Go deeper into Kanazawa’s fascinating past and vibrant present through the city’s remarkable artisanal crafts and unparalleled culture. Replete with dozens of museums, preserved houses and shops, thriving geisha districts, and of course, Kanazawa Castle and Kenrokuen Garden, Kanazawa offers something for everyone.

Extraordinary beauty and artistry at every turn.
The Kaga clan provided sufficient protection and training to enable art and craft techniques to flourish under their rule. Kanazawa is renowned in Japan as a city of crafts and is the established home of a number of art forms, including Kaga Yuzen, gold leaf, and lacquerware. In recognition of its thriving arts and crafts, the city was appointed the first UNESCO Creative City of Crafts and Folk Art of Japan in 2009.

Kanazawa’s traditional arts and crafts

Kanazawa Castle Town

Welcome to Kanazawa!

A city that prides itself in the colors of Kenrokuen Garden throughout the four seasons, in the clear water of the Saigawa and Asanogawa rivers, in its abundant greenery, and in its refined traditional culture - and at the same time incorporates modern elements as it continues to develop. This is the city of Kanazawa.

Kanazawa – Town with a mixture of old traditions and new culture

The castle town of Kanazawa was built by the Maeda family of the Kaga clan in the late 16th century. The Maeda family promoted the city’s development by arranging samurai and townsmen’s residential areas and the temple districts around Kanazawa Castle. Kanazawa then grew to become Japan’s largest castle town, ruled by a feudal lord who invested heavily in culture and education as opposed to military force, in an attempt to create a sophisticated, traditional culture. Kanazawa was Japan’s fourth-largest city at the time, behind Tokyo, Osaka, and Kyoto.

Modern-day Kanazawa is one of the largest castle towns in Japan and retains many streets and cultural elements from the olden days owing to the fact that the city has escaped damage caused by war or major disasters for a period of over 400 years. Kanazawa’s unique charms include the tourism spots of Kanazawa Castle, Kenrokuen Garden, the long-established fish market, teahouse districts, the samurai district and tradesmen towns, as well as its traditional culture such as crafts, entertainment, and food.

Along with its history and culture, today’s Kanazawa also has new attractions including the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, which attracts attention from home and abroad, and districts that are home to fashionable gallery shops.

Experience the city of Kanazawa that combines tradition with new culture.

Kanazawa’s traditional performing arts

There is a saying in Kanazawa that goes “The (singing) chants of a Noh text fall down from the sky.” Ever since the olden days, Noh plays have been enjoyed by samurai, merchants, and even by gardeners. You would often hear someone humming a verse from a Noh play while walking down the street in Kanazawa, which is where the above saying comes from. The unique Kaga Hosho Noh plays, and the Subayashi musical accompaniment have been passed down through the generations, and remain part of citizens’ lives even to this day.

Kanazawa is also known as one of Japan’s leading cities for Geisha performances. The tea ceremony, an essential part of samurai culture, has also grown in popularity as a way to casually enjoy tea.

Kanazawa’s food culture

Kanazawa benefits from its location facing both the sea and mountains, with an abundance of fresh ingredients available. These include seafood such as crabs and shrimp from the Sea of Japan, as well as locally produced Kaga vegetables. Kanazawa’s rich food culture aims to delight all of your five senses using its advanced cooking techniques and the ingredients, serving up dishes and table manners in addition to the ingredients. Kanazawa is also known as the home of Japanese confectionery due to the fact that a number of famous sweets were created in the city, and where the tea ceremony is very popular.

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Guide to Recommended Activities

**Kanazawa’s hot springs**

- **Yuwaku Hot Spring**
  - With its new greenery in the spring, crimson leaves in the fall, and striking winter scenery, this hot spring has been visited by many of Japan’s well-known people.
  - From Kanazawa Station East Gate, Stage 2, board the Hokutetsu Bus to Yuwaku Hot Spring (approx. 50 minutes).

- **Fukatani Hot Spring**
  - This hot spring resort is tucked away in a mountain valley.
  - If you take a bath in amber or coffee colored water, your skin will become silky smooth.
  - From Kanazawa Station East Gate, Stage 3, board the JR Bus to Nako via Fukatani Hot Spring (approx. 45 minutes).

**Local Area**

Ono
- Facing the Sea of Japan, Onomichi is a port town with several houses that have passed down businesses such as fishing and hot spring.

