

Odakyu Topics

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Hakone/Kamakura/Enoshima/Others

Recommended Spots

in the Hakone Area in Autumn

*Hakone is rich in natural scenery, and the yellow and red leaves in fall are particularly beautiful.
Why not make a trip to Hakone to experience the fall scenery?*



Best Season
Late October to
early November

Owakudani

大涌谷

This valley was formed from the eruption of Mount Hakone roughly 3,000 years ago. Here you can observe the smoke that spews forth from the big rocks. The best way to get to Owakudani is the Hakone Ropeway.



Access

Right in front of Owakudani Station, after traveling about 8 minutes from Sounzan Station via the Hakone Ropeway



Best Season
Mid- to
late November

Hakone Gora Park

箱根強羅公園

The first French-style formal garden in Japan, famous for its flowers. In October you can enjoy the roses and autumn cherry blossoms, and November brings the beautiful autumn colors. The park also offers cultural experiences, so you can make the most of a fun day out here.

Access

1 minute on foot from the Hakone Tozan Railway Koen-Shimo Station



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Best Season
Early to
mid-November

Lake Ashi

芦ノ湖

The autumn leaves in this region are exceptionally beautiful. The view of Mount Fuji as seen from the Ashinoko shore is one of the most famous Hakone sites. You can also enjoy a ride on a Hakone pirate ship!

Access

Right in front of Motohakone-ko or Hakonemachi-ko Bus Stop after traveling about 40 minutes from Hakone-Yumoto Station via the Hakone Tozan Bus, bound for either Hakonemachi-ko or Motohakone-ko

Right in front of Togendai Station via the Hakone Ropeway



Recommended Spots in **Kamakura** and **Other Areas**

Kamakura and Oyama are famous spots for appreciating the beautiful colored leaves of autumn. You can make it a day trip from Tokyo, and enjoy not only the fall colors but also delicious tea and food.



Best Season
Mid- to
late November



Oyama Afuri-jinja Shrine

大山阿夫利神社

Oyama is famous as a place full of mystical energy, and the Oyama Afuri-jinja Shrine Shimosha, with its elevation of roughly 700 meters, allows you to enjoy the beautiful scenery all the more. For about a week in late November, the Shimosha will hold an autumn leaves night illumination.

Access  

(For Oyama Afuri-jinja Shrine Shimosha) Take the cable car for 6 minutes from Oyama Cable Station to Afuri-jinja Station and walk for 3 minutes



Best Season
Late November to
mid-December



Hasedera Temple

長谷寺

Here at the only fall illumination event among the temples and shrines of Kamakura, you can enjoy the colored leaves even after nightfall. In the temple grounds there is also a restaurant.

Access 

5 minutes on foot from Enoden Hase Station

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Best Season
Late November to
mid-December

Ichijo Ekan Mountain Villa

一条恵観山荘

Nobleman's mansion in Kyoto that was built around 370 years ago in the early Edo period and then was taken apart and reconstructed in Kamakura. This is a nationally designated Important Cultural Property. There is a cafe where you can taste Japanese traditional powdered green tea.

Access  

Get the Keihin Kyuko Bus bound for "Kamakura Reien Seimon-mae Tachiarai" (etc.) from Kamakura Station east exit for about 8 minutes and get off at "Jomyoji" bus stop, then walk for 2 minutes

NEWS

Hakone Sweets Collection, Fall 2018

From September 1 to November 11, 33 venues in the Hakone area, such as restaurants and hotels, will be serving confectioneries made from healthy ingredients. These will also be sold on the Odakyu Romancecar (only on trains with on-board sales clerks).



Column

An Ancient Japanese Fall Custom: Momiji-gari (excursions to view autumn leaves)



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Many people around Japan throng to mountains and valleys famous for the beauty of their fall colors. This tradition of viewing autumn leaves dates back more than 1,000 years, and is known as *momiji-gari* ("hunting" for autumn leaves) because Japanese hunt for beautiful leaves is linked to hunting for a wild beast.



How to have even more fun in the Hakone/Kamakura Area during autumn season!

Hakone

Umikazeya Rickshaw

人力車 海風屋

Enjoy a guided tour with a rickshaw driver who knows the best spots in Hakone. Package tours that will take you on a trip to the hot spring district, etc., are available. 20 minutes for two people starting at 4,000 yen.



Access 人
Right outside Hakone-Yumoto Station

If you're planning an excursion to Hakone or Kamakura, why not try getting around town on a uniquely Japanese rickshaw? You also need to check out the beautiful Sengokuhara Pampas Grass Fields during the fall season!

Kamakura

Ebisuya (Kamakura Branch)

えびす屋鎌倉店

Travel around the famous sites of Kamakura on a traditional rickshaw. Stops at Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine, Hasedera Temple, Ni-no-torii, Kamakura Station west exit, Komachi-dori Street, etc. 3,000 yen for one person, 4,000 yen for two, etc. Roughly 12 minutes between two stops.

