Unique Ishikawa
Explore and Experience Traditional Japan
Go Deeper than Just Sightseeing.
Experience the Real Japan in Ishikawa.

Ishikawa Prefecture is located near the center of Honshu, the main island of Japan, nestled between the Sea of Japan and Mt. Hakusan. Between its natural beauty and unique history and culture, the prefecture boasts a number of outstanding destinations for visitors to explore. Ishikawa’s biggest city is Kanazawa, which was once ruled by the samurai during the Edo era (1603–1868); the Maeda Clan, who ruled the Kaga Domain, led this castle town to flourish as one of the finest in Japan. The Maeda Clan focused their efforts on their cultural development policy, laying the groundwork for Kanazawa to become the city of arts and crafts that it is today. Since then, Kanazawa has been fortunate enough to have been spared from the ravages of war and natural disasters, and even today, vestiges of the days of the samurai can still be found here, alongside the city’s rich traditional culture and many traditional crafts. The programs you’ll find in this booklet make the perfect addition to a walk around the city, as a way to satisfy visitors’ intellectual curiosity. Experiences like these, where you have the chance to spend time with locals, are sure to become precious memories from your visit.

Check Out Visitkanazawa.jp
For More Information on Kanazawa.

Kanazawa’s official travel information website, http://visitkanazawa.jp, offers background information on Kanazawa's history and culture, as well as helpful suggestions like destinations to explore and hands-on experience programs to try. Make sure to check it out!

http://visitkanazawa.jp
The city of Kanazawa has 400 years of history producing gold leaf; today, 99% of the gold leaf made in Japan comes from Kanazawa. This gold leaf is used in the restoration of national treasures, as well as temples and shrines nationwide—and visitors can try working with this beautiful craft material themselves.

**Gold Leaf Sakuda Main Store:**  MAP C-2  1-3-27 Higashiyama, Kanazawa City Hours: 9:00 to 18:00 (hands-on experience takes about one hour) Open 7 Days a Week Prices: ¥600 and up Reservations: [https://goldleaf-sakuda.jp/en/trial/](https://goldleaf-sakuda.jp/en/trial/) Same-day or next-day reservations by phone only: (076)251-6777 English assistance available / No reservations needed if openings are available

**Hakuichi Hands-On Area at Kanazawa Bikazari Asano** 1-8-3 Higashiyama, Kanazawa City (in the Higashi Chaya District) Hours: 10:00 to 16:00 (reception closes at 15:00) Closed Tue. Prices: ¥500 and up Reservations: [https://en.kanazawa.hakuichi.co.jp/experience/](https://en.kanazawa.hakuichi.co.jp/experience/) Tel:(076)240-8911 (Hakuichi Main Store)

**Kanazawa Katani** 6-63 Shimoshin-cho, Kanazawa City Hours: 9:00 to 17:00 (reception closes at 16:00) Open 7 Days a Week Prices: ¥1,000 and up Reservations: Tel:(076)231-1566

The kimono is known worldwide as a traditional type of Japanese clothing, and Kanazawa is famous for Kaga Yuzen dyed silk — why not try exploring this charming city dressed in a beautiful Kaga Yuzen kimono? Choose your favorite at the kimono rental shop, and enjoy a day around town.

**Kokoyui Kimono Rental:**  MAP A-2  1-3-39 Hon-machi, Kanazawa City Hours: 9:00 to 18:00 (dress-up, etc. takes 1 hour) Open 7 Days a Week • Prices: ¥4,320 to ¥12,960 Reservations: [https://kokoyui.com/english/index.html](https://kokoyui.com/english/index.html) English assistance available / No reservations needed if openings are available

**Kanazawa Kirara** 1F Wafu-kan Shiki, 1-3-18 Higashiyama, Kanazawa City Hours: 9:00 to 18:00 Closed Wed. (or following day if a holiday) Prices: ¥5,400 and up Reservations: [https://kanazawa-kirara.com/english/](https://kanazawa-kirara.com/english/) Tel:(076)252-4931

