions
(Open when Monday or
Friday falls on a national
holiday and closed the
following day.)

Admission: Free

60-minute stroll



# National Museum of Modern Art

Open: 10:00-17:00,-20:00 (Fri.)
enter by 30 min.
before closing time.
Closed: Mon.(Open when
Mon. falls on a national holiday
and closed the follwing day.)
and New Year Holidays
Admission: 430 yen

3-minute walk



Takebashi Sta.

# **Other Options**

### **Around the Imperial Palace**

#### **Bus Tour**

Sky Bus Tokyo offers various doubledecker bus tour (50-120min.) Reservations: 03-3215-0008 (9:30-18:00) http://skybus.jp

### **Jogging**

Jogging around the Imperial Palace is also very popular.

#### **Cherry Blossom Viewing**

Late March to mid-April is the peak season for cherry blossoms throughout Japan.

Chidorigafuchi is one of the best places to enjoy the cherry blossom viewing in Tokyo.



Chidorigafuchi

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**East Garden** 

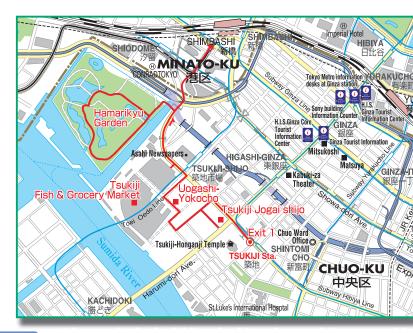
# Course 3 TSUKIJI (樂地)

When in comes to meal option, Tokyo simply offers too many! One of the most enjoyable experiences, though, would be to try sushi at one of the restaurants on Uogashi-Yokocho street, which runs along the world-renowned Tsukiji Fish & Grocery Market. You can also visit the market, where more than 450 types of shellfish and fish are traded by wholesalers. Close by is the Hamarikyu Garden, a well-known park characteristic of the Edo Period and the Tokugawa Shogunate.





Tsukiji Fish Market



# Course 4 Nihombashi (日本語)

Nihombashi was developed as a commercial center in the Edo period. Many long established stores dot the area. Starting from Tokyo Station, the Bridgestone Museum of Art houses an excellent collection of Western art as well as Western-style Japanese paintings from the Meiji period. Strolling along Chuo-dori, don't miss the Kite Museum behind the COREDO shopping mall. This small museum displays 3,000 kinds of kites from throughout the nation. Nihombashi Bridge was originally built in 1603 by Ieyasu Tokugawa, founder of the Tokugawa Shogunate, and is a symbol of the Edo period. The bridge is the starting point of a national network of roads. Mitsui Memorial Museum, located inside of the Mitsui Main Building - itself an Important Cultural Property - displays Japanese and Asian artworks, mainly related to the tea ceremony. A walk through Nihombashi isn't complete without making a stop in Mitsukoshi, a department store with a 340 year history.



Nihombashi Bridge @TCVB



Nihombashi

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# Course 3 Tsukiji (樂地)

# Estimate time 2 hrs. Recommended Course

### **Tsukiji**



Tsukiji Sta. (Exit 1)

4-minute walk



Tsukiji Jogai Shijo (Outer market)

3-minute walk



# Tsukiji Fish & Grocery Market

Closed: Sun., National holidays; also, there are irregular closing days

15-minute walk



## Hamarikyu Garden

Open: 9:00 - 17:00 Enter by 16:30 Closed: Dec. 29 - Jan. 1 Admission: 300 yen

15-minute walk



Shimbashi Sta.

# **Useful Information**

- Always keep in mind that market workers are busy and should not be disturbed. Visit in small groups.
- 2. Please do not touch goods to be traded.
- Wear casual clothes and shoes as you may get wet in the marketplace.
- Please pay attention in narrow aisles with much traffic.



Hamarikyu Garden © Yasufumi Nishi



Tsukiji Fish Market

@ Yasufumi Nishi



Sushi

# Course 4 Nihombashi (日本衙)

# Estimate time 1.5 - 2 hours Recommended Course

### Nihombashi



Tokyo Sta. Yaesu Central Gate

15-minute walk

1

#### Kite Museum

Open: 11:00 - 17:00 Closed: Sun. & National Holidays Admission: 200 yen Access: 5F of the Taimeiken Restaurant

5-minute walk

2

### Nihombashi Bridge

5-minute walk

3

#### Mitsui Memorial Museum

Open: Tue. - Sun., 10:00 - 17:00 Closed: Mon. Admission: 1,000 yen 5-minute walk

goal

Mitsukoshi-mae Sta.



Nihombashi

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# **Other Options**

#### **Tokyo Character Street**

There are 26 shops, six of which are run by major TV stations, at the Yaesu Underground Shopping Mall. Here you can purchase popular Japanese animation character goods, such as Pokemon and Ultraman.

Open: Mon. - Sun., 10:00- 20:30 Address: First Avenue, Tokyo Station (Connected to Yaesu Underground Central Exit)

#### **Bank of Japan**

This building was constricted in 1882, and is one of the masterpieces of Western-style architecture built in the Meiji period.

Guided tours are available in English, but require reservations one week to three months in advance.

Tel: 03-3279-1111

http://www.boj.or.jp/en/about/ services/kengaku.htm/

# **Department Stores**

Japanese department stores offer superb service and a vast selection of merchandise, from basement food emporiums and designer clothing to crafts and household goods. Many hold frequent art and craft exhibitions, boast rooftop playgrounds, offer dining venues and have promotion halls with special sales of discounted merchandise.

# Course 5 Ueno (上野)

The wooded area adjacent to the Park Exit of JR Ueno Station is Ueno-Onshi Park. Inside there are many museums and other facilities, including the Ueno Zoo.

