

# Odakyu Topics

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## Recommended Spots Along the **Railway Line**

Kamakura in the autumn allows you to enjoy the beautifully colored leaves at various Buddhist and Shinto holy spots.  
On Mt. Oyama, which is easily accessible from Tokyo (Shinjuku),  
you can enjoy the majestic scenery of the beautiful fall leaves.

### Hase-dera Temple

長谷寺

From late November through early December, this temple will be the only temple in Kamakura with a night illumination. The maples in the temple grounds will be lit up, creating a mystical atmosphere.

**Access** 

5-minute walk from Hase Station



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### Mt. Oyama

大山

It has long been believed that gods dwell in this mountain. The Oyama Afuri-jinja Shrine Shimosha, with its elevation of roughly 700 meters, grants an amazing view of the vermillion-painted scenery of autumn.

#### Access

Isehara Station north exit

↓  bus 30minutes +  
↓  walk 15minutes

Oyama Cable Station

↓  Oyama Cable Car 2 minutes

Oyama-dera Station

↓  walk for about 3 minutes  
Oyama-dera Temple



### Kaizoji Temple

海蔵寺

This is said to be the first place in Kamakura where the leaves change color. Especially wonderful are the colored maples near the bell tower, as well as those that form a tunnel on the way into the temple.

**Access** 

20-minute walk from Kamakura Station



# Recommended Spots in the **Hakone Area**

Hakone is a popular tourist destination easily accessible from Tokyo, and is filled with nature and beautiful spots where you can enjoy the autumn leaves. Come and enjoy the amazing scenery of autumn in any of a variety of Buddhist temples, parks, hot springs, and more!



## Onshi-Hakone Park

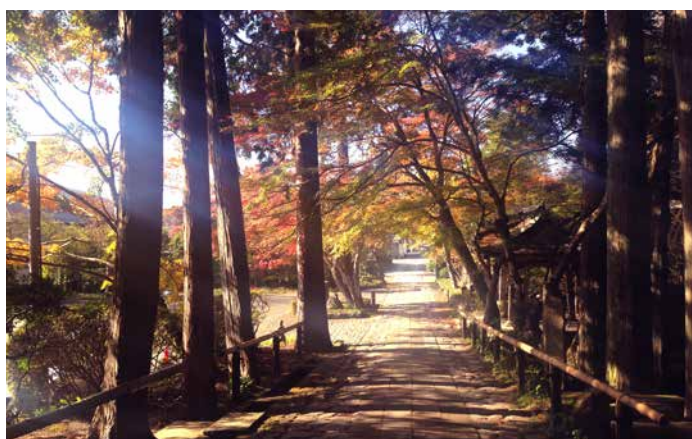
恩賜箱根公園

Look out over Lake Ashi, as it is surrounded by red- and gold-tinted autumn majesty. The park itself also has trees that will take on a variety of colors. Take the walking path to enjoy the beautiful scenery as you stroll about.



### Access

Right in front of Onshi-koen-mae Bus Stop, after traveling about 40 minutes via the Hakone Tozan Bus from Hakone-Yumoto Station



## Choanji Temple

長安寺

This temple houses deeply expressive stone statues of the "500 Arhats" (disciples of the Buddha). The temple grounds are also home to a variety of trees including azalea, zelkova, and beech, and all adopt a beautiful color in the fall.



### Access

About 30 minutes from Hakone-Yumoto Station via Hakone Tozan Bus bound for Togendai to "Sengoku" and then 1-minute walk to the Temple



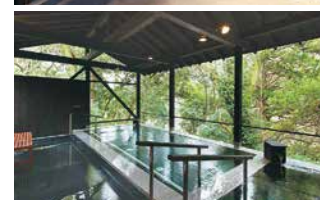
## Hakone Yuryo

箱根湯寮

This is a daytrip hot spring facility in the style of an old Japanese house. From the outdoor bathing facilities, you can enjoy a magnificent view of the autumn scenery!

### Access

About 3 minutes by free shuttle bus from Hakone-Yumoto Station



## NEWS

### Mt. Oyama Illumination for Nighttime Viewing of the Autumn Leaves

At Oyama, there will be an evening illumination—perfect for enjoying the colored leaves of autumn. The combination of sheer red leaves and nighttime scenery is sure to be unforgettable! During this period the cable car will be offering nighttime service, so you can enjoy the scenery from the window as well.



