

Calendar of Events
April 2025



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Glossary :

Dashi/Yatai/Yama	Float
Gyoretsu	Procession
Karakuri Ningyo	Mechanically manipulated dolls
Matsuri	Festival, Event
Mikoshi	Portable shrine
Otabisho	Portable shrine resting place

Special Remarks:
Dates and Times are shown as follows which is common in Japan.
Dates : M/D April 3 ⇒ 4/3
Time : 24 hours system 8:00am ⇒ 8:00
8:00pm ⇒ 20:00

Hanami 花見
Hanami, Cherry Blossom Viewing is a common sight in the spring in Japan. When the cherry blossoms - "sakura" are in full bloom, usually from the end of March to April, picnic parties among families, friends and colleagues are held under the cherry trees, where everyone merrily enjoys eating, drinking and socializing.

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Region	Dates	Pref.	City	Venue	Event	Summary	Access		URL
Tohoku 東北	4/18 ~ 5/5	Aomori 青森県	Hirosaki 弘前市	Hirosaki Park 弘前公園	Hirosaki Sakura Matsuri 弘前さくらまつり	Summary: Cherry Blossom Festival with about 2,600 cherry trees on the ground of Hirosaki Castle and along the castle's moat in Hirosaki Park. Schedule & Key events ● daily 9:00-21:00 Open-air stalls are set up sunset-22:00 Cherry blossoms light up	JR Ou Honsen Line to Hirosaki Sta. From there, walk 30 min. or take Konan bus to Shiyakushomae Bus Stop (15 min.), and then walk 3 min.	JR奥羽本線弘前駅より徒歩30分又は弘前市内循環バス【弘南バス】で15分市役所前下車、徒歩3分	https://www.hirosakipark.jp/sakura/

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Tohoku 東北	4/29 ~ 5/3	Yamagata 山形県	Yonezawa 米沢市	Uesugi-jinja Shrine, Matsukawa River and others 上杉神社、松川河畔ほか	Yonezawa Uesugi Matsuri 米沢上杉まつり	Summary: Festival in commemoration of the famous warlord "Uesugi Kenshin (1530-1578)". Schedule & Key events: ● 4/29 9:30-17:00 Various performances on a makeshift stage at Denkoku-no-mori Museum and Hall 11:00-12:45 <i>Minyo-Nagashi</i> (a parade of folk dance) on city's main street ● 5/3 9:30- Parade of <i>Mikoshi</i> of Uesugi-jinja Shrine, through the city's main street 10:20- <i>Uesugi Gundan Gyoretsu</i> (a parade of <i>Samurai</i> warriors), through the city's main street 14:00-15:30 <i>Kawanaka-jima Gassen</i> (sham battle) at Matsukawa riverside.	JR Yamagata Shinkansen Line to Yonezawa Sta.	JR山形新幹線米沢駅下車	https://uesugi.yonezawa-matsuri.jp/
Chubu 中部	3/26 ~ 4/6	Aichi 愛知県	Okazaki 岡崎市	Okazaki Park, Otogawa River and others 岡崎公園、乙川堤ほか	Okazaki Sakura Matsuri 岡崎桜まつり	Summary: Cherry Blossom Festival in commemoration of the famous feudal lords "Tokugawa Ieyasu (1543-1616)" - the founder of the Tokugawa Shogunate in Edo (present-day Tokyo). The period of light up is subject to change depending on blooming. Schedule & Key events: ● daily 18:00-21:00 Cherry blossoms light up ● 4/6 14:00-14:30 <i>Gyoretsu</i> of Shogun Ieyasu and about 700 Samurai warriors from the Nomi-dori 2-chome intersection to Otogawa riverbed	Okazaki Park: JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Toyohashi Sta. From there, take Meitetsu Nagoya Honsen Line to Higashi-Okazaki Sta., and then walk 15 min.	岡崎公園: JR東海道新幹線豊橋駅より名鉄名古屋本線で東岡崎駅下車、徒歩15分	https://okazaki-kankou.jp/feature
Chubu 中部	4/4 ~ 4/6	Yamanashi 山梨県	Kofu 甲府市	Kofu Sta., Maizuru-jo Park and others 甲府駅前、舞鶴城公園ほか	Shingen-ko Matsuri 信玄公祭り	Summary: Festival in commemoration of the famous feudal lords "Takeda Shingen (1521-1573)". Schedule & Key events: ● 4/5 16:00-16:30 <i>Shutsujin-shiki</i> (a ceremony of prayer for victory) in Maizuru-jo Park 16:30-18:40 <i>Jidai-gyoretsu</i> (a procession of more than 1,000 <i>Samurai</i> warriors) from Kofu Sta. to Maizuru-jo Park, going through the main streets of the city	JR Chuo Honsen Line to Kofu Sta., and then walk 5 min.	JR中央本線甲府駅より徒歩5分	https://www.yamanashi-kankou.jp/shingen/

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Chubu 中部	4/5 ~ 4/6	Aichi 愛知県	Inuyama 犬山市	Haritsuna-jinja Shrine and others 針綱神社ほか	Inuyama Matsuri 犬山祭	Summary: Festival, registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO, featuring 13 gorgeously decorated <i>Yama</i> with <i>Karakuri Ningyo</i> , parading on the city's main streets. Schedule & Key events: ● 4/5 8:00-21:45 Parade of 13 floats 11:50-14:10 Performance of <i>Karakuri Ningyo</i> on the floats at the shrine ● 4/6 8:00-21:45 Parade of 13 floats 9:20-15:30 Performance of <i>Karakuri Ningyo</i> on the floats at the shrine	JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Nagoya Sta. From there, take Meitetsu Inuyama Line to Inuyama Sta. (West Exit)	JR東海道新幹線名古屋駅より名鉄犬山線で犬山駅(西口)下車	https://inuyama.gr.jp/event/detail/1/
Chubu 中部	4/5 ~ 4/6	Aichi 愛知県	Ushikubo-cho, Toyokawa 豊川市 牛久保町	Ushikubo Hachimansha Shrine, Tennosha Shrine and others 牛久保八幡社、天王社ほか	Unagoji Matsuri うなごうじ祭	Summary: Festival featuring leisurely-drawn <i>Dashi</i> , <i>Mikoshi</i> and folk dancers going between Ushikubo Hachimansha Shrine and Tennosha Shrine. Schedule & Key events: ● 4/5 15:30-19:30 Parade of <i>Dashi</i> and <i>Mikoshi</i> between two shrines ● 4/6 12:10-18:50 Parade of <i>Dashi</i> and <i>Mikoshi</i> between two shrines 20:30- <i>Mikomai</i> (Shinto dance by children) on the floats and <i>Ohayashi</i> festival music and a folk dance in the precincts of Ushikubo Hachimansha Shrine	JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Toyohashi Sta. From there, take JR Iida Line to Ushikubo Sta., and then walk 5 min.	JR東海道新幹線豊橋駅よりJR飯田線で牛久保駅下車、徒歩5分	https://www.toyokawa-map.net/event/000069.html