**Akari Kimono Rental** 49 Shimomatsubara-cho, Kanazawa City Hours: 9:00 to 18:00(reception closes at 16:30) Closed Wed. Prices: ¥4,212 and up Reservations: [http://www.akari-kanazawa.jp/en/](http://www.akari-kanazawa.jp/en/) Tel:(076)201-8119 No reservations needed if openings are available
The Maeda Clan, who ruled the Kaga Domain, invited the preeminent tea ceremony specialists of their day to Kanazawa, for the opportunity to get to know them and enjoy the tea ceremony together. Even today, the tea ceremony continues to flourish in Kanazawa, and the sweets that are an indispensable part of tea ceremony are a firmly established part of the local culture. Enjoy a refined, relaxing moment of bliss, brought to you with matcha green tea and seasonal sweets.

**Matcha Tasting**

Tearooms at Kenrokuen Garden and Kanazawa Castle Park

Kenrokuen—Shiguretei
Inside Kenrokuen Garden:
1 Kenroku-machi, Kanazawa City
Hours: 9:00 to 16:30 (last admission at 16:00) • Closed Dec. 29 to Jan. 3
Price: ¥720 (includes namagashi Japanese confection)
English assistance available
No reservations needed if openings are available

Kanazawa Castle Park—Gyokusen’an
Inside Kanazawa Castle Park:
1-1 Marunouchi, Kanazawa City
Hours: 9:00 to 16:30 (last admission at 16:00) • Closed Dec. 29 to Jan. 3
Price: ¥720 (includes namagashi Japanese confection)
English assistance available
No reservations needed if openings are available

**Ceramic Painting**

The history of Kutani Ware stretches back to the Edo era (1603–1868), and this pottery is known for its distinctive use of five vivid colors: red, yellow, green, purple, and deep blue. Try painting the outlines onto pottery, to develop a deeper appreciation for the way that overglaze-painting artisans can breathe life into plain white items.

**Paint Your Own Design**

Kutani Kosen Kiln
5-3-3 No-machi, Kanazawa City
Hands-on experience takes about one hour (including workshop tour) • Closed Jan. 1
Prices: ¥1,300 to ¥5,400 (shipping costs not included)
English assistance available
No reservations needed if openings are available
An artisan will color in your design, and the finished item will be mailed to you about two months later.
Silk Painting

Yuzen is a traditional Japanese fabric dyeing technique, and Kaga Yuzen kimonos, traditionally made in and around Kanazawa, feature beautiful designs like birds and flowers, painted onto silk. Visitors can try the techniques of Yuzen dyeing to make a small painted fabric item of their own.

**Kaga-Yuzen Kimono Center:**
- Address: 8-8 Kosho-machi, Kanazawa City
- Hours: 9:00 to 17:00 (open if a holiday) and new year holidays
- Prices: ¥1,620 to ¥2,700
- Reservations: [http://www.kagayuzen.or.jp/experience_en/](http://www.kagayuzen.or.jp/experience_en/)
- Tel: (076)224-5511
- English assistance available / No reservations needed if openings are available

Tablet computers are available that show explanations, in English, of what is currently going on during the performance.

This traditional Japanese performing art has been handed down from generation to generation for centuries, and has recently been awarded Intangible Cultural Heritage recognition by UNESCO. During the Edo era (1603-1868), the Maeda Clan, who ruled the Kaga Domain, particularly favored the Hosho school out of the five schools of Noh, giving rise to what came to be known as Kaga Hosho.

Experience a Noh Performance

**An Evening of Noh Theater**

Regular performances are held every winter and summer, and are beloved by the people of Kanazawa. Enjoy an easy-to-follow professional Noh performance.

Tablet computers are available that show explanations, in English, of what is currently going on during the performance.

