



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. “*Tetchri*” (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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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.

Location/View	MAP
Access	Individual travel: About 5-10 min. walk from Subway Midosuji-line Shinsaibashi or Namba Station (7km from Osaka port)
Season	Year-round
Related links	Shinsaibashi-suji Shopping Center http://www.shinsaibashi.or.jp/e/index.html

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Around Abeno

By Public Transport

Shopping

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

Location/View	
Access	Individual travel: 2 min. walk from JR/Metro Tennoji Station (10km from Osaka port)
Season	Year-round
Related links	ABENO HARUKAS http://www.abenoharukas-300.jp/en/

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Osaka-Castle

By Public Transport

Main Attractions

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.

Location/View	1-1, Osaka-jyo, Chuo-ku, Osaka ,540-0002		
Access	Individual travel:20 min. walk from Subway Chuo-Line Tanimachi4-chome Station(11km from port)		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	50 buses
Related links	Osaka Castle 大阪城天守閣 (osakacastle.net)		

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Tempozan Harbor Village

By Foot

Main Attractions

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.”

Location/View	1, Kaigan-dori, Minato-Ku, Osaka ,552-0022		
Access	Next to Osaka port		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	98 buses
Related links	Osaka Aquarium KAIYUKAN http://www.kaiyukan.com/language/eng/index.htm		

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Universal Studios Japan®

By Public Transport

Main Attractions

A theme park where guests can experience the world of Hollywood movies. The park is packed of world-class entertainment, including thrilling rides, character shows and seasonal events.

Location/View	2-1-33, Sakurajima, Konohana-ku, Osaka ,554-0031		
Access	Travel by tour:12 min. by bus (6km from Osaka port) Individual travel: 5min walk from JR Universal City station		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	100 buses
Related links	Universal Studios Japan http://www.usj.co.jp/e/		

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Yamamoto Noh Theater

By Public Transport

Topics

You may have lunch inside the theater (Nationally resistered cultural property) 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.

Location/View	1-3-6 Tokui-cyo, Chuo-ku, Osaka, 540-0025		
Access	Individual travel: 2 min. walk from Subway "Tanimachi4-Chome" Station (10km from port)		
Season	Year-round		
Related links	Yamamoto Noh Theater About Yamamoto Noh Theater (noh-theater.com)		



Matsuri Festival

By Public Transport

Topics

Many traditional festivals from Osaka, Kyoto and Nara continue to this day. The “*Tenjin Matsuri Festival* [photo]” 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 “*KishiwadaDanjiri 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	Tenjin Matsuri Festival: July 24 - July 25 Kishiwada Danjiri Festival: September - October (Depends on areas)		
Related links	Tenjin Matsuri Festival www.tenjinmatsuri.com/		

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Cherry Blossom

By Public Transport

Topics

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 [photo]".

Location/View	Osaka Castle Park - Google Maps
Access	
Season	The End of March – The Beginning of April
Related links	

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Hanabi (Fireworks)

By Public Transport

Topics

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 [photo]" (boat procession) climax of the Tenjin Matsuri Festival, which is one of the three largest festivals in Japan.

Location/View	
Access	
Season	Naniwa Yodo River Fireworks Display : Early August Tenjin Matsuri Festival : July 24 - July 25
Related links	

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Festival of the Light in Osaka

By Public Transport

Topics

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.

Location/View	Inside of Osaka-city
Access	
Season	The middle of November – The end of December
Related links	Festival of the Light in Osaka (Official Website) https://www.hikari-kyoen.com/en/

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Sakai Traditional Crafts Museum

By Public Transport

Main Attractions

Sakai city was once named “Venice of the East,” flourishing as one of Japan’s leading trading/international cities.

In the medieval period, people, information and money gathered in Sakai from all over the world, leading to the formation of much culture, including the tea ceremony, incense sticks, and Japanese-style sweets.

A saying that “Everything starts from Sakai” was created because so many of Japan’s first items and techniques and so much of its culture came from Sakai.

The manufacturing technologies of blades and bicycle parts, which play active roles throughout the world; and kelp products, which are indispensable to Japanese tables, have all been passed down to the present day as traditional industries from Sakai then, the center of commerce and industry in Japan.

Location/View	1-1-30 Zaimokucho-nishi Sakai-ku Sakai 590-0941
Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3 min. walk from Myokokuji-mae Station on the Hankai Line to the southwest ● 10 min. walk from Sakai Station on the Nankai Main Line to the northeast
Season	Year-round
Related links	「Sakai Traditional Crafts Museum」 https://www.sakaidensan.jp/en



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