



Located in the southeast area of Tokyo, Minato City is a seaside city with Tokyo Bay in the east. It has many highlights and places to enjoy, including Roppongi and Aoyama where trends are created, Daiba with its many entertainment spots, and Takanawa and Shiba with their many historical sites. Minato City is truly a place with so much to offer. Minato City is also home to about half of the embassies in Japan, and is widely recognized as a cosmopolitan city. Enjoy unique experiences in highlight-filled Minato City!

### **Minato City News & Topic**

Convenient transportation in Minato City with the community bus

Check the bus line routes or the map on the right!



#### The Chii Bus and Odaiba Rainbow Bus

It's easy to travel to several different areas if you use these convenient buses that run along a loop around Minato City! Enjoy sightseeing in Minato City with the Chii Bus, which links to various routes in the city, and the Odaiba Rainbow Bus that connects Shinagawa Station and Daiba.

Fares ► Chii Bus 100 yen

Odaiba Rainbow Bus 220 yen

Chii bus and Odaiba Rainbow bus Common Unlimited Ride \$\oldsymbol{\text{0}}\$500 yen \*Can be used on Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays August 13-15, and December 29-January 3

**Enjoy tourism** 

#### **Spotlight on Minato City** at nighttime

In order for tourists to enjoy deeper experiences for a longer amount of time, Minato City is implementing nightlife tourism. Several initiatives are scheduled, including illuminations of canals and Tokyo Bay, night cruises, and introduction of scenic spots at night.

**☎**03-3433-7355

(Tokyo Minato City Travel & Tourism Association)



Night view from the observatory at Roppongi Hills (→Page 4)

The surrounding areas are developing more and more due to the creation of the stations!

powered payment systems Image provided by

> Enhances the convenience of traveling between the popular areas of Roppongi and Toranomon

Two appealing new Convenience stores inside have unstaffed Al-

stations completed! Two stations have been created

in 2020 in Minato City. Takanawa Gateway Station opened on the JR Yamanote Line that loops around Central Tokyo. The station's attractive building with an excellent design was spearheaded by world-class architect Kengo Kuma. It is a futuristic station featuring robots with Al. Toranomon Hills Station opened on the Tokyo Metro Hibiya Line. It has further advanced community development in the vicinity and increased the area's appeal for both business and tourism.

#### Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games

The long-awaited Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games will start in summer 2021. Odaiba Marine Park will be a venue in Minato City, where the marathon swimming and triathlon events will be held. Experience the excitement of this sports festival in Tokyo!



Starting

July 2021!

MIRAITOWA © Tokyo 2020 SOMEITY

**介**Tokyo 2020 mascots

### URL https://tokvo2020.org/en/

Get seasonal information on your smartphone!

#### Check the MINATO CITY OFFICIAL VISITOR GUIDE

IN https://visit-minato-city.tokyo/en/

This is the website of the Tokyo Minato City Travel & Tourism Association that provides various information on tourism, gourmet cuisine, accommodations, and more in Minato City. The blog provides timely information on events and gourmet cuisine.



\*As a countermeasure against the spread of COVID-19, business times, holidays, and services on offer at facilities may be different to that listed in this guide. Please check with each facility prior to setting out.



### A cosmopolitan area encompassing art and trends

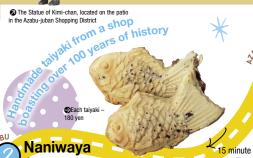
There are many public artworks and galleries, so we recommend dropping by these art spots while enjoying shopping and gourmet cuisine. Relish cute sweets and a fancy dinner during your stroll!

#### **ROPPONGI AREA**

Roppongi, where tourists gather from around the world, is a hotspot for Tokyo's seasonal culture, including top-class art and design spaces, trendy shops, gourmet cuisine, and more. It is an area brimming with taste and intelligence where you can enjoy yourself all day.

#### **AZABU AREA**

You can feel the history in this area that includes the Azabu-juban Shopping District, lined with venerable shops dating back 100 years or more, and distinguished temples and shrines. Azabu-juban has a lively, bustling atmosphere, while the area around Hiroo has quiet streets filled with greenery.



Souhonten

7 03-3583-4975

Area Guide

Since its founding in 1909, this shop has retained its icchoyaki method of making taiyaki by hand and cooking one at a time. The taivaki have a crisp, refined, thin shell filled with adzuki bean jam that is just the right sweetness. You can enjoy yakisoba and shiruko sweet red-bean soup in the café on the 2nd floor.

juban subway station 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesdays, third Wednesday of each month P None

Enjoy seasonal scenery such as colorful leaves in fall and snowy scenes in winter

### Arisugawa-no-miya **Memorial Park**

03-3441-9642 (Administrative office)

This elegant, quiet park filled with greenery was built around a hill that makes good use of the terrain of the Azabu plateau. It was the villa of Nambu Minonokami from the Morioka domain during the Edo period, became a residence for the Arisugawa-no-miya branch of the Imperial Household, and was donated for public use in 1934.

walk from Exit 1 of Hiroo subway station Free admission (2) None

Statue of Imperial Prince Arisugawano-miya Taruhito on a horse

A toasty aroma wafts om the storefront



The vestiges of the feudal lord's park still remain today



A beautiful stream flows inside the park

12 minute

### Roppongi Hills

walk

#### Mori Art Museum

2 03-5777-8600 (NTT Hello Dial Service)

open every day until late at night when exhibitions are being held, so you can visit at a time that suits you.

