

## Female Mikoshi Experience at Iiyama Cherry Blossom Festival

Sunday, 30 March 2025

Depart: 1100/Return: 1800

\*Sign up by Wed, 19 Mar 2025!!!

NEW



ODR Staff  
CHOICE!!!

Energetic female! It will be rare opportunity to carry portable shrines. Female Mikoshi Parade is one of the highlights for Iiyama cherry blossom festival. Put on mikoshi costume and experience the parade for 30 minutes, then enjoy cherry blossom festival. During our staying time, the drum performance, dragon dance show, tea ceremony and more events will be held.

♣Tea Ceremony: Y800

\*Mikoshi parade experience is for Female ages 15 and up.

\*Ask ODR staff if you simply would like to participate in the cherry blossom festival without mikoshi parade experience.

\*Please wear white T-shirt and black skinny pants/leggings/spats and white sneakers to participate in mikoshi parade.

\*The festival is subject to cancel with short notice.

Wear: White T-shirt, Black skinny pants/Leggings/spats, White sneakers.

(Mikoshi parade participants only)

Bring: Lawn chair/picnic sheet, Plastic bags (for trash), Yen for anything you may need.

Cost: Adult/Youth/Child \$18

(Escort, Transportation included),

(Also Lunch, Mikoshi costume rental for mikoshi parade participants.)



## ===Vehicle Rental===

Toll Ticket Included!!!

**Toyota Corolla:** Hybrid 4 passenger Wagon \$80/day, \$480/week  
**Toyota Estima:** Hybrid 6 passenger Van \$85/day, \$510/week  
**Toyota Dyna:** 1ton truck, 3 passenger \$85/day, \$510/week, \$15/hour (up to 3 hours)  
**Toyota Hiace:** 5 passenger Cargo Van \$85/day, \$510/week, \$15/hour (up to 3 hours)  
**Nissan Caravan:** 10 passenger Van \$110/day, \$660/week, \$30/hour (up



## Airport Transportation Service

Leisure Travel Services offers transportation service between Camp Zama/SHA and Narita/Haneda Airport/Yokota Air terminal/Sagami Ono Station. Give us a call at 263-3621/046-407-3621 for more information.

♣Transportation request form (on MWR Website):

[Limo\\_Airport\\_Vehicle\\_Transportation\\_request\\_form\\_as\\_of\\_2024-03.pdf\(armymwr.com\)](#)

Narita Airport	\$215 one way	\$430 Round trip
Haneda Airport	\$175 one way	\$350 Round trip
Yokota Air Terminal	\$140 one way	\$280 Round trip

## Sagami Ono Transfer Service

Sagami Ono Station (Scheduled times from SHA Bus Stop) \$10/person

Sagami Ono Station (Reserved times from your Quarters) \$30

(Reservations are required for these services NLT 72 hrs. prior)

Choose from 2 easy ways to register  
for Outdoor Recreation/Leisure Travel tours:

\*In Person

Stop by the Outdoor Recreation office, located in bldg.#267!

\*Telephone 263-4671

Give us a call Monday through Friday, 8 A.M.~ 7 P.M. or weekends from 8 A.M. ~ 5 P.M. We are closed for all U.S Federal Holidays.

### Cancellation & Refund Policy

Outdoor Recreation shall provide a full refund for all tours cancellations received by cancellation due date indicated on the itinerary.

### Children Policy

Children (Ages 17 & under) & out of high school must be accompanied by a parent/guardian on all tours.

\*Age limitations may vary on each tour. Please check with our tour staff when signing up on a tour.

Receive our tour brochure monthly via E-Mail!

\*By signing up for our email distribution, you will receive our brochure as well as any updates on any changes that are made to the schedule! Please send an email with "Tour Brochure Request" in the subject line to the following address: [zamaodr@gmail.com](mailto:zamaodr@gmail.com).

MLC/IHA/自衛隊の方も是非ご参加ください。  
ご予約、お問い合わせは軍電263-4671まで。

MLC/IHA/JGSDF employees are welcome to join! Give us a call at 263-4671/046-407-4671 for more information and to reserve your spots!

Please bring/prepare something you can eat for lunch if you have any food restrictions (ex. Allergy, vegetarian)



DFMWR strives to provide individuals with disabilities reasonable accommodation, and are included in all community recreation program planning, as appropriate for the activity.

\*For reservations & More information please call Outdoor Recreation & Leisure Travel Services at 263-4671/046-407-4671.

