

Narita is a city known for Kabuki

Naritasan and Danjuro Ichikawa

A kabuki actor named Narita-ya



A kabuki actor, Danjuro Ichikawa VII, performing Musashibo Benkei in a Kanjincho play.



Danjuro Ichikawa I who performed "Shibaraku"



In 1821, Danjuro VII dedicated the first Gakudo Hall on the grounds of Naritasan (burned down in 1965). At the main entrance he placed a sign with the word "Settaijo" ("Reception Desk") which always amused visitors. The photo is of the 2nd (current) Gakudo, which was built in 1861).

Narita Brand Ambassador

The 13th Generation Ichikawa Danjurou Hakuen

Since the middle Edo Period, the Ichikawa family has been connected with Narita-san Shinshoji Temple through the religion of Fudo. Kabuki actor Danjurou Ichikawa, who is well-known to the people of Narita because he has often come to the city to, for example, the 13th generation Danjurou Ichikawa Hakuzen's name announcement ceremony or the Setsubun Close-of-Winter Festival, was named "Narita Brand Ambassador." Through Danjurou's work in helping to continue Japan's traditional performing arts and culture, he is spreading the word about Narita's attractions.



成田市 **歌舞伎** <https://narita-kabuki.jp>

NARITACITY X KABUKI

This is the web site for providing current kabuki information about Danjurou Ichikawa and other attractions of Narita.

The bustling temple town is reminiscent of Old Edo.

The 800-meter-long road that leads from the JR/Keisei Narita Station to Somon Gate of Naritasan Shinshoji Temple is lined with buildings that even today harken back to the days of Old Edo.

Designated as Japan Heritage*

Along with Sakura, Katori, and Choshi, Narita has been designated as Japan Heritage, as an "Edo adventure in the 4 cities of Hokuso — where one can get a feeling for Old Edo in Hokuso street scenes." Narita, where there are historically sacred sites and vestiges of old street scenes, is the site closest to the airport where you can experience the atmosphere of Old Edo.

*What is Japan Heritage?
To help vitalize local communities, the Agency for Cultural Affairs officially designates stories that tell about Japan's culture and tradition through their special character and historical attractiveness as Japan Heritage.



Selections for Naritabi sightseeing

Walking through the entrance and around the grounds of Shinshoji Temple.

[Narita is a place to increase your luck, and a place to increase your satisfaction.]

Narita is particularly famous throughout Japan as a "photogenic town."* Here we will introduce you to some Instagrammed images that you can find on the walkway to Naritasan and on the grounds of Shinshoji Temple.

*Shinshoji Temple in Narita, pictures of which visitors are always uploading to the "Top Photogenic Spots of Summer", was selected as the 3rd most photogenic spot in all of Japan by the Trip Advisor site on September 29, 2017.

Fortunetelling is popular.
There are many fortunetelling spots in the Okuyama Hiroba plaza at Naritasan. People line up to have their futures told by popular fortunetellers.

Praying for success in life
It is said that offering a candle and a piece of aburage, a favorite food of foxes, to the shrine will lead to success in life.

Medications
Since the old Edo Period, Narita medications have been popular with pilgrims as "wonder drugs." This is especially true for "Ichijyo-gan," a stomach medicine that is still in great demand.

Checking the latest information
The Narita Tourist Pavilion is a center for tourist information in the Narita area. It also features a traditional dashi float and other exhibits.

Learn about the history of yokan treats which are deeply related to Naritasan.

Power spot
Garden of Fudo Diety
Scoop up the sacred water to increase your luck!

Auspicious stone statues
Stone statues of the 12 members of the Chinese zodiac line the Omotesando street.

Police box (KOBAN)
Station square

- Legend**
- Broiled eel restaurant
 - Sobaya, buckwheat noodle restaurant
 - Restaurant
 - Sushi restaurant
 - Western Cuisine
 - Cocktail Bar
 - Bakery
 - Japanese sweets and tea house
 - Japanese sweets shop
 - Rice cracker shop
 - Dairy product shop
 - Freshwater fish shop
 - Pickle shop
 - Drug store
 - Bamboo craft shop
 - Liquor shop
 - Souvenir shop
 - Places related to Danjuro Ichikawa VII
 - Convenience store
 - Automated teller machine
 - Parking lot
 - Multi-use restroom
 - Nursing room
 - Numbers --- Accommodation
 - Locations of AEDs (Automated External Defibrillators)
 - Taxi stand
 - Bus stop



Photogenic in NARITA

The Seiso Electric Train used to pass through this brick tunnel. Public-Works Heritage Site recommended by the Japan Society of Civil Engineers.