Access 人
10 minutes on foot from Kamakura Station



Hakone

Sengokuhara Pampas Grass Fields

仙石原のすすき草原

Beneath Daigatake Peak on Mount Hakone lies a vast and beautiful field of Japanese pampas grass. Spread out over 180,000 square meters. The way the golden pampas grass shoots glisten in the sunlight is a must-see! The optimal viewing season is late September to early November.

Access 人
About 30 minutes by Hakone Tozan Bus (T Route) from Hakone-Yumoto Station (get off at "Sengoku Kogen" bus stop)



Kamakura

Hokokuji Temple

報国寺

This temple is home to Kamakura's one of the greatest bamboo forests. You can enjoy the sites of the bamboo grove while tasting delicious Maccha green tea. The temple also has a giant ginkgo tree, with the best time to view being late November to early December.

Access 人
Get the Keihin Kyuko Bus bound for "Kamakura Reien Seimon-mae Tachiarai" (etc.) from Kamakura Station east exit for about 8 minutes and get off at "Jomyoji" bus stop, then walk for 3 minutes



Taste Soba Noodles in Hakone and Kamakura

Soba buckwheat noodles are one of the representative dishes of Japanese cuisine.

There are many popular soba restaurants in Hakone and Kamakura.

Kamakura

Dankazura Kosuzu ●段葛と寿々

Noodles cut and prepared on site, with a smooth flavor and nice, chewy texture. Particularly popular is the eponymous "Kosuzu Soba" (1,080 yen) with the rich aroma of Japanese basil and citrus.

Access 人
6 minutes on foot from Kamakura Station



Hakone

Hatsuhana Soba (Main Branch) ●はつ花そば本店

Estd. 1934. Japanese yam soba noodles, which have Japanese yams as a binding agent, are good for the health. We particularly recommend the "Seiro Soba" (1,200 yen).

Access 人
6 minutes on foot from Hakone-Yumoto Station



Hakone

Hakone Akatsukian (Yumoto Branch) ●箱根暁庵 湯本店

The 1,728-yen Akatsuki Soba Set (which includes soba, tofu, baked miso, buckwheat pound cakes and so on) is especially popular.

Access 人
25 minutes on foot from Hakone-Yumoto Station





Art Sites in the Hakone and Kamakura Areas

*Hakone and Kamakura have no shortage of art and literature museums.
Make the most of your autumn trip by experiencing both nature and culture.*

Hakone Pola Museum of Art

ポーラ美術館

Based on the theme "symbiosis between Hakone's natural beauty and the works of art," this museum has a collection of more than 10,000 items including famous Impressionist works by Monet and Renoir, Japanese paintings, makeup utensils and more!



Access

Last stop (40 minutes) by Hakone Tozan Bus bound for "Pola Bijutsukan" from Hakone-Yumoto Station, and it's just as you get off the bus



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Kamakura Kamakura Museum of Literature

鎌倉文学館

Here you can see the handwritten manuscripts, letters and prized tools used by famous Japanese writers associated with Kamakura, including Soseki Natsume and Yasunari Kawabata.

The museum also includes a beautiful garden with roses in October and autumn leaves in early December.

Access

7 minutes on foot from Enoden Yuigahama Station

Hakone Lalique Museum, Hakone

箱根ラリック美術館

Exhibiting a collection of works by René Lalique, the French maestro of jewelry and glassware, this museum also has facilities such as a cafe, restaurant, and giftshop.

Access

About 30 minutes by Hakone Tozan Bus (T Route) from Hakone-Yumoto Station and get off at "Sengoku Annaijo-mae" bus stop and it's just as you get off the bus



Railway Event Schedule Oct. ~ Nov.

※ The date and content of the events may change.



October 6 and 7 Odawara Oden Festival

Place: Odawara Castle Park, Ninomaru Plaza

A special event for you to enjoy oden, a famous Japanese dish of stewed ingredients. You can also sample unique dishes utilizing ingredients produced in Odawara.

Access

10 minutes on foot from Odawara Station



October 20 Fujisawa Enoshima Fireworks Festival

Place: Katase Beach

Some 3,000 fireworks will light up the night sky this fall, against the beautiful backdrop of Enoshima. In the event of bad weather, the event will be put back to the following night.

Access

2 minutes on foot from Katase-Enoshima Station



November 3 Hakone Daimyo Gyoretsu Parade

Place: Yumoto Elementary School — Kyukaicho

A parade of people wearing Edo-style costumes of samurai, etc. There will be a total of around 450 participants in this massive parade.

Access

(For Yumoto Elementary School) 15 minutes on foot from Hakone-Yumoto Station



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October 22 to November 4 Shonan Candle 2018

Place: Enoshima Samuel Cocking Garden and environs

By lighting of some 8,000 candles, Enoshima will be transformed into a mystical place. Various events are planned for the two-week schedule.

Access

20 minutes on foot from Katase-Enoshima 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!



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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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