Recommended Spots

in the Hakone and Odawara Areas

This is a guide to popular sightseeing spots that are about an hour away from central Tokyo. Hakone is an area rich in nature and offers visitors a fantastic view of flowering plum trees and Kawazu Sakura (some of the area’s earliest-blooming cherry trees) in early spring.

Come and experience the unique scenery seen only during this season!

Hakone Gora Park

箱根強羅公園

This park is a French formal garden famous for its flowers. The first colors of spring appear in February with the blooming wintersweets (a relative of the plum tree), followed by azaleas and cherry trees from late March to late April.

Access

About 1 minute on foot from Koen-shimo Station via the Hakone Tozan Cable Car

Soga Plum Forest

曽我梅林

Featuring some 35,000 white plum trees in bloom, the Odawara Plum Festival begins on February 2 and ends on March 3. On clear days, visitors will be treated to majestic views of Mt. Fuji, Mt. Hakone, and the Tanzawa mountain range.

Access

About 20 minutes on foot from Shimosoga Station, third stop along the JR Gotemba Line from Shin-Matsuda Station (Odakyu Odawara Line)

Odawara Flower Garden

小田原フラワーガーデン

Beginning in mid-January and lasting until early March, the Odawara Flower Garden is home to 480 plum trees belonging to some 200 different varieties. A local plum tree festival and numerous other events are held during this time, considered the prime viewing season.

Access

About 30 minutes by Izu-hakone bus bound for Odawara Flower Garden / Kenritsu Suwanohara Koen from Odawara Station, getting off at Odawara Flower Garden

Matsudayama Herb Garden

松田山ハーブガーデン

This garden is home to some 360 Kawazu Sakura (early-blooming cherry trees) in bloom between mid-February and early March. The Matsuda Sakura Festival (February 9 to March 10) includes night illuminations between 5:00 pm and 9:00 pm.

Access

About 20 minutes on foot from Shin-Matsuda Station
Recommended Spots in Kamakura and Other Areas

Enjoy Kamakura’s recommended flower-viewing destinations easily accessible from central Tokyo. And don’t miss the various sites along the track, including Shimokitazawa, an area filled with various shops and dining establishments!

Zuisen-ji Temple

The flowers found at this temple make it one of the most famous in Kamakura. From early December through early February, visitors will find daffodils and camellias, while February also sees some 150 plum trees in bloom. The temple’s garden, featuring rock art utilizing natural elements, also makes for an enchanting stop.

Access
About 15 minutes on foot from Daitonomiya, last stop (8 minutes) on the Keikyu Bus from Kamakura Station (East Gate)

Gotoku-ji Temple

This temple is said to have been built in 1480. Cited as the birthplace of the maneki-neko (beckoning cat), legend has it that the cat of a priest at the temple led a feudal lord to safety one stormy day. The temple features numerous cat figurines, said to bring good fortunes, for a spectacular sight.

Access
Get off at Shimo-Ki-tazawa Station

Hinamatsuri—Girls’ Day Celebration

Held yearly on March 3, Hinamatsuri—also known as Girls’ Day—is a traditional event held in prayer for the happiness and health of young girls. Throughout the country, families with daughters put out kimono-clad dolls (called Hina dolls) and serve pink, white, and green rhombus-shaped mochi (rice cakes), hina-arare (grilled rice cake), and other treats.

Hakone Sweets Collection 2019

Held in February and March, Hakone Sweets Collection 2019 will bring together more than 30 hotels, museums, and restaurants from throughout Hakone to showcase delicious confections created under the theme “Love Maiden Sweets.” Enjoy various pink and heart-shaped treats. Creations will also be available on the Odakyu Romancecar (only on trains with on-board sales clerks).

Shimokitazawa

The Shimokitazawa area is a well-known destination at the forefront of Japanese fashion and subculture. Enjoy a wide variety of unique eateries, general stores, small theaters, live music clubs, and more.
How to have even more fun in the Hakone/Kamakura area during early spring!

Despite the lingering cold, early spring in Hakone and Kamakura feature various heart-warming enjoyments, including hot servings of stew and warm, relaxing footbaths.

**Japanese-style Stew Restaurants in Hakone and Kamakura**

Enjoy the thick, rich taste of a warm bowl of beef stew to beat both body and soul. With unique flavors and beautiful scenery, the Hakone/Kamakura area features numerous dining choices.

**Brasserie Yukinoshita**

Various dishes made with Kamakura vegetables picked fresh that morning are also available. The Japanese beef stew lunch set with a thick demi-glace sauce (served with appetizers and your choice of bread or rice) is a popular choice at 2,400 yen (lunch set or a la mode dinner).