Selections for Naritabi sightseeing

Experience Narita

[Full of traditional Japanese culture]

Experience copying a sutra at Naritasan

Reikouden, at Heiwa Daito, the Great Pagoda of Peace, has a dojo gymnasium which you can experience any time. A sutra is lightly printed on sutra paper so that even beginners can experience it with peace of mind.

Experience the tradition of Goshuin at Naritasan

Naritasan's Goshuins feature the name of the temple written in India ink. You can get a Goshuin at Great Main Hall, Komyodo Hall, Shakado Hall, Shusse Inari, The Great Pagoda of Peace, and Iouden.

Experience "Festivals" at the Narita Tourist Pavilion

The Narita Tourist Pavilion features not only exhibits of huge dashi floats being towed around during the Narita Gion Festival, but also sightseeing videos and information about various other events. So please stop by and find out what Narita has to offer.

Narita Tourist Pavilion ☎0476-24-3232

Speaking of "Naritabi" (Narita sightseeing) there is

Naritasan

This is Shinshoji, a temple rich in history, culture, and nature, a temple brimming with the atmosphere of an Edo temple town. Walking... eating gourmet foods... experiencing... Every day here is a "Naritabi" day.

Selections for Naritabi sightseeing

Naritasan Shinshoji Temple

MAP B-4

Naritasan Shinshoji Temple is the head temple of Shingonshu sect and is affectionately known as "Narita's O-Fudo-sama." The top-ranked of the "Big Three" temples of the Kanto region, it is visited by about 10 million people each year. In 1980, 5 important religious structures from relatively modern times were designated as important cultural properties: Komyodo Hall and Shakado Hall, which were formerly the main building, and the Three-storied Pagoda, Niomon Gate, and Gakudo Hall.

Great Main Hall
Great main Hall was completed in 1668. The principal image is Fudo-Myoo, whose figure was consecrated by the priest Kobo-Daishi. There is a holy fire for invocation in this hall. Talismans and prayer charms are sold on the 1st floor, and scapegoat talismans are received in the east and west rooms of the 2nd floor.

Shakado Hall
(Important Cultural Property)

Built in 1858, the old main hall still conveys features of its late Edo Period origins. Around the temple are sculptures such as Gohyakurakan (Five Hundred Disciples of the Buddha) and Nijuyon-ko (24 filial exemplars). Visitors come here to pray to ward off bad luck.

Komyodo Hall
(Important Cultural Property)
The old main hall was built in 1701. The main icon is that of the Dainichi Buddha, and the fire deity Fudo-Myoo and Aizen-Myoo (prayer for marriage) are enshrined here.

Niomon Gate

(Important Cultural Property)
There are two imposing statues, "Vermillion Deva Kings," one on either side of the 19-meter-high gate, which serve to protect the temple.

Iouden Pagoda

This pagoda, which was constructed completely of cypress wood in 2018 as a project to commemorate the founding of Naritasan in 1080, is a place to pray for recovery from illness, and for health and long life.



Somon Gate

The gate is made of zelkova wood. Images of eight principal guardians such as the deity Fudo Myoo are enshrined on the gate.



Three-storied Pagoda
(Important Cultural Property)

Built in 1712 and located in front of Great Main Hall, this 25-meter high pagoda conveys the spirit of the middle Edo Period to the modern era. In 2007, work was done to recreate the lacquered finish, and it was restored to its former splendor. It is dedicated to the deity Gochi-Nyorai.

Selections for Naritabi sightseeing

Get a taste of Narita's products

[Visit the old temple town to find out about the food, and enjoy Instagramming while walking and eating]



Unagi

Narita is blessed with excellent freshwater fishing sites at the Tone River and Lake Imba. Once renowned for eel restaurants, eel dishes are still one of Narita's famous products. Eel is lightly broiled using traditional methods, then is grilled after brushing with a sweet soy sauce, Kimosui, eel liver soup is a highly nutritious delicacy.

This street is famous for unagi eel products.
Common people during the Edo Period needed two days to walk the 64 kilometers from Edo (Tokyo) to Narita. Highly nutritious eel was eaten to relieve fatigue. Today, numerous eel restaurants line the roughly 800m Omotesando walkway to Naritasan.