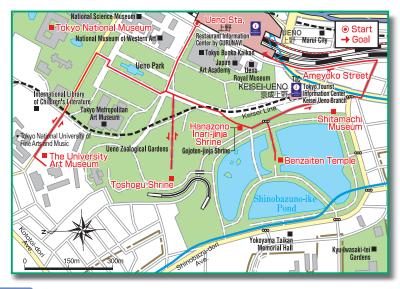
Across from the fountain is the Tokyo National Museum, one of Japan's most important museums. It's famous for the variety of the collection and the splendor of each special exhibit.

Next door is the Tokyo University of the Arts. The university has produced many great artists and the University Art Museum, located on the campus, houses a vast collection art which includes valuable student works. The gallery-shop, Geidai Art Plaza, exhibits and sells the works of University teachers and graduates, as well as various original goods designed by them.

Around the center of the park is Toshogu Shrine, constructed for Tokugawa Ieyasu. It has withstood fire, earthquakes and war and keeps many important cultural properties, such as bronze lantern and a Chinese-style gate. A visit to the inner shrine is recommended.

The row of red *torii* gates, one behind another, marks the entrance of the Hanazono Inari-jinja Shrine. Nearby is Gojoten-jinja Shrine. Both are part of the same site. The former is believed to grant good relations, and the latter, good health.

Shinobazuno-ike Pond is a popular place to gather and enjoy a walk. At the southern end lies Shitamachi Museum. Though as big as some of the other museums in the park, it is the best place to make yourself familiar with the lives of Shitamachi's people and the changes the area has undergone since the Meiji period. The exhibition spaces on the first floor are home to amazing reproductions of old merchant and candy shops. There are also houses visitors are allowed to enter after taking off their shoes.



# **Estimated time 3.5 hours** Recommended Course

#### Ueno

start

### **Ueno Sta. (Park Exit)**

7-minute walk

### Tokyo National Museum

Open: Tue. - Sun., 9:30 - 17:00 Closed: Mon. & Dec. 24 - Jan. Admission: 620 yen (Except for special exhibits) Tel: 03-3822-1111

4-minute stroll

The University Art Museum (Tokyo University of The Arts)

Closed when no exhibitions are being held. Hours and fees are subject to change for each exhibition

Tel: 050-5525-2123

http://www.gendai.ac.jp/museum/

10-minute walk

3

### Toshogu Shrine

Open: 9:00 - 16:30 3-minute walk

Hanazono Inari-jinja Shrine & Gojoten-jinja Shrine

2-minute walk

### Shinobazuno-ike Pond & Benzaiten Temple

5-minute walk

#### Shitamachi Museum

Open: Tue. - Sun., 9:30 - 17:30

Closed: Mon. & New Year's Holidays Admission: 300 yen Tel: 03-3823-7451

6-minute walk

goal

Ueno Sta. (Shinobazu Exit)

# Works by Major Architects at Ueno Park

♦ Tokyo Cultural Hall /

Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum

by Kunio Maekawa (1905-1986) Studied in Le Corbusier's studio, influenced modern Japanese architecture

◆ National Museum of Western Art

by Le Corbusier (1887-1965) Critically acclaimed French architect

♦ International Library of

Children's Literature

by Tadao Ando (1941-) Works highly praised all over the world

# Other Options

#### Yokoyama Taikan Memorial Hall

Fine works of art are on show in this beautiful Japanese-style residence.

Open: Thu. - Sun., 10:00 - 16:00

Enter before 15:30

Closed: Mon. - Wed., rainy season and occasionally for extended periods

Admission: 550 yen Tel: 03-3821-1017



**Tokyo National Museum** 



Hanazono Inari-jinja Shrine © Yasufumi Nishi

# Course 6 Yanaka & Nezule中根則

Yanaka and Nezu are known for their sloping maze of streets and alleys, which are dotted with numerous temples, old-style coffee shops, tatami weavers and a host of small museum and galleries. There is also a tofu factory and a famous old cemetery. Strolling around Yanaka and Nezu reveals a face of Tokyo that can't be found anywhere else.

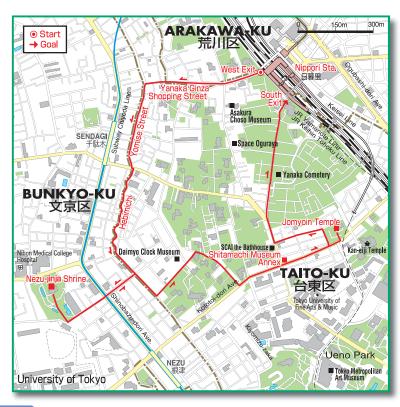
Yanaka Ginza is an old-fashioned shopping promenade crowded with nearly 70 small shops.

Turn left at the end and enter Yomise Street. Buy something sweet or savory at one of the shops and enjoy a taste of cozy Shitamachi.

Hebi-michi, literally 'snake road,' is a twisted and narrow street that's true to its name

The magnificent Nezu-jinja Shrine, established 1,900 years ago, is a designated Important Cultural Property and well worth a visit. The shrine is famous for its azalea garden, which is in bloom from April to early May.

The Shitamachi Museum Annex is a wooden, two-story structure, which stands out against bustling Kototoi Street. It was once was a real sake store. Jomyoin Temple is renowned for its 84,000 stone statues of Jizo, one of the Buddhist deities. Endless lines of Jizo create breathtaking views in this place of serenity.