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Chubu 中部	4/14 ~ 4/15	Gifu 岐阜県	Takayama 高山市	Hie-jinja Shrine and others 日枝神社ほか	Takayama Matsuri 高山祭	Summary: One of the grandest festival in Japan, registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. 12 gorgeously embellished floats gather at some sites in the city, escorted by people in traditional attire. The festival reaches its climax when all the floats lit up with lanterns are drawn in the city from the evening on 14th. Schedule & Key events: ●4/14 9:30-16:00 12 floats gather at some sites in the city 10:00- & 14:00- Performance of <i>Karakuri Ningyo</i> on three of the floats at <i>Otabisho</i> 13:00-16:00 Parade of <i>Mikoshi</i> from the shrine to <i>Otabisho</i> 18:00-21:00 Parade of all floats lit up with lanterns in the city ●4/15 9:30-16:00 12 floats gather at some sites in the city 10:00- & 14:00- Performance of <i>Karakuri Ningyo</i> on three of the floats at <i>Otabisho</i> 12:30-16:00 Parade of <i>Mikoshi</i> from <i>Otabisho</i> to the shrine	JR Takayama Honsen Line to Takayama Sta., and then walk 15 min.	JR高山本線高山駅より徒歩15分	https://www.hidatakayama.or.jp/harunotakayamamatsuri/
Chubu 中部	4/19 ~ 4/20	Gifu 岐阜県	Tajimi 多治見市	Honmachi Oribe Street and others 本町オリベストリートほか	Tajimi Toki Matsuri たじみ陶器まつり	Summary: Ceramic Festival. People come to buy "Mino" ceramic every spring. Many other events are held in the city during the festival period. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 9:00-17:00	JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Nagoya Sta. From there, take JR Chuo Honsen Line to Tajimi Sta., and then walk 15 min.	JR東海道新幹線名古屋よりJR中央本線で多治見駅下車、徒歩15分	https://tajimi-ceramicfes.jp
Chubu 中部	4/19 ~ 4/20	Gifu 岐阜県	Furukawa- cho, Hida 飛騨市 古川町	Keta Wakamiya- jinja Shrine and others 気多若宮神社ほか	Furukawa Matsuri 古川祭	Summary: Annual Festival of the shrine, designated as one of the National Intangible Folk-Cultural Property, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. The highlight of this festival is <i>Okoshi-daiko</i>, in which partially clothed men parade on the streets beating drums and singing folk songs. If it rains, performance on <i>Yatai</i> will be held at <i>Yatai-gura</i> storehouses. Schedule & Key events: ●4/19 daytime Parade of <i>Yatai</i> in the town night <i>Okoshi-daiko</i> performance ●4/20 daytime <i>Yatai</i> will gather in the town	JR Takayama Honsen Line to Hida-Furukawa Sta.	JR高山本線飛騨古川駅下車	https://www.hida-kankou.jp/features/177

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Hokuriku 北陸	4/5 ~ 4/6	Nagano 長野県	Kamisato-kuroda, Iida 飯田市上郷黒田	Shimokuroda Suwa-jinja Shrine 下黒田諏訪神社	Kuroda Ningyo Joruri 黒田人形浄瑠璃	Summary: Local puppet play, designated as National Important Tangible Folk-Cultural Property. Schedule & Key events: ●4/5 18:00- ●4/6 13:00-	JR Chuo Honsen Line to Okaya Sta. From there, take JR Iida Line to Sakura-machi Sta. or Ina-Kamisato Sta. and then walk 20 min.	JR中央本線岡谷駅よりJR飯田線で桜町駅または伊那上郷駅下車、徒歩20分	https://msnav.com/105064/
Kinki 近畿	3/20 ~ 4/2	Kyoto 京都府	Kamigyo-ku, Kyoto 京都市上京区	Kamishichiken Kaburenjo 上七軒歌舞練場	Kitano Odori 北野をどり	Summary: Japanese traditional dance by <i>Maiko</i> (Apprentice Geiko) and <i>Geiko</i> (professional female entertainers in Kyoto). Admission tickets are 6,000 JPY or 7,000 JPY with tea, sold at box office, some tourist information centers in Kyoto and travel agencies such as JTB, KNT. For guests with tea ticket, tea will be provided until 10 minutes before the show started. For further information, call 075-461-0148 at Kamishichiken Kabukai. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 14:00- & 16:30-	From JR Kyoto Sta., take municipal bus No. 50 to Kamishichiken Bus Stop or Kitanotenmangu-mae Bus Stop (30 min.), and then walk 3 min.	JR京都駅より市バスNo. 50で30分上七軒又は北野天満宮前下車、徒歩3分	https://www.maiiko3.com/kitanoodori/
Kinki 近畿	3/28 ~ 4/6	Hyogo 兵庫県	Himeji 姫路市	Himeji Castle 姫路城	Himeji-jo Yozakura-kai 姫路城夜桜会	Summary: Cherry Blossom Festival in Himeji Castle. Please enter by 20:30 for night cherry blossom viewing. Admission fee for Nishinomaru Teien Garden is 600 JPY. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 18:30-21:00 Night cherry blossom viewing in Nishinomaru Teien Garden	JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Himeji Sta., and then walk 20 min.	JR山陽新幹線姫路駅より徒歩20分	https://www.himeji-kanko.jp/event/1588/
Kinki 近畿	4/1 ~ 4/30	Kyoto 京都府	Higashiya ma-ku, Kyoto 京都市東山区	Gion Kobu Kaburenjo 祇園甲部歌舞練場	Miyako Odori 都をどり	Summary: Cherry Dance performed by <i>Maiko</i> (Apprentice Geiko) and <i>Geiko</i> (professional female entertainers in Kyoto). Admission tickets are 4,000 JPY, 6,000 JPY or 7,000 JPY with tea, sold on the website. For guests with tea ticket, tea will be provided until 30 minutes before the show started. For further information, call 075-541-3391 at Kobu Kabukai. Schedule & Key events: ●daily (except 4/15) 12:30-, 14:30- & 16:30- (Show from 12:30 is not available on 4/24 and 4/25)	(1) Keihan Honsen Line to Gionshijo Sta. (Exit 6), and then walk 8 min. (2) From JR Kyoto Sta., take taxi (20 min.)	(1) 京阪本線祇園四条駅(6番出口)より徒歩8分 (2) JR京都駅よりタクシーで20分	https://miyako-odori.jp/