Photogenic in NARITA



I found these in Narita and took pictures of them! Beautiful pictures!

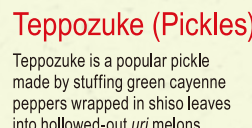
Senbei

Senbei, rice crackers are meticulously made from delicious Chiba rice to give them a simple yet deep traditional taste.



Sake

Local sake rice wines are brewed from spring water bubbling from the Narita Aquifer and Chiba rice using highly refined traditional methods.



Teppozuke (Pickles)
Teppozuke is a popular pickle made by stuffing green cayenne peppers wrapped in shiso leaves into hollowed-out uri melons.

Yokan and other Japanese sweets

Yokan, gelled sweet bean treats, is said to have originated from the vegetarian diet at Shinshoji Temple during the Meiji Era. With its superior sweetness and rich taste, it has become one of Narita's most popular souvenir products. Other popular Narita treats include Manju (buns with bean-jam filling) and rice cakes.



Tsukudani

Tsukudani are foods boiled in sweet soy sauce. Narita, which is blessed with good fishing spots like Lake Imba, makes many freshwater fish products.

[Guide map for touring Narita]



Recommended courses for Narita sightseeing

Naritasan walking courses

This is a course for walking to the Naritasan Shinshoji Temple as you enjoy the ambience of the old temple town.

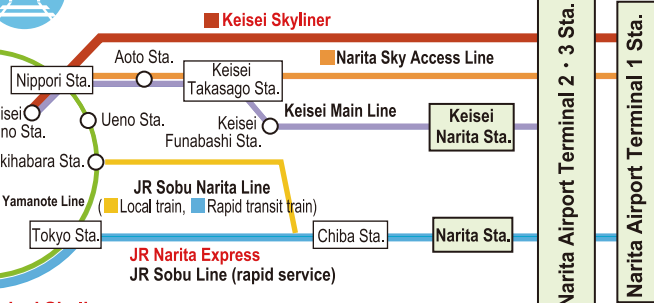
History tour course by car

This course will satisfy your intellectual curiosity about the history of Narita and the culture and life of old Japan.

Exciting family car course

On this course, you can get great views of airplanes, get close to animals, and have a good time shopping.

Access Guide



Keisei Skyliner
Nippori-Narita Airport Terminal 2: Approx. 36 min.
JR Enquiry Center ☎0476-34-8763

JR Narita Express
Tokyo-Narita Airport Terminal 2: Approx. 60 min.
JR Enquiry Center ☎050-2016-1600

Sightseeing information app "FEEL Narita"



For more information
Narita Tourist Pavilion ☎0476-24-3232
Narita City Tourist Information Office ☎0476-24-3198
Narita City Tourism Division ☎0476-20-1540 (direct line)

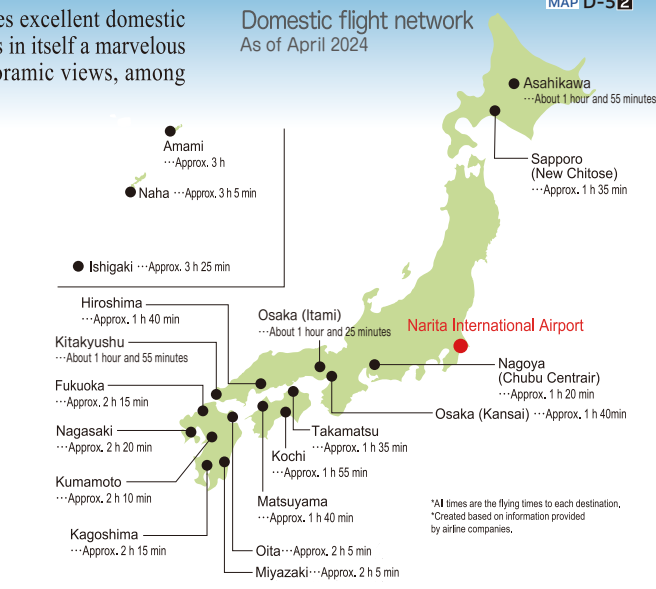


Narita character for tourism
Unari-kun, the mascot was designed based on an airplane and eel, two symbols of Narita.
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Naritabi sightseeing starts at Narita International Airport, which connects all of Japan with the world.