# Estimate time 2 hours. Recommended Course

#### Yanaka and Nezu

start

Nippori Sta. (West Exit)

5-minute walk

1

Yanaka Ginza Shopping Street

5-minute walk

2

Yomise Street to Hebi Michi (Snake Road)

25-minute walk

3

Nezu-jinja Shrine

20-minute walk

4

Shitamachi Museum Annex (The old Yoshida-ya Sake Store)

Open: Tue. - Sun., 9:30 - 16:30 Closed: Mon. & New Year's Holidays Admission: Free Tel: 03-3823-4408

5-minute walk

5

**Jomyoin Temple** 

15-minute walk

goal

Nippori Sta. (South Exit)



#### Yanaka Street

Surviving both the earthquake of 1923 and the air raids of the Second World War, many of the buildings here date back to the Edo Period (1603-1867), and create an old and cozy atmosphere. Great for a wander.



Nezu-jinja Shrine

### Other museums & galleries

### Daimyo Clock Museum

A variety of original clocks from the Edo period are on exhibit.

Open: Tue. - Sun., 10:00 - 16:00

Closed: Mon. and Jul. 1 - Sep. 30 & Dec. 25 - Jan. 14

Admission: 300 yen

#### Space Oguraya

A gallery that was formerly a pawn shop.

Open:Thu. - Sun., 11:00 - 17:00

Closed: Mon. - Wed., Jul. - Sep. and

Feb. - Mar. Admission: Free

#### **SCAIThe Bathhouse**

An old public bath that was reborn as a contemporary art gallery.

Open: Tue. - Sat. 12:00 - 18:00

Closed: Sun., Mon. & National Holidays

# Course 7 Shinjuku 新宿」

Shinjuku is roughly divided into the West Exit area and the East Exit area. The West Exit area is a business district with rows of high-rise buildings. The Tokyo Metropolitan Government Office Building, designed by award-winning architect, Kenzo Tange, commands splendid views of the city from the observation deck in the 45-story twin towers. On a clear day you can catch a great view of Japan's best-known landmark, Mount Fuji, but the night view is equally breathtaking. Takashimaya Times Square is one of the landmarks in this busy neon lit town.

Inside, look for a unique gadget in the Tokyu Hands department store. Or take a stroll through Shinjuku Gyoen National Park and experience a nature paradise within bustling Shinjuku.

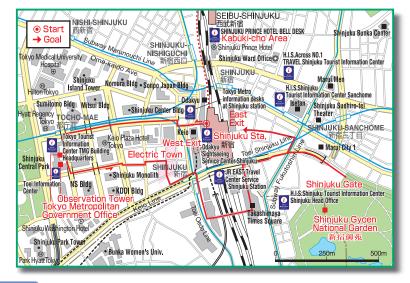
The East Exit area is a crowded commercial area filled with department stores and the Kabuki-cho entertainment district—also known as the town that never sleeps. Eating dinner here is an experience not to be missed.



**Shinjuku**© Yasufumi Nishi



Tokyo Met. Gov. Office



# Estimated time 3 hours Recommended Course

Shinjuku

start

Shinjuku Sta. (West Exit)

10-minute walk



Tokyo Met. Gov. Office Observation Tower

Open: 9:30-23:00 Admission: Free 10-minute walk



Nishiguchi (West Exit) Electric Town

10-minute walk



Takashimaya Times Square

13-minute walk



Shinjuku Gyoen National Garden

Open: 9:00-16:00 Closed: Mon. & New Year's Holidays Admission: 200 yen 15-minute stroll



Shinjuku Sta. (East Exit)



Shinjuku at night © Y.Shimi:





Shinjuku Gyoen National Garden

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# **Tokyo Nightlife Options**

- 1) Karaoke: Sing-along with recorded music. A regular karaoke establishment (called "Karaoke Box") consists of a number of compartments, each having karaoke equipment. They also serve beverages and light food options.
- Izakaya: Japanese-style pubs serving beer, Japanese sake, cocktails, and other alcoholic beverages alongside casual meals.
- Pubs: European-styled spots serving beer and other types of alcoholic beverages.

- Kabuki: A theatrical secular classical drama of Japan. The actors put on vivid makeup, spectacular costume, and settings.
- \* To see Kabuki: Tickets can be purchased by telephone or at the theater box office. Open 10:00-18:00 year-round TEL: 03-6745-0333
- 5) Night Views: At the very top of Roppongi Hills Mori Tower, a 360-degree panorama of the sprawling Tokyo Metropolitan area creates the Tokyo City View, one of the most breathtaking and picturesque night views in the world. The night views from the observatory platforms of Tokyo Tower are also impressive.

http://www.ticket-web-shochiku.com/en/

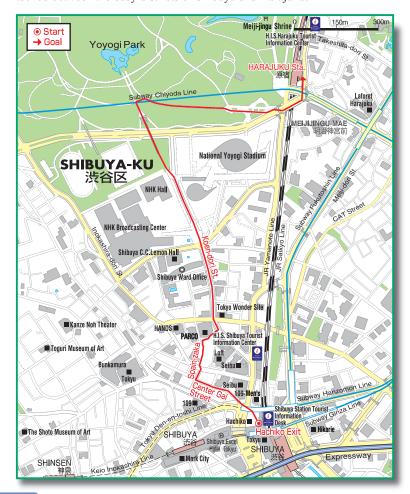
# Course 8 Shibuya 殿剑

Shibuya is a popular shopping and entertainment destination, especially for younger people. Start at Shibuya Station's Hachiko Exit. Don't be surprised if there's a huge crowd.

Cross the intersection to Shibuya Center Gai Street. This street is the busiest part of town, full of fast food restaurants, bars and shops. It's also a popular hangout for teenagers. Next, follow a narrow passageway called Spain Zaka to Koendori Street, which is packed with fashionable shops and department stores.