**Watanabe Bakery**

Watanabe Bakery's venerable history began more than 120 years ago. The bakery's popular Hot Spring Stew Bread (621 yen) is a delicious French roll filled with beef stew. There is also eating space.

**Mizuumi-tei Stew and Curry Restaurant**

Enjoy a delicious meal overlooking Lake Ashi. The beef stew—with only 30 servings available per day (2,060 yen)—is a popular choice. The restaurant’s homemade specialty demi-glace sauce is slow-cooked for 2 weeks.

**Binya Coffee, Kamakura Store**

Choose from four types of stew, including Tongue Meat Stew (2,400 yen) and Beef Cheek Stew (2,200 yen). Simmered for an entire day, Binya Coffee’s sauce boasts a rich flavor.

**Warm up in a footbath!**

Footbaths—where visitors dip only their feet in the hot spring—are popular throughout Japan. Enjoy delicious snacks and exhilarating scenery while soaking your feet.

**Bakery & Table Hakone**

The terrace on the first floor features a footbath where diners can enjoy the scenery of Lake Ashi while enjoying fresh-baked bread.

**NARAYA CAFE**

This footbath cafe is located near Miyanoshita Station. Enjoy a delicious "NARAYA" Parfait (550 yen) topped with rice-flour dumplings while soaking in the footbath.

**The Hakone Open-Air Museum**

This outdoor art museum was established in 1969. Enjoy a relaxing footbath while overlooking sculptures and a lush garden.
Recommended Hakone Kamakura Pass Courses
Enjoy the Enoshima and Kamakura Area!

The area along the Odakyu railway line includes numerous well-known temples and shrines in addition to popular shopping centers. Discover all-day enjoyment between Kamakura and Shimo-Kitazawa stations!

---

**Hakone Kamakura Pass**
Valid Period/3 days
- Unlimited access to Hakone, Enoshima and Kamakura with this one ticket!
- Unlimited use of Odakyu trains on the entire Odakyu network, including the Odakyu Odawara Line, Odakyu Enoshima Line and Odakyu Tama Line.
- Hakone Area: 8 Rides in the Hakone area (the same as the Hakone Freepass)
- Unlimited use of Enoden trains between Fujisawa and Kamakura.

http://www.odakyu.jp/english/deels/freepass/hakone_kamakura/

---

**Hakone Free Pass**
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!

http://www.odakyu.jp/english/deels/freepass/hakone/

---

**Railway Event Schedule**
Feb. 16 ~ Mar. 17

- **Oyama Tofu Festival**
  Place: Isehara Shiei Oyama Daini Parking Lot, etc.
  This festival celebrates tofu, one of the Oyama area's most famous products. Events include the opportunity to enjoy delicious tofu directly from a 4-meter diameter pot.
  Access:
  About 10 minutes on foot from Katase-Enoshima Station

- **Shonan Enoshima Spring Festival**
  Place: Katase Beach, Enoshima
  This festival celebrates the arrival of spring every year in Enoshima. Enjoy various activities and performances including a live taiko drum performance and miniature steam locomotive rides.
  Access:
  About 10 minutes on foot from Katase-Enoshima Station

---

**Shimokitazawa**
As night falls on Shimokitazawa, the area's various bars and live music clubs come to life. The area is also home to many popular cafes open until midnight.
Access:
Get off at Shimo-Kitazawa Station

---

**Enoshima**
Enoshima island is a popular sightseeing destination centered around Enoshima Shrine. The Enoshima Sea Candle—an observation tower and lighthouse in one—is the island's most notable landmark.

Access:
About 20 minutes on foot from Katase-Enoshima Station

---

**Hase-dera Temple**
This temple features blooming flowers year-round. Visitors can enjoy various plum blossoms from early January to mid-March, including wintersweet and Japanese apricot.
Access:
About 5 minutes on foot from Enoden Hase Station

---

**Komachi-dori**
Beginning outside Kamakura Station's East Gate, this busy shopping street is a popular destination for both sightseeing and fashion.
Access:
About 1 minute on foot from Kamakura Station

---

©伊勢原市観光協会

---

©鎌倉市観光協会

---

**Recommended Hakone Kamakura Pass Courses**
Enjoy the Enoshima and Kamakura Area!

---

©伊勢原市観光協会

---

©鎌倉市観光協会

---

©伊勢原市観光協会

---

©伊勢原市観光協会

---

©伊勢原市観光協会