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Kinki 近畿	4/9 ~ 4/16	Shiga 滋賀県	Nagahama 長浜市	Nagahama Hachiman-gu Shrine and others 長浜八幡宮ほか	Nagahama Hikiyama Matsuri 長浜曳山まつり	Summary: Festival designated as one of the National Important Intangible Cultural Properties, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO, featuring 4 beautifully bedecked floats, on which <i>Kodomo Kabuki</i> (traditional play by boys) are performed, being exhibited along the streets in the city. Schedule & Key events: ●4/15 9:25-20:00 Procession of four floats from the shrine to <i>Otabisho</i> and Kodomo Kabuki performance on the floats at the several sites 20:30- <i>Mikoshi</i> and floats leave <i>Otabisho</i> for their each town	JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Maibara Sta. From there, take JR Hokuriku Honsen Line to Nagahama Sta., and then walk 15 min.	JR東海道新幹線米原駅よりJR北陸本線で長浜駅下車、徒歩15分	https://nagahama-hikiyama.or.jp/
Kinki 近畿	4/12 ~ 4/13	Nara 奈良県	Nara 奈良市	Saidai-ji Temple 西大寺	Ochamori 大茶盛	Summary: Serving tea in a giant bowl. Japanese tea is made with huge tea utensils and served in a giant bowls. Admission is 4,000 JPY. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 9:00-,10:00-,11:00-,12:00-,13:00- & 14:00-	(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.	(1) JR東海道新幹線京都駅より近鉄京都線で大和西大寺駅下車、徒歩3分 (2) JR奈良線奈良駅より近鉄奈良線で大和西大寺駅下車、徒歩3分	http://saidaiji.or.jp/event/p1.html
Kinki 近畿	4/13	Kyoto 京都府	Kita-ku, Kyoto 京都市 北区	Imamiya-jinja Shrine, Konen-ji Temple, Kawakami Dai-jingu Shrine and others 今宮神社、光念寺、川上大神宮ほか	Yasurai Matsuri やすらい祭	Summary: Festival designated as one of the National Important Intangible Cultural Properties, originates from a legend of the shrine having abated a serious epidemic in ancient times. The highlight of this festival is a procession of parishioners holding <i>Hanagasa</i> (big umbrellas decorated with flowers), devils and children dancing to the accompaniment of Japanese drums and gongs. Schedule & Key events: 11:00-14:00 Procession from Konen-ji Temple to Imamiya-jinja Shrine 11:30- Procession from Kawakami Dai-jingu Shrine to Imamiya-jingu Shrine and <i>Yasurai-mai</i> (Shinto dance with music) in the precincts of Imamiya-jinja Shrine	Imamiya-jinja Shrine: (1) From JR Kyoto Sta., take municipal bus No.205 or 206 to Funaoka-yama Bus Stop, and then walk 7 min. (2) Karasuma Subway Line to Kitaoji Sta. From there, take municipal bus No. 1, Kita-8, 12, M1, 204, 205 or 206 to Funaoka-yama Bus Stop, and then walk 7 min.	今宮神社: (1) JR京都駅より市バスNo.205又は206で船岡山下車、徒歩7分 (2) 地下鉄烏丸線北大路駅より市バスNo. 1, 北8, 12, M1, 204, 205又は206で船岡山下車、徒歩7分	https://ja.kyoto.travel/event/single.php?event_id=4225

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Kinki 近畿	4/13	Kyoto 京都府	Fushimi-ku, Kyoto 京都市 伏見区	Daigo-ji Temple 醍醐寺	Ho-Taiko Hanami Gyoetsu 豊太閤花見行列	Summary: Cherry-blossom viewing Procession, featuring a parade of people clad in gorgeous costumes of <i>Momoyama</i> period (1573-1603?) marching under the cherry blossoms. Schedule & Key events: 13:00-15:00 Parade in the compound of the temple	(1) From JR Kyoto Sta., take JR Tokaido Honsen Line to Yamashina Sta., and change to Tozai Subway Line to Daigo Sta.(Exit 2), and then walk 10 min. (2) From JR Kyoto Sta., walk 1 min. to Hotel Keihan, and then take Keihan bus to Daigoji Bus Stop (30 min.)	(1) JR京都駅よりJR東海道本線で山科駅にて地下鉄東西線に乗り換え醍醐駅下車（2番出口）、徒歩10分 (2) JR京都駅より徒歩1分のホテル京阪前から京阪バスで30分醍醐寺下車	https://ja.kyoto.travel/event/single.php?event_id=4590
Kinki 近畿	4/14	Kyoto 京都府	Kamigyo-ku, Kyoto 京都市 上京区	Shiramine-jingu Shrine 白峯神宮	Shunki Reitaisai (Kemari-hono) 春季例大祭 (蹴鞠奉納)	Summary: Annual Festival of the shrine, highlighted by a game of <i>Kemari</i>, played by the shrine priests, who loft a small ball with their insteps. Schedule & Key events: 10:30- Ritual 11:30- <i>Kemari</i> game	(1) From JR Kyoto Sta., take municipal bus No. 9 to Horikawa Imadegawa Bus Stop (2) Karasuma Subway Line to Imadegawa Sta. (Exit 4), and then walk 8 min.	(1) JR京都駅より市バスNo. 9で堀川今出川下車 (2) 地下鉄烏丸線今出川駅（4番出口）より徒歩8分	https://ja.kyoto.travel/event/single.php?event_id=4243
Kinki 近畿	4/14	Nara 奈良県	Katsuragi 葛城市	Taima-dera Temple 當麻寺	Nerikuyo Eshiki 練供養会式	Summary: Requiem Parade. Procession of 25 priests wearing masks and special costumes of <i>Bosatsu</i> crosses a long bridge, which is believed to link this world with the Pure Land, leading people in fancy attire. Schedule & Key events: 16:00- Procession of <i>Bosatsu</i>	(1) JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Kyoto Sta. From there, take Kintetsu Kashihara Line to Kashihara Jingu-mae Sta., and change to Kintetsu Minami Osaka Line to Taimadera Sta., and then walk 15 min. (2) JR Nara Line to Nara Sta. From there, take Kintetsu Nara Line to Yamato-Saidaiji Sta., and change to Kintetsu Kashihara Line to Kashihara Jingu-mae Sta., and change to Kintetsu Minami Osaka Line to Taimadera Sta., and then walk 15 min.	(1) JR東海道新幹線京都駅より近鉄橿原線で橿原神宮前駅にて近鉄南大阪線に乗り換え当麻寺駅下車、徒歩15分 (2) JR奈良線奈良駅より近鉄奈良線で大和西大寺駅にて近鉄橿原線に乗り換え橿原神宮前駅にて近鉄南大阪線に乗り換え当麻寺駅下車、徒歩15分	https://www.taimadera.org/news/event12.html

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Kinki 近畿	4/27 ~ 5/1	Mie 三重県	Ise 伊勢市	Ise-jingu Shrine - Naiku 伊勢神宮 (内宮)	Haru-no Kagura Sai 春の神楽祭	Summary: Spring Festival of the shrine. Performance of <i>Bugaku</i> (ancient court dance with music) is dedicated to the shrine on a makeshift stage at Naiku. If it rains, the place of performance will be held at Sanshuden. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 11:00- <i>Bugaku</i> performance	JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Nagoya Sta. From there, take (1) Kintetsu Yamada Line to Ujiyamada Sta., and then take bus to Naiku-mae Bus Stop (10 min.) (2) JR Rapid Train "Mie" to Ise-shi Sta., and then take bus to Naiku-mae Bus Stop (15 min.)	JR東海道新幹線名古屋駅より (1) 近鉄山田線で宇治山田駅下車、バスで10分内宮前下車 (2) JR快速"みえ"で伊勢市駅下車、バスで15分内宮前下車	https://www.isejingu.or.jp/ritual/annual/kagurasai.html
Kinki 近畿	4/29 ~ 5/5	Kyoto 京都府	Nakagyo-ku, Kyoto 京都市 中京区	Mibu-dera Temple 壬生寺	Mibu Kyogen 壬生狂言	Summary: Medieval pantomime, designated as one of National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties. <i>Mibu Kyogen</i> , 30 pantomime skits, have been handed down, and some of them will be performed. Admission is 1,000 JPY. The number of audience will be limited to 400 people daily. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 13:00-17:30 ●5/5 18:00-21:00	From JR Kyoto Sta., take municipal bus No. 26 or 28 to Mibudera-michi Bus Stop, and then walk 3 min.	JR京都駅より市バスNo. 26又は28で壬生寺道下車、徒歩3分	https://ja.kyoto.travel/event/single.php?event_id=4244
Chugoku 中国	4/15	Hiroshima 広島県	Miyajima-cho, Hatsukaichi 宮島町	Daisho'in Temple 大聖院	Hi-watari Shiki 火渡り式	Summary: <i>Hi-watari Shiki</i> , rigorous religious practice of walking on burnt charcoals in the temple's ground. Schedule & Key events: 11:00- Ritual pray for protection from illness and disaster 14:00- <i>Hi-watari Shiki</i>	(1) JR Sanyo Honsen Line to Miyajima-guchi Sta., and then walk 5 min. to Miyajima-guchi Pier. From there, take ferryboat to Miyajima Pier (10 min.), and then walk 30 min. (2) JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Hiroshima Sta., and then take streetcar or bus to Hiroshima Port (Ujina Port) (30 min.) From there, take hydrofoil to Miyajima Pier (30 min.), and then walk 30 min.	(1) JR山陽本線宮島口駅より徒歩5分の宮島口桟橋からフェリーで10分宮島桟橋下船、徒歩30分 (2) JR山陽新幹線広島駅より市電又はバスで30分広島港(宇品港)下車、高速船で30分宮島桟橋下船、徒歩30分	https://www.miyajima.or.jp/event/event_shiwatari.html