There's more to this area than shopping. It's a great place to see the latest trends in youth fashion. And the work of young Japanese artists is on display at the Shibuya Tokyo Wonder Site, an exhibition space in front of Parco.

Yoyogi Park is an oasis of beautiful flowers, fountains and bird sanctuaries tucked between the busy districts of Shibuya and Harajuku.



# Estimated time 2 - 3 hours Recommended Course Shibuya

start

### Shibuya Sta.

Hachiko Exit from JR or Exit 6 from the Hanzomon Line 2-minute walk

1 Shibuya Center Gai Street

5-minute stroll

2

### Spain-Zaka

5-minute stroll

3

### Koen-dori Street

10-minute stroll

4

# Yoyogi Park

20-minute stroll



Harajuku Station or Meiji Jingu-mae Sta.



Shibuya

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Koen-dori Street

# Other options

Several streets cross at Shibuya Station.

Miyamasuzaka leads to the Aoyama district, where more sophisticated fashion can be found. Walking on Meiji-dori St. to Cat Street leads to Harajuku and Omotesando.

Harajuku and Omotesando. **Bunkamura-dori St.** leads to the Tokyu department store and Bunkamura.

Behind Bunkamura is the Shoto district. Look for the Noh Theater and Toguri Museum of Art in this quiet, wealthy residential area.



**Hachiko Statue** 

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# Course 9 Meiji-jingu Shrine,Harajuku & Omotesando 哪糖 騙 泰酮

Meiji-jingu Shrine is nestled in the heart of an extensive wooded parkland with approximately 100,000 trees. Dedicated to Emperor and Empress Meiji, the sanctuary is a particularly fine example of Shinto architecture, and boasts the highest number of visitors in the country during the traditional New Year Holidays. Just a few minutes walk away is Takeshita-dori Street, where new youth cultures and fashions transpire on an almost daily basis. The Ota Memorial Museum of Art showcases more than 12,000 woodblock prints (Ukiyo-e) by Ota Seizo. Omotesando Hills, a new commercial complex, was opened in 2006. This center offers customers the very best in shopping and dining experience, in a stylish environment imbued with fashion, arts and culture. A stroll down Omotesando Street, lined with elegant boutiques and restaurants, will take you to the Omotesando Sta.



Meiii-iingu Shrine ©Yasufumi NIshi

Harajuku Sta

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Meiji-jingu Shrine

Yoyogi Park

NHK Hall

Yoyogi National Stadium

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Aoyama Gakuin University

Nezu Institute of Fine Arts

Okamoto Taro Memorial Museum

# Estimate time 3 hrs. **Recommended Course**

Meiji-jingu Shrine



Harajuku Sta. (Omotesandoguchi Exit)

3-minute walk



### Meiji-jingu Shrine

5-minute walk



#### Takeshita-dori Street(shopping)

15-minute stroll



#### Ukivo-e Ota Memorial Museum of Art

Open: 10:30-17:30 Closed: Mon. and New Year's Holidavs

Admission: 700 yen-1,000 yen Tel: 03-5777-8600

10-minute walk



### **Omotesando Hills**

Open: 11:00 - 21:00(shops) - 20:00(sun.), 11:00 - 23:30(restaurants) - 22:30(sun.), 11:00 - 22:30(cafes)-21:30(sun.)

2-minute walk



#### Omotesando Sta.

# Other Options

#### Flea markets and antiques market

Weekend flea markets are held in the Harajuku area. Scour the bargain tables for some surprising finds of simply enjoy browsing and take in the atmosphere.

Yoyogi Park Flea Market is one of the largest in Tokyo. It operates on an irregular basis on weekends and holidays (12 times a year).

http://www.antique-market.jp/english

### Okamoto Taro Memorial Museum

Open: 10:00-18:00

Closed: Tue.\* and New Year Holidays

Admission: 620 yen

http://www.taro-okamoto.or.ip/en/ \*Open when Tue. falls on a national holiday



Omotesando

© TCVB



Omotesando Hills

# Course 10 Roppongi (六本本)

The Roppongi district is filled with popular nightspots packed with visitors from abroad. There are also many international restaurants, so it should be easy to find something to suit your taste. On the 53rd and uppermost floor of Roppongi Hills, you will find contemporary art exhibited in the Mori Art Museum, and on the 52nd floor is Tokyo City View where the glass-walled observatory offers a stunning 360-degree view of the city, particularly impressive at night. Nearby, Azabu Juban Shopping Street has 300 years of its history. There are nostalgic shops but also has fashionable boutiques and café.

Another recommended course starts from Tokyo Midtown which consists of three zones: Galleria, Plaza and Garden Terrace. Each has shops, restaurants, offices, hotels, gardens and museums. Galleria is home to The Suntory Museum of Art and to photography exhibitions at FUJIFILM SQUARE.

The National Art Center, Tokyo has an extensive collection on display in Japan's largest exhibition space. The building was designed by Kisho Kurokawa, a famous Japanese architect. There are a restaurant and a cafe inside, so it's a great place to stop for a break.

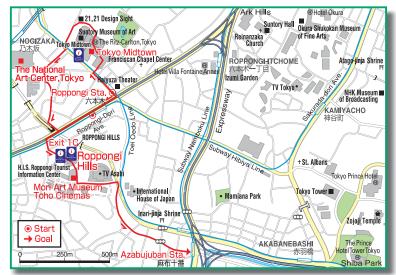
The Mori Art Museum, the Suntory Museum of Art and The National Art Center, Tokyo form a triangle called Art Triangle Roppongi.



