



YAMANASHI Classics

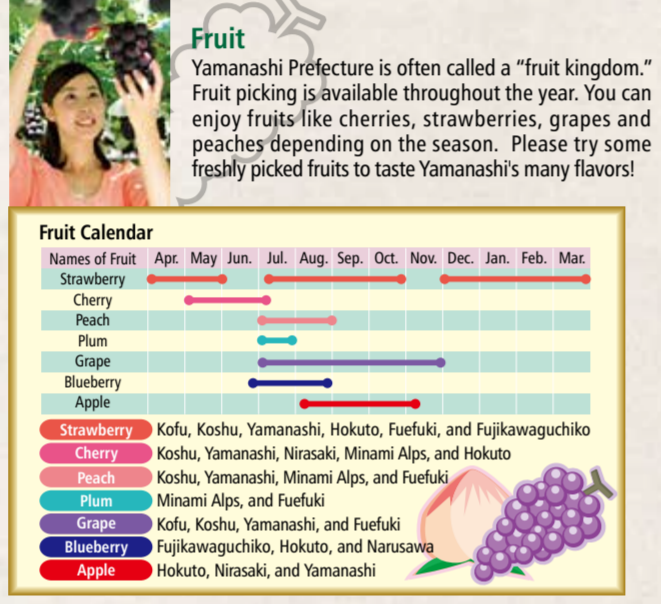
A variety of Yamanashi's specialty products for you to enjoy.

Jewelry
Kofu City, the capital of Yamanashi Prefecture, has historically been known for its crystal industry. Kofu is Japan's number one city for jewelry production, accounting for one-third of Japan's production. The pictures shown are examples of "Koo-fu," the local Kofu brand. Taking pride in this history, people of the region are now making efforts to pass down this traditional industry to future generations.

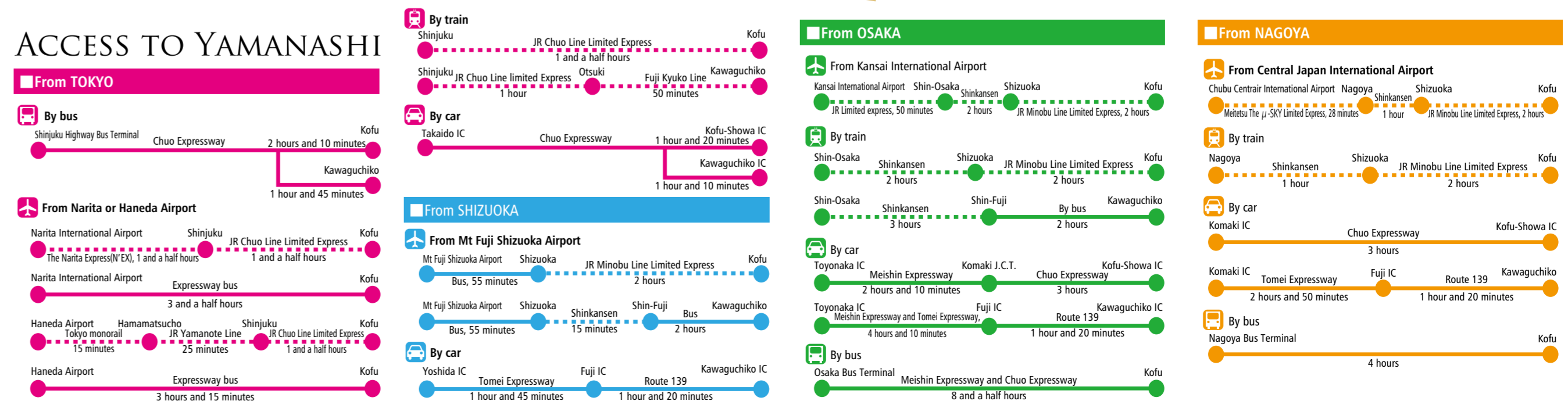
Local Sake
Yamanashi is also known for its water. About 40% of Japan's mineral water is produced in Yamanashi Prefecture and well-polished Japanese sake is brewed in this area.