**Ishikawa Prefectural Noh Theater**
- Times: Winter performances 14:30 to 16:30 (venue opens at 14:00), Summer performances 17:00 to 19:00 (venue opens at 16:30).
- Prices: Winter performances ¥1,000 for pre-sales and ¥1,200 for same-day tickets. Summer performances ¥1,000 for standard performances and ¥3,000 for special performances (same-day tickets same price).
- Reservations: dentoubunka@pref.ishikawa.lg.jp

At the Kanazawa Noh Museum, visitors can learn about the museum’s precious Noh masks and costumes through exhibits, or try the popular dress-up experience and put on a Noh costume and mask.

**Kanazawa Noh Museum**
- Address: 1-2-25 Hirosaka, Kanazawa City
- Dress-up Experience Hours: 10:00 to 16:00 (reception closes at 15:30; museum open 10:00 to 18:00)
- No reservations required. Dress-up experience available upon request. Dress-up experience takes about 10–20 minutes per person.
- Closed Mon. (or following day if a holiday) and new year holidays
- Number of Participants: Approx. 1–5 participants at a time
- Price: ¥300 admission fee for adults (no additional fee for dress-up experience)
- Tel: (076) 223-8555 (reservations required)

**Nagamachi Yuzen Kan**
- Address: 2-8-16 Naga-machi, Kanazawa City
- Hours: 9:30 to 17:00 (open if a holiday) and new year holidays
- Price: ¥4,320 (includes admission; shipping costs not included)
- Reservations: [http://www.kagayuzen-club.co.jp/en/hang8@kagayuzen-club.co.jp](http://www.kagayuzen-club.co.jp/en/hang8@kagayuzen-club.co.jp)

**Akaneya Archive Gallery**
- Address: 53-1 Satomi-cho, Kanazawa City
- Hours: 10:00 to 17:00
- Closed Mon. to Fri.
- Prices: ¥800 to ¥1,500
- Tel: (076) 223-8555 (reservations required)

**Dress-up Experience**

At the Kanazawa Noh Museum, visitors can learn about the museum’s precious Noh masks and costumes through exhibits, or try the popular dress-up experience and put on a Noh costume and mask.
Enjoy Traditional Japanese Entertainment

Kanazawa Geigi no Mai

This show features singing and dancing by Kanazawa Geigi entertainers from all three of Kanazawa’s Chaya districts. Voice guide available in English.

Japanese-style room at Ishikawa Ongakudo: MAP A-3
Dates: 30 performances from Oct. 2019 through Mar. 2020
2019: Oct. 7, 10, 11, 21, 22, 24, 28 & 30
Nov. 1, 19, 25, 26 & 27 • Dec. 6 & 8
2020: Jan. 13, 17, 19, 20 & 22
Feb. 3, 7 & 9 • Mar. 1, 10, 15, 16, 20, 23 & 26
Time: 14:00 to 15:00
Venue Capacity: Approx. 50 people per performance
Prices: Adults ¥1,000, groups of 15 or more ¥800 each, kids under 18 free
Reservations: dentoubunka@pref.ishikawa.lg.jp

Kanazawa’s Best Entertainment

Geisha Evenings® in Kanazawa

Observing Geisha performance at genuine teahouse in the evening time. Please check their website for more information.

Place: Teahouse Kaikaro MAP C-2 Dates: Check their website
Time: 18:00-19:30 (doors open at 17:30)
Pricing: ¥7,150-¥11,000 Details: http://geishaevenings.jp

Kanazawa Geigi

The Chaya districts of Kanazawa are known for a refined form of old-fashioned entertainment and socializing. Here, you’ll find Kanazawa Geigi, a local style of geisha entertainers who sing and dance to taiko drumming and shamisen music. Kanazawa is home to three Chaya districts: the Higashi Chaya district, which dates back to the Edo era (1603–1868), as well as the Nishi Chaya district and the Kazuemachi Chaya district. Even today, these Kanazawa Geigi entertainers undergo strict daily training as part of the tradition they inherit.
Guided Tours

Guided tours in English are a great way to go beneath the surface and experience the local history and culture of Kanazawa from up close. Here is a look at featured tours from different companies.