## OUTDOOR RECREATION and Leisure Travel Services



MARCH 2025



Female  
Mikoshi Experience  
Sun, 30 March 2025

### >>>MARCH LINE UP

Sat, 01 (0430-2000) Snow Monkey & Matsumoto Castle  
 Sat, 01 (0500-1900) Stroll Pottery Town Tokoname  
 Sun, 02 (0800-1700) Fuji Safari Park  
 Sat, 08 (0500-1800) Mt. Tsukuba Hiking&Plum Festival  
 Sun, 09 (0700-1700) Mito Kairakuen&Ushiku Buddha  
 Sat, 15 (0900-1700) Ueno Free Time  
 Sun, 16 (0730-1630) Himenosawa Park  
 Sun, 23 (0600-1730) Kazaki Town Sake Festival  
 Sat, 29 (0700-1800) Makaino Farm&Fuji Kachoen  
 Sun, 30 (1100-1800) Female Mikoshi Experience  
 &Iiyama Cherry Blossom Festival



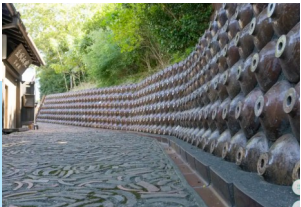
**Snow Monkey  
& Matsumoto Castle**  
**Saturday, 01 March 2025**  
**Depart: 0430/ Return: 2000**



Visit Jigokudani Wild Monkey Park and enjoy this rare opportunity to observe the interesting lifestyle of Japanese macaque monkeys. Almost 200 monkeys inhabit the area and relax by bathing in the hot spring. Afterwards, we will head to Matsumoto Castle. The castle formerly named “Fukashi” was built over 400 years ago. The six-story black painted wooden keep is the oldest surviving structure in Japan and is a designated national treasure.  
**\*Please bring or wear appropriate shoes for a 40-min one-way walk on the snow to the monkey park.**  
**\*Strollers cannot be used on the way to monkey park.**  
**\*We do not guarantee you can see bathing monkeys.**  
**\*You have to take off your shoes to enter Matsumoto Castle and there’s steep staircase.**

**Bring:** Warm clothes, Rain gear, Snow gear, Yen for lunch and anything you may need.  
**Cost:** Adult (18+) \$66, Teen (12-17) \$63, Youth (6-11) \$60, Child (0-5) \$55  
**(Admission, Guide, Transportation included)**

**Stroll Pottery Town, Tokoname**  
**Saturday, 01 March 2025**  
**Depart: 0500/Return: 1900**



Tokoname is one of the six major pottery town in Japan and has 1,000-year histories. Not only table ware, tile, sanitary ware, construction material etc., variety of products are made by clay. In Edo era, they found the technique to make pipes by ceramic and the mass production of the sewage pipes were started. 2 km/1.24 mi walking trails which are decorated with the ceramic pipes, liquor bottles, scratch of potteries etc. are set in Tokoname city. Stroll the city along with the pottery trails, stop by pottery shops/studios and oldest kiln in Japan.  
**\*It is for all ages, however we do not recommend for small children due to the long bus ride and difficulty to use the strollers.**

**Wear:** comfortable shoes and clothing to walk, Cap/hat.  
**Bring:** Rain gear, Towel, Water, Yen for lunch and anything you may need.  
**Cost:** Adult/Youth/Child \$49  
**(Guide, Transportation included)**

**Fuji Safari Park**  
**Sunday, 02 March 2025**  
**Depart: 0800/Return: 1700**



Fuji Safari Park is located at the foot of Mt. Fuji in Shizuoka Prefecture. Enjoy watching bears, lions, elephants, rhinos, zebras, giraffes, and other animals by riding through the safari zone in a **jungle bus**. During the ride, spectators will be given the opportunity to feed animals. Fuji Safari Park also offers regular zoo and petting zoo areas where you can meet red panda bears, meerkats, leopards, hippopotamuses, kangaroos, and more!  
**Wear:** Comfortable shoes to walk around.  
**Bring:** Rain gear, Yen for lunch and anything you may need.  
**Cost:** Adult (15+) \$57, Youth (4-14) \$50, Child (0-3) \$28  
**(Jungle Bus Ride, Escort, Transportation included)**

**Before signing up for hiking/climbing trips**

Please consider your physical fitness. We do not recommend to participate in walking trips if you have knee/heart problems, asthma and any other illness.

Schedules, locations, prices are subject to change.

**Mt. Tsukuba Hiking  
& Plum Blossom Festival**  
**Saturday, 08 March 2025**  
**Depart: 0500/Return: 1800**



Let’s climb Mt. Tsukuba to aim for the majestic view of Kasumigaura, Pacific Ocean and mountains which surrounding Kanto plain. Mt. Tsukuba has two peaks which is called Nantaisan and Nyotaisan, and famous as the holly mountain. We will start climbing from Tsutsujigaoka, ascend 40 minutes until Benkeijaya junction, then keep climbing for 35minutes, arrive at the highest peak, Nantaisan. 15 minutes from Nantaisan will be Miyukigahara where the cable car station is located. Go through the summit of Nantaisan, then walk clockwise around the summit for 60 minutes, then we will be back to Miyukigahara. We will take 8 minutes cable car ride to descend the mountain. The plum yard is located at 15-minute from the cable car bottom station. Enjoy plum blossom festival and taste delicious food and locally brewed plum wine.  
>>>Mt. Tsukuba: 877m, Approximately 3.85km, 155 minutes hiking.  
**\*It is for ages 10 and up.**  
**\*Festival is subject to cancel due to rain. The tour will not be cancelled even if the festival is cancelled.**