**“Light-up” Bus**

- From Kanazawa Station East Gate, Stage 2, board the Hokutetsu Bus to Ono (approx. 48 minutes).
- Visit the Night View.
- Country Kaga Yuzen Kimono Center
- The Historic Site of Asano Family
- Korinbo / Kata-machi
- Asanogawa Ohashi Bridge Hashiba-cho
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For example, by simply venturing a little distance away from the downtown area that bustles with young people, you can come across a streetscape dating back several centuries. This is the area that symbolizes the attraction of present-day Kanazawa. The 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa exhibits a wide range of modern art by artists from all over the world; you can spend a long time there without tiring of the exhibits. Kanazawa Castle Park is a park established by the Murada family of the Kaga Domain. Full-scale construction of the castle began more than 400 years ago. Many of its buildings were burned down in repeated fires, but several structures, such as the Ishikawa-mon Gate and the Sanjō-mon Gate, are still standing. Visitors can enjoy a bowl of tea while watching a Japanese tea ceremony with an English explanation at the Nishidake Family’s Gyokusen-en Garden, if you make a reservation at least three days in advance.

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This strolling garden featuring a pond is 120 years older than Kanemori Hirosaka. Here you can enjoy a matcha tea ceremony in Kanazawa’s traditional tea room. (Reservation required at least three days in advance.)

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The area that comprises Ishikawa Prefecture, where Kanazawa is located, Toyama Prefecture to the east, and Fukui Prefecture to the west is called Hukuri. Korinbo/Katamachi is the largest commercial area in Hokuriku. With its concentration of various kinds of people and shops, it is the most important center for both people and products in this area. If you are walking around looking for a place to have lunch or dinner, or to have tea, this is probably the area where you can enjoy yourself the most. People looking for typical Kanazawa dishes, as well as items that show the culture, you should definitely go and have a look.

**21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa**

This is located in Toyama Prefecture to the east, and Fukui Prefecture to the west. The museum is situated in the middle-class samurai area of the Kaga Domain. The narrow alley, earthy walls, and Nagaya-mon Gate all retain the appearance of ancient times.

**Naga-machi Buke Yashiki District**

During the Edo period, this was the middle-class samurai area of the Kaga Domain. The narrow alleys, earthy walls, and Nagaya-mon Gate all retain the appearance of ancient times.

**Museums**

- **D.T. Suzuki Museum**
  - **Address:** 1785 Shininomiya, Kanazawa City, Ishikawa Prefecture
  - **Phone:** 076-263-3553
  - **Website:** [D.T. Suzuki Museum](http://www.dtsuzukimuseum.jp/)
  - **Open:** 10:00 - 17:00 (Last admission: 16:00)
  - **Closed:** Mon.
  - **Admission:** Adults ¥550 / High school students and younger: free

- **Shirō Kinenkan Museum**
  - **Address:** 1725 Aikawa Dori, Kanazawa City, Ishikawa Prefecture
  - **Phone:** 076-263-3553
  - **Website:** [Shirō Kinenkan Museum](http://www.shirokinenkanmuseum.jp/)
  - **Open:** 10:00 - 17:00
  - **Closed:** Mon.
  - **Admission:** Adults ¥700 / High school students and younger: ¥300

**Restaurants**

- **Naga-machi Yuzenkan (Yuzen Silk Ctr.)**
  - **Address:** 1368 Kichijō, Kanazawa City, Ishikawa Prefecture
  - **Phone:** 076-263-3553
  - **Website:** [Naga-machi Yuzenkan](http://www.nagamachi-yuzenkan.com/)
  - **Open:** 10:00 - 17:00
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  - **Admission:** Adults ¥1,300 / Kimono rental ¥4,320/day

**Shopping**

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**Area map**

Korinbo / Kata-machi / Naga-machi
The glass dome of Kanazawa Station has the nickname of "Motenashi Dome". Motenashi means "welcoming" or "entertaining"; it is a word that indicates good treatment of guests. The dome expresses the hospitality of the citizens of Kanazawa, who kindly greet and send off people who come to visit the rainy city, in the hope that they will not get wet when starting their journey. Omicho Market, said to be the "kitchen of the citizens of Kanazawa", is located in Musashigatsuji. About 300 years old, it is crammed with rows of seafood and vegetable shops. Looking around at all of the produce, you will get a sense of the market's unique vitality. Omicho, which was once inhabited by merchants and craftsmen, has many old shops that are still in business. You can enjoy the taste of such treats as old-fashioned confections and tsukudani (various foods boiled down in soy sauce). The atmospheric street that goes from Omicho to the Kazue-machi Chaya District by the Asanogawa River is the perfect place for a stroll.

