



Ishikawa Prefecture Tourism League



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Ishikawa Tourism Newsletter

Feature

Enjoy the Noto Kiriko Festivals, the center attraction for many of summer festivals in Ishikawa



**Awesome Lanterns dance in showers
of falling sparks**

Abare Festival 1

3rd - 4th July, Ushitsu, Noto Town

Opening day, approximately 40 sacred lanterns dance in showers of falling sparks. Following day, portable shrines fall into sea and fire, and break completely, which are quite unique.

(Access) 2 hours by Hokuriku Railway Noto Express Bus from JR Kanazawa Station
Get off at Notomachiyakubamae Station



Huge Lanterns, more than 10 meters height

Issaki Hoto Festival 2

1st August, Issaki Town, Nanao City

6 lanterns dance across the town. Each lantern needs approximately 100 men to carry because of their height (more than 10 meters).

(Access) 10 minutes walk from JR Wakura Onsen Station (JR Nanao line)

The biggest festival in Noto Kiriko Festivals

Wajima Taisai 3

22nd - 25th August, Ama Town, Kawai Town, Fugeshi Town, Wajimazaki Town, Wajima city

4-day straight festivals are held at each shrine. At the end of the festival, huge torches fall onto the ground, and young men looking for sacred wands in flame are awesome.

(Access) 2 hours by Hokuriku Railway Noto Express Bus from JR Kanazawa Station
Get off at Wajimaekimae Station



Enjoy 10 piece delicious sushi
at a flat price of 3,800 yen

Hyakumangoku Sushi



27 sushi bars in Ishikawa prefecture join the Hyakumangoku Sushi Campaign, and serve 10 piece delicious sushi at a flat price of 3,800 yen

■ Sushi bars join the Hyakumangoku Sushi Campaign
23 bars (Kanazawa city), 2 bars (Nanao city),
1 bar (Nonoichi city), 1 bar (Komatsu city)
■ Official web site
<http://ishikawa-sushi.com/> (Only Japanese available)

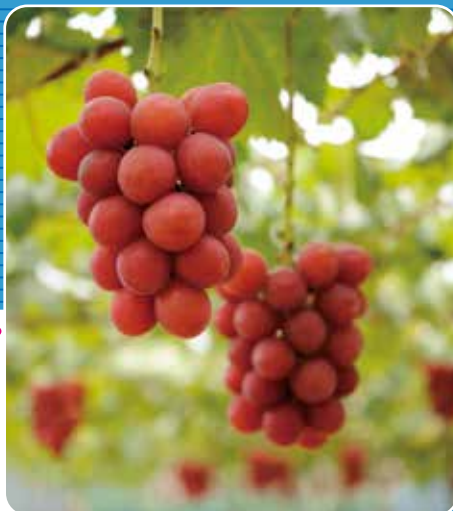
Summer Cuisine in Ishikawa

The best of grape grown
in Ishikawa

Ruby Roman

Ruby Roman is a kind of grape, has bright red color like ruby, and tastes sweet. Some of Ruby Roman reaches the size of a golf ball. To our surprise, in the past, the price of only one bunch of Ruby Roman reached 550,000 yen. We can normally get a bunch of Ruby Roman for about 5,000 yen or more. We can enjoy Ruby Roman especially from the beginning of August to the end of September.

■ Available at grocery shops in Omicho Market and department stores



Enjoy summer oyster in Noto

Japanese Oyster

Japanese Oyster is good to eat in summer, from the end of June to the beginning of August, and has a rich taste. Noto area in Ishikawa is one of active place catching Japanese Oyster. We can enjoy delicious Japanese Oyster especially at stores around Nanao bay. Be sure to give it a try when you visit Noto.

■ Noto Oyster navigation site

<http://n.rokukoku.shoko.or.jp/notokaki/#inshoku-ten> (Only Japanese available)

Featured Summer events



Gojinjodaiko 3 performance for free

Taiko sounds strongly move every audience

■ Every day (24th July - 27th September, not available on 31st July, 1st August, and 30th August)
Every Saturday and Sunday (6th June - 20th July and 2nd October - 23rd November, some of Friday during these periods are also available), 8:30 pm - 8:50 pm
■ No charge
■ Place: Wajima Kiriko Hall
TEL; 0768-22-7122



Katayamazu Onsen 4 Fire Work Festival

Firework show is held every night at Katayamazu Onsen, 1st - 31st August. We can see the beautiful scenes; fireworks are reflected in the Sibayamagata lake.

■ 1st - 31st August, 9:00 pm - 9:10 pm
■ Katayamazu Onsen Shibayamagata, Kaga city

Enjoy Kenrokuen 5 Garden in summer for free



We can enjoy Kenrokuen Garden every four seasons. Free entrance to Kenrokuen Garden is available in this coming summer.

■ 7:00 am - 6:00 pm, 14th - 16th August
*Date and time might be changed



◀ Renewal opening, Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of History 5

Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of History, so-called Aka Renga Museum, has just renewal-opened on 17th April this year. Many exhibitions we can see here allow us to know the whole history of Ishikawa prefecture.

- Hours: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (Entry is permitted by 4:30 pm)
- Holidays: 1st and 2nd June, 16th and 17th July, 24th and 25th August, 11st and 12nd September, 9th and 10th November, From 29th December to 3rd January, 4th and 5th February, 14th and 15th March
- Entry fee for permanent exhibition: 300 yen, 240 yen for more than 20 persons-group
Free for high school students and below
- Access: 2 minutes walk from Kenritsubijutsukan • Seisonkaku station (Hokuriku Railway Bus)
- Official web site: <http://ishikawa-rekihaku.jp/index.php>



▼ Renewal opening, Wajima-nuri Hall 3

We can see and buy Wajima-nuri products. Exhibitions and information about Wajima-nuri are also available.

- Hours: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm ■ Open throughout the year
- Access: 2 hours by Okunoto Express Bus from JR Kanazawa Station
Get off at Wajimanuri Hall Station
- Official web site: <http://www.wajimanuri.or.jp/fkaikan.htm> (Only Japanese available)



◀ Renewal opening, Wajima Kiriko Hall 3

We can see more than 30 Kiriko, a kind of lantern. LED technologies enable us to imagine the festivals at noon, evening and midnight.

- Hours: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm ■ Open throughout the year
- Access: 2 hours by Okunoto Express Bus from JR Kanazawa Station
Get off at Wajima Marine Town Station
- Entry fee: 620 (440) yen for adults, 470 (360) yen for high school students, 360 (310) yen for senior high school students or below
- * Each number in parenthesis shows the entry fee for more than 20 persons-group
- Official web site: <http://wajima-kiriko.com/> (Only Japanese available)

Topics Enjoy traditional arts and crafts in Ishikawa at Hokuriku Shinkansen Kanazawa station 5



1 More than 20,000 gold leaves on the pillars at Shinkansen platform



2 Beautiful Washi and Kagayuzen on the wall



3 236 traditional arts and crafts in a waiting room



4 24 Tsuzumi Gate-shaped pillars



5 Tourist Information Center at Kanazawa always support your visit

Tourist Information Center can give you a variety of useful travel information, exhibit the traditional crafts, reserve your hotel, and prepare your Kanazawa Loop Bus tickets.

You can send your baggage to your hotel in Ishikawa prefecture, and enjoy sightseeing without your baggage, if you need.

[Details about renewal opening]
http://www.pref.ishikawa.lg.jp/shutoken/info_center.html (Only Japanese available)