

# Tokyo Tokyo

## ~Featuring Bunkyo City~

### Features

- Located in central Tokyo, very close to Akihabara and Ueno!
  - Home to many historic shrines, temples, and gardens!
  - One of the largest entertainment venues in Tokyo!
  - An academic city with many famous universities!
- Please visit our recommended spots in Bunkyo City!



## shrines & temples

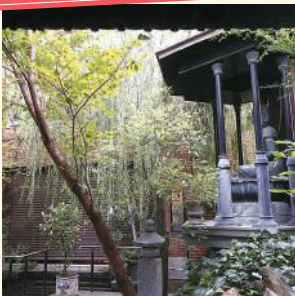


### Yushima-tenmangu Shrine



Yushima-tenmangu Shrine has long been an iconic destination for individuals seeking success in their studies and exams. Upon visiting, one would notice numerous ema, which are wooden plaques inscribed with prayers or wishes, featuring the phrase "Gokaku Kigan (合格祈願)," symbolizing prayers for success. The shrine's grounds are adorned with Japanese plum trees, renowned for their stunning blossoms during the plum season. Additionally, the architecture features Japanese plum symbols, further emphasizing the shrine's connection to this beloved flora.

### Hoshinji Temple



Hoshinji Temple, located in Bunkyo City, is a Jōdo-shū Buddhist temple. The temple serves as a venue for ceremonies and houses numerous graves, where visitors can often be seen offering prayers for the departed. Inside the temple, a collection of Buddhist statues contributes to the serene and solemn atmosphere, leaving visitors with a profound sense of tranquility. My visit to the temple evoked a deep sense of calm within me.

### Nezu-jinja Shrine



Nezu-jinja Shrine is a traditional Shinto Shrine in Bunkyo City. It embodies simplicity, and the classic Japanese architecture of the "Torii" imparts a sense of the shrine's history and culture. Nezu Jinja also boasts a beautiful garden. In April, the azaleas are in full bloom, offering visitors the chance to enjoy the changing seasonal scenery.

## Gardens



### Rikugien Gardens



Rikugien Gardens, located in Bunkyo City, is known for its stunning traditional Japanese landscape. It features a central pond surrounded by carefully landscaped hills, teahouses, and bridges. It is known for its seasonal picturesque blooms, from cherry blossoms to vibrant autumn foliage.

### Koishikawa Botanical Garden



Koishikawa Botanical Garden is a botanical paradise amidst the cityscapes of Bunkyo City. It is home to thousands of botanical species, as well as the first medical studies building of Tokyo Imperial University. In front of the building, there is a beautiful koi pond with a little stone bridge.

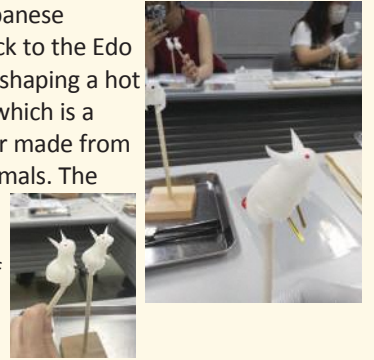


## Japanese Cultural Experience



### Amezaiku (Candy Craft)

Amezaiku is a traditional Japanese confectionery that dates back to the Edo period. It is made by swiftly shaping a hot and soft lump of mizuame, which is a clear, sticky liquid sweetener made from starch, into the shape of animals. The little sugar rabbit I made was so adorable that I almost couldn't bring myself to eat it!



### Hakusan Festival



Hakusan-jinja Shrine is a famous shrine located in Bunkyo City's Hakusan district. Every September, the Hakusan festival is held at the shrine. Locals celebrate this festival through various activities, like dancing in kimono. Children and adults alike also participate in the Mikoshi-Togyo, or portable shrine procession, and parade through the streets together.

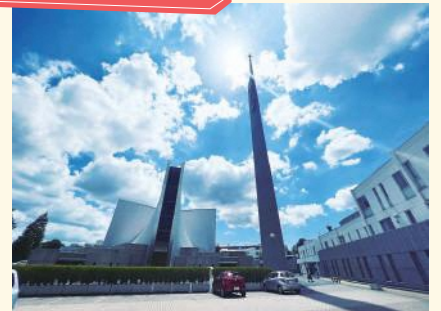
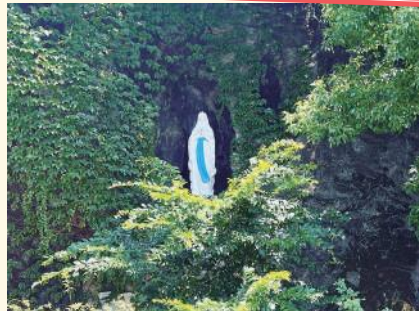
## Other Sightseeing Spots

### Tokyo Dome



Formerly known as the "Big Egg", Tokyo Dome is a versatile entertainment hub that hosts a myriad of events throughout the year. From electrifying baseball games to star-studded concerts, and thrilling wrestling matches, the Dome offers a diverse range of entertainment options.

### St. Mary's Cathedral, Tokyo



St. Mary's Cathedral, nestled in Bunkyo City, intertwines history with architectural intricacy and beauty. Its modernist structure, shaped like a cross, captivates visitors with its scale and magnificence. Stepping inside, one is enveloped in a tranquil atmosphere, offering a serene escape from the hustle and bustle of the outside world.

