

Nara-the ancient home of good

Nara Prefecture is one of Japan's premier tourist destinations, but there's more to it than meets the eye. This was where triumphant rulers once took the seat of power in the nation's prospering capital. Today, Nara remains dotted with ancient temples and shrines that are believed to bring winning luck to those who pray there. Spend some time in these blessed areas, and you too might feel the rub of good fortune.

Nowhere else in Japan offers such a boost of good fortune to athletes competing on the world stage. If you're looking to be number one, it's Nara for the win!

Prep your team for victory—body and soul

Come to Nara and get yourself in top shape—physically and mentally.

Peaking & Condition Nara has ample facilities where you can prepare your mind and body and get yourself into top gear.

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The relaxing environment of Nara makes it easy to unwind and rejuvenate.

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An *omamori* (talisman) from Kasuga Taisha shrine brings good luck



Pray for victory with an *ema* (wooden plaque) from Kashihara Jingu shrine

About the cover

Bazara Daisho—guardian deity of battle

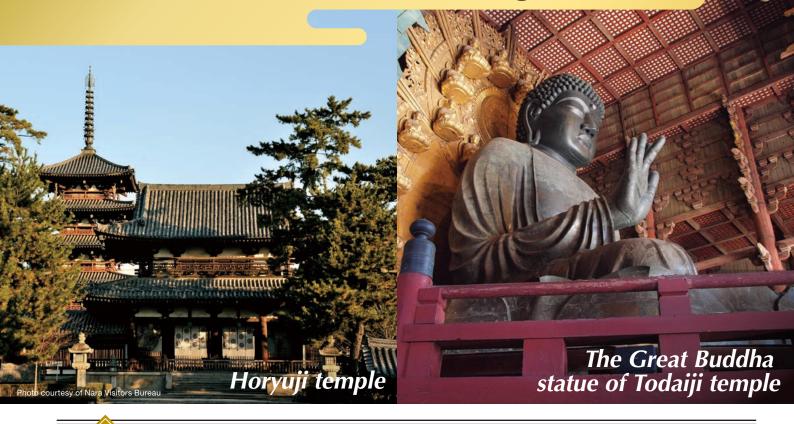
Bazara Daisho is one of the Twelve Divine Generals and a deity of battle. Of all the Bazara Daisho statues in Japan, the one in Nara's Shin-Yakushiji temple is the oldest and probably the most famous. Renowned for its outstanding sculpted beauty, the statue dates back to the Nara Period (8th century).

Nara Prefecture has chosen Bazara Daisho as the main visual symbol for the Nara camp invitation campaign as well as for the cover of this brochure. With a sword in his hand and a fierce expression on his face, Bazara Daisho brings out the fighting spirit in athletes and inspires them to strive for victory.

Note: The cover visual image is a computer-modified color reproduction of the Bazara Daisho statue in Shin-Yakushiji. Photo courtesy of CAD Center Corporation and Shin-Yakushiji.

Omotenashi Hospitality in Nara

Nara–Japan's first capital and home to three World Heritage Sites





Active international exchanges in Nara, a global sightseeing destination

Since ancient times, Nara has prospered as a hub for political and religious activity. People from all walks of life have been drawn to Nara, seeing it as a place where they can find spiritual solace, discuss state affairs, or pray for the wellbeing of others. Nara gave birth to the Japanese spirit of respecting and appreciating other cultures. That's why Nara's welcoming hospitality extends not only to people from Japan, but also to people and cultures from abroad.



The omotenashi spirit

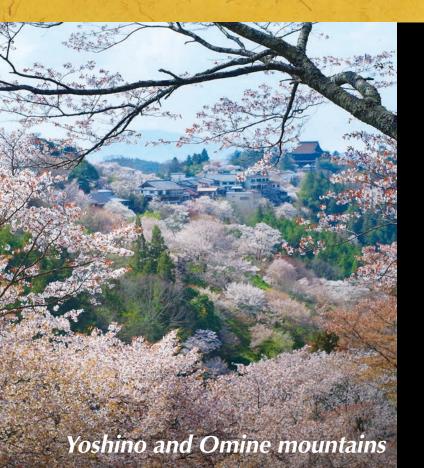
Nara is a global tourist destination that welcomes over 38 million visitors a year, including 660,000 people from overseas. The Nara Prefecture



International Citizens Center was opened in 2013 to provide services such as interpreting. And in 2015, the Nara Visitor Center and Inn opened to serve as a base for international exchange. As well as providing tourist information and holding Japanese culture events, the center also introduces volunteer guides to help tourists enjoy their visit.