Recommended Sightseeing Spots

Kanazawa Station
The design of "Motenashi Dome", the symbol of the station's East Plaza, represents an umbrella proffered to visitors to Kanazawa. In front, there is a wooden gate that represents a hand drum. The underground plaza is equipped with Internet terminals, and a large multisign that displays a variety of images. This is the place to gather information before going on a trip.

Omi-cho Market
A favorite place for food shopping among Kanazawa residents, this market consists of about 175 shops selling fresh fish, vegetables, etc. There are also such bars and restaurants that serve lunch.

Ameno-no-Tawara-ya Shop
This shop sells a healthy kind of candy made from rice and barley, with no additives whatsoever. The nutritious jiro-ame (soft honey-like candy) is the most popular.

Try your hand at playing the koto
This shop manufactures and sells koto. From January to March, visitors can make a reservation to try playing the koto for free of charge (no fixed time limit).

Kanazawa Phonograph Museum
This museum has a collection of 600 phonographs, including Edison models, most of which still work, as well as 10,000 SP records. There are three demonstrations a day that you can listen to and compare sounds.

Stop
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Access information

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Nakano-Geisha District is an area where you can see and experience traditional culture. For example, in the evening, under the lights of the houses, you might be lucky enough to meet a group of geisha girls.

You can go there in the spring to enjoy its cherry blossoms, and in the fall to enjoy its foliage color.

Utatsuyama and Vicinity

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Utatsuyama

The Higashi Chaya District is one of three chaya districts in Kanazawa. It's a street where geisha girls live and work. This popular tourist area beside the Asanogawa River features rows of old geisha houses that give a feel for what Kanazawa was like in bygone days.

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Tusae Gold Leaf Museum

Explanation of the process on how gold leaf is made and which tools are used to create it. Through art and craft works, you can experience the world of 0.0001 mm thin gold leaf.

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No-machi / Tera-machi and Vicinity

Tera means "temple". As the name indicates, there are about 70 temples in Teramachi. About 400 years ago, temples that were dotted around the city were moved to Teramachi and the base of Mt. Utatsu. Myoryuji Temple, known by its nickname of Ninja Temple, will probably surprise you with its various contraptions. The sound of bells at dusk also makes a deep impression on visitors.

Recommended Sightseeing Spots

1. Myoryuji Temple (Ninja Temple)
   妙立寺（忍者寺）
   Famous for its nickname, this temple has many contraptions such as hidden staircases and floor traps to defeat attacking enemies.
   ✪ Open hours ✪ Closed ✪ Admission ✪ Telephone number ✪ Website

2. Saigawa River 屋根川
   The Saigawa River is called the “male river” because of its powerful current. It is also known as a famous place to see cherry blossoms.

3. Yoshiro and Yoshio Taniguchi Museum of Architecture, Kanazawa
   谷口吉郎・吉生記念金沢建築館（2019年夏開館）
   An architecture and urban development-themed museum, the facility contains a faithful replica of the Japanese Style Annex, “Yushintei” of the State Guest House, Akasaka Palace in Tokyo. The replica is displayed as a permanent exhibition in the museum, and is the first ever to be displayed in any facility in Japan. The building was designed by international architect, Yoshio Taniguchi.

4. Nishi Chaya District にし茶屋街
   In addition to a historical streetscape and geisha girls, this area has a museum and geisha houses, one of which offers visitors the rare opportunity of going inside for powdered green tea or coffee.

5. Kutani Kosen-gama (Kutani Kosen Pottery Kiln）[九谷光仙窯]
   9:00 am - 5:00 pm * Visitors wanting to decorate a piece or watch the production process must arrive by 4:30 pm. (10:00 am - 3:00 pm from Dec. 30 to Jan. 3)
   ✪ Open hours ✪ Closed ✪ Admission ✪ Telephone number

Access information

From the Hirokoji bus stop → About 3 min. walk to Nishi Geisha District → About 3 min. walk to Myoryuji Temple

Kanazawa Station Bus Terminal

Bus stops

05 Kanazawa lessons

The Art of Kanazawa Geiko

In Kanazawa, where this tradition has been passed down since the Edo period, there are approximately 50 Kanazawa geiko (geisha girls) active in the three Chaya Districts. The old custom where you need the invitation of a regular customer to attend a dinner party in a tatami room is still being passed down today.