"Narita International Airport, which serves as Japan's gateway to the world, also features excellent domestic flights. The airport is not only a strategic transportation point for Naritabi sightseeing, it is in itself a marvelous "airport sightseeing spot", where visitors can enjoy shopping, fine dining, art and panoramic views, among other things.



Shopping & Gourmet

From Traditional Japanese dishes to world gourmet cuisine

From cafes to fine restaurants, Narita has a wide range of dining establishments specializing in Japanese, Western, Chinese, and ethnic gourmet cuisine.



Souvenirs and travel goods

Enjoy shopping before your departure at shops that offer typical Japanese souvenirs and items that are available only at the airports.

view

Airport observation deck

There is an observation deck on the 5th floor of Terminal 1 and the 4th floor of Terminal 2. People never get tired of watching jets taking off and landing one after another.

Narita City Sakura-no Yama Park and Sora-no-Eki Sakura-kan
MAP C-54 ☎0476-33-3309



This is a small but tall hill bordering on the airport. Chosen as one of the 100 best panoramic spots in Chiba, it is often used in filming for television. At the "Sora no Eki Sakura-kan" within the grounds, there are shops that sell things like vegetables and local specialty goods, as well as facilities such as restaurants, a tourist information center, and shops for flight goods.



Sanrizuka Sakura-no-Oka Park
MAP D-63
Toyomi Shinonome-no-Oka Park
MAP C-48
Narita Airport's B runway is very close by, making this a popular spot for getting close-up views of airplanes taking off and landing.

Market adjacent to Narita Airport



成田市公設地方卸売市場
NARITA CITY WHOLESALE MARKET

MAP D-47 ☎0476-37-7018



• There is a visitor's course where you can learn about the role of the marketplace as you view its wholesale markets.
• There is also an attached food-related building that has restaurants, and shops where meat, pickles, condiments, etc., are sold.
• To find out which days the wholesale markets (fresh produce and seafood sections) are closed, please check the market calendar on the home page of Narita City Office.

Information Area code: 0476

Accommodation

Wakamatsu Honten Hotel	B-41	☎22-1136
Narugeya Inn	B-42	☎22-0239
Kirinoya Inn	B-43	☎22-0724
Daikokuya Inn	B-44	☎22-0130
Miyamoto Inn	E-36	☎73-2511
Business Hotel Teradai	B-46	☎23-0744
Center Hotel Narita 1	B-57	☎23-1133
Center Hotel Narita2 R51	B-48	☎23-1112
Art Hotel Narita	C-49	☎32-1111
Toyoko Inn Narita Airport Honkan	D-40	☎33-0451
Toyoko Inn Narita Airport Shinkan	D-40	☎33-1045
Narita Tobu Hotel Airport	D-41	☎32-1234
Hotel Nikko Narita	D-42	☎32-0032
HOTEL MYSTAYS PREMIER Narita	C-48	☎33-1661
ANA Crown Plaza Hotel Narita	C-49	☎33-1311

Narita U-City Hotel	B-515	☎24-0101
International Resort Hotel Yurakujo	C-616	☎93-1234
Narita Higashiya Hotel	B-47	☎22-8171
NARITA PARK HILLS HOTEL	B-48	☎92-6311
Hilton Tokyo Narita Airport Hotel	C-49	☎33-1121
Narita Gateway Hotel	C-49	☎35-5511
The Hedistar Hotel NARITA	B-44	☎23-2300
Marroad International Hotel Narita	C-52	☎30-2222
Narita Airport Rest House	D-52	☎32-1212
International Garden Hotel Narita	B-44	☎23-5222
Hotel Welco Narita	B-52	☎23-7000
Comfort Hotel Narita	B-52	☎24-6311
Asia Hotel Narita	B-57	☎20-2888
APA Hotel Keisei Narita Ekimae	B-52	☎20-3111
Richmond Hotel Narita	B-52	☎24-6660
Meet Inn Narita	B-52	☎23-1113
WAQOO Naritasan Monzen	B-49	☎37-8177
Tablino Hotel Express Narita	D-42	☎73-6211
NARITA HOTEL KAKUREGA	B-48	☎94-3075

