

Odakyu Topics

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Hakone/Others



Recommended Spots in the **Hakone Area**

Conveniently accessible from Tokyo, Hakone, with all its wonderful attractions, is a very popular tourist destination. In the winter, a romantic atmosphere settles over the land, with mystical illuminations decorating the landscape everywhere to be found.

Event dates
November 29, 2019 -
January 5, 2020
Illumination times
4:45 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



高橋匡太 《Glow with Night Garden Project in Hakone》 Photo: Mito Murakami



高橋匡太 《Glow with Night Garden Project in Hakone》 ガブリエル・ロアール 《幸せをよぶシンフォニー彫刻》 Photo: Mito Murakami

The Hakone Open-Air Museum

彫刻の森美術館

This open-air art museum boasts a lineup of sculptures by great world masters. In the evening the sculptures are lit up, creating a different atmosphere to the daytime. Visitors are invited to walk around the exhibits carrying lamps that change color in response to the sculptures and scenery.

Access

2-minute walk from Chokokuno-mori Station



Column

What Is "Toshi-koshi Soba"?

At the end of the year, on December 31, Japanese have a tradition of eating soba, or buckwheat noodles. These are called "toshi-koshi soba." The noodles are thin and long, so when we eat them we pray for long life.



Event dates
Check the official website
Illumination times
Check the official website



Hakone Pirate Ship

箱根海賊船

Take a trip over Lake Ashi in a luxurious and regal sightseeing boat. There are 3 boats: Victory, Royal II, and the new boat QUEEN ASHINOKO. Several of the boats will be anchored in the Hakonemachi-ko Port area and will have a Christmas illumination.

Access

About 40 minutes from Hakone-Yumoto Station by Hakone Tozan Bus (bound for Hakonemachi-ko). Get off at the last stop and it's right as you get off the bus.

Event dates
November 1, 2019 -
January 6, 2020
Illumination times
3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



The Little Prince Museum in Hakone

星の王子さまミュージアム 箱根サン=テグジュペリ

This museum represents the world of "The Little Prince." The park, which is modeled on the France of the early 20th century, in which Saint-Exupéry lived, will be enlivened by a beautiful illumination and a 7-meter Christmas tree.

Access

About 30 minutes from Hakone-Yumoto Station by Hakone Tozan Bus (bound for Togendai). Get off at "Kawamukai/Hoshi-no-ojisama Museum" and it's right as you get off the bus.

Recommended Spots in the Other Areas



Gotemba Kogen Resort Tokinosumika

御殿場高原時之栖

A highland resort on Fuji's eastern flank. With easy access to both Mt. Fuji and Hakone, it's the perfect base of operations for your trip. An illumination inspired by the vastness of space covers the whole resort!



Event dates
October 26, 2019-
March 15, 2020
Illumination times
4:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
(depending on the time
of year)

Access

About 25 minutes by free shuttle bus from Gotemba Station
* With the Hakone Freepass or Hakone Kamakura Pass, you can also use the local buses

Theme parks and resorts, both downtown and in the countryside, will be lit up with Christmas color. The illuminations and candles will create a special atmosphere.

Yomiuriland

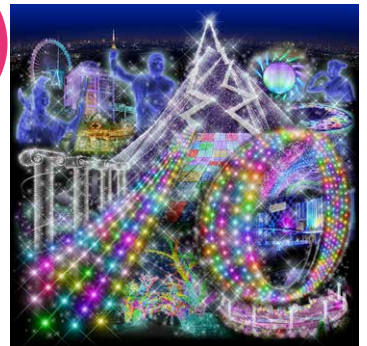
よみうりランド
A popular amusement park on the outskirts of Tokyo.

Using roughly 6.5 million lightbulbs, there will be an illumination inspired by Greek mythology. The fountain show and evening-only attractions are also not to be missed!

Access

About 10 minutes from Yomiuriland-mae Station (on the Odakyu line) by Odakyu Bus (bound for, e.g., Yomiuriland). Get off at "Yomiuriland" and it's right as you get off the bus

Event dates
October 24, 2019-
May 6, 2020
Illumination times
4:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
(depending on the time
of year, check
the official
website)



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Shinjuku Terrace City

新宿テラスシティ

Shinjuku Terrace City, an area with a large number of commercial facilities spreading from the west to south exits of Shinjuku Station, will be lit up by not only a Christmas illumination but also flower decorations. There will also be a flower wreath photo spot.

Access

Right by Shinjuku Station



Event dates
November 13, 2019-
February 16, 2020
Illumination times
5:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.
(varies depending on the
time and venue)

NEWS

Full Reopening of Operations for the Hakone Ropeway!

The Hakone Ropeway, which had halted service due to a raising of the volcanic eruption warning level, has now fully resumed operations along its entire line.

See the following URL for more information!



https://www.hakonenavi.jp/international/en/status_information



Railway Event Schedule

Nov. → Mar.

*The date and content of the events may change.



Nov. 1 → Mid Mar.

La Coppia (The Couple)

Place: Hakone Venetian Glass Museum

This holiday season: two Christmas trees made of about 150,000 pieces of crystal glass! The twilight-time light-up will create a mystical atmosphere.

Access

About 25 minutes from Hakone-Yumoto Station by Hakone Tozan Bus (bound for, e.g., Togen-dai). Get off at "Hyoseki/Hakone-garasunomori-mae" and it's right as you get off the bus



Nov. 8 → Dec. 25

Christmas at Puroland

Place: Sanrio Puroland

Christmas events at the Sanrio indoor theme park. There will be a special show and illumination that you can only experience during the holiday season, and the Sanrio characters' costumes, too, will have a Christmas motif. You can also buy items from the special limited-edition food menu as well as original merch!



Access

5-minute walk from Odakyu Tama-Center Station



Dec. 21-22-24

Komichi no Noel (Christmas Candle Night in Shimokitazawa)

Place: Around Shimokitazawa Station

The small individual stores will set out candles to light up their storefronts. Participating venues will also have various special menus and events planned. Candles are exhibited also in front of the station.

Access

Right by Shimokitazawa Station

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!



<https://www.odakyu.jp/english/passes/hakone/>

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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