Although it is normally not possible to meet the geiko, depending on the season, the general public may have the chance to see the dance of the Kanazawa geiko.

If you walk the streets of the Chaya District, you might hear the sounds of the shamisen or taiko drums flowing from the tea rooms.
Kodatsu / Nodayama and Vicinity

Kodatsu is southeast of Kenroku-en Garden. There are many temples here too, as well as residential neighborhoods, schools and hospitals; it is a good place for getting a close-up look at the Kanazawa way of life. Nodayama is an immense cemetery where many figures of historical importance to Kanazawa, such as members of the Maeda family, have been laid to rest. It is said that there are more than 50 thousand gravestones in the cemetery, and many people go there to pay their respects.

Recommended Sightseeing Spots

- **Tentokuin Temple (天徳院)**
  This is the family temple of Tama-hime, the princess who came to Kaga in 1601 to marry into the Maeda family. Even now, a wind-up-doll play about the 24-year-long life of Kanazawa’s beloved Tama-hime is performed at the temple every day.
  - Open hours: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm (Mar. - Nov.), 9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Dec. - Feb.)
  - Admission: ¥200 (tea ceremony ¥500)
  - Telephone number: 076-231-4484

- **Daijoji Temple (大乗寺)**
  This temple, used for training monks, was founded about 700 years ago and moved to its present location about 300 years ago. Here you can experience Zen meditation - the seeking of enlightenment through detachment and silence, by sitting quietly and concentrating. The building has been designated as a cultural asset of national importance.
  - Open hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
  - Admission: Free

- **View from Nodayama (野田山からの景観)**
  From Nodayama, a hill located in the southwestern part of the urban area of Kanazawa, you can see the whole urban area. It is popular as a spot from which to see the city at night; if you have a car, the view is well worth the drive.

Access Information

- **About 5 min. walk from Noda bus stop to Nodayama**
- **Bus**
  - 小立野前 Tentokuin-mae
  - 野田 Noda
  - 3 buses/hour

The World of Zen

Kanazawa, the birthplace of the Buddhist philosopher Daisetz Suzuki, who made Zen culture known around the world, has been a flourishing place for Buddhism since ancient times. At Daijoji Temple, Zen meditation starts at 4:15 AM and continues for the entire day without a pause, and in the morning you can join the monks for their ascetic practices. In addition, at the Zen meditation sessions held every Sunday from 1:30 PM, or the temple stays, you have the chance to quietly collect yourself.
A Bit Farther From Kanazawa

Why not board a local train and relax at the spots familiar to locals and not normally found in guidebooks?

1. **Uchinada Beach**
   [内灘海水浴場]
   - At this beach located approximately 200 meters from the water’s edge, young people enjoy surfing and jet skiing all year round, and in the summer it is busy with families. You can enjoy barbeque at the beach huts, and the beautiful sunset is a must-see.
   - Hokuriku Railroad Asanogawa Line, 20-minute walk from Uchinada Station

2. **Shirayama Hime Jinja Shrine**
   [白山咩咩神社]
   - Along with Mt. Fuji and Mt. Tateyama, Mt. Hakusan has been regarded as a sacred place for mountain worship since ancient times. Mt. Hakusan is the object of worship at this shrine, the head shrine of roughly 3,000 Hakusan Shrines across the country.
   - Hokuriku Railroad Ishikawa Line, 30-minute walk from Tsurugi Station

3. **Ishikawa NISHIDA KITARO Museum of Philosophy**
   [石川県西田幾多郎記念哲学館]
   - At this museum that introduces the achievements and belongings of the philosopher Kitaro Nishida, you will not only learn about philosophy, but also have the chance to philosophize. The building was designed by Tadao Ando.
   - JR Nanao Line, 25-minute walk from Unoke Station
   - Open: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm (last admission 4:00 pm), Mondays (or the next day if Monday is a holiday), year-end and New Year’s holiday (Dec. 29 – Jan. 3)
   - Adults ¥400

4. **Kita Family Residence**
   [喜多記念館]
   - This townhouse, relocated from Kanazawa in the early 19th century, is a nationally designated Important Cultural Property. From the tatami room and the tea room, lined with old furnishings, you can see the garden outside.
   - JR Ishikawa Line, 10-minute walk from Nonoichi Kodai-Mae Station
   - Open: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Irregular closing days
   - Adults ¥400
   - 076-248-1131