**Dates:** Mid- to late November

**Time:** Sunset to 7:00 pm (weekdays), sunset to 8:00 pm (Saturdays, Sundays, and public holidays)

**Venue:** Oyama-dera Temple, Oyama Afuri-jinja Shrine Shimosha **Price:** Free

\*The content of the events may change.

## Column

### What Does "Koyo" Mean?

As you all know, when autumn comes to an end the leaves fall off the trees. When the color of these leaves changes from green to yellow or red, Japanese call that phenomenon "koyo." "Koyo" also refers to the color-changed leaves themselves. Sometimes the leaves change color but do not fall from their branches. The maple (which, depending on the variety, changes yellow or red) and the ginkgo (which leaves change to a beautiful yellow) are archetypal examples.



# How to have even more fun in the **Hakone/Kamakura** area during autumn season!

Why not go for a relaxing bike ride in Hakone or Kamakura?

You can also get around town on a uniquely Japanese rickshaw! And let's not forget that fall is the perfect time to visit Sengokuhara Pampas Grass Fields.



**Enoshima**

## Rent-a-Cycle Shonan / Enoshima Island [Shonan Local Wave]

レンタサイクル湘南・江ノ島（湘南ローカルウェーブ）

Get on a high-capability bicycle and enjoy a ride around the Shonan shoreline with the cool ocean breeze brushing against you. Other services include barbecue set rental and temporary baggage deposit.

**Access** 人

3-minute walk from  
Katase-Enoshima Station



**Hakone**

## Ashinoko Camp Mura Rent-a-Cycle

芦ノ湖キャンプ村 レンタサイクル

Why not use an environmentally friendly rent-a-cycle to get around the sites of Hakone? Electric bicycles are also available, making sure that hills are no problem and allowing even those who are not sure about their physical fitness to cycle with ease.



**Access** 人

About 45 minutes from Hakone-Yumoto Station via Hakone Tozan Bus bound for Togendai to "Togendai" and then 10-minute walk to the site



**Access** 人

10-minute walk from Kamakura Station etc.

**Kamakura**

## Ebisuya (Kamakura Branch)

えびす屋 鎌倉店

A person pulls the carriage and shows you around Kamakura's famous sites. Stops are at places like Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine, Hase-dera Temple, Kamakura Station West Exit, etc. From higher up off the ground than when traveling on foot, everything looks just a little bit different. About 12 minutes between each stop.



**Hakone**

## Sengokuhara Pampas Grass Fields

仙石原のすすき草原

A field of Japanese pampas grass covering 180,000 square meters. The golden ears of Japanese pampas grass glimmering in the sun's rays and waving in the wind are a vision of seasonal beauty. A walking path extends 500 meters through the area.

**Access** 人

Right in front of SengokuKogen Bus Stop, after traveling about 30 minutes via the Hakone Tozan Bus from Hakone-Yumoto Station

# Taste Matcha and Japanese Sweets

*Matcha* is a type of Japanese green tea that is ground into powder and then hot water is added.

Fall is the season when new, fresh matcha rolls around. Matcha has a frothy, bubbly texture and a very thick fragrance: why not try it with some delicious wagashi (traditional Japanese confectionery)?



**Hakone**

## NARAYA CAFE

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Taste cakes and other snacks as you enjoy a footbath. The "Narayan Set" consists of powdered green tea and a monaka (wafer cake filled with bean jam)—delicious!

**Access**

Right by Miyanoshita Station (Hakone Tozan Railway)

**Hakone**

## Cha no Chimoto

茶のちもと

This Japanese-style café is directly operated out of the wagashi store Chimoto's Eki-mae-dori branch. The "Chimoto no Okashi Set" allows you to pick from five varieties of delicious confectioneries (the one in the photo is warabi-mochi, or bracken-starch dumpling).



**Access** 人

5-minute walk from  
Hakone-Yumoto Station

**Kamakura**

## Sorahana Teahouse

茶房空花

This well-hidden café serves carefully prepared Japanese cuisine as well as cakes and the like. Enjoy your meal with a cup of excellent Rishouen-brand powdered green tea from Kyoto.

