



Kamakura Mosaic Map

*We do not warrant the accuracy of the map.

Kamakura Walking

Course for Visiting Historical Sites

Recommended Course 1

Learn about Zen in Kitakamakura, the area associated with the Hojo clan, and observe Minamoto no Yoritomo's city plan at Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine.

Many temples in Kitakamakura, such as Tokeiji Temple and Jochiji Temple, are known for beautiful flowers that change with the seasons to the delight of visitors. The area called Yamanouchi near Kitakamakura Station is surrounded by mountains. The Hojo clan built many Buddha halls here to enshrine various Buddhist statues. Later these halls became Rinzai sect temples. The simple and bold Zen teaching of the Rinzai sect may have suited the *samurai* spirit better than the ideas of the Shingon sect or the Tendai sect. This course includes a pass, Kamegayatsuzaka, completed in the Middle ages, Jokomyoji Temple and Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine, the center of the Kamakura shogunate.



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The temple in a deep valley has an atmosphere unique to Kamakura.

Kitakamakura Sta. East Entrance

2 min. by walk

Engakuji Temple

5 min. by walk

Tokeiji Temple

5 min. by walk

Jochiji Temple

10 min. by walk

Kenchoji Temple

Kamegayatsuzaka

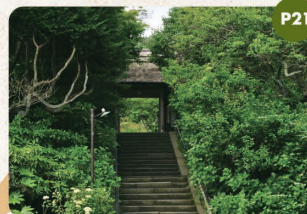
Jokomyoji Temple

20 min. by walk

Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine

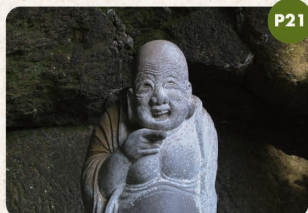
15 min. by walk

Kamakura Sta.



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In the Edo Period this temple was widely known as a safe haven for women fleeing their husbands.



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A Hotei statue, one of Seven Deities for Good Luck.



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This great Zen temple offers Zen meditation sessions.



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The quiet temple in Oigayatsu



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Sacred dance pavilion (foreground) and the main hall which is located at the top of stone steps.

Surrounded by ocean and mountains, Kamakura is blessed with natural beauty. The temples and historical sites of Kamakura make different impressions on visitors depending on the season. Kamakura is the birthplace of *samurai* culture and not only the buildings but also the streets, fine arts and craftwork retain the atmosphere of earlier days. Wear light, comfortable trekking shoes to enjoy walking around Kamakura's historical sites.

Recommended Course 2

Hase and Kamakura Daibutsu: sites favored by the Kamakura Writers

A monument to Basho Matsuo inscribed with his haiku is located in Rokujizo, Kosokuji Temple has a monument to Kenji Miyazawa inscribed with one of his poems, Hasedera Temple has monuments with haiku of Kyoshi Takahama and Banboku Ono, and Kamakura Daibutsu's Kotokuin Temple has a monument to Akiko Yosano inscribed with her *tanka* poem.... There are many monuments and houses associated with the literati in Hase. Learning about the Kamakura Writers and their literature at the Kamakura Museum of Literature will give visitors a more vivid idea of the area that was loved by the writers. Attractive shops and restaurants are located on Yuigahama Odori street.



This old-established shop maintains the tradition of Kamakurabori Carving.



Yukio Mishima visited the building which now houses the Kamakura Museum of Literature.



Yasunari Kawabata described a Hase scene in his novel, *Yama no Oto*.



Walk along Onarimachi shopping street and turn right at the intersection with Yuigahama Odori!



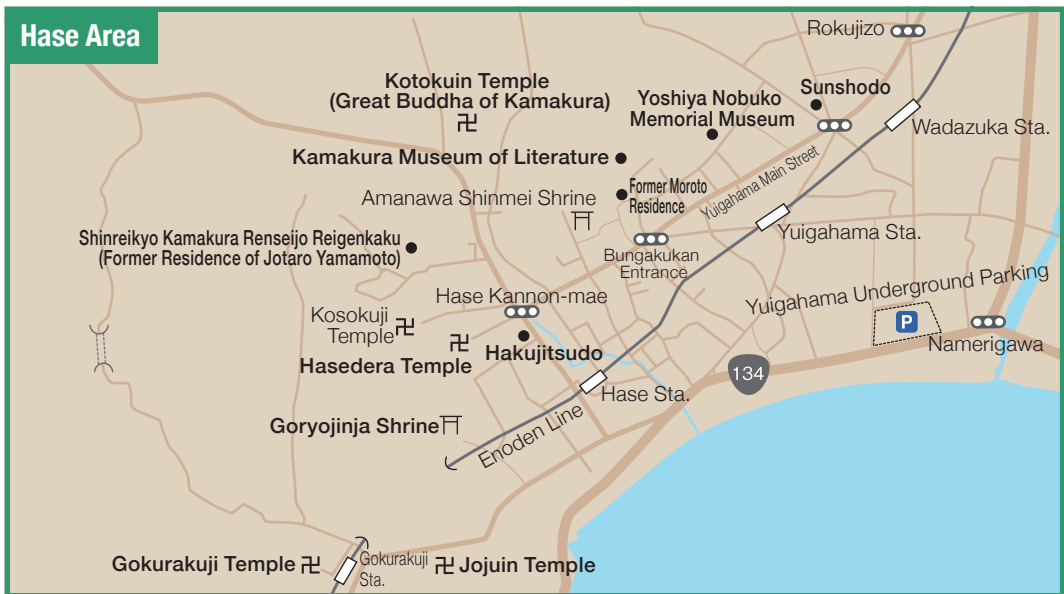
Nobuko Yoshiya, a modern woman and one of the most famous female writers in Kamakura, lived in this house.