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Chugoku 中国	4/15 ~ 4/18	Hiroshima 広島県	Miyajima-cho, Hatsukaichi 廿日市市 宮島町	Itsukushima-jinja Shrine 厳島神社	Toka-sai & Shin-Noh 桃花祭と神能	Summary: Peach Blossom Festival. <i>Toka-sai Bugaku</i> (ancient court dance with music) and <i>Shin-Noh</i> (traditional masked drama) performances are dedicated to the shrine. Schedule & Key events: ●4/15 17:00- <i>Bugaku</i> performance ●4/16-18 9:00- <i>Shin-Noh</i> performance	(1) JR Sanyo Honsen Line to Miyajima-guchi Sta., and then walk 5 min. to Miyajima-guchi Pier. From there, take ferryboat to Miyajima Pier (10 min.), and then walk 10 min. (2) JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Hiroshima Sta., and then take streetcar or bus to Hiroshima Port (Ujina Port) (30 min.) From there, take hydrofoil to Miyajima Pier (30 min.), and then walk 10 min.	(1) JR山陽本線宮島口駅より徒歩5分の宮島口棧橋からフェリーで10分宮島棧橋下船、徒歩10分 (2) JR山陽新幹線広島駅より市電又はバスで30分広島港(宇品港)下車、高速船で30分宮島棧橋下船、徒歩10分	https://www.miyajima.or.jp/event/calendar04.php
Shikoku 四国	4/6	Ehime 愛媛県	Matsuyama 松山市	Matsuyama Castle, Matsuyama-jo Ropeway Sta. and others 松山城、ロープウェイ駅ほか	Matsuyama Haru Matsuri (Oshiro Matsuri) 松山春まつり(お城まつり)	Summary: Spring Festival to enjoy cherry blossom viewing at Matsuyama Castle. The highlight of this festival is <i>Daimyo & Musha Gyoretsu</i> (a procession of a feudal lord & <i>Samurai</i> warriors). Many more events are scheduled during the festival period. If it rains, the procession route will be changed. Schedule & Key events: 11:35-12:50 Procession from Matsuyama-jo Ropeway Sta. to the intersection with Chifunemachi-dori Street, marching the main shopping street of the city	Matsuyama-jo Ropeway Shinonome-guchi Sta.: JR Yosan Line to Matsuyama Sta. From there, take streetcar to Okaido (10 min.), and then walk 5 min.	松山城ロープウェイ東雲口駅舎：JR予讃線松山駅より市電で10分大街道下車、徒歩5分	https://www.matsuyama-jc.or.jp/2025harumatsuri/
Kyushu 九州	2/11 ~ 4/3	Fukuoka 福岡県	Yanagawa 柳川市	Yanagawa 柳川市	Yanagawa Hina Matsuri Sagemon Meguri 柳川雛祭り さげもんめぐり	Summary: Girl's Festival. <i>Sagemon</i> are handsewn ornaments which are displayed all over the city for this festival. When a baby girl is born, her mother and grandmothers sew <i>Sagemon</i> stitch by stitch wishing her to grow up healthy, and decorate them at both sides of <i>Hina Ningyo</i> (traditional Japanese dolls) to celebrate her first Girl's Festival. This festival features <i>Nagashibina</i> (floating paper dolls ceremony). Many more events are scheduled during the festival period. Schedule & Key events: ●4/3 10:00- <i>Nagashibina</i> around Yanagawa Bridge	JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Hakata Sta. From there, (1) Fukuoka Subway Airport Line to Tenjin sta., and walk 5 min to Nishitetsu Fukuoka (Tenjin) Sta., then take Nishitetsu Tenjin-Omuta Line to Nishitetsu Yanagawa Sta. (50 min.) (2) JR Kyushu Shinkansen Line to Chikugofunagoya Sta., and change to JR Kagoshima Honsen Line to Setaka Sta., and then take bus to Nishitetsu Yanagawa Bus Stop (15 min.)	JR山陽新幹線博多駅より (1) 福岡地下鉄空港線で天神駅下車、徒歩5分の西鉄福岡(天神)駅から西鉄天神大牟田線で50分西鉄柳川駅下車 (2) JR九州新幹線で筑後船屋駅にてJR鹿児島本線に乗り換え瀬高駅下車、バスで15分西鉄柳川下車	https://www.city.yanagawa.fukuoka.jp/kanko/meisho/2144.html

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Kyushu 九州	4/29	Miyazaki 宮崎県	Kabayama , Mimata- cho 三股町樺山	Hayama-jinja Shrine, Hayama Park 早馬神社、 早馬公園	Hayama Matsuri (Jankan Uma Odori) 早馬まつり (ジャンカン馬踊り)	Summary: Festival with a 100-year history to pray for a good harvest of the year. A horse attractively adorned with artificial flowers, rice stalks and flag-shaped decoration steps on the ground to the sound of music, been followed by people performing local dance. Schedule & Key events: 9:00-	JR Nippo Honsen Line to Mimata Sta., and then take taxi (5 min.)	JR日豊本線三股駅よりタクシーで5分	https://www.town.mimata.lg.jp/kanko/hayama-festival/
Kyushu 九州	4/29 ~ 5/5	Saga 佐賀県	Okawachi- cho, Imari 伊万里市 大川内町	Okawachi-yama 大川内山	Imari Kamamoto Ichi 伊万里窯元市	Summary: Spring Ceramic Fair where 30 <i>Kamamoto</i> (kilns) in this area participate in. Many stalls selling ceramics at bargain prices are set up at the main fair site. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 9:00-17:00	JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Hakata Sta. From there, (1) take JR Limited Express "Midori" to Arita Sta., and change to Matsuura Tetsudo Line to Imari Sta., and then take bus to Okawachi-yama Bus Stop (15 min.) (2) walk 1 min. to Hakata Bus Terminal. From there, take Highway Bus to Imari Sta. (2h), and then take bus to Okawachi-yama Bus Stop (15 min.)	JR山陽新幹線博多駅より (1) JR特急"みどり"で有田駅にて松浦鉄道線に乗り換え伊万里駅下車、バスで15分大川内山下車 (2) 徒歩1分の博多バスターミナルから高速バスで2時間伊万里駅下車、バスで15分大川内山下車	https://imari-ookawachiyama.com/
Kyushu 九州	4/29 ~ 5/5	Saga 佐賀県	Arita-cho 有田町	Arita-cho 有田町	Arita Toki Ichi 有田陶器市	Summary: Ceramic Fair in the city. Schedule & Key events ●daily 8:00-17:00	JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Hakata Sta. From there, take JR Limited Express "Midori" to Arita Sta.	JR山陽新幹線博多駅よりJR特急"みどり"で有田駅下車	https://www.arita-toukiichi.or.jp/

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Glossary :

Chigo-Gyoretsu	Procession of children in fancy attire
Matsuri	Festival, Event
Mikoshi	Portable shrine
Nodate	Open air tea ceremony
Sakura	Cherry blossom
Taiko	Japanese drum
Yabusame	Horseback archery

Special Remarks:

Dates and Times are shown as follows which is common in Japan.