Wine
It is said that it has been hundreds of years since grapes first took root in Yamanashi. The basin climate is suitable for grape as well as wine production. Wine is made with Koshu grapes, a native variety. Yamanashi wine is very popular for having a fresh and elegant flavor that goes well with Japanese cuisine.

Fruit
Yamanashi Prefecture is often called a "fruit kingdom." Fruit picking is available throughout the year. You can enjoy fruits like cherries, strawberries, grapes and peaches depending on the season. Please try some freshly picked fruits to taste Yamanashi's many flavors!



Fruit Calendar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Strawberry												
Cherry												
Peach												
Plum												
Apple												
Blueberry												



YAMANASHI Model Course

Fruits, flowers, famous water, and Fujisan (Mt. Fuji)
Fully enjoy Yamanashi's tourist attractions!!
Each model course can be seen on the map to the right.

- 1 Fujisan (Mt. Fuji) and Fuji Five Lakes Area (Fujiogoko)**
Trip around the World Heritage site Fujisan (Mt. Fuji) and Lake Kawaguchiko
- 2 Isawa, Katsumata, and Nishizawa Valley Area**
One day trip by bus to hunt for your favorite wine
- 3 Kofu and Shosen-kyo Gorge Area**
Enjoy hiking and the beautiful scenery from Miharashi-dai
- 4 Kiyosato, Kobuchizawa, and Nirasaki Area**
Moegi-no-Mura, Seisen-ryo, and KEEP Association: Trip to Discover Good Food
- 5 Otsuki and Tsuru Area**
Trip to Otaki and Metaki Falls and Suigen-no-Mori
- 6 Fuji River Area and Minami Alps Area**
Enjoy Vegetarian Dishes at the Monnai Shopping Street and Mt. Minobu Koon-ji Temple

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www.yamanashi-kankou.jp/foreign/english/wifi.html

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Places that have the stamp on the left will have free Wi-Fi available.

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Information about Yamanashi
Yamanashi Tourism Net provides tourist information about Yamanashi Prefecture.
www.yamanashi-kankou.jp/english/index.html

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Fujisan,
World Heritage site
since 2013

YAMANASHI

HOME OF FUJISAN (MT. FUJI)

**Chuo Shinkansen
The Tokyo – Nagoya Line
will open in 2027!**



It will be only 25 minutes from Tokyo to Yamanashi! You can see live demonstrations at the Yamanashi Prefectural Maglev Exhibition Center.

Yamanashi is located in the center of Japan and is a region richly endowed with nature and surrounded by beautiful mountains. One of those mountains is Fujisan (Mt. Fuji), the highest mountain in Japan, with a height of 3,776 meters.

The beauty of the four seasons in Yamanashi is spectacular. In the spring, the Kofu basin is filled with blooming peach blossoms which blanket the area, making it appear like a paradise. With the crisp, refreshing breeze of the Fuji Five Lakes and the Kiyosato highland in the summer, dyed in fall colors in autumn, and the sight of a snow-covered Fujisan (Mt. Fuji) in winter, travelers passing through Yamanashi are guaranteed an array of breathtaking views.

Yamanashi is considered to be Japan's "kingdom of fruit," and boasts high-class grapes and peaches cultivated with superior techniques. From summer to autumn, you can enjoy picking grapes and peaches at farms open to the public. Strawberry picking in the spring and cherry picking in early summer are also popular. The production of high-quality wine is well established in the prefecture. This unique wine is characteristically known for being a superb complement to Japanese cuisine.

Furthermore, Yamanashi is a highly-regarded spa and health resort destination that has many high-quality hot springs. We recommend you enter a Japanese-style bath and let your tired body rest after your journey.

Yamanashi's beautiful scenery and delicious foods are not its only attractions. You can experience the pure and beautiful spirit that is unique to Japan, such as ancient and medieval sites, temples, shrines, and old houses.

Yamanashi is close to Tokyo, and is only 1.5 hours away by train. Please visit Yamanashi if you happen to come to Japan. We welcome all visitors with a warm heart!

From the northern side of Mt. Kurodake

1 Fujisan (Mt. Fuji) and the Five Lakes Area [Fujikawaguchiko Town, Fujiyoshida City, Yamanakako Village, Nanusawa Village, Oshino Village, and Nishikatsura Town]

Holiday trips where you can discover Japan's most beautiful scenery

Yamanakako Village Lake Yamanakako
The largest of the Fuji Five Lakes, Lake Yamanakako is surrounded by many summer resort houses. It is a summer holiday destination for a long time.