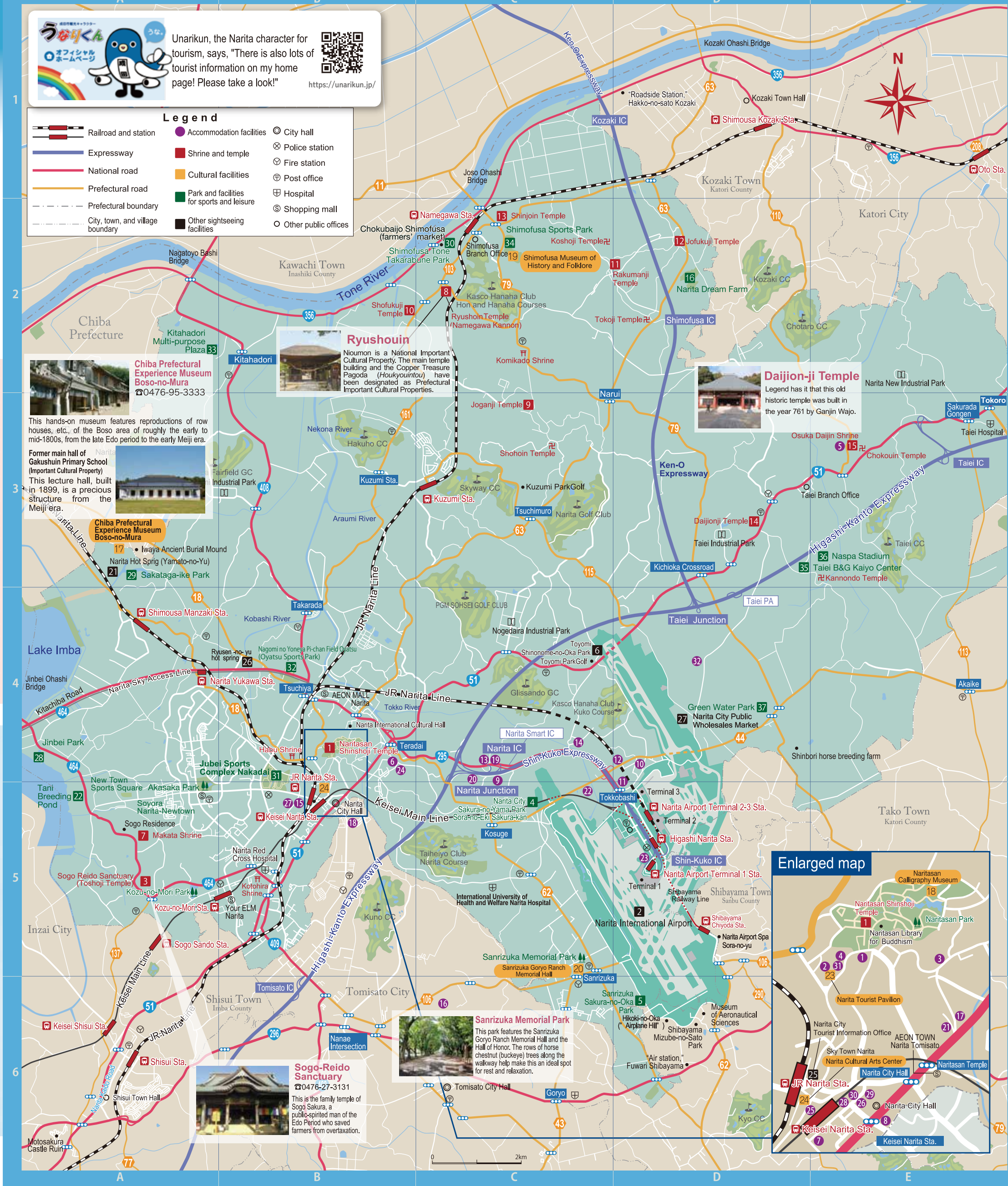
Sightseeing Facilities

Naritasan Shinshoji Temple	B-4	☎22-2111
Narita International Airport	D-5	☎34-8000
Sogo Reido Sanctuary (Toshiji Temple)	A-5	☎27-3131
Narita City Sakura-no Yama Park / Sora-no-Eki Sakura-kan	C-5	☎33-3309
Sanrizuka Sakura-no-Oka Park	D-6	
Toyomi Shinonome-no-Oka Park	C-6	
Makata Shrine (Daikata)	A-5	☎28-5736
Ryushoin Temple (Namegawa Kannon)	C-2	☎96-0217
Joganji Temple	C-3	☎96-2580
Shofukuji Temple	B-2	☎96-0067
Rakumani Temple	D-2	☎96-1944
Jofukuji Temple	D-2	☎96-3380
Shinjoji Temple	C-2	☎96-0176
Daijoni Temple	D-3	☎73-5634
Osuka Daijin Shrine	E-3	
Narita Dream Farm	D-2	☎96-1001
Chiba Prefectural Experience Museum Boso-no-Mura	A-3	☎95-3333
Naritasan Calligraphy Museum	B-4	☎24-0774
Shimofusa Museum of History and Folklore	C-2	☎96-0080