Central atrium Image provided by Mori Art Museum

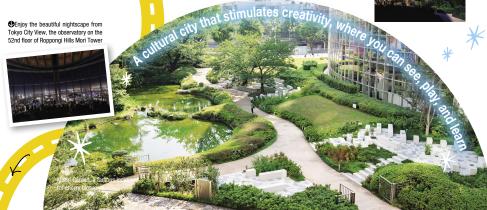
2 03-6406-6000 (General information)

This Roppongi landmark is home to over 200 restaurants and shops, museums, an observatory, cinemas, a park, a hotel, and more. It's full of highlights, such as the 360-degree glass observation deck called Tokyo City View as well as public art.

6-10-1 Roppongi, Minato-ku, and more @Directly connected to Exit 1C of Roppongi subway station Shops 11 a.m.-9 p.m., restaurants open until 11 p.m., some facilities have different hours None 2,762

meter-tall Mori Tower









2 047-316-2772 (Hello Dial)

The National Art Center, Tokyo has one of Japan's largest exhibition spaces (14.000 m2). It is a new kind of art museum that holds a variety of exhibitions while publicizing art and providing art-related information, all without housing a permanent collection.





3 cafés, and a museum shop

Directly connected to Exit 6 of Nogizaka subway station Changes depending on the exhibition 610 a.m.-6 p.m., last entry 30 minutes before closing Depends on the exhibition Tuesdays (closed the following weekday if Tuesday is a national holiday) P None



The unique architecture designed by Kisho Kurokawa is a must-see

Hot spot



Main shopping area Galleria

You'll definitely want to check out the Suntory Museum of Art DESIGN SIGHT, which holds exhibitions with the theme of "everyday life"!



## **TOKYO MIDTOWN**

**2** 03-3475-3100

This complex, built on the former site of the Japan Defense Agency, includes cultural facilities like art galleries, 130 shops and restaurants, a hotel, and more. Also appealing are its green spaces, including Midtown Garden where you can lie on the

 ⊕9-7-1 Akasaka, Minato-ku ⊕Directly connected to Exit 8 of Roppongi subway station ( Shops 11 a.m.-9 p.m., restaurants 11 a.m.-12 a.m. None P About 380 spaces (paid parking)



# Billboard Live

**2** 03-3405-1133

A music venue & restaurant featuring performances by top-class artists from Japan and around the world. The auditorium is split into three levels. You can see the night view behind the stage when the curtains are opened up. Enjoy sublime performances here.

9-7-4 Akasaka, Minato-ku Directly connected to Exit 8 of Roppongi subway station @5:30 p.m.-11 p.m. (3:30 p.m.-9 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays) \*Depends on the performance Not fixed About 380 spaces (paid parking)



♠Enjoy food and drink made by outstanding chefs

beyond the stage





### A seaside area with an open feeling

# A & SHIBAURA & KON

The Odaiba area is filled with entertainment spots that serve as its main sightseeing attractions. Bask in the waterfront scenery with Tokyo Bay, canals, and more nestled among the big city buildings.

#### Daiba AREA

This area began when it was built as a daiba (a maritime artillery battery) to protect Edo (the old name for Tokyo) following the arrival of Admiral Perry's ships from the United States during the Edo period. Later, it was developed as a part of the Tokyo Waterfront City.

#### SHIBAURA AREA

Shibaura, which was mostly underwater during the Edo period, was created with reclaimed land from the end of the Meiji period to the early Showa period. Since then, it has been developed into a coastal warehouse district, and its skyscrapers have been increasing in recent years.

20 minute

#### **KONAN AREA**

Built on reclaimed land at the same time as Shibaura, this bay area extends around the south side of Shinagawa Station. It became one of Tokyo's leading business districts due to the Tokaido Shinkansen stopping at Shinagawa Station.

The Statue of Liberty, the symbol of Odaiba, was built to

commemorate the friendly relations between Japan and France

# Walk across the symbol of Tokyo Bay!

**@**Illuminated at night

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Right across the bridge

rea Guide

## **Rainbow Bridge**

**23** 03-5463-0223

(Port Road Management Division, Tokyo Port Management Office)

This suspension bridge links downtown Tokyo with the Waterfront City. Its two-level construction has the Route 11 Shuto Expressway Daiba Line on the upper level, while the lower level has a local road, the Yurikamome Line, and a 1.7 km promenade (a 20-30 minute walk).

OShibaura to Daiba in Minato-ku € 5 minute walk from Yurikamome Shihaura-futo Station to the Shibaura-side promenade entrance Free 69 a.m.-9 p.m. (10 a.m.-6 p.m. in November-March, last entry 30 minutes before closing) SEvery third Monday of the month (closed the following day when Monday is a national holiday) P None

Sweeping view of Minato City

from Tokyo Bay

### **Minato City Center** for Traditional Culture

**2** 03-3455-8451

The only wooden geisha assignments office building in Tokyo was renovated into a place for passing down the history of Designated Cultural Assets in Minato City. Events related to traditional culture and more are scheduled to be held in the Exchange room known as the *Hyakujojiki* hundred tatami mat room.

Q1-11-15 Shibaura, Minato-ku €8 minute walk from the East Exit of JR Tamachi Station Pree entry (separate charges depending on the event) 610 a.m.-9 p.m. December 29-January 3 (some other temporary closures)

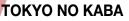
A custom-made vehicle

Come into contact with Japanese culture, in a building formerly used as a geisha assignments office



Holds traditional culture-related lectures as well as rakugo storytelling and other performances





2 03-3455-2211 (Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.)