- 30 min. by bus from Fujisan Station (on the Fuji Kyuko Line)
- 5 min. by car from Higashifujikyo Road Station (on the Chuo Expressway Kawaguchi IC)

Fujikawaguchiko Town Lake Kawaguchiko
Lake Kawaguchiko is the center of tourism around Fujisan (Mt. Fuji) because it is conveniently located and accessible via public transportation. There are also many tourist facilities and accommodation sites.

- 5 min. by bus from Fujisan Station (on the Fuji Kyuko Line)
- 5 min. Chuo Expressway Kawaguchi IC

Fujikawaguchiko Town Lake Saiko
A peaceful lake with a rich natural environment and Akagi Park, an extensive forest that dates back to prewar times, attracts out-of-town visitors.

- 30 min. by bus from Kawaguchiko Station (on the Fuji Kyuko Line)
- 15 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Kawaguchi IC

Fujikawaguchiko Town Lake Shojiko
The smallest of the Fuji Five Lakes, it has been introduced to the world as a summer holiday destination for a long time.

- 40 min. by bus from Kawaguchiko Station (on the Fuji Kyuko Line)
- 25 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Kawaguchi IC

Fujiyoshida City Kitaguchi Hongu Fuji Sengen-jinja Shrine
This shrine was originally dedicated to the volcano god to calm the mountain and prevent Fujisan (Mt. Fuji) from erupting. The shrine, due to its sophisticated architecture is designated as a national treasure. Fujisan (Mt. Fuji) Climbers have been worshipping here for a long time and used this place as an entrance to climb the mountain.

- 25 min. by bus from Fujisan Station (on the Fuji Kyuko Line)
- 10 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Kawaguchi IC

2 Isawa, Katsunuma, and Nishizawa Keikoku Gorge Area [Fuefuki City, Yamanashi City, and Koshu City]

The trip of fruits and flowers begins at "Togenkyo" (peach blossom paradise)

Fuefuki City Peach and Plum Blossoms
Fuefuki City boasts the largest peach production in Japan, and many people visit the well-maintained walking course to enjoy the peach blossoms around Misaka. You can enjoy the view of a city covered by a pink carpet of peach and plum blossoms, accented by the nearby Minami Alps mountain range.

- 15 min. by car from Isawa-Onsen Station (on the JR Chuo Line)

Fuefuki City Yumura Hot Spring Area
A historical hot spring area that was discovered by Kofu Daikin, 1,100 years ago according to legend. It is also said that Takeda Shingen used to have his inquiries here after battles.

- 10 min. by bus from Kofu Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 20 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Yamanashi-Kofu Showa IC

Peaches
Peaches in Yamanashi have been cultivated for roughly 200 years. The region now boasts the largest production of peaches in Japan. While here, why don't you try some sweet, freshly-picked peaches?

Grapes
With the largest production output in Japan, Yamanashi has a long grape-growing history that spans over 1,200 years. Many varieties are now cultivated and grape picking is another activity to enjoy.

Wine
Yamanashi wine accounts for over 20% of the market share in Japan. Many wineries are spotted around this area, mainly in Katsunuma-cho (part of Kofu City), "Kosho Wine" made from the Kosho grape - a native variety of Japanese - well known throughout the world.

Yamanashi City Nishizawa Keikoku Gorge
A gorge with a beautiful limpid stream running over granite rock, Nishizawa Keikoku Gorge is the greatest unexplored spot in Oshichochu. Nansuutsuna Godan-no-Taki (the five-step waterfall) is particularly worth seeing as it splashes through vertiginous caves and autumn foliage.

- 20 min. by bus from Enzan Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 50 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Katsumama IC

3 Kofu and Shosen-kyo Gorge Area [Kofu City, Kai City, Chuo City, and Showa Town]

Mountain cities overflowing with wonder

Kofu City Takeda-jinja Shrine
This shrine was built in 1919 at the site of the Takeda Family's residential house. Three generations resided here: Takeda Nobutora, Takeda Shingen, and Takeda Katsuyori.