Kanazawa Walking Tours

Choose locations in Kanazawa from a list of options, then visit them on a guided walking tour or bus tour.

Time: 4 or 7 hours for private or shared tours
Prices: ¥3,700 to ¥5,500 for shared tours, and ¥22,000 to ¥33,000 for private tours
Reservations and deposits required
https://www.kanazawa-tours.com/
Tel:(080)3044-3191
Hotel pickup service available.

Kanazawa Samurai Tours

Meet up at Kanazawa Station, then visit the Higashi Chaya district, Kanazawa Castle and Kenrokuen Garden, and the samurai district by bus and on foot.
Minimum 2 participants; held Tue. through Fri. (except during Golden Week holidays in late Apr./early May and new year holidays)

Time: 9:00 to 12:30
Price: ¥9,800
Reservations required by 16:30 the day before
Tel:(076)263-3565
http://kanazawatravel.jp/kst/index.html

Green Tour

Spend time in destinations off the beaten path that are rarely visited by travelers from overseas on their own, with these tours of uniquely wonderful places in Ishikawa, accompanied by an English-speaking guide.

- Day Trip from Kanazawa to Noto or Kaga
- Kanazawa Night Tour

Minimum 2 participants Prices: ¥7,000 and up
Reservations and Questions:
Maruichi Kanko Co., Ltd. Tel:(076)266-4401
https://www.maruichi-gp.co.jp/c533.html
Traditional Culture
Nighttime Performances
An all-in-one package featuring Kanazawa’s world-class traditional culture and performing arts, including a Kanazawa Geigi no Mai geisha performance, a koto harp performance, flower arrangement, and more.

Kanazawa Bunka Hall MAP A-2
Hokkoku Shimbun Koryu Hall MAP A-3
Garden Room, 2F Shinoki Cultural Complex MAP B-3
(Venue varies by day)
Dates: Thu., Fri., and Sat. from Sep. to Dec. 2019 (48 dates total)
Time: 18:30 to 19:30
Price: ¥500 (tentative)

Tsuzumi-mon Gate
Nighttime Performances
Tsuzumi-mon Gate is a symbol of Kanazawa Station known for its architectural beauty. Enjoy evening performances of music, dance, and more, with the lit-up Tsuzumi-mon Gate serving as the stage.

Tsuzumi-mon Gate, in the East Plaza of Kanazawa Station MAP A-1
Dates: Thu., Fri., and Sat. (tentative) from Aug. to Nov. 2019
Time: 19:00 to 20:00
Price: Free

During the day, Kanazawa bustles with visitors, but even after dark, there’s plenty to enjoy in the city! Whether traditional culture or modern art performances, you’re sure to find an unforgettable experience you’ll love.

Kanazawa at Night

◆ Tailor-Made Guided Tours
Kanazawa Adventures
Join a native English-speaking guide for a guided tour of Omicho Market, the Higashi Chaya district, the Kazuemachi Chaya district, Kanazawa Castle and Kenrokuken Garden, and the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, with a private car for transportation. Includes lunch at Sekitei, one of the city’s finest restaurants.
Time: 10:00 to 16:30
Price: ¥45,000 per person (minimum 2 participants)
Reservations required at least five days in advance Tel: (076) 214-4545
https://kanazawaadventures.com/

National Licensed Interpreter-guide
Net Kanazawa (LINK)
Explore Ishikawa with a nationally licensed interpreter-guide.
Time: By request • Price: ¥25,000 and up for 8 hours, ¥15,000 and up for 4 hours
Reservations required, generally at least two weeks in advance
https://kanazawaguidelink.jp/en/