Sanrizuka Goryo Ranch Memorial Hall	C-5	☎35-0442
Narita Hot Spring (Yamato-no-Yu)	A-3	☎28-8111
Tani Breeding Pond	A-5	☎26-9111
Narita Tourist Pavilion	B-4	☎24-3232
Sky Town Narita and Narita Cultural Arts Center	B-5	☎20-1133
Narita City Tourist Information Office	B-5	☎24-3198
Ryusen-no-Yu hot Spring	B-5	☎28-4126
Narita City Public Wholesales Market	D-4	☎27-7018

Parks and Sports Facilities Parks and Greenery Division: P.G.D.

Jimbei Park	A-4	☎20-1540 (Tourism Promotion Division)
Sakataga-ike Park	A-3	☎29-1161
Shimofusa Tone Takarabane Park	C-2	☎20-1562 (P.G.D.)
Jubei Sports Complex Nakadai	B-4	☎26-7251
Nagomi no Yoneya Pichan Field Oyatsu (Oyatsu Sports Park)	B-4	☎22-5242
Kitahadori Multi-purpose Plaza	A-2	☎20-1584 (Sports Promotion Division)
Shimofusa Sports Park	C-2	☎96-0090
Taipei B&G Kaiyo Center	D-3	☎73-5110
Naspa Stadium	E-3	☎49-0130
Green Water Park	D-4	☎20-1562 (P.G.D.)



Events & Flower Calender

Mar

- Naritasan Flower Festival
Naritasan and other areas (Apr. 1-8)
Naritasan and vicinity (Apr. 3)
- Odori Hanami Dance
Naritasan and vicinity (Apr. 3)

Apr

- Dedication Dance at the Great Pagoda of Peace Festival
Naritasan, Omotesando St. (2nd Sat.)
- Narita Traditional Performing Arts Festival - Spring event
Naritasan Omote Sando (Late May)

May

- Sogo Reido Hydrangea Festival
Sogo Reido Sanctuary (early to late Jun.)
- Narita Gion Festival
Naritasan, Omotesando St. etc. (Fri., Sat. & Sun. near Jul. 8)
- Morning Glory and Hozuki Market at Habu Shrine
Habu Shrine (Sat. & Sun. in mid July)
- Narita Eel Festival
Various places in the city (mid July to late Aug.)

Jun

- Shimofusa Furusato Fureai Summer Festival
Shimofusa Sports Park (Mid-August)
- Naritasan Mitama Festival, Bon Dance Festival
Koketaki Tamachi Parking (Aug. 23 & 24)

Jul

- Otaiyasai Festival
Sogo Reido Sanctuary (1st Sat. & Sun. in Sept.)
- Narita Traditional Performing Arts Festival - Autumn event
Naritasan Omotesando St. etc. (mid Sept.)
- Sky Day Festival
Museum of Aeronautical Sciences, Narita International Airport, etc. (mid to late Sept.)

Aug

- Narita Fireworks in Lake Imba
(Mid-October to mid-November)
- Chrysanthemum Exhibition
Naritasan, etc. (mid Oct. to mid Nov.)
- Narita String Instrument Festival
Naritasan and vicinity (Sat. & Sun. in late Oct.)

Sep

- Colored Leaves Festival
Naspa Stadium (mid to late Nov.)
- Taipei Furusato Fureai Festival
Nihon Automobile College (late Nov.)

Oct

- NARITA Christmas Marché
- Osame Fudo Fire Festival
Naritasan (Dec. 28)

Nov

- New Year's Visit
Naritasan, Sogo Reido Sanctuary, etc. (Jan. 1)
- Festival for Praying for Air Safety in the New Year
Narita International Airport (Jan. 1)

Dec

- Close-of Winter (Setsubun) Festival
Naritasan, Sogo Reido Sanctuary, etc. (Day before the First Day of Spring)
- Plum Blossom Festival
Naritasan Park (mid Feb. to early Mar.)

Jan

- Plum Blossom Festival
Naritasan Park (mid Feb. to early Mar.)