This is a new sensation for Tokyo Bay sightseeing. The custom-made amphibious bus drives around Odaiba and dives into the sea, then cruises Tokyo Bay. The attendant's guidance and high-quality 3D sound background music make the journey more thrilling.

Minato-ku @5 minute walk from Yurikamome Daiba Station day (4-6 trips/day in October-March, last trip departs at 4:15 p.m.) \*The number of trips varies depending on whether it is a weekday or holiday & Wednesdays (closed the following weekday if Wednesday is a national holiday), suspended during stormy weather (2) Use parking lots nearby. \*Sightseeing route may be changed during the Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Gam

Come take a ride with us!



A short

walk

#### Filled with indoor entertainment spots that you can enjoy all day



**2** 03-3599-6500

Beach

**DECKS Tokyo** 

Connected to Odaiba Marine Park by a wooden deck. In addition to restaurants and shops, it also has theme parks such as Legoland Discovery Center Tokyo and Madame Tussauds Tokyo.

Q1-6-1 Daiba, Minato-ku @2 minute walk from Yurikamome Odaiba-kaihinkoen Station 11 a.m.-9 p.m. \*Some facilities have different hours. \*Check the official website for the latest information Not fixed P550 spaces (paid The perfectly thrilling attractions are captivating

#### **Tokyo Joypolis**

#### **2** 03-5500-1801

Enjoy over 20 kinds of attractions, including rides, horror attractions, and a shooting game using the latest virtual reality technology, at Japan's largest indoor amusement park.

Same as DECKS Tokyo Beach 

Admission 800 yen, passport 4,500 yen

10 a.m.-10 p.m. (last entry 9:15 p.m.)

Not fixed (closed on same dates as
DECKS Tokyo Beach) 

Use the 550space parking lot at DECKS Tokyo
Beach (paid parking)







AHalfpipe Tokyo is the most popular attraction



The shopping mall features plenty of outdoor brands and more





#### An enormous shopping center with the waterfront's best food selection





2 minute walk



A good location between the famous spots in Odaiba

# **Aqua City Odaiba**

#### **2** 03-3599-4700

Features large-scale stores of sports brands and casual fashion brands. It is also home to about 60 restaurants and cafés, a United Cinemas, and Tokyo Ramen Kokugikan Mai (→P15).

Station 11 a.m.-9 p.m. (restaurants are open until 11 p.m., United Cinemas is open from 10 a.m. to the end of the last screening) \*Some facilities have different hours Not fixed 2 900 spaces (paid parking)



with a big splash kicks up the excitement level!

# **Fuji Television**

#### **2** 03-5531-1111

The Fuji Television headquarters has become a landmark in Odaiba with its iconic futuristic building. You can enjoy collecting stamps for the stamp rally while walking around the building, at locations including the Fuji TV Mall (1st floor), the Hachitama Spherical Observation Room (25th floor), and others.

Q2-4-8 Daiba, Minato-ku €5 minute walk from Tokyo Teleport Station on the Rinkai Line 3700 yen entrance fee for Hachitama (450 yen for children under 15) **△** Depends on the facility \*May change due to



The Fuji TV Mall has many facilities, such as the Sazae-san shop



The Hachitama observation room offers breathtaking views from about 100 meters above ground

The building was one of the masterpieces designed by architect Kenzo Tange in his later years



### Where history coexists with the cutting edge

# KASAKA & AOYAM

Start at a landmark in the entertainment district of Akasaka, From Akasaka, climb up the hill along Aoyama-dori Avenue and take a stroll under the tree-lined Gaienmae Ginkgo Avenue. Then, visit the art galleries and chic shops in Aoyama.



Adjacent to Nagatacho, Akasaka has flourished as a business district and geisha entertainment district lined with traditional Japanese *rvotei* restaurants. The area is dotted with historic landmarks, including Akasaka Hikawa Shrine, a place connected with Chushingura (the name given to fictionalized accounts of the incident involving the 47 ronin), and the former site of the residence of Katsu Kaishu. The area around Akasaka Station is a famous cherry blossom viewing spot.

#### **AOYAMA AREA**

The leading theory as to the origin of the name Aoyama involves the Aoyama Family, retainers of the Tokugawa Family, who had a residence here. It is one of the most fashionable areas in Japan dotted with boutiques of popular brands along the main Aoyama-dori Avenue and its backstreets.



A place to welcome royal families and country leaders from around the world

The Kacho no Ma (Hall of Flowers and

Birds), where formal banquets are held

Area Guide



# State Guest House, Akasaka Palace

T 03-5728-7788

Built in 1909 as the Crown Prince's palace. The neo baroque style palace is exemplary of the architecture, arts, and technologies of the time in Japan. Following renovation in 2009, it was designated as a National Treasure.

7 minute walk from the Akasaka Exit of JR Yotsuya Station and Exit 1 of Yotsuva subway station 31,500 yen for the main building and garden, etc. **© 3**10 a.m.-5 p.m. \*Opening times of each area vary \*No reservaton required (except for the Japanese-style annex). \*Check the website for closures on Wednesdays or for receptions, etc. None

5 minutes by car

A complex centered around a TV station with many things to enjoy

### Akasaka Sacas

#### T Different for each facility

Centered around the TBS Broadcasting Center and Sacas Square at its entrance are the TBS Akasaka ACT Theater and Akasaka Biz Tower SHOPS & DINING.

to the exits of Akasaka subway station (exits differ depending on the facility) ( The main facility is always open, store opening times vary None Quse the 83-space parking lot at Akasaka Biz Tower SHOPS & DINING (paid parking)



Sacas Square also has food trucks

7 minute walk







A meticulously-maintained garden that stretches across 3,300 square meters



**22** 03-3403-1171

The main building, which was built in 1881 as the dining hall of the Akasaka Temporary Palace, was recognized as a Tokyo Metropolitan Government designated Tangible Cultural Property in 2020. For casual dining, you can visit the café facing the garden on the first floor of the main building.