Dates : M/D April 3 ⇒ 4/3
Time : 24 hours system 8:00am ⇒ 8:00
8:00pm ⇒ 20:00

Hanami 花見

Hanami, Cherry Blossom Viewing is a common sight in the spring in Japan. When the cherry blossoms - "sakura" are in full bloom, usually from the end of March to April, picnic parties among families, friends and colleagues are held under the cherry trees, where everyone merrily enjoys eating, drinking and socializing.

Hana Matsuri 花まつり

Hana Matsuri, A Floral Festival to celebrate the Buddha's Birthday is held at all Buddhist temples on the days centering around April 8, which is said to be the Buddha's Birthday. At the temples, small images of Buddha are open to the public and Amacha (sweet tea) is poured over the images as an expression of devotion. Chigo-Gyoretsu, parades of children in fancy attire, pulling a papier-mache white elephant, a sacred animal associated with the Buddha, are also held at many temples.

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Region	Dates	Pref.	City	Venue	Event	Summary	Access		URL
Tokyo 東京	3/12 ~ 4/23	Tokyo 東京都	Chiyoda-ku 千代田区	Yasukuni-jinja Shrine, Chidorigafuchi and others 靖国神社、千鳥ヶ淵ほか	Chiyoda-no-Sakura Matsuri 千代田のさくらまつり	Summary: Cherry Blossom Festival. You can enjoy view of cherry blossoms along the Chidorigafuchi path and in the precincts of the shrine. Schedule & Key events: ●3/28-4/8 sunset-21:00 Flowers are lit up	Chidorigafuchi : (1) Tokyo Metro Tozai, Hanzomon Line or Toei Shinjuku Subway Line to Kudanshita Sta. (T07, Z06, S05)(Exit 2), and then walk 5 min. (2) Tokyo Metro Hanzomon Line to Hanzomon Sta. (Z05)(Exit 5), and then walk 5 min.	千鳥ヶ淵 : (1) 東京メトロ東西線、半蔵門線又は都営地下鉄新宿線九段下駅 (2番出口) より徒歩5分 (2) 東京メトロ半蔵門線半蔵門駅 (5番出口) より徒歩5分	https://visit-chiyoda.tokyo/sakura/

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Tokyo 東京	3/15 ~ 4/6	Tokyo 東京都	Taito-ku 台東区	Ueno Park 上野公園	Ueno Sakura Matsuri うえの桜まつり	Summary: Cherry Blossom Festival. You can enjoy viewing of about 1,200 blooming cherry trees even in the evening, and thousands of <i>Bonbori</i> (paper lanterns) are lit up. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 10:00-18:30 Open-air antique market 17:00-21:00 <i>Bonbori</i> are lit up 17:00-22:00 Flowers are lit up ●3/18-4/6 10:00-21:00 Sakura Festa	JR Yamanote Line, Tokyo Metro Ginza or Hibiya Line to Ueno Sta. (G16, H18), and then walk 2 min.	JR山手線、東京メトロ銀座線又は日比谷線上野駅より徒歩2分	https://ueno.or.jp/event/
Tokyo 東京	3/15 ~ 4/13	Tokyo 東京都	Sumida-ku 墨田区	Sumida Park, Sakurabashi Bridge and others 隅田公園、桜橋ほか	Bokutei Sakura Matsuri 墨堤さくらまつり	Summary: Cherry Blossom Festival. You can enjoy viewing of cherry blossoms in the park. Some events are scheduled on other sites during the festival period. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 18:30-21:00 Flowers are lit up ●4/1-4/4 11:30-15:30 Tea house is set up, serving by <i>Geisha</i> (professional female entertainers) on Sakurabashi Bridge ●4/5 & 4/6 11:30-16:00 Tea house is set up, serving by <i>Geisha</i> (professional female entertainers) on Sakurabashi Bridge	Sumida Park: Tokyo Metro Ginza Line or Toei Asakusa Subway Line to Asakusa Sta. (G19, A18), and then walk 5 min.	隅田公園： 東京メトロ銀座線又は都営地下鉄浅草線浅草駅より徒歩5分	https://visit-sumida.jp/event/sakuramatsuri2025/
Tokyo 東京	4/1 ~ 4/30	Tokyo 東京都	Bunkyo-ku 文京区	Nezu-jinja Shrine 根津神社	Bunkyo Tsutsuji Matsuri 文京つつじまつり	Summary: <i>Tsutsuji</i> (azalea) Flower Festival. You can enjoy viewing of about 3,000 azalea blossoms. Admission to the garden is 500JPY. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 9:30-17:30 Azalea garden is open ●4/6 10:45-12:00- <i>Chigo-Gyoretsu Mikoshi</i> parade ●4/12, 19 & 26 12:30- & 15:30- <i>Taiko</i> performance ●4/26 11:00- Demonstration of <i>Naginata</i> (long-handled sword)	(1) Tokyo Metro Chiyoda Line to Nezu Sta. (C14) or Sendagi Sta. (C15), and then walk 5 min. (2) Tokyo Metro Namboku Line to Todaimae Sta. (N12)(Exit1), and then walk 5 min.	(1) 東京メトロ千代田線根津駅又は千駄木駅より徒歩5分 (2) 東京メトロ南北線東大前駅（1番出口）より徒歩5分	https://www.city.bunkyo.lg.jp/b014/p003947.html
Tokyo 東京	4/2 ~ 4/7	Tokyo 東京都	Minato-ku 港区	Zojo-ji Temple 増上寺	Gyoki Daie 御忌大会（ぎよきだいえ）	Summary: Buddhist Devotionals in commemoration of Priest Honen's death. Honen Shonin (1133-1212) is a Japanese Buddhist monk, the founder of the Jodo Sect of Japanese Buddhism. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 12:00- <i>Bugaku</i> (ancient court dance with music) ●4/5, 6 & 7 13:30- <i>Oneri-Gyoretsu</i> (procession including children in fancy attire)	(1) Toei Mita Subway Line to Onarimon Sta. (I06) or Shibakoen Sta. (I05), and then walk 3 min. (2) Toei Asakusa or Oedo Subway Line to Daimon Sta. (A09, E20), and then walk 5 min.	(1) 都営地下鉄三田線御成門駅又は芝公園駅より徒歩3分 (2) 都営地下鉄浅草線又は大江戸線大門駅より徒歩5分	https://www.zojoji.or.jp/event/event_gyokidaie.html