Roppongi Hills @Yasufumi Nishi



National Art Center, Tokyo © Y. Shimizu



### Estimated time 3 - 5 hours

# Recommended Course (A)

# Roppongi



Roppongi Sta.(Exit 1C)

2-minute walk



Roppongi Hills (shopping, lunch, dinner)

#### Mori Art Museum

Open: Mon. & Wed. - Sun., 10:00 - 22:00 Tue., 10:00 - 17:00 Admission: 1.500 ven

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Tokyo City View (Observation Deck)

Open: Mon. -Thu. & Sun., 10:00 - 23:00 Enter by 22:30

Fri., Sat. & the day before National Holidays, 10:00 - 25:00

Enter by 24:00

Sky Deck

The Sky Deck is an open air observation deck at top of Mori Tower, 270 meters above sea level. Open: 11:00 - 20:00

Enter by 19:30 Admission: 1,500 yen

3-minute walk



Azabu Juban Shopping Streets

20-minute stroll



Azabu Juban Sta.

### Other option

Tokyo Tower rises 333 meters high, but it takes only one minute by elevator to get to the main observatory platform, which sits 150 m up. In addition to two observatory platforms, there is also aquarium with 900 types of fish and marine creatures.

Main observatory (150m)

Open: 9:00-22:00 (enter by 21:45)

Admission: 900yen

Special Observatory (250m) Open: 9:00-22:00 (enter by 21:30)

Admission: Add 700yen

### **Recommended Course (B)**

## Roppongi

start

Roppongi Sta.

5-minute walk from Exit 4a 2-minute walk from Exit 8

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### Tokyo Midtown

# Suntory Museum of Art

Open: Mon. - Wed. and Thu., 10:00 - 18:00 Fri. - Sat., 10:00 - 20:00

Closed: Tue. & New Year's Day Admission: Varies depending on exhibit

Tel: 03-3479-8600 Shopping area Open: 11:00 - 21:00 Restaurant area Open: 11:00 - 24:00 FUJIFILM SQUARE

FUJIFILM SQUARE
Open: 10:00 - 19:00
Closed: New Year's Holidays
Admission: Free
Tel: 03-6271-3350

5 minute walk



### The National Art Center, Tokyo

Open: Sat. - Mon. & Wed. - Thu., 10:00 - 18:00 Fri., 10:00 - 20:00

Closed: Tue. & New Year's Holidays (Open when Tuesday falls on a national holiday, and closed the following day.)

Admission: Varies depending on exhibit

Tel: 03-5777-8600 7-minute walk

goal

### Roppongi Hills



Tokyo Tower © Yasufumi Nishi

# Course 11 Odaiba (お台場)

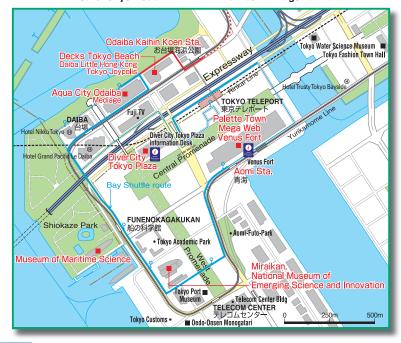
Odaiba is a popular waterfront area that can be reached by the Yurikamome Line, an automatic, computer-controlled train that runs between Shimbashi and Toyosu stations. Decks Tokyo Beach is a commercial complex featuring Daiba Little Hong Kong, with a variety of Chinese stores and restaurants, and Tokyo Joypolis, an amusement park by gaming giant SEGA. Just next door is the Aqua City Odaiba, composed of shopping malls, restaurants, and a 13-screen movie complex, the Mediage. Miraikan, The National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation, with its seven floors and dome theater with a semi-spherical screen, allows visitors to checkout the very latest in science technology. Still in shopping mode, Palette Town is a large shopping complex with shops, amusement facilities, restaurants, and a 115-meter Ferris wheel. Mega Web is a theme park featuring car models by Toyota, where you can test-drive your favorite cars. Venus Fort, another popular shopping and amusement complex, features an artificial sky that changes just like the real thing.



**Decks Tokyo Beach** 



Rainbow Bridge @ Mike Luk



# Estimate time 4 hrs.-6 hrs. **Recommended Course**

Odaiba

start

Shimbashi Sta.

12-minute ride on Yurikamome

Odaiba Kaihin Koen Sta.

2-minute walk

**Decks Tokyo Beach** 

5-minute walk

Aqua City Odaiba Mediage

10-minute ride on free shuttle

Miraikan, National Museum of **Emerging Science and Innovation** 

Open: 10:00-17:00 Closed: Tue. and New Year Holidays Admission: 620 yen TEL: 03-3570-9151

8-minute ride on free shuttle bus

Palette Town Mega Web, Venus Fort

2-minute walk

6

Aomi Sta.

20-minute ride on Yurikamome

goal

Shimbashi Sta.

# Other Options

### Museum of Maritime Science: Displays things related to sea and ships

Open: 10:00-17:00

Closed: Mon. and New Year's Holidays

Admission: free TEL: 03-5500-1111

Main exhibition hall is closed due to the reconstruction.

### Enjoy a hot spring in Tokyo!

Oedo Onsen Monogatari 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 early Edo period.

Open: 11:00 - 9:00

Admission: 2,480 yen (weekdays)



National Museum of **Emerging Science and** Innovation

# **Useful Information**

#### **Discount Tickets:**

One-day Free Pass for

Yurikamome: see page 9 for detail

#### **Bay Shuttle**

A free shuttle bus service is available. which connects major tourist sites in Odaiba. The bus runs every 15 minutes. Notable stops include Agua City, Miraikan and Palette Town.