Kanazawa Guide Interpreter Search
Search for the perfect guide in Kanazawa based on date, specialty, and more, and make a reservation.
Time: By request
Contact guides directly for pricing and reservations
https://www.kanazawaguide.jp/
Exploring the Prefecture beyond Kanazawa

The Kaga and Noto Regions

If you make your way outside of Kanazawa, you'll find a prefecture full of experiences that provide a deeper sense of the “real Japan.” The Kaga region to the southwest is home to historic temples and other buildings, as well as charming, relaxing hot spring towns, all built in harmony with the surrounding mountains, rivers, and sea. This region is known for traditional crafts like Kutani Ware and Yamanaka Lacquerware. To the north, you'll find the Noto Peninsula sticking out into the Sea of Japan. The people of Noto still live in close contact with nature: fishing is an important industry here, and rice is grown in tiered fields in the mountains—in fact, this closeness with nature is a large part of why the region has been selected as a Globally Important Agricultural Heritage System. In addition, the Noto region is the center of production for Wajima Lacquerware, an iconic style of high-quality lacquerware items. No matter where you go, you’re bound to make great memories!

Yamashiro Onsen Kosoyu Public Bath

The term “Soyu” refers to a public bath that is open to the whole community, rather than being part of an inn. Kosoyu, or “Old Soyu,” is located in the center of this hot spring town, and is a modern reproduction of a Meiji-era (1868–1912) public bath, down to the old-fashioned way visitors use it — no showers or faucets here!

18-128 Yamashiro Onsen, Kaga City
Hours: 6:00 to 22:00 • Closed for the morning of the 4th Wed. of each month
Price: ¥500   Tel:(0761)76-0144
http://www.yamashiro-spa.or.jp/kosoyu-public-bathhouse

The Kaga region is the birthplace of two well-known crafts: Kutani Ware, a style of pottery painted with vivid colors, and Yamanaka Lacquerware, known for its distinctive woodturning techniques. The region offers plenty of destinations related to these crafts, and many shops selling them, too.

Yunokuni no Mori Traditional Handicrafts Village

This complex of facilities located in a vast forest, including an old thatched-roofed folk house that was rebuilt here, serves as a base for providing information about traditional crafts. In addition to seeing the production processes of various crafts, visitors can try hands-on experiences for Kaga Yuzen silk dyeing, Kutani Ware, and other traditional crafts.

Na-3-3 Awazu Onsen, Komatsu City
Hours: 9:00 to 16:30 • Open 7 Days a Week (Occasionally closed; see website for details)
Price: Admission ¥540 (additional fees for hands-on experiences) Tel:(0761)65-3456
https://yunokuni.jp/mori/?lang=en
The city of Wajima is located roughly 100 km from Kanazawa. With a population of about 30,000, Wajima is the largest city in the northern part of the Noto Peninsula, and is known for its flourishing fishing ports, as well as the lively Wajima Morning Market and the local traditional craft Wajima Lacquerware.

**Wajima Morning Market**
This morning market, held nearly every day, is said to have over a thousand years of history. The street that hosts this market fills with shoppers as sellers offer seafood, vegetables, crafts, snacks, sweets, and more from the stands that line the street.

Hours: 8:00 to 12:00  Not held on the 2nd & 4th Wed. of each month, nor Jan. 1–3

**Nanao City**
Located about 70 km northeast of Kanazawa along Nanao Bay and Toyama Bay, is the largest city in the Noto region. Wakura Onsen, a lively hot spring town in Nanao, is known for its unique location along the coastline, drawing many visitors to its various hot spring inns.

**Hanayome Noren Bridal Curtain Museum**
Hanayome Noren are a traditional part of weddings in Ishikawa: these elaborately decorated curtains are hung over the entrance to the groom’s family’s Buddhist altar room, and the bride passes through the curtain as a way to pay respects to their ancestors. This museum features beautiful Hanayome Noren curtains from various eras on display.