Of the 19* UNESCO World Heritage Sites located in Japan, three are in Nara—more than in any other prefecture. Nara's extensive and fascinating heritage is a source of local pride. All three heritage listings—the Buddhist Monuments in the Horyuji Area (registered in 1993), the Historic Monuments of Ancient Nara (1998), and the Sacred Sites and Pilgrimage Routes in the Kii Mountain Range (2004)—have roots that run deep in the history and culture of Japan. Even Japanese people visiting these sites make new discoveries about their own country. Legend has it that Nara first became Japan's capital over 2,600 years ago. To this day, the area faithfully preserves its valuable historical assets for posterity.

*As of March 2016



A temperate area with few natural disasters

Meteorological data comparison of Nara and Tokyo (2015) Source: Japan Meteorological Agency

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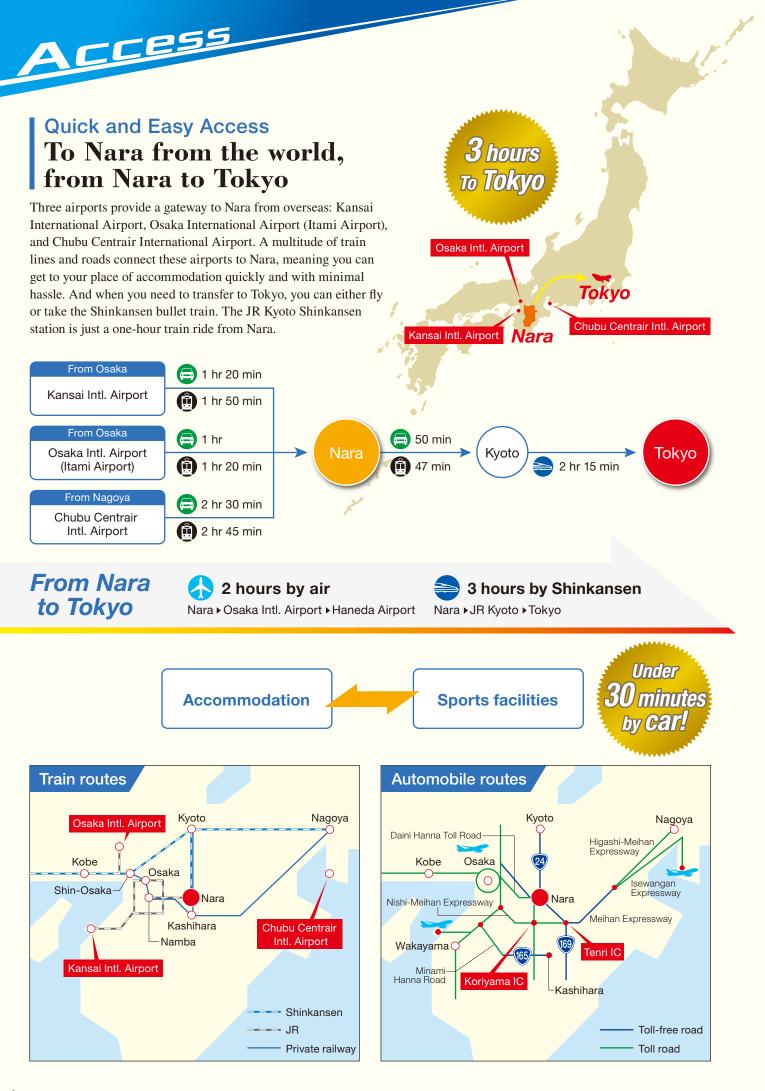
	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
Nara	20.1	21.5	25.8	27.0	21.6	16.5	13.2
Tokyo	21.1	22.1	26.2	26.7	22.6	18.4	13.9
Sunshine (hours)							
	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
Nara	232.8	119.2	140.0	180.9	146.5	213.9	100.9
Tokyo	240.6	137.3	181.8	137.6	113.3	181.3	120.1
Precipitation (mm)							
	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
Nara	99.0	192.5	265.5	175.0	131.0	49.0	116.0
Tokyo	88.0	195.5	234.5	103.5	503.5	57.0	139.5
Humidity (%)							
		June	July	August	September	October	November
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Nara	May 66.0	79.0	83.0	78.0	82.0	73.0	84.0

The Nara area has a mild, agreeable climate with average temperatures similar to those of Tokyo. There's less rain in Nara than in Tokyo, which means you can make the most of your precious pre-competition time. And because Nara is located in a basin without coastal areas, it has a continental climate that makes for warm days and mild nights—perfect for cooling down after training or relaxing during your downtime.





