Konamon (Takoyaki · Okonomiyaki)

There are various types of konamon dishes (flour-based dishes) in Osaka. "Takoyaki" is octopus balls made of a wheat-flour based batter and cooked in a special molded pan [photo]. "Okonomiyaki" is very popular food that is mixing lots of cabbage with pork, seafood and other ingredients you like as a topping.

Location/View  Everywhere in Osaka
Access
Season  Year-round
Related links

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Nabe

The "Dashi", is the root of Osaka food culture. "Tetchiri" (boiled blowfish dish [photo]), "Shabu-shabu" (thinly sliced meat boiled with vegetables), "Udon-suki" (seafood and vegetables served with noodles), "Kani-suki" (crab and vegetables) are original from Osaka.

Location/View  Everywhere in Osaka
Access
Season  Winter
Related links

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Around Osaka-Station

The Kita district continues to evolve with the fastest trends. Make sure the area is on your itinerary.

Location/View  Individual travel: JR Osaka-Station or subway Umeda station (11km from Osaka port)
Access
Season  Year-round
Related links

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## Around Abeno

Opened in March 2014, standing 300-meter tall "Abeno Harukas [photo]" is the tallest high-rise building complex in Japan. Also "Q's Mall", which has one of the largest shopping mall in Osaka.

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## Shinsaibashi-suji Shopping Street & Dotombori

"Shinsaibashi-suji Shopping Street" is very popular shopping area. You will find approximately 180 shops, including a retro feel coffee shop, and a large department store. “Dotombori [photo]" is a place well-known for the “Ebisu-bashi Bridge”, the giant Glico signboard. It is a symbolic spot and you can feel "the food town" of Osaka.

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## Tempozan Harbor Village

The "Kaiyukan [photo]" is one of the largest aquariums in Japan. The most popular animals are the ringed seals and the whale sharks. From the large "Tempozan Giant Ferris Wheel", you can see the "Akashi Kaikyo Bridge" and panoramic view of the Osaka Bay area. And there are many unique modern shops at the "Tempozan market place.

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| Related links  | Universal Studios Japan  
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Osaka-Castle

This huge castle was built as a symbol of the authority of Toyotomi Hideyoshi. It was burned down during the summer campaign of the Siege of Osaka. The keep, which was rebuilt by Tokugawa Iemitsu, later burned down again after being struck by lightning. The current keep was rebuilt in 1931 atop a stone wall from the Edo-era and was financed with citizen donations. The inside is a museum where important cultural properties and other precious historic documents are placed on display.

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Yamamoto Noh Theater

You may have lunch inside the theater in front of the stage. You can also enjoy experiencing Japanese authentic culture in there, such as traditional performing arts, flower arrangement, tea ceremony, and calligraphy.

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Matsuri Festival

Many traditional festivals from Osaka, Kyoto and Nara continue to this day. The "Tenjin Matsuri Festival" is one of the three largest festivals in Japan, and the "funatogyo" (boat procession) on the Okawa River—with more than 100 boats at the climax—is a sight to see. The "Gion Festival" in Kyoto is another of the three largest festivals. The "Kishiwada Danjirō Festival" is also very popular festival in southern Osaka.

**Location/View**

**Access**
Osaka Tenmangu Shurine: Individual travel: 5 min. walk from Subway "Minamimorimachi Station" (10km from port)

**Season**
Gion Festival: July 1 – July 31
Tenjin Matsuri Festival: July 24 - July 25
Kishiwada Danjirō Festival: September - October (Depends on areas)

**Related links**
Tenjin Matsuri Festival [Website]

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Cherry Blossom

There are many places throughout Osaka to admire cherry blossoms, which are a feature of spring in Osaka, including the cherry blossom avenue at the "Osaka Mint Bureau" and "Osaka Castle".

**Location/View**

**Access**

**Season**
The End of March – The Beginning of April

**Related links**

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Hanabi (Fireworks)

Fireworks explode over the Yodo River in every early August. The offertory fireworks are an impressive sight. They are set off at the "Naniwa Yodogawa Fireworks Festival", Osaka's summer tradition, and at the "funatogyo" (boat procession) climax of the Tenjin Matsuri Festival, which is one of the three largest festivals in Japan.

**Location/View**

**Access**

**Season**
Naniwa Yodogawa Fireworks Display : Early August
Tenjin Matsuri Festival : July 24 - July 25

**Related links**

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Festival of the Light in Osaka

The "Festival of Light in Osaka" will be held in collaboration with lighting events in various areas of Osaka, including "Osaka Hikari Renaissance" and "Mido-suji Illumination." A quintessential Osaka culture of light created with a spirit of hospitality enlivens the city.

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