2-2-23 Moto-akasaka, Minato-ku 3 minute walk from JR Shinanomachi Station, 6 minute walk from Exit 2 of Aovama-itchome subway station 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m. \*Restaurant opening times vary None \*Closed for renovations from February to June 15, 2021 P 160 spaces

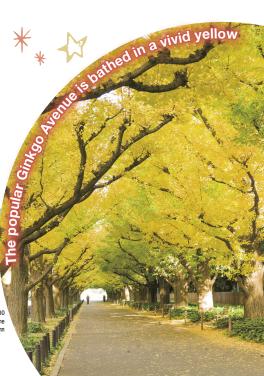


There are also restaurants serving lananese food and more



6 minute walk

> Stretching for about 300 meters, Ginkgo Avenue is one of the best spot to see autumn colors in Tokyo



## **Experience Japanese culture with the** tea ceremony and flower arrangement



In addition to the tea ceremony experience, it is also possible to experience Ikebana traditional flower arrangement



A private art museum with a collection



early Taisho period and moved here

The Konintei teahouse was built elsewhere in the

## **Nezu Museum**

**22** 03-3400-2536

Japan's best shopping destination

Japan get started!

Omotesando and Takagicho-dori Street, lined with stores from leading brands, make up Japan's most

fashionable area. The backstreets are also dotted with chic shops. Come and shop at the place where trends in

This museum has a collection of about 7,400 pre-modern artworks acquired by the businessman Nezu Kaichirō, Sr. The extensive collection starts from Chinese bronzeware from the 13th century B. C. all the way to paintings and crafts from the Edo period, including numerous National Treasures and Important Cultural Properties.

\*Timed-entry online reservation required as of November 2020

Q6-5-1 Minami-aoyama, Minato-ku €8 minute walk from Exit A5 of Omotesando subway station 🚱 Special Exhibitions 1,500 yen, Museum Collection Exhibitions 1,300 yen 610 a.m.-5 p.m. (entry until 4:30 p.m.) Mondays (closed the following day when Monday is a national holiday), when exhibitions are changed 29 spaces

### Japanese Cultural Experience WAnocoto

**2** 03-5772-6663

At this studio, you can experience Japanese culture including tea ceremony with over 500 years of history. Discover the spirit of Zen by watching the delicate temae hand movements used for making tea by the instructor. Afterwards, savor a seasonal Japanese sweet while enjoying your tea. Reserve via the website at least two weeks prior to your visit.

OChuo-Coffee Headquarters Building 2F, -5-9 Kita-aoyama, Minato-ku 🗐 3 minute walk from Exit A3 of Omotesando subway station 3,300 yen for the tea ceremony experience (price per person, held for two people), 3,300 yen for the Ikebana flower arrangement experience + 1,540 yen flower fee (price per person, held for two people) Tea ceremony at 4-5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Ikebana flower arrangement from 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays Mondays, Thursdays-Sundays P None

### walk



#### Meiji Jingu Gaien Ginkgo Avenue

2 03-3401-0312 (Meiji Jingu Gaien)

This tree-lined avenue stretches from Aoyamadori Avenue to the Meiji Memorial Picture Gallery. The ginkgo leaves typically turn vellow from mid-November to early December, when the fallen leaves cover the avenue.

of Aoyama-itchome subway station 🚱 🕒 🛠 Free to stroll PUse the 132-space parking lot at Meiji Jingu Gaien Aoyama (paid parking)



**2** 03-3406-0801

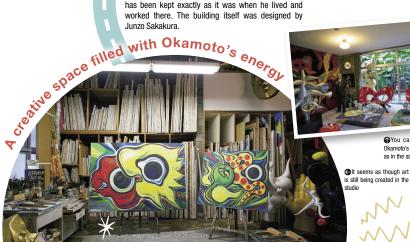
3 minute

walk

10 minute walk

Exemplary Japanese artist Taro Okamoto's combined studio and home has been opened to the public. The studio, where many of his famous works were created, has been kept exactly as it was when he lived and worked there. The building itself was designed by

walk from Exit A5 of Omotesando subway station 650 yen admission fee 610 a.m.-6 p.m. (entry until 5:30 p.m.) Tuesdays (open if it is a national holiday) (2) None



15 minute





**Dotted with historic spots** 

# Tokyo Tower, and ambassadors for ABASHI & SHIBA & TORANO

Area Guide A Many places related to the Tokugawa Shogunate Family remain in this area. Take a stroll and discover the charm of Edo (the old name for Tokyo), from a garden on the former site of a feudal lord's mansion, to shrines and temples frequented by commoners, and more. Then relish an exquisite gourmet meal after your stroll!

#### SHIMBASHI AREA

The birthplace of Japanese railroads, this business district extends between Marunouchi and Shinagawa. It is always changing as large-scale redevelopments take place such as in Shiodome. There are also countless enticing restaurants nestled in the lively and traditional shopping streets.

#### SHIBA AREA

This area developed as a temple town of Zojoji Temple. Its appeal lies in its natural environment, where you can enjoy the changing scenery of the four seasons. Tokyo Tower soars before your eyes, and this scenic point symbolizes the Shiba area.