- 15 min. by bus from Kofu Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 30 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Kofu-Showa IC

Kofu City Kai-terrace Yamanashi Local Industry Center
Specialty products of Yamanashi Prefecture such as ginseng, sweets and wines are displayed and sold. A perfect place for finding souvenirs.

- 10 min. by car from Kofu Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 25 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Kofu-Showa IC

Kofu City Shosen-kyo Gorge
Designated as a national natural beauty spot. You must see Shosen-kyo Gorge with beautiful autumn color leaves standing out against massive and oddly shaped rocks.

- 30 min. by car from Nirasaki Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 20 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Yamanashi-Kofu Showa IC

4 Kiyosato, Kobuchizawa, and Nirasaki Area [Hokuto City and Nirasaki City]

Let's walk around the south side of Mt. Yatsugatake to enjoy the beautiful seasons

Hokuto City Haiji-no-Mura (Heidi's Village)
Enjoy flowers of day lily along at Haiji-no-Mura (Heidi's Village), where you can find an ornamental greenhouse, an observation tower, a flower workshop, and much more.

- 10 min. by car from Nirasaki Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 15 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Nirasaki IC

Hokuto City Akeno's Sunflowers
A vast sunflower field in Akeno Village boasts the longest hours of sunlight in Japan. This beautiful scenery often appears on TV and in films.

- 10 min. by car from Nirasaki Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 30 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Katsumama IC

Hokuto City Mt. Kaikoma
One of 100 famous mountains in Japan, Mt. Kaikoma was opened for worshipping in the beginning of the Edo Period. You can enjoy a splendid sunset scenery when viewing from the Oshichochu-dachi Plateau.

- 10 min. by car from Kofu Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 20 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Yamanashi-Kofu Showa IC

5 Otsuki and Tsuru Area [Otsuki City, Tsuru City, Uenohara City, Doshi Village, Kosuge Village, and Tabayama Village]

Walking through scenes of history and nature

Otsuki City Saru-hashi Bridge
One of the three most unique bridges in Japan. It has a rare structure that uses poles sticking out from both sides of the bank in four layers as supporting points without using a bridge pier.

- 15 min. walk from Saruhashi Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 10 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Otsuki IC

Otsuki City Taba Keikoku Gorge
A valley formed by the Taba River, which is a tributary of the Tama River, provides water to Tokyo. The autumn leaves are at their most beautiful from the end of October to the beginning of November.

- 50 min. by car from Enzan Station (on the JR Chuo Line)
- 60 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Katsumama IC

Otsuki City Doshi Keikoku Gorge
A valley formed by the Doshi River, which is a tributary of the Tama River, provides water to Tokyo. The autumn leaves are at their most vibrant from the middle of October to the middle of November.

- 30 min. by car from Tsuru-shi Station (on the Fuji Kyuko Line)
- 30 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Tsuru IC

6 Around Fuji River and Minami Alps Area [Minami Alps City, Minobu Town, Hayakawa Town, Nambu Town, Fujikawa Town, and Ichiikawanato Town]

Great Minami Alps and Minobu-san Main Temple

Nambu Town Nambu Fire Festival
A festival that has been held since the Edo Period. Floating lanterns and huge Torii-like burning torii make for a fire festival burning. Beautiful fireworks are launched on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd nights.

- 10 min. walk from Utsunohara Station (on the JR Minobu Line)
- 15 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Katsumama IC

Minami Alps City Minami Alps
This area is known as the location of the Shingon-ko-Kakushi-byo (Shingen's hidden spring). It has a hot spring house built by Takeda Shingen, a famous warrior of the Sengoku Period. The water of these springs is lukewarm, and people enjoy it in fall bloom.

- 10 min. walk from Shimobe-Onsen Station (on the JR Minobu Line)
- 60 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Katsumama IC

Minobu Town Mt. Minobu Kuon-ji Temple
Kuon-ji temple is famous for being the head temple of the Nichiren sect of Buddhism and is visited by worshippers all year round. The shrine buildings are splendidly decorated with the temple grounds is well known, and splendid when in full bloom.

- 15 min. by bus from Minobu Station (on the JR Minobu Line)
- 30 min. by car from Chuo Expressway Katsumama IC