**Wear:** Trekking shoes, Appropriate clothing for hiking, Cap/hat.  
**Bring:** Rain gear, Sunscreen, Sunglasses, Towel, Water/snacks, (Trekking poles), (Change of clothes), Yen for lunch and anything you may need.  
**Cost:** Adult (12+) \$64, Youth (10-11) \$62  
**(Cable car ride, Guide, Transportation included)**

**Mito Kairakuen  
& Ushiku Buddha**  
**Sunday, 09 March 2025**  
**Depart: 0630/Return: 1930**



Let’s enjoy watching and walking through plum blossoms at Mito Kairakuen. It’s located in Ibaraki prefecture and was built relatively recently in 1841 by the local lord Tokugawa Nariyuki. Ranked among Japan’s finest landscape gardens, Kairakuen is most famous for its over 3,000 plum trees. After that, we will take you to Tomobe SA for lunch then Ushiku Buddha. It’s 328 feet (100 meters) tall and you will be overwhelmed once you get to close to it.  
**Wear:** Comfortable shoes to walk around.  
**Bring:** Rain gear, Yen for lunch and anything you may need.  
**Cost:** Adult (12+) \$42, Youth (4-11) \$38, Child (0-3) \$34  
**(Admission, Guide, Transportation included)**

**Ueno Free Time**  
**Saturday, 15 March 2025**  
**Depart: 0900/Return: 1800**



Have you been to Ueno in Tokyo? There is a zoo, big park, museums, and cafes. There is a famous street called “Ameyoko” and there are more than 400 small shops in the street. You can purchase seafood, snacks, clothes and even accessories. You can also negotiate the price with the seller, which is uncommon in Japan so you might have a chance to buy precious goods with discount price. Please experience the unique atmosphere in Ueno!  
**Wear:** Comfortable shoes to walk around.  
**Bring:** Rain gear, Yen for lunch and anything you may need.  
**Cost:** Adult/Youth/Child \$19  
**(Escort, Transportation included)**

**Himenosawa Park  
Obstacle Course**  
**Sunday, 16 March 2025**  
**Depart: 0730/Return: 1630**



Our adventure begins with a cable car ride through Jukkoku Pass, a place where you could look over 10 counties (Jukkoku) in ancient times. Walk 10 minutes from the cable car summit station is the entrance to Himenosawa Park. Warm-up and challenge yourself on a 3.5km 40 obstacles set on a steep mountain slope (will take 3 hours to complete the course!) In the afternoon, we will head to Atami City for lunch and free time.  
**\*It is for all ages, however you cannot use strollers at the park.**  
**\*You cannot play on the obstacle course if you consume alcohol.**  
**\*Ages 9 and under must stay around the obstacle course with a parent/legal guardian.**  
**Wear:** Sneakers, Long pants, (Gloves), Cap/hat  
**Bring:** Towel, Water, Yen for lunch and anything you may need.  
**Cost:** Adult (12+) \$34, Youth (6-11) \$33, Child (0-5) \$32  
**(Guide, Transportation included)**

**Kozaki Town Sake Festival**  
**Sunday, 23 March 2025**  
**Depart: 0600/Return: 1730**



Kozaki town is known as the brewery town. During the Edo period, the town used the adjacent Tone River as a water source for brewery. At its height, there were seven sake breweries and there are only two that exists today. Since 2009, the town started hosting its annual brewery festival in March and 50,000 people visited at the smallest town in Chiba prefecture. About 200 vendors opened booths to sell foods, vegetables, local products, crafts etc. Highlight of the festival will be Sake tasting. You can try variety of Sake for a free and/or a fee. Brewery tour will also be available on the festival day. Music performance will be held at the stage as well.  
**\*It is for all ages; however we do not recommend small children due to crowd.**  
**\*Diaper tables are not available at the festival area.**  
**Wear:** Comfortable shoes to walk around.  
**Bring:** Rain gear, Shopping bag/Shopping cart trolley, Yen for lunch, shopping and anything you may need.  
**Cost:** Adult/Youth/Child \$28 (Escort, Transportation included)

**Shiraito Waterfall & Makaino Farm**  
**Saturday, 29 March 2025**  
**Depart: 0730/Return: 1630**



Let’s enjoy the nature! First of all, we will take you to Shiraito waterfall. The waterfall is a 150-meter wide cascade, fed by the volcano’s spring water and flows off the edge of a 20-meter high cliff in thin white streams that resemble hanging threads of silk - hence its name translated to “white treads”. After that, we will head to Makaino Farm where you can see, touch, feed and even take a walk with animals. You can experience Cow Milking, Horse Riding, feeding calves etc. There’s a play area for children as well so they can burn some energy! Don’t forget to eat soft serve ice cream made with fresh milk at the farm.  
**Wear:** Comfortable shoes to walk around.  
**Bring:** Rain gear, Yen for lunch and anything you may need.  
**Cost:** Adult (12+) \$31, Youth (6-11) \$29, Child (4-5) \$29, Infant (0-3) \$23  
**(Admission, Guide, Transportation included)**

Tours are subject to cancel due to inclement weather.

Flowers are weather dependent, we cannot guarantee that they are in bloom.