#### **TORANOMON AREA**

The Noppon Brothers.





**2** 03-3433-5111

Opened in 1958, this radio wave tower is 333 meters high. It has two observatories: the 150-meter high Main Deck and the 250-meter high Top Deck. You can climb the open-air staircase up to the Main Deck (11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays only \*Subject to change. Please check the website.)

Q4-2-8 Shibakoen, Minato-ku €5 minute walk from the Akabanebashi Exit of Akabanebashi subway station, 7 minute walk from Exit 1 of Kamiyacho subway station 31,200 yen admission fee for the Main Deck ●9 a.m.-11 p.m. (last entry 10:30 p.m.) SNone ● 200 spaces (paid

#### Join the Top Deck Tour

The Top Deck has a futuristic decor with geometric mirrors and LED lights. Only the Top Deck Tour allows you entry to this restricted area. Join from the dedicated lane on the 1st floor of Foot Town.

♦ Same-day admission 3,000 yen, advance-purchase admission 2,800 yen ▶ Tour is held every 15 minutes from

Reservation method Make a reservation via the Top Deck Tour reservations page of the official Tokyo Tower website. On the day of your visit, show staff the QR code generated for your booking (either on your mobile device or printed) and go directly to the Top Deck lane





when you change elevators







**2** 090-3691-8165

The Musashi Clan inherited the martial arts of the "shinobi" (ninja) and the "samurai," along with their arts and public entertainment. Going to the dojo is like entering a different world, with its range of shinobi weapons and equipment. This is the perfect place to experience ninja techniques and the spirit of Japan.

OKikai Shinko Kaikan Building B4F, 3-5-8 Shibakoen, Minato-ku ⊕8 minute walk from Exit 1 of Kamiyacho subway station and Exit A1 of Onarimon subway station @Varies depending on the program \*Reservation by phone or email required ● 10 a.m.-6 p.m. (from 3:30 p.m. on Saturdays) Sone Pone

The authentic ninia weaponry and equipment are fascinating!





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**2** 03-3432-1431

Zojoji is one of the seven head temples of the Jodo shu (Pure Land sect) of Buddhism and has 600 years of history. It is known as a family temple of the Tokugawa Clan, and includes a mausoleum where Tokugawa shogun were laid to rest, as well as the Black Image of Amida Buddha, which was deeply worshiped by Tokugawa leyasu, in the Ankokuden building.

4 minute

8 minutes

by car

The magnificent

Mausoleum of

Relax in the beautiful garden and enjoy the pond and greenery

#### Kyu-Shiba-rikyu Gardens

**2** 03-3434-4029

SHIBA

This is a feudal lord garden from the early Edo period. It is a circuit-style garden centered around a pond, and has been designated as a national Place of Scenic Beauty. The colored leaves are a feast for the eyes in autumn.



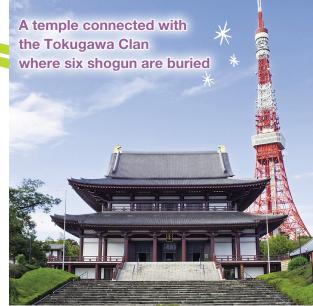
Photograph of the pond from Oyama, the highest hill in the garden

The permanent exhibition

displays objects such as the

foundation stone used in the

original station



Daiden, the largest temple hall in Tokyo
\*Under construction until October 2021. Open to visitors

15 minute walk

Experience the history of the birthplace of Japanese railways and Shiodome's history

The Shimbashi-Teishajo station building has been rebuilt in the same location as when it first opened



**2** 03-3572-1872

The station façade of Japan's first railway terminal, which opened in 1872, has been faithfully reproduced. The building houses a permanent exhibition of artifacts and relics discovered during its excavation. Special exhibitions are held several times per year, with themes relating to the history of the railways and the local history of the Shiodome neighborhood.

Q1-5-3 Higashi-shimbashi, Minato-ku ⊕3 minute walk from the Shimbashi Exit of Shiodome subway station and Exit 2 of Shimbashi subway Station on Exit 2 of Shimbashi subway Station Pree entry ⊕10 a.m.-5 p.m. ⊗ Mondays (closed the following day when Monday is a national holiday), when exhibitions are changed ⊕None



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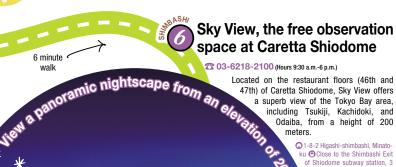
The public art is also a must-see

You can also enjoy luxurious hotels and shops

### Toranomon Hil<mark>ls</mark> Mori Tower

This 52-story skyscraper has a relaxing, comfortable atmosphere, and includes a vast lawn known as Oval Square, and restaurants in the atrium where you can enjoy a wide variety of food.

♠ 1-23-1 Toranomon, Minato-ku ♠ Directly connected to Toranomon Hills subway station ♠ Restaurants 11 a.m.-11 p.m. (shops close at 9 p.m.) ♠ Not fixed ♠ 155 spaces (paid parking)



of Shiodome subway station, 3 minute walk from the JR and Shiodome Exits of Shimbashi subway station ⊕ Free € 11 a.m.-11 p.m. € None € 60 spaces (paid parking)

A popular spot with a sweeping view of Tokyo's famous places



### Refined areas of protected greenery and historic landmarks

# ΓAKANAWA & SHIROKA

Start from the cultural institutions located in the verdant Shirokane area. Enjoy lunch and a coffee break at one of the many fine restaurants and cafés in this upmarket area. The Takanawa area is very hilly, so be sure to allow plenty of time for traveling around.