The New Nara Prefecture General Medical Center opens in 2018. The new hospital complex, which includes a large medical education building, will serve as the core medical institution in Nara Prefecture. All areas of clinical research will be performed here, and a full-scale clinical training system will be in place. With the ability to handle critical emergencies, a heliport for air ambulances, a disaster-proof building structure, and a highly specialized team of professionals, this hospital will provide the very best in medical care for the region.







Compact Layout Smooth access from accommodations to sports facilities

One of Nara's many advantages is its excellent transport infrastructure—in particular, its railways and roads. From a base in the center of Nara, you can drive to any of our major sports facilities within 30 minutes. Using the railways and roads that extend in all directions gives you quick and easy access to the facility of your choice. Numerous bus routes further extend your freedom to explore the area in your free time and make the most of your stay in Nara.



Nearby Facilities

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-I-I- Training Facilities

- Nara Prefectural Kashihara Park Gymnasium 1 ⁵¹ Unebi-cho, Kashihara-shi
- 2 Tenri University Sports Center 80 Tainosho-cho, Tenri-shi
- Wellness Shinjo Katsuragi City Fitness Center 400-1 Fue-do, Katsuragi-shi
- 4 Gojo City Kozuke Park General Gymnasium Kozuke-cho, Gojo-shi

Accommodation

- Hotel Nikko Nara 8-1 Sanjo-honmachi, Nara-shi 330 rooms
- 2 Nara Royal Hotel 254-1 Hokkeji-cho, Nara-shi 127 rooms
- 3 Grand Sunpia Nara 92-15 Takada-cho, Yamato-koriyama-shi 20 rooms
- 4 Nara Plaza Hotel 600-1 Kabata-cho, Tenri-shi 79 rooms
- 5 Kashihara Royal Hotel 652-2 Kume-cho, Kashihara-shi 205 rooms
- Kashihara Oak Hotel 905-2 Kume-cho Jingu-mae, Kashihara-shi 36 rooms

Medical Institutions

- New Nara Prefecture General Medical Center 2 Shichijo-nishimachi, Nara-shi (to open in spring 2018)
- 2 Tenri Hospital 200 Mishima-cho, Tenri-shi
- 3 Nara Medical University Hospital 840 Shijo-cho, Kashihara-shi
- 4 South Nara General Medical Center 8-1 Fukugami, Oyodo-cho, Yoshino-gun
- Yamato Kashihara City Hotel 1-8-16 Yagi-cho, Kashihara-shi 48 rooms
- 8 Riverside Hotel 2-1-33 Shinmachi, Gojo-shi 55 rooms
- JW Marriott Hotel Nara 1 Sanjo-oji, Nara-shi 150 rooms (to open in spring 2020)
- 10 Yamato-yagi Station Hotel 1 Naizen-cho, Kashihara-shi 140 rooms (to open in April 2018)

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Nara City Konoike Sports Park

Address: 4-5-1 Horen-sahoyama, Nara-shi

Athletics Stadium

Nara City



JAAF* Class 1 certified athletics stadium *Japan Association of Athletics Federat

[Track]	400-meter track (8 lanes) 100-meter track (9 lanes) Field (natural turf) Sub field
[Facilities]	Showers, locker rooms, multipurpose lavatories, first-aid room, meeting room, workout room
[Accessibility]	Entryway wheelchair ramp, tactile paving, wheelchair-ready lavatories, barrier-free showers, parking space for the physically disabled



Nearby Facilities

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	Accommodation
1 Ho	otel Nikko Nara
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Nara Royal Hotel







JW Marriott Hotel Nara

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Supported Sports



2 Nara City Central Martial Arts Gym 2



Nara Prefectural Kashihara Park

Address: 53 Unebi-cho, Kashihara-shi



Athletics Stadium

Kashihara City



JAAF* Class 2 certified athletics stadium *Japan Association of Athletics Federations

[Track]	400-meter track (9 lanes) Field (natural turf) Throwing field Floodlights
[Facilities]	Showers, locker rooms, multipurpose lavatories, first-aid room, massage room, weight training room
[Accessibility]	Entryway wheelchair ramp, tactile paving, wheelchair-ready lavatories, ostomate lavatories, elevator for the physically disabled, stair lift, parking space for the physically disabled