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Tokyo 東京	4/5	Tokyo 東京都	Chuo-ku 中央区	Tsukiji Hongan-ji Temple 築地本願寺	Hana Matsuri はなまつり	Summary: Floral Festival to celebrate the Buddha's Birthday. <i>Chigo-Gyoretsu</i> is the highlight. Many food stalls are set up. Schedule & Key events: 10:00-16:00 Food booths and other stalls are set up 11:00- <i>Chigo-Gyoretsu</i> 14:30-15:00 <i>Taiko</i> performance	Tokyo Metro Hibiya Line to Tsukiji Sta. (H11)(Exit 1), and then walk 1 min.	東京メトロ日比谷線築地駅下車 (1番出口)より徒歩 1 分	https://tsukijiho-ngwanji.jp/news/9857/
Tokyo 東京	4/5 ~ 4/6	Tokyo 東京都	Ota-ku 大田区	Ikegami Honmon-ji Temple and others 池上本門寺ほか	Haru Matsuri 春まつり	Summary: Spring Festival which consists of two festivals, Goju-no-to Festival - five story pagoda is open to the public, and Floral Festival to celebrate the Buddha's Birthday. " <i>Hana-no-sei</i> ", a parade of children pulling a papier-mache white elephant, is the highlight. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 10:00-15:00 Five story pagoda is open <i>Nodate</i> in front of Oodo ●4/6 13:00-13:40 " <i>Hana-no-sei</i> " leaves Roushi Kaikan for the temple 14:00-15:00 Rites pray at main hall 15:00-16:00 <i>Hana-matsuri</i> concert	(1) Tokyu Ikegami Line to Ikegami Sta., and then walk 10 min. (2) Toei Asakusa Subway Line to Nishi-Magome Sta. (A01)(South Exit), and then walk 12 min.	(1) 東急池上線池上駅より徒歩10分 (2) 都営地下鉄浅草線西馬込駅(南口)より徒歩12分	https://honmonji.jp/news/schedule.html
Tokyo 東京	4/5 ~ 4/30	Tokyo 東京都	Koto-ku 江東区	Kameido Tenjin Shrine 亀戸天神社	Fuji Matsuri 藤まつり	Summary: <i>Fuji</i> (wisteria) Flower Festival. There are over 50 wisteria roots in the precincts of the shrine, and they are usually in full bloom in this season. Several events are held during the festival period. Schedule & Key events: ●4/5, 6 & 28 daytime Monkey show ●4/12 10:00-15:00 <i>Edo-hayashi</i> (festival music) performance ●4/13 9:00-16:00 <i>Tatekawa-hayashi</i> (festival music) performance ●4/19 15:00-16:00 <i>Miko-mai</i> (Japanese dance by shrine maiden) ●4/20 9:00-16:00 <i>Tenjin-hayashi</i> (festival music) performance 10:00-15:00 <i>Cha-kai</i> (tea ceremony) ●4/26 15:00-16:00 <i>Kappore</i> (traditional Japanese comic dance) ●4/27 9:00-16:00 <i>Cha-kai</i> (tea ceremony) 12:00-13:00 <i>Tsugaru-shamisen</i> (banjo-like instrument) performance 13:30-15:00 <i>Taiko</i> performance by children ●4/29 11:00-12:30 <i>Koto</i> (Japanese harp) performance 14:00-15:00 <i>Miko-no-mai</i> (Japanese dance by shrine maiden)	(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.	(1) JR総武線亀戸駅 (北口) より徒歩15分 (2) JR総武線又は東京メトロ半蔵門線錦糸町駅 (北口)より徒歩15分	http://kameidotenjin.or.jp/

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Tokyo 東京	4/6	Tokyo 東京都	Bunkyo-ku 文京区	Gokoku-ji Temple 護国寺	Hana Matsuri 花まつり	Summary: Floral Festival to celebrate the Buddha's Birthday. <i>Chigo-Gyoretsu</i> is the highlight. Schedule & Key events: 14:00- <i>Chigo-Gyoretsu</i>	Tokyo Metro Yurakucho Line to Gokokuji Sta. (Y11), and then walk 1 min.	東京メトロ有楽町線護国寺駅より徒歩1分	https://www.gokokuji.or.jp/event
Tokyo 東京	4/6	Tokyo 東京都	Toshima-ku 豊島区	Kogan-ji Temple (Togenuki Jizoson) 高岩寺 (とげぬき地蔵尊)	Hana Matsuri 花まつり	Summary: Floral Festival to celebrate the Buddha's Birthday. <i>Chigo-Gyoretsu</i> is the highlight. Schedule & Key events: 13:00- <i>Chigo-Gyoretsu</i>	(1) JR Yamanote Line to Sugamo Sta.(Front Exit or North Exit), and then walk 5 min. (2) Toei Mita Subway Line to Sugamo Sta. (I15)(Exit A3), and then walk 5 min.	(1) JR山手線巣鴨駅（正面口又は北口）より徒歩5分 (2) 都営地下鉄三田線巣鴨駅(A3出口)より徒歩5分	https://togenuki.jp/hanamatsuri2025.html
Tokyo 東京	4/8	Tokyo 東京都	Taito-ku 台東区	Senso-ji Temple 浅草寺	Hana Matsuri 花まつり	Summary: Floral Festival to celebrate the Buddha's Birthday. Parade of local children pulling a papier-mache white elephant, is the highlight. Schedule & Key events: daytime Parade of local children	Tokyo Metro Ginza Line or Toei Asakusa Subway Line to Asakusa Sta. (G19, A18), and then walk 5 min.	東京メトロ銀座線又は都営地下鉄浅草線浅草駅より徒歩5分	https://www.senso-ji.jp/annual_event/09.html
Tokyo 東京	4/13	Tokyo 東京都	Taito-ku 台東区	Senso-ji Temple 浅草寺	Shirasagi-no-mai 白鷺の舞	Summary: <i>Shirasagi</i> (white heron) Dance with a history of over 1,000 years is performed twice a day. Various characters in traditional attire including dancers parade from Denboin Temple via Nakamise street to the Main Hall, and <i>Shirasagi-no-mai</i> is performed with Japanese musical instrumets on the ground of the temple. Schedule & Key events: 11:00- & 14:00- Parade starts from Denboin Temple 11:30- & 14:40- <i>Shirasagi</i> Dance is performed	Tokyo Metro Ginza Line or Toei Asakusa Subway Line to Asakusa Sta. (G19, A18), and then walk 5 min.	東京メトロ銀座線又は都営地下鉄浅草線浅草駅より徒歩5分	https://e-asakusa.jp/culture-experience/103797