#### **TAKANAWA AREA**

The name of this deeply historic area appeared as Takanawahara in records from the Warring States period (late 15th century to late 16th century). It is notable for its many historic landmarks, including the vestiges of a feudal lord's residence. Sengakuji Temple is also found here. The temple is known for appearing in Chushingura (The Treasury of Loyal Retainers).

#### SHIROKANE AREA

It is said that the name Shirokane, meaning white metal or silver, derives from the large quantities of silver in the possession of Yagishita Kazusanosuke, who established this area during the Muromachi period (1336-1573). The area's main street is the stylish, ginkgo tree-lined Platinum Street.

Enjoy Minato City's history

**Minato City Local** 

**History Museum** 

related to Minato City are also held occasionally.

This museum introduces the history and culture of Minato

City through archeological artifacts excavated in the city, as

well as books, works of art, and more. Special exhibitions

∆4-6-2 Shirokanedai, Minato-ku (Within Yukashi-no-Mori)

Close to Exit 2 of Shirokanedai subway station 300 yen (separate charge for special exhibitions) 49 a.m.-5 p.m. (until 8

p.m. on Saturdays) Severy third Thursday of the month (closed on

the preceding Wednesday if Thursday is a national holiday) PNone

and retro architecture

23 03-6450-2107

Yukashi-no-Mori where the Minato City Local History Museum is located

> Institute for Nature Study, National Museum of Nature and Science

**2** 03-3441-7176

This forestland has endured for thousands of years to pass on the nature of the Shirokane plateau, created 200-500 thousand years ago, to current and future generations. In addition to deciduous and evergreen trees are vibrant flowers that grow thickly at the water's edge. You can also find a variety of insects here.

Q5-21-5 Shirokanedai, Minato-ku @7 minute walk from Exit 1 of Shirokanedai subway station, 9 minute walk from the East Exit of JR Meguro Station and the Main Exit of Tokyu Meguro Station 320 yen

●9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (until 5 p.m. in May-August, last entry 4 p.m. year-round) Mondays (closed the following day when Monday is a national holiday) None

A vital natural area in the Central Tokyo surrounded by buildings on all sides



The greenery around the aquatic plant garden reflects on the



Tokyo Metropolitan

of Public Health

2 050-5541-8600 (NTT Hello Dial Service)

Set within a beautiful garden, this museum was the former residence of Prince Asaka, built in 1933 in the Art Deco style. Exhibitions are held in the historic main building, as well as the annex, which was opened in 2014.

Exit 1 of Shirokanedai subway station, 7 minute walk from the East Exit of JR Meguro Station and the Main Exit of Tokyu Meguro Station Yaries depending on exhibition. Garden admission is 200 yen 6 10 a.m.-6 p.m. (last entry 5:30 p.m.) Severy second and fourth Wednesday of the month (closed the following day if a national holiday) @7 spaces (paid parking)

Teien Art Museum

Cocated in Yukashi-no-Mori, in a renovated

building originally built in 1938 as the Institute

Chandelier created by René I alique

13 minute

which hangs in the salon of the main building Image provided by Tokyo Metropolitan Teien Art Museum

The building itself is a work of art, built by a collaboration between Jananese and French designers, engineers, and craftspeople Image provided by Tokyo Metropolitan Teien Art Museum

4 minute walk

At the Thrush Café. you can savor the divine taste of meals made with naturally cultivated vegetables





This wedding and event venue has several restaurants that boast a spacious Edo-era Japanese garden and pond as one of its focal points. The concept image of the garden was created by Fusanosuke Kuhara, a famous entrepreneur who was born in Meiji period (1868-1912) and lived through the Taisho period (1912-1926). Guests can dine in one of the two restaurants in the main building, while enjoying a view of the garden.

Q1-1-1 Shirokanedai, Minato-ku (€) Close to Exit 2 of Shirokanedai subway station Restaurant opening times vary None 200 spaces













4 minute

walk

A museum where you can enjoy learning about logistics





The red brick building located in Takanawa's residential district



**2** 03-3280-1616

This museum introduces the history of logistics and logistic systems, which has become an indispensable part of modern society. Its various highlights include an exhibit showcasing materials and recorded images related to the history of logistics from the Edo period to the Showa period (1603-1989), dioramas of logistics terminals, and quizzes on logistics.

Q4-7-15 Takanawa, Minato-ku @7 minute walk from Exit A1 of Takanawadai subway station and the Takanawa Exit of JR and Keikyu Shinagawa Station 200 yen 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (last entry 4:30 p.m.) Mondays, every fourth Tuesday of the month, days after national holidays and when exhibitions are changed \*Closed for repairs from January-March 2021 @5 spaces

4 minute



The immersive "Patterns" area, where living things are in harmony with the four

### Maxell Aqua Park Shinagawa

2 03-5421-1111 (Automated service)

This entertaining city aquarium combines sounds, light, and images in its exhibits on ocean creatures. Also on offer are performances that change according to the season and time of day.

▲4-10-30 Takanawa, Minato-ku (inside Shinagawa Prince Hotel) a minute walk from the Takanawa Exit of JR and Keikyu Shinagawa Station \$2,300 yen (separate charge for attractions) \$\mathbb{L}\$10 a.m.-6:30 p.m. (last entry 6 p.m.), until 8 p.m. on weekends and national holidays (last entry 7 p.m.) \*Closing times of attractions and some facilities vary None (2) Use the Shinagawa Prince Hotel parking lot (paid parking)

> A dolphin show in The Stadium using water curtains and lighting



**2** 03-3441-5560

This old temple was established in 1612. Since this was the family temple of the Asano Family of the Ako Domain, the 47 Ako Gishi samurai who committed seppuku after their raid in 1702 are buried here.