**Access** 人

2-minute walk from  
Wadazuka Station



# Hiking in the Hakone Area

Mt. Hakone and other nature-rich sites dotted around Hakone are perfect for hiking!  
Many of the courses only take around an hour to walk, so it's not difficult. Enjoy the scenery as you stroll about.

Hakone

## Hakone Geopark: Hakone-Yumoto Roaming Course

箱根ジオパーク 箱根湯本散策コース

This course allows you to learn about the geology and history of the Yumoto area by touring Buddhist and Shinto holy spots, geosites, and so on. The required time is 2-3 hours.



Access 人

5-minute walk from Hakone-Yumoto Station to Hakone Town History Museum



Access 人

20-minute walk from Hakone Tozan Railway Miyanoshita Station to the entrance of the promenade

Hakone

## Dogashima Valley Promenade

堂ヶ島渓谷遊歩道

This 1.5-kilometer hiking course connects Miyanoshita to Dogashima Onsen hot spring and takes about an hour on foot. The colored leaves are at their prettiest in mid- to late November.



Hakone

## Lakeside Promenade

湖畔プロムナード

A walkway that stretches some three kilometers and allows you to soak in the scenery of Lake Ashi, the Lakeside Promenade connects Hakone-en Park with Hakone Kojiri Terminal, where excursion boats come and go. The walk takes around one hour.



Access 人

About 41 minutes from Hakone-Yumoto Station via Hakone Tozan Bus bound for Togendai to "Togendai" and then 5-minute walk to the entrance of the promenade

## Railway Event Schedule

Sep → May

\*The date and content of the events may change.



Sep 13 → Oct 31

### Puro Halloween Party

Place: Sanrio Puroland

There will be a variety of shows and other attractions with a Halloween theme. Go and see all your favorite characters in spook-tacular costumes!

Access 人

5-minute walk from Odakyu Tama-Center Station



Oct 24 → May 6

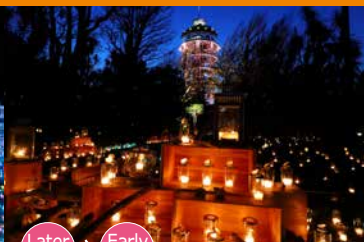
### Yomiuriland Jewellumination. ~Jewelry Olympus~

Place: Yomiuriland

A popular amusement park on the outskirts of Tokyo. LED lamps in various colors will light up the park like beautiful gems. Special limited-edition food and merch will also be available!

Access 人

Right in front of Yomiuriland Bus Stop, after traveling about 10 minutes via the Odakyu Bus from Yomiuriland-mae Station



Later Oct → Early Nov

### Eno-Fes Shonan Candle

Place: Enoshima Samuel Cocking Garden etc.

The Enoshima Festival 2019, which will light up the area along the Enoshima Electric Railway (Enoden) line for over two months, will be closed out with the fabulous event. Around Enoshima Samuel Cocking Garden will be brought to life with the lighting of some 8,000 candles.

Access 人

15-minute walk from Katase-Enoshima Station etc.



Nov 3

### Hakone Daimyo Gyoretsu Parade

Place: Yumoto Elementary School → Kyukaido → Hakone-Yumoto Station → Yumoto Fujiya Hotel

This event is a recreation of a rite performed in Japan's early modern period. A parade of people wearing Edo-style samurai costumes, etc., this parade is truly a massive event with a large number of people thronging to enjoy it.

Access 人

15-minute walk from Hakone-Yumoto Station to Yumoto Elementary School

## Hakone Freepass

Valid Period/2 days or 3 days

This is the pass to get maximum enjoyment in the Hakone area. It comes with a return ticket from Shinjuku to Odawara, and provides unlimited access to 8 rides in the Hakone area such as the Hakone Ropeway and the Hakone Pirate Ship!



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## Hakone Kamakura Pass

Valid Period/3 days

Unlimited access to Hakone, Enoshima and Kamakura with this one ticket!

- ① Unlimited use of Odakyu trains on the entire Odakyu network, including the Odakyu Odawara Line, Odakyu Enoshima Line and Odakyu Tama Line.
- ② Hakone Area: 8 Rides in the Hakone area (the same as the Hakone Freepass)
- ③ Unlimited use of Enoden trains between Fujisawa and Kamakura.



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