Nearby Facilities

-IJ-II- Training Facilities
1 Nara Prefectural Kashihara Park Gymnasium 1
Accommodation
1 Kashihara Royal Hotel 205 rooms
2 Kashihara Oak Hotel 36 rooms
3 Yamato Kashihara City Hotel 48 rooms
Yamato-yagi Station Hotel (to open in April 2018)
5 Nara Plaza Hotel 79 rooms

Medical Institutions

1 Nara Medical University Hospital







Kashihara Royal Hotel

Yamato Kashihara City Hotel





Nara Plaza Hotel





Mahoroba Athletic Park

Address: 310 Miyado-cho, Yamato-koriyama-shi

Supported Sports

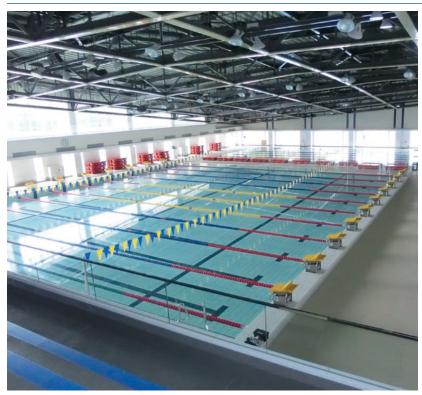


Swimpia Nara

Yamato-

koriyama

City



[Swimming pool]

25-meter competition pool (10 lanes) 50-meter competition pool (10 lanes)

[Facilities] Exercise pool, jacuzzi, training gym, fitness studio, lockers, showers





Nearby Facilities

-II-II- Training Facilities

Pool training facilities

Accommodation

1 Grand Sunpia Nara	20 rooms
2 Nara Plaza Hotel	79 rooms
3 Hotel Nikko Nara	330 rooms





Grand Sunpia Nara

Nara Plaza Hotel



Tenri Hospital



Tenri City

Tenri University Budo Hall Address: 80 Tainosho-cho, Tenri-shi



Supported Sports



Judo Hall



[Judo hall] 760 m² [Facilities] Showers, locker rooms, lavatories, reception room





Nearby Facilities

-I-I- Training Facilities

1 Tenri University Sports Center

[Gymnasium] Main arena, sub arena [Workout room] [Indoor swimming pool] 25-meter competition pool (9 lanes)

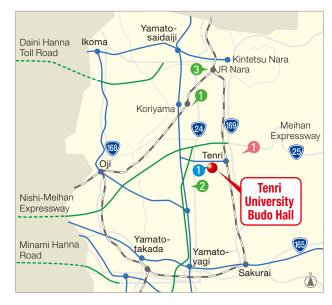


Accommodation

1	Grand Sunpia Nara	20	rooms
2	Nara Plaza Hotel	79	rooms
3	Hotel Nikko Nara	330	rooms

Medical Institutions

Tenri Hospital



Kashihara City

Kashihara Sports Park

Address: 323-2 Unate-cho, Kashihara-shi





Multipurpose Field



2 Tennis Courts



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Swimming Pool

50-meter JASF* certified pool (8 lanes) *Japan Swimming Federation

Swimming Pool

25-meter JASF certified pool (7 lanes)

Kashihara Man'yono-oka Sports Grounds Nara for Victory

Address: 43-1 Kaige-cho, Kashihara-shi



Tennis Courts



Kashihara

City

Sand-filled synthetic grass courts 6 courts [Facilities] Showers, locker rooms, lockers [Accessibility] Multipurpose lavatories for the physically disabled

Archery Range



60-meter archery range (6 lanes) [Facilities] Showers, locker rooms, lockers [Accessibility] Multipurpose lavatories for the physically disabled



Nearby Facilities

-II-II- Training Facilities

Nara Prefectural Kashihara Park Gymnasium 1

Accommodation

1	Kashihara Royal Hotel	205	rooms
2	Kashihara Oak Hotel	36	rooms
3	Yamato Kashihara City Hotel	48	rooms
4	Yamato-yagi Station Hotel (to open in April 2018)	140	rooms (plan)
5	Nara Plaza Hotel	79	rooms

Medical Institutions









Kashihara Royal Hotel

Kashihara Oak Hotel





Yamato-yagi Station Hote

Shinmachi Sports Park

Address: 292-3 Shinmachi, Katsuragi-shi

Supported Sports



Shinjo Kenmin Athletic Field 1

Katsuragi City



[Football field] 1 field (natural turf), floodlights [Baseball field] 1 field (dirt), floodlights

Shinmachi Park Ball-Sports Field



[Football field] 1 field (natural turf)