♠2-11-1 Takanawa Minato-ku ♠6 minute walk from JR Takanawa Gateway Station Free entry 67 a.m.-6 p.m. (until 5 p.m. in October-March) None None



The temple has welcomed many visitors since the first performance of the Kabuki play



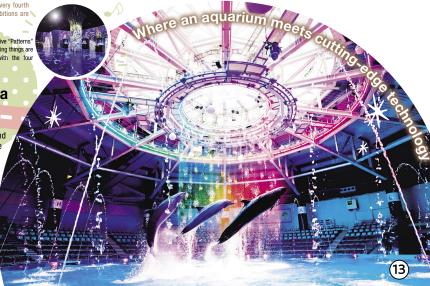
Smoke endlessly unfurls from incense sticks in the cemetery

#### hat's the Chushingura's

In 1701, the feudal lord of the Ako domain Asano Naganori was ordered to commit seppuku (ritual suicide) for untair reasons. Consequently, 47 of Asano's former vassals, the Ako Gishi, took revenge on Kira Kozukenosuke who had a hand in Asano's death. Although all of them were forced to commit seppuku, their loyal spirit continues to touch the hearts of Japanese people today. This story and its related works are known as Chushingura. The graves of the 47 can be visited at Sengakuji Temple, and you can also find valuable articles on display in the Ako Gishi's Memorial Hall on the temple premises.

Ako Gishi's Memorial Hall

👺 500 yen 🕒 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Ӿ Last Wednesday of February and August



### DINING & SHOPPING

In Minato City, home to about 240,000 residents, there is a full array of restaurants and patisseries you can choose from based on the occasion and your budget. Check out the unique dining spaces too!

### Charming restaurants

#### SHIMBASHI

### Torikadoya

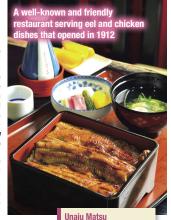
**2**303-3431-0534

This restaurant prepares its famous unaju, consisting of eel served over rice in a lacquered box, by selecting a live eel, immediately grilling it without seasoning, removing the excess fat, then steaming it, grilling it with tare sauce, and serving it straight away. The dish has just the right amount of fat and a refined sauce preferred by Tokyoites. The restaurant's chicken dishes, such as yakitorichicken skewers grilled over a charcoal fire and oyakodon with Jidori chicken and egg over rice, are also recommended.

♦ Shimbashi Suzuki Building 1F, 4-27-9 Shimbashi, Minato-ku @8 minute walk from the Karasumori Exit of JR Shimbashi Station @11 a.m.-2 p.m. (last order), 5 p.m.-7:30 p.m. (last order) (open until 9 p.m. if you reserve in advance) Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays P None



at-home hospitality, and the casual atmosphere which



3,700 yen Unaju costs 2,500-4,500 yen. The 1,900 yen *unadon* (eel over rice) is only served at lunch





The simple interior uses woodgrain and white as its

#### Shirokane Yokoyama

**23**03-5422-6074

cuisine, and creates dishes with precision using seasonal ingredients from Toyosu, Tokyo. The full-course evening meal (from 7,200 yen) offers an appetizer, sashimi, and a stewed dish, and ends with a selection of nigiri sushi using sweet sushi rice made in the Kansai style.

minute walk from Exit 4 of Shirokanetakanawa subway station @11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. (last order), 6 p.m.-9 p.m. (last order) \*500 yen cover charge applies at dinner Sundays, national holidays PNone

Kiwami course meal (image shows the

and some of the nigiri sushi)

8,800 yen

appetizer, seasonal vegetable dish, stewed dish,

This full-course meal includes an appetizer, seasonal vegetable dish, sashimi, grilled dish, fried dish, vinegar dish, stewed dish, and 8 pieces of nigiri sushi



#### ROPPONGI

#### Otsuna Sushi

203-3401-9953

This venerable restaurant was established in 1875. Diners can enjoy traditional sushi and Japanese cuisine in a refined atmosphere. The sushi is made with high-quality ingredients, and is priced reasonably to allow diners to savor the authentic flavors in a casual way. Full-course evening meals start at 5,450 yen (from two people) plus a seating charge of 550 yen.

@remm Roppongi Building 1F, 7-14-4 Roppongi, Minatoku (3)2 minute walk from Exit 4b or Exit 7 of Roppongi subway station @11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. (last orders), 5 p.m.-9 p.m. last entry (last entry at 8:30 on Saturdays) \*Takeout available 10 a.m.-9 p.m. (until 8:30 p.m. on Saturdays, until 1 p.m. on Sundays) Sundays (takeout available), closed irregularly on national holidays PNone



In addition to counter seating with a direct view of the chefs' skills, there are also private rooms



Seasonal vegetable salad with homemade roast beef served with a soy sauce and

balsamic dressing

A luxury salad featuring tender roast beef with a deep umami flavor

#### SHIBAURA

#### **BAGUS BAR** Shibaura Island

**23**03-3455-4700

This dining bar with an open terrace is located along the Shibaura Canal. You can enjoy Italian dishes infused with Asian ingredients in a resort-like atmosphere

OShibaura Island Air Terrace 1F, 4-22-2 Shibaura, Minato-ku @10 minute walk from the East Exit of JR Tamachi Station €11:30 a.m.-11 p.m. ⊗None @Use the 40-space parking lot at the Shibaura Island Terrace (paid

will put you in the holiday



One person can easily polish off one of the large pizzas made with homemade light, fragrant dough