Tsu-bu 49 Madashi-machi, Nanao City  Hours: 9:00 to 17:00  Tel:(0767)53-8743
http://hanayomenorenkan.jp/en/

**Takazawa Candle**
This candle maker was established in 1892, and even today, they make Japanese-style candles the old-fashioned way, using traditional materials like washi paper and plant oils. Their candles painted with a variety of flowers make ideal souvenirs, and the shop itself is nationally designated as a registered tangible cultural property.

11 Ipponsugi-machi, Nanao City  Hours: 9:00 to 19:00  Tel:(0767)53-0406  https://takazawacandle.com/

**Wajima Museum of Urushi Art**
The only museum in the world dedicated entirely to lacquer art. Visitors can learn about the history and culture surrounding Wajima Lacquerware, considered among the finest lacquerware in all of Japan, and try hands-on experiences to gain a deeper appreciation of the world of lacquer art.

11 Shijugari, Mitomori-machi, Wajima City  Hours: 9:00 to 17:00 (last admission 16:30)  Closed: Dec. 29–31 and during exhibit changes  Price: ¥620  Tel:(0768)22-9788
https://www.city.wajima.ishikawa.jp/art/home_english.html

**Hakuho Museum of Modern Art**
This modern art museum is located near the center of Wajima city, and houses a collection of contemporary art with a focus on modern Japanese artists.

32 Shijugari, Mitomori-machi, Wajima City  Hours: 9:00 to 17:00  Price: ¥620  Tel:(0768)22-9788
https://www.city.wajima.ishikawa.jp/art/home_english.html

Nanarin Bicycle Rentals
Rent a bicycle at JR Nanao Station for an easy way to travel around town and see the local highlights.

Nanao Station Tourist Information Office, I-28-2 Misogi-cho, Nanao City  Hours: 9:00 to 15:30  Price: ¥500 and up for one-day rentals  Tel:(0767)57-5714
https://nn-dmo.or.jp/en/
Guided Tour Day Trip: Experience the Traditions and Culture of Kaga
Yamanaka Onsen, Yamanaka Bushi Experience, and Yamashiro Onsen

Dates: Tue., Oct. 22 and Thu., Oct. 31, 2019
No Minimum Number of Participants • Price ¥10,000 per Adult • Maximum 40 Participants
Accompanied by Tour Conductor
Extra Option: Kimono rental and dress-up at Kokoyui at 8:00 (additional fee applies)
Depart from the sightseeing bus parking area at the West Gate of Kanazawa Station at 9:00
- Katayamazu IC - Yamanaka Onsen to see Yamanaka Lacquerware / Yamanaka-Bushi performance and experience at Yamanakaza / Walking tour with local guide, visiting the town and Kakusenkei Gorge
- Daishoji Bantei (Lunch) - Choose your own plan for Yamashiro Onsen
- Walk around town in Kaga-Hashitate - Kasa no Misaki Lighthouse & sunset
- Return to Kanazawa Station around 17:30

Yamanakaza
After watching a Yamanaka-Bushi performance, visitors are invited onto the stage to try the Koikoi-Odori dance themselves.

Kakusenkei Gorge
A local guide will accompany you along the walking paths through this beautiful gorge.

Guided Tour Day Trip: to Hakusan and Shirakawa-go Village: An Autumn-Colored Picnic in the Foothills of Mt. Hakusan with a Nature Guide

No Minimum Number of Participants • Price ¥13,000 per Adult • Maximum 40 Participants
Not Accompanied by Tour Conductor
Depart from the sightseeing bus parking area at the West Gate of Kanazawa Station at 7:45
- Shirayama Hime Shrine for kagura dance and blessing - Walk around Tedori Gorge and Watagataki Waterfall - Bento boxed lunch at Chugu Onsen Visitor Center - Chugu Toll Gate
- Hakusan Shirakawa-go White Road - Jadani Enchi parking area / Ubagataki Waterfall nature walk
- Toganokidai parking area (observation point) - Makari Toll Gate - Self-guided walk around Shirakawa-go Village (World Heritage Site) - Shirakawago IC - Kanazawa-higashi IC
- Return to Kanazawa Station around 17:30

Hakusan Shirakawa-go White Road
The autumn colors reach their peak around mid October. The bus parks at certain points along the way to provide an opportunity to get off and better enjoy the scenery before arriving in Shirakawa-go Village.