**Bay Shuttle** 

# Course 1 Mt. Takao [編山]

The sacred Mount Takao, located in western Tokyo on the eastern edge of the Kanto Mountain Range, is only an hour's ride from the center of Tokyo. Yakuoin Temple, located on the mountainside, was established by order of Emperor Shomu in 744, and people have worshipped this temple for more than 1,200 years. Another symbolic figure of Mt. Takao is Tengu, a long-nosed mythical figure that is believed to be a deified image of a man who mastered rigorous ascetic disciplinary practice in the mountains, and acquired magical and spiritual powers. Between April and October at the Biwa-daki Falls and Hebi-daki Falls you may catch a glimpse of ascetic devotees in religious practice. To take you from the foot of the mountain to the 600-meter peak, there are seven well-maintained courses, each with a different theme. An easier option is the cable car or lift, which takes you halfway to the Takao-san Natural Zoo and Botanical Garden near the Cable Car Takao-san Station. Here, monkeys roam freely and the views are superb still. Mt. Takao is part of the Meiji-no-mori Takao Quasi-National Park.



View of Mt. Fuji from Mt. Takao © Yasufumi Nishi



**Tengu** © Yasufumi Nishi



Mt. Takao

start

Shinjuku Sta.

50-minute ride on Keio Line

1

Takaosanguchi Sta.

10-minute walk

2

Kiyotaki Sta.

Cable car: 5 minutes

3

Takaosan Sta.

25-minute walk

4

Takaosan Yakuoin Temple

25-minute walk

5

Mountain top (Observatory)

50-minute walk

6

Takaosan Sta.

Cable car: 5 minutes

7

Kiyotaki Sta.

10-minute walk

8

Takaosanguchi Sta.

50-minute ride on the Keio Line

goal

Shinjuku Sta.

## **Useful Information**

#### **Discount Tickets:**

Mt. Takao Discount ticket: A roundtrip ticket from any station on the Keio or Inokashira Line to Takaosanguchi Sta. Plus a round-trip on the Takao-san Cable car or the lift. 20% discount. Available at ticket vending machines in Keio and Inokashira Line stations.

## Recommend hiking routes

Route 1: Main hiking route. 2.4 miles, 100 minute ascent, 90 minute descent Route 6: Hiking route along a stream. 2 miles, 90 minute ascent, 70 minute descent



**Cable Car** 

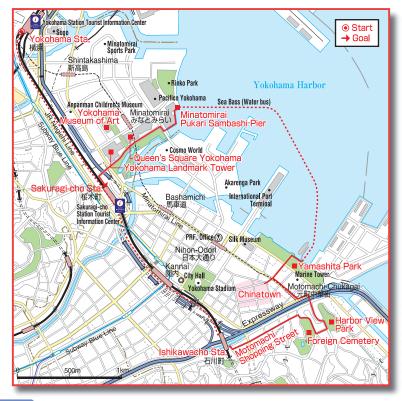


Yakuoin Temple

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## Course 2 Yokohama (横翔)

Yokohama, Japan's second largest city, 30 min. by train from Tokyo, was one of the first Japanese cities to open up to foreign residents during the Meiji Era (1868-1912). It remains today a bustling port city with numerous historic buildings. Enjoy a stroll down Motomachi Shopping Street. The Foreign Cemetery consists of some 3,000 graves of famed foreign residents who contributed to Japan's opening to the world. The Harbor View Park is a hilltop park which offers a great view of the harbor area. Yokohama's China Town, bordered by four beautiful Chinese gates facing each in compass direction, offers about 500 restaurants and shops to choose from. Yamashita Park, the oldest seaside park in Japan, stretches for about 1,000 meters along the Yokohama Harbor. There you can see the Hikawa Maru, a 12,000-ton passenger ship used from 1930 to 1960. From the park, you can take the "Sea Bass," to the hugely popular "Minato Mirai 21" district—a shopper and gourmand heaven. The Landmark Tower here is the second tallest building in Japan as of 2015, with the rooftop "Sky Garden," which commands view that, well, just has to be seen to be believed.



#### Yokohama



#### Yokohama Sta.

6-minute ride on Keihin Tohoku Line

#### Ishikawacho Sta.

5-minute walk

## **Motomachi Shopping Street**

10-minute walk

#### **Foreign Cemetery**

5-minute walk

#### **Harbor View Park**

15-minute walk

#### Chinatown (lunch)

5-minute walk

#### Yamashita Park

About 10-minute ride on boat

#### Minato Mirai Pukari Sambashi Pier Minato Mirai Area

#### Landmark Tower Sky Garden

Open: 10:00-21:00 (Sat. - 22:00) Admission: 1,000 yen

TEL: 045-222-5030 (weekdays 10:00-17:00) Queens Square Shopping Area (shopping & dinner)

15-minute walk

goal

#### Sakuragi-cho Sta.

## Other options

#### Yokohama Museum of Art: Specializes in modern and contemporary art

Open: 10:00-18:00 Closed: Thu. Admission: 500 ven TEL: 045-221-0300

#### Yokohama Cosmo World: An amusement park that features Cosmo Clock 21, one of the largest Ferris wheels in Japan

Open: 11:00-21:00 (irregular) Closed: Thu. (irregular)

Admission: Free (Fees charged for attractions)

TEL: 045-641-6591

#### China Museum:

A theme park where Chinese food and performance can be enjoyed

Open: 10:00-21:00

Admission: Varies according to the

facility

TEL: 045-681-5588



Minato Mirai 21



Chinatown

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## course 3 Kamakura (鎌倉)