#### **Pizzeria** Ghitaro

#### **23**03-5570-2130

This Italian restaurant is owned by a chef who trained in Northern Italy. Here you

can enjoy pizzas from 1,800 yen with a crisp crust, fragrant aroma, and perfect springiness, as well as dishes made with Gitaro Shamo chicken, which is where the restaurant name

out on a road of modern buildings

Q7-10-7 Akasaka, Minato-ku €7 minute walk from Exit A7 of Akasaka subway station 611:45 a.m.-2 p.m. (last order), 6 p.m.-10 p.m. (last order) (lunch only served on weekdays) Sundays, national holidays PNone









◆You can also enjoy matcha green tea and seasonal Japanese sweets

#### Bring home delicious memories!

### Recommended souvenirs

Artisanal Japanese confectionery and sweets make perfect souvenirs. Minato City's unique flavors will enrich vour trip.

Features a varied lineup of Japanese bean confectionery including peanuts from Chiba Prefecture

#### AOYAMA

#### **Aovama Taiimava**

You'll want to compare the taste of the various flavors such as Atohikimame peanuts (300 yen)

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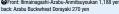
Established in 1894, this shop specializes in sweets made with beans and nuts. It offers an assortment of about 70-80 types of individually-portioned sweets and snacks, such as beans and okaki mochi (rice crackers). Its Aoyama-yaki with peanut paste for 250 yen are freshly made in the shop (not available from July-September).

Q2-7-11 Kita-aoyama, Minato-ku € Close to Exit 4b of Gaienmae subway station @10 a.m.-7 p.m. (until 5 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays) Severy third Sunday of the month P None



A renowned shop that is frequented by nearby companies to purchase gifts traditionally give





Bite-size, shellfish-shaped monak sweets that are filled with five kinds of anko sweet red bean paste

#### Shiba Shinmei Eitaro

②One piece of Enoshima Monaka costs 124 yen. You can enjoy them with five kinds of sweet anko: koshian strained red bean paste tsubuan chunky red bean paste, shiroan white bean paste, yuzuan made with yuzu citrus fruit, and gomaan made with sesame seeds

**23**03-3431-2211

The shop separated from Eitaro Sohonpo in Nihombashi in 1885, setting up an independent store. Its Enoshima Monaka, named by the literary master Koyo Ozaki, are cute sweets shaped like shellfish such as scallops and abalone. You can sense the techniques of a long-established shop when you taste the refined and smooth flavors of the bean paste that serves as the filling.

□1-4-14 Shibadaimon, Minatoku Close to Exit A5 of Daimon subway station, 6 minute walk from the North Exit of JR Hamamatsucho Station 69 a.m.-7 p.m. (until 2 p.m. on Saturdays) Sundays, national holidays. Saturdays in August (2) None



The sign with calligraphy by Targ

Nidaime Hakata Daruma Ramen

topped with plenty of chashu braised pork and costing 1.300 ven. is only ava

Orangettes made with orange peels from France, 1,782 yen for 75g

Chocolate created by an artisan with skills developed in France. with a flavor that you will want to savor

#### Chocolat L'echevin

**2**03-5422-9763

The shop's owner studied at western confectioners in Japan for ten years, then spent a further two years training at patisseries in France after that. All of the bite-sized sweets are made with carefully selected ingredients, and are blissfully delicious.

Q3-10-5 Takanawa, Minato-ku @2 minute walk from Exit A1 of Takanawadai subway station 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Sundays, irregular closures on



shop also has a selection of cakes

### **Enjoy comparing flavors**

at food theme parks!

around Japan in an fun atmosphere!

**Experience Japan's** world-renowned ramen culture

#### Tokyo Ramen Kokuqikan Mai

#### 203-3599-4700 (Aqua City Odaiba)

Six ramen restaurants are featured, with three hailing from the popular ramen hubs of Sapporo, Fukuoka, and Tokyo, and the rest from regional spots for enjoying ramen, including Kawagoe, Kanagawa, and Kanazawa. In addition to the restaurants' signature menu options, there are also limited menu items that cannot be tasted anywhere else.



♠You can taste and compare popular ramen from throughout Japan in Odaiba

Aqua City Odaiba 5F, 1-7-1 Daiba, Minato-ku (Close to Yurikamome Daiba Station SFree entry 11 a.m.-10:30 p.m. (last order) Not fixed same as Aqua City Odaiba) (P) Use the 900-space parking lot at Aqua City Odaiba (paid



The simple yet deep world of takovaki

#### **Odaiba Takoyaki** Museum

#### 203-3599-6500 (DECKS Tokyo Beach)

Showcases five famous restaurants from Osaka, the homeland of takovaki octopus balls, that appear to surround the Takovaki Ebisu Shrine, a shrine set up to deify the god Ebisu, who is enshrined at Imamiya Ebisu Shrine in Osaka. Try all of the different ingredients, dashi broth, and cooking techniques.

ODECKS Tokyo Beach Seaside Mall 4F 1-6-1 Daiba, Minato-ku 🗐 2 minute walk from Yurikamome Odaiba-kaihinkoen Station Free entry 11 a.m.-10 p.m. \*Opening times of some shops vary \*Check the official website for the latest info Not fixed (same as DECKS Tokyo Beach) PUse the 550-car capacity DECKS Tokyo Beach parking lot (paid parking)



A festival-like bustling atmosphere





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