Nearby Facilities

-II-II- Training Facilities

Wellness Shinjo Katsuragi City Fitness Center

Accommodation

Kashihara Royal Hotel 205 rooms
Kashihara Oak Hotel 36 rooms
Yamato Kashihara City Hotel 48 rooms
Yamato-yagi Station Hotel

(to open in April 2018) ······ 140 rooms (plan)







Kashihara Royal Hotel

Kashihara Oak Hotel Yamato Kashihara City Hotel

Wellness Shinjo Katsuragi City Fitness Center



[Swimming pool] 25-meter competition pool (8 lanes) [Facilities] Jacuzzi, bath, sauna, locker rooms, lounge, studio (208.8 m²), machine gym (307.8 m²), training room (100 m²) [Accessibility] Entryway wheelchair ramp

Community Center



[Facilities] Showers, locker rooms, meeting room, training room, lodging, bath, kitchen

Medical Institutions

1 Nara Medical University Hospital



Gose City Citizens Sports Park

Gose City

Address: 1337 Asamachi, Gose-shi

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Ball-Sports Field (Football, Rugby)



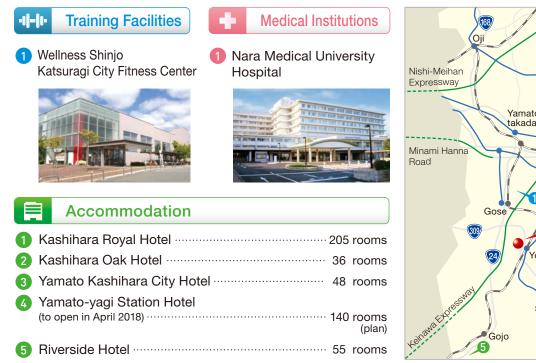
Tennis Courts

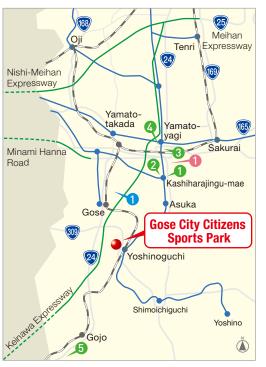


[Hard court] 2 courts, wheelchair-ready [Facilities] Showers

[Accessibility] Parking space for the physically disabled, entryway wheelchair ramp, wheelchair-ready lavatories

Nearby Facilities





Gojo City

Gojo General Gymnasium

Address: Kozuke-cho, Gojo-shi





Gymnasium

[Gymnasium] Arena (48 × 42 m) [Facilities] Air conditioning, workout room





Gojo City

Kozuke Park Multipurpose Grounds



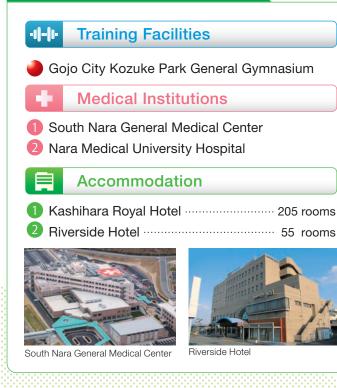
Address: 246 Kozuke-cho, Gojo-shi

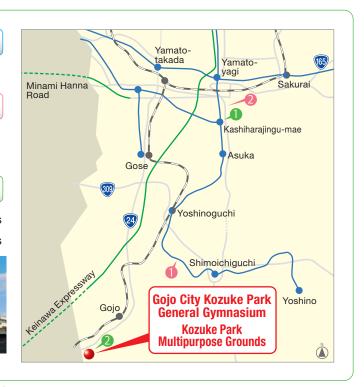
Kozuke Park Multipurpose Grounds

[Facilities] Main field (synthetic turf), sub field, baseball field, tennis courts, 5 Omnicourt sand-filled synthetic grass courts



Nearby Facilities





Ready to Soar! Sports Stars of Tomorrow

We look forward to seeing you in Nara!

In Nara Prefecture, we're committed to promoting participation in sports. Not only do we provide training support for young athletes in various sports, we help them develop into rounded individuals with strong bonds to the local community.



Taiga Imanaga 2nd-year student, Oji Technical High School



Issei Aramoto 2nd-year student, Oji Technical High School



Paralympics

Swimming

Taishi Tanada 1st-year student, Ritsumeikan University (Nara Informational and Commercial High School

Photo courtesy of Japanese Para-Swimming Federation



Honing my concentration in a quiet setting

Kyo Chobeya

Narafor Victory

1st-year student, JSDF Physical Training School (Yamabe Senior High School alumnus)

Swimming changed my life

Miki Kamata 1st-year student, Rikkyo University (Takada Senior High School alumna)

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