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Tokyo 東京	4/14	Tokyo 東京都	Chiyoda-ku 千代田区	Yasukuni-jinja Shrine 靖国神社	Hono Ozumo 奉納大相撲	Summary: Hono Ozumo featuring <i>Sumo</i> matches dedicated by <i>Rikishi</i> (<i>Sumo</i> wrestlers). This event is open to the first 6,000 people. Admission is free. Schedule & Key events: 9:00- Ritual starts 13:30- Ring-entering ceremony of <i>Sumo</i> by <i>Yokozuna</i> (grand champions)	Tokyo Metro Tozai, Hanzomon Line or Toei Shinjuku Subway Line to Kudanshita Sta. (T07, Z06, S05)(Exit 1), and then walk 5 min.	東京メトロ東西線、半蔵門線又は都営地下鉄新宿線九段下駅 (1番出口) より徒歩5分	https://www.yasukuni.or.jp/news_detail.html?id=602
Tokyo 東京	4/19	Tokyo 東京都	Taito-ku 台東区	Sumida Park 隅田公園	Asakusa Yabusame 浅草流鏑馬	Summary: <i>Kusajishi</i> (Japanese archery, targeting on a fake deer) and <i>Yabusame</i> are held in the park. Please be reminded that space for <i>Yabusame</i> is limited. Advance tickets for <i>Yabusame</i> (3,000 JPY) are sold at Asakusa Culture Tourist Information Center and others. If it heavily rains, events will be canceled. Schedule & Key events: 11:45-12:45 <i>Kusajishi</i> 13:00-14:30 <i>Yabusame</i>	Tokyo Metro Ginza Line or Toei Asakusa Subway Line to Asakusa Sta. (G19, A18), and then walk 5 min.	東京メトロ銀座線又は都営地下鉄浅草線浅草駅より徒歩5分	https://www.city.taito.lg.jp/bunka_kanko/other/yabusame41.html
Tokyo 東京	4/20	Tokyo 東京都	Hachioji 八王子市	Takaosan Yakuo-in Temple, Jyuichi-chome Jaya and others 高尾山薬王院、十一丁目茶屋ほか	Takaosan Shunki Taisai 高尾山春季大祭	Summary: Annual Spring Festival of Mt. Takao featuring a <i>Chigo-Gyoretsu</i> , <i>Yamabushi</i> (mountain priests in their traditional attire) and a corps of fife and drum. Schedule & Key events: 11:00-12:30 Procession starts from Jyuichi-chome Jaya (tea house) to the temple	Takaosan Yakuo-in Temple : Keio Line to Takaosan-guchi Sta., and then walk 3 min. to Kiyotaki Sta. From there, take cable car to Takaosan Sta. (6 min.), and then walk 20 min.	高尾山薬王院 : 京王線高尾山口駅より徒歩3分の清滝駅よりケーブルカーで6分高尾山駅下車、徒歩20分	https://www.takaosan.or.jp/
Tokyo 東京	4/20	Tokyo 東京都	Shinagawa-ku 品川区	Shinagawa-jinja Shrine 品川神社	Daidai Kagura 太々神楽	Summary: Annual Spring Festival. <i>Daidai Kagura</i> (sacred <i>Shinto</i> music and dance) to pray for a good harvest and a good health of the year is presented in the main hall of the shrine. Schedule & Key events: 14:00-	Keikyu Line to Shin-Bamba Sta. (North Exit), and then walk 1 min.	京急線新馬場駅 (北口) より徒歩1分	https://shinagawajinja.tokyo/

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Tokyo 東京	4/21	Tokyo 東京都	Ota-ku 大田区	Tenso-jinja Shrine 天祖神社	Negi-no-mai 禰宜の舞	Summary: Masked priests perform sacred dances to the tune of drum music for driving away the bad luck and wishing a good harvest of the year. Schedule & Key events: 15:00-	Tokyu Ikegami Line to Ontakesan Sta., and then walk 5 min.	東急池上線御嶽山駅より徒歩 5 分	https://www.city.ota.tokyo.jp/kuseijoho/gyouji/nrginomai.html
Tokyo 東京	4/21 ~ 4/23	Tokyo 東京都	Chiyoda-ku 千代田区	Yasukuni-jinja Shrine 靖国神社	Yasukuni-jinja Shunki Reitaisai 靖国神社春季例大祭	Summary: Annual Spring Festival. Many traditional dance and martial arts performances are scheduled during the festival period. Schedule & Key events: Traditional performances	Tokyo Metro Tozai, Hanzomon Line or Toei Shinjuku Subway Line to Kudanshita Sta. (T07, Z06, S05)(Exit 1), and then walk 5 min.	東京メトロ東西線、半蔵門線又は都営地下鉄新宿線九段下駅（1番出口）より徒歩5分	https://www.yasukuni.or.jp/
Tokyo 東京	4/29	Tokyo 東京都	Meguro-ku 目黒区	Yuten-ji Temple 祐天寺	Boka Bosai fair 防火防災フェア	Summary: Fair to think about fire and disaster prevention for our daily safe life. It also used to be a day for memorial sevice for fire fighters who died on duty. Schedule & Key events: 12:00-12:30 Demonstration of acrobatics after the ceremony	Tokyu Toyoko Line to Yutenji Sta., and then walk 8 min.	東急東横線祐天寺駅より徒歩8分	http://www.yutenji.or.jp/info/
Tokyo 東京	4/29 ~ 5/3	Tokyo 東京都	Shibuya-ku 渋谷区	Meiji-jingu Shrine 明治神宮	Meiji-jingu Haru-no Taisai 明治神宮春の大祭	Summary: Annual Spring Festival of the shrine. Many Japanese performing arts are performed during the festival period. Schedule & Key events: ●4/29 11:00- <i>Bugaku</i> (ancient court dance with music)	(1) JR Yamanote Line to Harajuku Sta., and then walk 1 min. (2) Tokyo Metro Chiyoda or Fukutoshin Line to Meiji-Jingumae Sta. (C03, F15), and then walk 1 min.	(1) JR山手線原宿駅より徒歩1分 (2) 東京メトロ千代田線又は副都心線明治神宮前駅より徒歩1分	https://www.meijijingu.or.jp/

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Kanto 関東	3/28 ~ 4/6	Kanagawa 神奈川県	Yokohama 横浜市	Sankei-en 三溪園	Sakura Light Up 桜ライトアップ	Summary: Cherry Blossom Festival. This Japanese-style landscape garden has about 250 cherry trees. You can enjoy viewing of cherry blossoms even in the evening. Admission to the garden is 900JPY. Please enter by 20:30. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 18:00-21:00 Flowers are lit up ●4/5 & 4/6 10:00-15:30 Monkey Show	(1) JR Keihin Tohoku, Tokaido Line or Tokyu Toyoko Line to Yokohama Sta. From there, take bus to Sankeien-Iriguchi (the entrance of Sankeien) Bus Stop (40 min.), and then walk 5 min. (2) JR Keihin Tohoku or Negishi Line to Negishi Sta. From there, take bus to Honmoku Bus Stop (10 min.), and then walk 10 min.	(1) JR京浜東北線、東海道線又は東急東横線横浜駅よりバスで40分三溪園入口下車、徒歩5分 (2) JR京浜東北線又は根岸線根岸駅よりバスで10分本牧下車、徒歩10分	https://www.sankeien.or.jp/event/8561/
Kanto 関東	4/5 ~ 4/6	Kanagawa 神奈川県	Kawasaki 川崎市	Kanayama-jinja Shrine (Wakamiya Hachiman-gu Shrine) 金山神社 (若宮八幡宮)	Kanamara Matsuri かなまら祭	Summary: Fertility Festival.The shrine is noted for its <i>Menkake Gyoretsu</i> , a parade of carrying the sacred palanquins containing symbols of phallic gods. Schedule & Key events: ●4/6 11:30-14:00 <i>Menkake Gyoretsu</i>	Keikyu Daishi Line to Kawasaki Daishi Sta. (South Exit), and then walk 5 min.	京急大師線川崎大師駅 (南口)より徒歩5分	https://x.com/kanayamajinja
Kanto 関東	4/13 ~ 4/17	Tochigi 栃木県	Nikko 日光市	Futarasan-jinja Shrine and others 二荒山神社ほか	Yayoi Sai 弥生祭	Summary: The festival is with over a 1,200-year history. Parade of <i>Hanayatai</i> (11 house-shaped floats, colorfully embellished with artificial cherry blossoms and paper lanterns) is the highlight. Schedule & Key events: ●4/16 14:00-14:30-15:30 <i>Hanayatai</i> are gathered in front of Old Nikko city office memorial park 14:30-15:30 Parade of <i>Hanayatai</i> ●4/17 10:30- <i>Hanayatai</i> are gathered at Futarasan-jinja Shrine	JR Nikko Line to Nikko Sta. or Tobu Nikko Line to Tobu-Nikko Sta. From there, take bus to Nishi-Sando Iriguchi (the entrance of Nishi-Sando) Bus Stop (10 min.), and then walk 7 min.	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分西参道入口下車、徒歩7分	http://www.futarasan.jp/yayoi/