Kamakura, an hour by rail from Tokyo, is a small quiet coastal town with tranquil temples. Once the seat of the feudal government set up in 1192, the town still retains much of its ancient and historical heritage. Exploring at your own pace is the best way to take in all Kamakura has to offer. There are five famous temples in the area. A leisurely stroll slips you back to the 12th century Kamakura Period. Engakuji Temple, founded in 1282 was built to commemorate the deaths of both Japanese and Mongolian soldiers killed during the Mongol's attempt to invade Japan. Kenchoji Temple, founded in 1253, features a Chinese-style design. Near Kamakura Station is Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine, where the view of the city of Kamakura from the Hongu, or the main building, is magnificent. The Kamakura Museum of National Treasures displays more than 2,000 treasures belonging to temples throughout the area, with exhibits changing monthly. Kamukura's most famous attraction though has to be the giant bronze Great Buddha. Famous for its wooden principal building and a beautiful Japanese garden, Hasedera Temple wins tops honors for its sheer beauty. Nearby Enoshima is a small island with a perimeter of 4 kilometers that protrudes into Sagami Bay.





Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine

Attracting more than 9 million visitors per year, **Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine** is the greatest symbol of the old capital city, Kamakura. The shrine was founded by Minamoto Yoriyoshi, ancestor of Shogun Minamoto Yoritomo who established the Kamakura Feudal Government that ruled Japan between 1192 and 1333.



#### Yabusame horseback archery (Kamakura Festival at Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine in April)

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## Course 3 Kamakura (鎌倉)



**Great Buddha** 

The famous open-air Great Buddha, or "Daibutsu," is 11.31 meters high and weighs 121 tons. It is constructed of bronze plates bolted together around a hollow frame, and you can climb inside. It was completed in 1252, under the orders of Minamoto Yoritomo, who wanted to rival the larger Nara Buddha.

## **Recommended Course**

#### Kamakura

start Kita-Kamakura Sta.

3-minute walk

1 Engakuji Temple

Admission: 300 yen

10-minute walk

2 Kenchoji Temple

Admission: 300 yen

15-minute walk

3 Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine

2-minute walk

4 Kamakura Museum of National Treasures

Open: 9:00-16:30 Closed: Mon., New Year Holidays and irregular holidays

Admission: 300-600 yen TEL: 0467-22-0753

8-minute walk

5 Kamakura Sta. (lunch & shopping)

> 5-minute ride on Enoshima Dentetsu Railway

6 Hase Sta.

12-minute walk

7 Great Buddha

10-minute walk

**8** Hasedera Temple

Admission: 300 yen

5-minute walk

9 Hase Sta.

16-minute ride on Enoshima Dentetsu Railway

10 Enoshima Sta.

10-minute walk

Enoshima Island Katase-Enoshima Sta

> 7-minute ride on Odakyu Enoshima Line

goal Fujisawa Sta.

# Course 4 Nikko (E光)

# An overnight stay is recommended.

Two hours by train from Tokyo, Nikko is both a gem of natural beauty and home to one of the must-sees of Japanese architecture: Toshogu Shrine. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1999, the shrine, completed in 1636 and dedicated to the founder of the Tokugawa Shogunate, is Nikko's most famous attraction. Most of its buildings are designated as National Treasures and Important Cultural Properties. Shinkyo Bridge, or the Sacred Bridge, arches gracefully over the Daiya River. Lake Chuzenji is especially beautiful in early May for its cherry blossoms, and in October for its autumnal foliage. A five-minute walk from Chuzenji Onsen bus stop is Kegon Falls, one of the most famous waterfalls in Japan. You can even get close to the base of the waterfall by elevator. Another 15-minute walk will take you to Chuzenji Temple, which houses the famous statue of the One-Thousand-Armed Goddess.



Carving of the Three Monkeys



Edo Wonderland (Nikko Edomura Village)

## Discount pass

These special discount passes are available only for foreign visitors.

1) 2 day Nikko Pass: Round trip transportation from Asakusa to Shin-Imaichi, unlimited travel on local transportation, and special discounts for several tourist facilities. SPACIA Limited Express fare not included.

Valid for two days. One adult: 2,670 ven.

2) Kinugawa Theme Park Pass:

Round trip transportation from Asakusa to Shin-Imaichi, unlimited travel on local transportation, admission to 1)Tobu World Square, 2) EDO Wonderland or 3)Tobu World Square and Edo Wonderland. Valid for two days. One adult: 4,080 yen for Tobu World Square, 6,180 yen for EDO Wonderland and 7,380 yen for both parks. SPACIA Limited Express fare not included.

3) All Nikko Pass: Round trip transportation from Asakusa to Shin-Imaichi, unlimited travel on bus routes covering a large area of Nikko and special discounts for several tourist attractions.

Valid for 4 days. One adult: 4,520 yen. SPACIA Limited Express fare not included.

For reservations or for more information, please visit http://www.tobu.co.jp/foreign/index.html

#### Nikko

start Asakusa Sta.

2 hrs. on Limited Express "SPACIA"

1 Tobu Nikko Sta.

25-minute walk

2 Toshogu Shrine

Admission: 1,300 yen

2-minute walk

Carving of the Three Monkeys
Carving of the Sleeping Cat

7-minute walk

Rinnoji Temple
Rinnoji Treasure Museum

Admission: 900 yen

5-minute walk

5 Shinkyo Bridge

1-minute walk

Shinkyo Bus Stop

40-minute bus ride

7 Chuzenji Onsen bus stop Lake Chuzenji

boat ride

**3** Chuzenji Onsen bus stop

5-minute walk

9 Kegon Falls

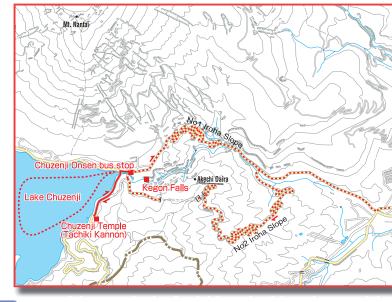
15-minute walk

10 Chuzenji Temple

Admission: 500 yen

45-minute bus ride

goal Tobu Nikko Sta.