5. **Kurikara Fudoji Temple**
   [倶利伽羅不動寺]
   - With roughly 1,300 years of history, this temple is known as one of Japan’s three most famous Fudoson temples.
   - JR Nanao Line, 25-minute walk from Unoke Station
   - Open: 9:00 am – 5:30 pm (last admission 5:00 pm), (Dec. 29 – Jan. 3) Mondays (or the next day if Monday is a holiday), year-end and New Year’s holiday
   - Adults ¥400

Gokayama / Shirakawago / Takayama / Matsumoto

- Slightly removed from Kanazawa is an area full of beautiful nature, hot springs, and food culture – the “real Japan” that fascinates those who visit.

Gokayama
- Along with Shirakawa-go, Ainokura and Suganuma Gassho-Zukuri Villages are UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The traditional washis (Japanese paper) industry and folk songs are being passed down.
  - 60 minutes from Kanazawa by car or bus

Shirakawa-go
- The mountain village lifestyle, rooted in tradition, is still alive at Shirakawa-go. Protected as an Important Preservation District for Groups of Traditional Buildings, it is known as a place where you can encounter the nostalgic, original landscape of Japan.
  - 60 minutes from Kanazawa by car or bus

Takayama
- The merchant center that was once the heart of this castle town still flaunts its elegant appearance today. At the Takayama Festival, held in spring and autumn and one of Japan’s three major beautiful festivals, you can watch a parade with gorgeous, dazzling floats.
  - 2 hours from Kanazawa by car or bus

Matsumoto
- Matsumoto flourished as a castle town in the Edo period. With the grand Northern Alps as a backdrop, Matsumoto Castle is a must-see. If you go a little farther, the abundant nature enveloping some of the most picturesque mountains in Japan is almost overwhelming.
  - 2 hours from Takayama by car or bus

Looking for a Kanazawa Guide and Interpreter?

Please take advantage of the Kanazawa Guide Interpreter Search site (http://kanazawaguide.jp).
There, you can search for Interpreters/Kanazawa guides based on availability as well as areas of expertise and inquire with them directly. The registered guides are all Kanazawa residents, so they can provide an even deeper and more meaningful experience than the standard travel guides!
**KANAZAWA LOOP BUS**

*This is an ideal bus for sightseeing as it stops at all the major sightseeing locations within Kanazawa.*

**KANAZAWA LOOP BUS ONE DAY PASS**

The One Day Pass is convenient as you can use it for both the Kanazawa Loop Bus, the Kenrokuuen Shuttle and all other bus routes within Kanazawa up to a ¥2000. (Valid 1 day)

- Adults ¥500 / Children ¥250

**SAMPLE**

- 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
- ¥50 for children

**COMMUNITY BUS**

**Kanazawa Flat Bus**

- Adults ¥1000 / Children ¥50
- Valid 24 hours

**Map of main Kanazawa bus routes**

Some bus stops are not shown, and times and numbers of buses may vary. Please use the map only as a rough guide.

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**Taxis**

Typical taxi fares from the Kenrokuuen Gate (East Gate) of Kanazawa Station to various sightseeing spots:

- Kenrokuuen Garden: 700 yen
- Higashi Geisha District: 1000 yen
- Nishi Geisha District: 1500 yen
- Nodayama District: 2500 yen
- Yuwaku Hot Spring: 5000 yen

**areas within Kanazawa.**

- Area-1: Omicho Market
- Area-2: Kenrokuuen Garden
- Area-3: Korinbo
- Area-4: Higashi Geisha District
- Area-5: Nishi Geisha District
- Area-6: Nodayama District
- Area-7: Yuwaku Hot Spring

**Bicycle rental**

- Colosol Rent a cycle:
  - Opening hours: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
  - ¥500 for 4 hours, ¥800 per 1 day, ¥1500 per 2 days

- Daiba Anshin Rental Bike Parking:
  - Opening hours: 8:00 am - 8:00 pm
  - (Retrievable 24 hours a day)

**Typical taxi fares from the Kenrokuuen Gate (East Gate)**

- ¥100 for the first hour / ¥100 for every two hours after the first hour / Maximum fee is ¥900 per day (You will pay ¥1000 in advance and receive your change when leaving).
Transportation Information