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Kanto 関東	4/13 ~ 4/20	Kanagawa 神奈川県	Kamakura 鎌倉市	Tsurugaoka Hachiman-gu Shrine, Kotoku-in Temple and others 鶴岡八幡宮、高德院ほか	Kamakura Matsuri 鎌倉まつり	Summary: Spring Festival to cerebrate the beginning of sightseeing season in Kamakura since 1959. Schedule & Key events: ●4/13 10:00- Parade of <i>Mikoshi</i> , float and people in traditional attire on Wakamiya-oji Street 15:30- <i>Shizuka-no-mai</i> (Japanese dance) on the Mai-den stage of the shrine ●4/19 10:00-15:00 <i>Nodate</i> in the precincts of the shrine ●4/20 10:00-15:00 <i>Nodate</i> in the precincts of the temple 13:00- <i>Yabusame</i> in the precincts of the shrine	Tsurugaoka Hachiman-gu Shrine: JR Yokosuka Line or Enoshima Dentestu (Enoden) Line to Kamakura Sta., and then walk 10 min. Kotoku-in Temple: Enoshima Dentestu (Enoden) Line to Hase Sta., and then walk 7 min.	鶴岡八幡宮： JR横須賀線で鎌倉駅又は江ノ島電鉄線（江ノ電）で鎌倉駅より徒歩10分 高德院： 江ノ島電鉄（江ノ電）長谷駅より徒歩7分	https://www.trip-kamakura.com/site/kamakura-matsuri/
Kanto 関東	4/19 ~ 4/20	Chiba 千葉県	Narita 成田市	Naritasan Shinsho-ji Temple, Omotesando Street 成田山新勝寺、表参道	Narita Taiko Matsuri 成田太鼓祭	Summary: Traditional Japanese <i>Taiko</i> Festival. "<i>Sengan Hana-Daiko</i>" , drum beating taken part in by hundreds of performers, and "<i>Naritasan Sennen Yobutai</i>" , a millennium night stage show of drum-beating under torchlights in the compound of the temple, are the highlights. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 9:30-10:30 "<i>Sengan Hana-Daiko</i> " ●4/19 10:30-19:00 Drum beating performances on stages along Omotesando Street and around Shinsho-ji Temple 17:00- "<i>Naritasan Sennen Yobutai</i>" ●4/20 10:30-17:00 Drum beating performances on stages along Omotesando Street and around Shinsho-ji Temple 15:00- Parade of drum-beating on Omotesando Street	Naritasan Shinsho-ji Temple : (1) JR Sobu Honsen Line Rapid Train (for Narita Airport) to Narita Sta. (East Exit), and then walk 10 min. (2) Keisei Line to Keisei-Narita Sta. (Central Exit), and then walk 10 min.	成田山新勝寺： (1) JR総武本線快速（成田空港行）で成田駅（東口）下車、徒歩10分 (2) 京成線京成成田駅（中央口）より徒歩10分	http://nrtm.jp/

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Kanto 関東	4/29 ~ 5/5	Ibaraki 茨城県	Kasama 笠間市	Kasama Geijutsu-no-mori Park 笠間芸術の森公園	Kasama-no-Himatsuri 笠間の陶炎祭 (ひまつり)	Summary: Pottery Fair. Over 200 stalls are set up in the park. Entry fee is 500JPY. ※Special bus services between the Mashiko Toki Ichi venue and the Kasama-no-Himatsuri venue on 4/29, 5/3-5/5 will be operated. (500JPY) Schedule & Key events: ●daily 9:00-17:00	(1) JR Mito Line to Kasama Sta., and then walk 20 min. or take tour bus to Togeij Bijyutsukan・Kogei-no-Oka (Ibaraki Ceramic Art Museum・Crafthills Kasama) Bus Stop (15 min.) (2) JR Joban Line to Tomobe Sta. (North Exit) From there, take tour bus to Togeij Bijyutsukan・Kogei-no-Oka (Ibaraki Ceramic Art Museum・Crafthills Kasama) Bus Stop (12 min.)	(1) JR水戸線笠間駅より徒歩20分 又は周遊バスで15分陶芸美術館・工芸の丘下車 (2) JR常磐線友部駅(北口)より周遊バスで12分陶芸美術館・工芸の丘下車	https://www.himatsuri.net/
Kanto 関東	4/29 ~ 5/6	Tochigi 栃木県	Mashiko-machi 益子町	Mashiko-machi 益子町	Mashiko Toki Ichi 益子陶器市	Summary: Pottery Fair. Besides 50 shops, around 600 stalls are set up in the town. ※Special bus services between the Mashiko Toki Ichi venue and the Kasama-no-Himatsuri venue on 4/29, 5/3-5/5 will be operated. (500JPY) Schedule & Key events: ●4/29-5/5 9:00-17:00 ●5/6 9:00-16:00	(1) JR Tohoku Shinkansen Line to Oyama Sta., and then change to JR Mito Line to Shimodate Sta. From there, take Moka Tetsudo Line to Mashiko Sta. (2) JR Tohoku Shinkansen Line to Utsunomiya Sta. (West Exit) From No.14 Bus Stop, take bus (for Mashiko Sta.) to Mashiko Sta.(1 hour 10 min.)	(1) JR東北新幹線小山駅よりJR水戸線で下館駅にて真岡鐵道線に乗り換え益子駅下車 (2) JR東北新幹線宇都宮駅下車(西口)、14番バス乗り場よりバス益子駅行で1時間10分益子駅下車	https://toukiichi.mashiko-db.net/
Kanto 関東	Late Mar. ~ Early Apr.	Kanagawa 神奈川県	Odawara 小田原市	Odawara Joshi Park and others 小田原城址公園ほか	Odawara Sakura Matsuri 小田原桜まつり	Summary: Cherry Blossom Festival. You can enjoy viewing of cherry blossoms at many spots in the city, such as Odawara Joshi Park. Schedule & Key events: ●daily 18:00-21:00 Flowers are lit up in Odawara Joshi Park ●4/6 13:00-14:30 <i>Chigo-Gyoretsu</i>	Joshi Park : JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line or Odakyu Odawara Line to Odawara Sta. (East Exit), and then walk 10 min.	城址公園 : JR東海道新幹線又は小田急小田原線小田原駅(東口)より徒歩10分	https://www.odawara-kankou.com/sakura/