## Other options

#### Nikko Botanical Garden: Has a variety of plants, including Nikko alpine flora

Open: Apr.15-Nov.30 9:00-16:30 Closed: Dec.1-Apr.14 & Mon. Admission: 400 ven

Admission: 400 yen TEL: 0288-54-0206

#### **Tobu World Square:**

Displays 1/25 replicas of famous and historical architectural structures from around the world

Open: 9:00-17:00 (9:30-16:00 Dec.1-Mar.19) Enter 1 hr. before closing time.

Open year-round

Admission: 2,500 yen for adults, 1,200 yen for children

TEL: 0288-77-1055

#### **Edo Wonderland**

(Nikko Edomura Village): Amusement park reproducing Edo Period culture and life

Open: 9:00-17:00 (9:30-16:00 Dec.1-Mar.19) Enter 1 hr. before closing time.

Closed: Wed.

Admission: 4,700 yen for adults, 2,400 yen for children

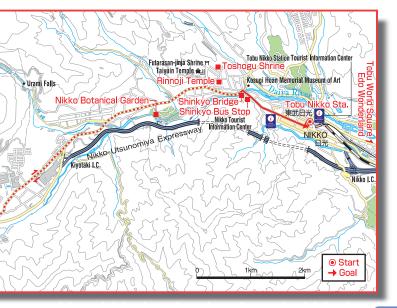
TEL: 0288-77-1777



**Kegon Falls** 



Toshogu Shrine



## Course 5 Hakone (新樹)

# An overnight stay is recommended.

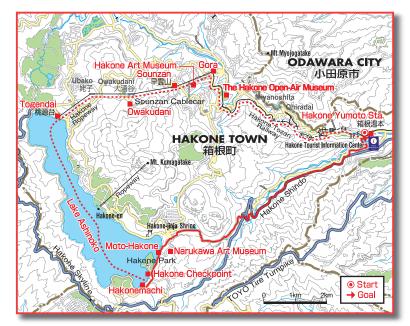
Hakone, 1 hour and 30 minutes by rail from Tokyo's Shinjuku Station, is a famous hot spring resort area set in the beautiful Fuji-Hakone Izu National Park. A major attraction here is the Hakone Open-Air Museum, with hundreds of 19th and 20th century sculptures by Western and Japanese artists. One stop on the Hakone Tozan Railway to Gora will take you to the center of the Hakone area. A ride on the ropeway via Sounzan leads you to Owakudani, or the Great Boiling Valley, where steam and sulfurous fumes rise from interestingly shaped crevices in the rocks. From Togendai, take a pleasure cruise around Lake Ashinoko and marvel at the views of Mount Fuji, which at 3,776 meters, is not only Japan's highest mountain, but the nation's best known symbol. A walk from Hakonemachi Town on the ancient Cedar Avenue will take you to the Hakone Checkpoint, a point which safeguarded the security of Edo (now Tokyo) as the seat of the Shogunate. Here, a variety of interesting historical relics and documents are displayed.



Hakone Tozan Railway



Mt. Fuji & Lake Ashinoko



#### Hakone

start

## Shinjuku Sta.

about 85-minute ride on the Odakvu Line

#### Hakone Yumoto Sta.

about 35-minute ride on the Hakone Tozan Railway

#### The Hakone Open-Air Museum

Open: 9:00-17:00 Open year-round Admission: 1,600 yen TEL: 0460-82-1161

One stop on Hakone Tozan Railway

#### Gora

Hakone Cablecar: about 10 minutes

#### Sounzan

Hakone Ropeway: about 8 minutes

#### Owakudani

Hakone Ropeway: about 22 minutes

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#### Togendai (Cruise on Lake Ashinoko)

Boat: about 30 minutes

#### Hakonemachi

5-minute walk

### **Hakone Checkpoint**

Bus: about 10 minutes

#### Moto-Hakone

Bus: about 40 minutes

#### Hakone Yumoto Sta.

about 85-minute ride on the Odakvu Line:

goal

Shinjuku Sta.

### **Useful Information**

#### Discount Tickets:

1) Fuii Hakone Pass: Unlimited travel on buses, trains, and boats within the Fuji Hakone area; valid for 3 davs

Price: 7,400 yen (from Shinjuku)

2) Hakone Freepass: Unlimited travel on seven types of transportation in the Hakone area: valid for 2 days (5,140 ven), 3 days (5,640 yen) from Shinjuku http://www.hakonenavi.jp/english/ freepass

## Other options

#### Hakone Museum of Art:

Holds collection of pottery and porcelain of Japan

Open: 9:30-16:30 (Dec.-Mar. -16:00) Closed: Thu., Dec. 25 - 31, Jan. 4-8

Admission: 900 ven TEL: 0460-82-2623

#### Narukawa Art Museum:

Unique museum displaying modern Japanese-style paintings Open: 9:00-17:00

Admission: 1.300 ven TEL: 0460-83-6828

#### Enjoy a hot spring in Hakone.

Offers at reasonable prices to day visitors who want to experience onsen, Yumoto Fuiiva Hotel

Tel: 0460-85-6111 Yunosato Okada Tel: 0460-85-3955



Cruise on Lake Ashinoko Odakvu Electric Railway

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