**Flight to and from Komatsu Airport**
- **Tokyo (Narita) ⇒ Komatsu**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 15 min
  - One way: ¥25,040 (for normal periods)
  - No. of flights: 1 round-trips/day (ANA)
- **Tokyo (Haneda) ⇒ Komatsu**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 10 min
  - One way: ¥24,890 (for normal periods)
  - No. of flights: 2 round-trips/day (ANA)
- **Flights to and from Noto Airport**
  - **Tokyo (Haneda) ⇒ Noto**
    - One way: approx. 1 hr
    - One way: ¥24,890 (for normal periods)
    - No. of flights: 2 round-trips/day (ANA)
  - **Express Bus**
    - One way: approx. 1 hr & 55 min
    - One way: ¥2,160
    - Kanazawa⇒Noto Airport: 10 buses/day
    - Noto Airport⇒Kanazawa: 9 buses/day

**Transportation between Noto Airport and Kanazawa Station**
- **Express Bus**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 55 min
  - One way: ¥2,160
  - Kanazawa⇒Noto Airport: 10 buses/day
  - Noto Airport⇒Kanazawa: 9 buses/day

**Commuter Train Services**
- **Shinkansen**
  - No. of trains: 24 round-trips/day
  - One way: ¥13,600
  - Approx. 2 hrs & 30 min
- **Limited Express "Shirasagi"**
  - Approx. 3 hrs
  - One way: ¥6,810
  - No. of trains: 8 round-trips/day

**Local Bus Services**
- **Express Bus**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 55 min
  - One way: ¥2,160
  - Kanazawa⇒Noto Airport: 10 buses/day
  - Noto Airport⇒Kanazawa: 9 buses/day

**Tourist Information**

**Kanazawa Goodwill Guide Network (KGGN)**

Tourist Information Center in JR Kanazawa Station
- Provides information in English on sightseeing and transportation in Kanazawa.
- If you contact KGGN two weeks in advance, you can reserve a guide to accompany you sightseeing in Kanazawa and the surrounding area.
- Every day except Dec.31 - Jan. 2 / 9:30 am - 6:30 pm  Service available in English

Information Booth in Kanazawa Castle Park
- Provides guided tours of Kenrokuen Garden and Kanazawa Castle Park free of charge without reservations.
- Every day except Dec.29 - Jan. 3 / 9:30 am - 3:30 pm  Service available in English, Chinese, and Korean

**Police**

- **Police Help Line**
  - Mon-Fri / 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
  - **Please feel free to call if you are the victim of a crime or need assistance from the police.**

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**SOS**

- To report an incident or accident to the police, dial the emergency number (24 hrs/day).

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**Fire / Rescue / Ambulance**
- Dial emergency number (24 hrs/day)

**Kanazawa Central Post Office**

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**JR Routes**

- **Tokyo ⇒ Kanazawa**
  - **Hokuriku Shinkansen**
    - Approx. 2 hrs & 30 min
    - One way: ¥13,600
    - No. of trains: 24 round-trips/day
  - **Limited Express "Thunderbird"**
    - Approx. 2 hrs & 40 min
    - One way: ¥7,130
    - No. of trains: 25 round-trips/day

- **Kanazawa ⇒ Nagoya**
  - **Tokaido Shinkansen "Hikari" (Change trains at Maibara) - Limited Express "Shirasagi"**
    - Approx. 2 hrs & 30 min
    - One way: ¥7,240
    - No. of trains: 16 round-trips/day

- **Nagoya ⇒ Kanazawa**
  - **Tokaido Shinkansen "Hikari" (Change trains at Maibara) - Limited Express "Shirasagi"**
    - Approx. 2 hrs & 30 min
    - One way: ¥7,240
    - No. of trains: 16 round-trips/day
  - **Limited Express "Shirasagi"**
    - Approx. 3 hrs
    - One way: ¥6,810
    - No. of trains: 8 round-trips/day

**Air routes**

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  - No. of flights: 2 round-trips/day (ANA)

**Postal Information Service**
- **076-225-0555**
- **http://kggn.sakura.ne.jp**
- Service available in: English, Portuguese, Spanish

**Police Help Line**
- **076-224-3822**
- Service available in: English, Chinese, Korean

**Local Buses**
- **Nagano⇒Kanazawa**
  - No. of round-trips: 8 round-trips/day
  - Fare: ¥6,810
  - Time required: approx. 2 hrs & 30 min

**Tours and Sightseeing**
- **Kenrokuen Garden**
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**Arrival and Departure**
- **Kanazawa Station**
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