Shirakawa-go Village
Enjoy the freedom of a self-guided walk around this traditional mountain village of distinctive thatched-roof Gassho-style houses.
These special bus tours to Kaga and Noto run only during October of 2019. All of the tours shown are accompanied by English-speaking guides, and the buses feature Wi-Fi internet access.
Contact: Maruichi Kanko Co., Ltd.  https://www.maruichi-gp.co.jp/c533.html

**Wajima Morning Market, Sake Tasting, and Zazen Meditation**

Experience Guided Tour Day Trip: Experience the Tradition and Natural Features of the Noto Peninsula

**Dates:** Fri., Oct. 25, Sun., Oct. 27, and Wed., Oct. 30, 2019

No Minimum Number of Participants • Price ¥13,500 per Adult • Maximum 40 Participants
Accompanied by Tour Conductor

Depart from Kanazawa Station at 8:00 ➤ Chirihama Beach Driveway ➤ Wajima Morning Market / Okuda Sake Boutique / Sake brewery ➤ Wajima Kiriko Art Museum ➤ Yabu Shinbashi (Lunch) ➤ Sosogi Coast / Madoiwa Rock / Tarumi Falls ➤ Sojiji Temple ➤ Magaki Bamboo Fence Village ➤ (Noto Satoyama Kaido) ➤ Return to Kanazawa Station around 19:30

**Sake Brewery Visit in Wajima and Sake Tasting**

An interpreter-guide from a local sake shop will provide a tour of a sake brewery in Wajima City, followed by a tasting of four recommended types of local sake.

**Sojiji Temple**

Try zazen seated meditation, and enjoy a peaceful moment of retreat from the noise and bustle of everyday life.

**Guided Tour Day Trip: Visit and Experience the Tip of the Noto Peninsula and Make Rice Balls in Rural Noto with a Spectacular View of the Sea of Japan**

**Dates:** Tue., Oct. 15, Mon., Oct. 28, and Tue., Oct. 29, 2019

No Minimum Number of Participants • Price ¥13,500 per Adult • Maximum 30 Participants
Accompanied by Tour Conductor

Depart from the sightseeing bus parking area at the West Gate of Kanazawa Station at 7:45 ➤ Uchinada IC ➤ Noto Satoyama Airport IC ➤ Mii no Sato & Satoyama Marugoto Hotel (Make lunch & walk around the area) ➤ Tsukumo Bay walking path ➤ Sosogi Coast ➤ Mitsukejima Island ("Battleship Island") ➤ Rokkosaki Lighthouse ➤ Besshodake Service Area (Noto Satoyama Kaido) ➤ Return to Kanazawa Station around 18:30 or 19:00

**Mii no Sato & Satoyama Marugoto Hotel**

Visit a thatched-roof house over 150 years old, and experience rustic, old-fashioned Japanese hospitality.

**Rokkosaki Lighthouse**

This cape is famous for the unique way that you can see the sun both rise out of the sea, and set into the sea, from a single place.
This seasonal event features hands-on experience programs going on at four different cultural facilities near Kenrokuen Garden in Kanazawa during this event. Each program features instructions by experts, with interpreters to provide explanations in English. These are special opportunities to experience traditional Japanese culture for yourself — and they’re lots of fun to share on social media, too!

**Price:** ¥500 each

Hands-on experiences each take one hour or less

No reservations required; available on a first-come-first-served basis, with sign-ups opening 30 minutes beforehand

Visitors who take part in two or more of these hands-on experiences will receive a commemorative souvenir.

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**Japanese Calligraphy Experience**

Noh has been a widely beloved performing art in Ishikawa ever since the days of the samurai, when the Maeda Clan, who ruled the Kaga Domain, worked to preserve and cultivate Noh. This hands-on experience features a lesson on the history and distinctive characteristics of local Noh, followed by a lesson in *shimai*, a traditional Noh dance, while wearing a Noh mask.

**Learn about Artistic Expression through Writing**

**Japanese Calligraphy Experience**

Calligraphy is a traditional part of Japanese culture: use a brush and black ink to write Chinese characters or characters from the Japanese syllabaries on paper. After learning about the tools and history of Japanese calligraphy, try writing a word or phrase of your choice, or your name rendered in Chinese characters, followed by a commemorative photo in this Japanese-style room.

**Hirosaka Annex of the Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Art**

**Times:** 13:00, 14:00, and 15:00

**Number of Participants:** Up to 10 participants per session

**Japanese Calligraphy Experience**

**Try Japanese Calligraphy in a Traditional Japanese-Style Room**

**Learn from a Professional Noh Actor**

**Noh Experience**

**Ishikawa Prefectural Noh Theater**

**Times:** 13:00 and 14:30 (Not available on Sat., Oct. 26 or Sun., Oct. 27)

**Number of Participants:** Up to 15 participants per session

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**Experience Japanese Culture for Yourself through Four Special Programs!**

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**Dates:** Tue., Oct. 22 to Thu., Oct. 31, 2019

(Noth experience not available on Sat., Oct. 26 or Sun., Oct. 27)

**Price:** ¥500 each • Hands-on experiences each take one hour or less

No reservations required; available on a first-come-first-served basis, with sign-ups opening 30 minutes beforehand

**Contact (Official Website):**


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**Experience Japanese Culture for Yourself through Four Special Programs!**
The city of Kanazawa originally flourished as a castle town ruled by the samurai during the Edo era (1603–1868), and even today, vestiges of the days of the samurai can be seen throughout the city. At the Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of History, participants can dress up in samurai armor with a sword, and take photos in front of a panel depicting a battlefield from the Warring States era.

**Samurai Dress-Up Experience**

Try a Taste of the Samurai Life

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**Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of History**

Time: 13:00 to 16:00 (at any time upon request)

When signing up, participants will receive admission tickets for the museum’s permanent exhibition. Feel free to explore the museum while waiting for your turn for the dress-up experience.

Kenrokuen Shuttle Bus

Board at Bus Platform 6 at the East Gate of Kanazawa Station

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**Gold Leaf Experience**

Some 99% of the gold leaf produced in Japan comes from Kanazawa. Expert artisans work with gold to create a result with a deep, rich luster, yet so thin that light passes through it. Participants learn about the history and techniques behind Kanazawa gold leaf, then get to try applying gold leaf to a plate or a candle holder – the perfect souvenir to remind you of your time in Kanazawa!

**Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Traditional Arts and Crafts**

Times: 13:00, 14:00, and 15:00

Number of Participants: Up to 10 participants per session

The museum gift shop also offers a great selection of reasonably priced craft items.
Travel Time by Train

- **From Tokyo**: Tokyo Station ➔ Kanazawa Station: 2 hrs., 30 min. (Hokuriku Shinkansen)
- **From Osaka**: Osaka Station ➔ Kanazawa Station: 2 hrs., 30 min. (Thunderbird)
- **From Nagoya**: Nagoya Station ➔ Kanazawa Station: 2 hrs., 30 min. (Tokaido Shinkansen+Shirasagi)

Travel Time by Plane

- **From Tokyo**: Haneda Airport ➔ Komatsu Airport: 1 hr.
  Komatsu Airport ➔ Kanazawa Station (express bus): 40 min.

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