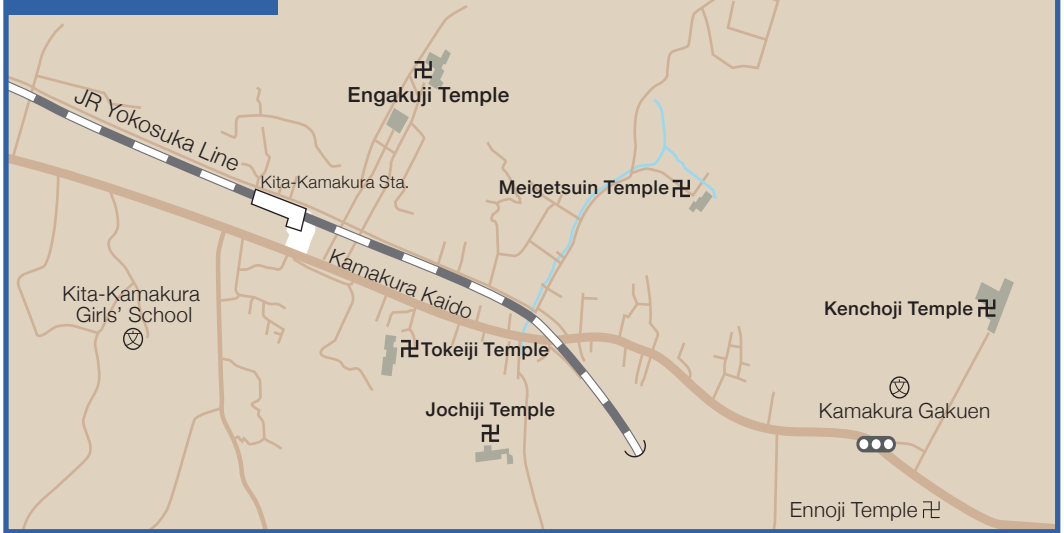
Kamakura Daibutsu impresses differently in different seasons. The temple has a monument to Akiko Yosano inscribed with her *tanka* poem.



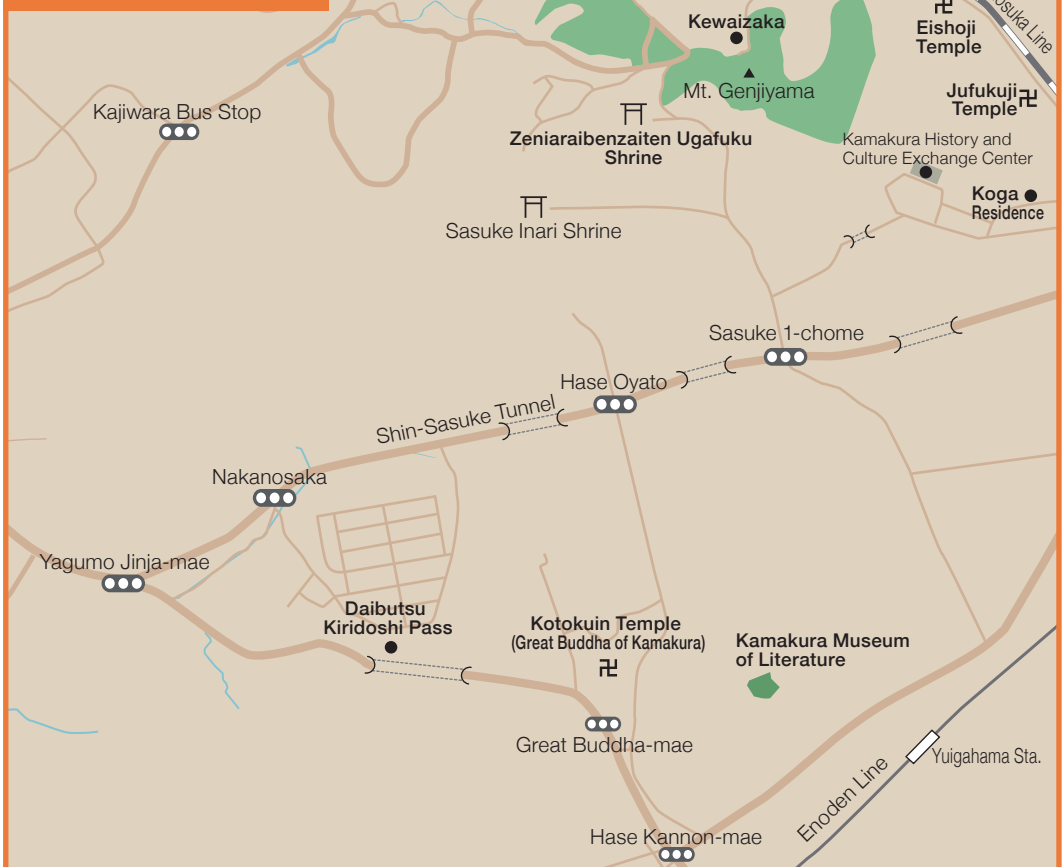
This is the end of the course for visiting sites associated with the Kamakura Writers.



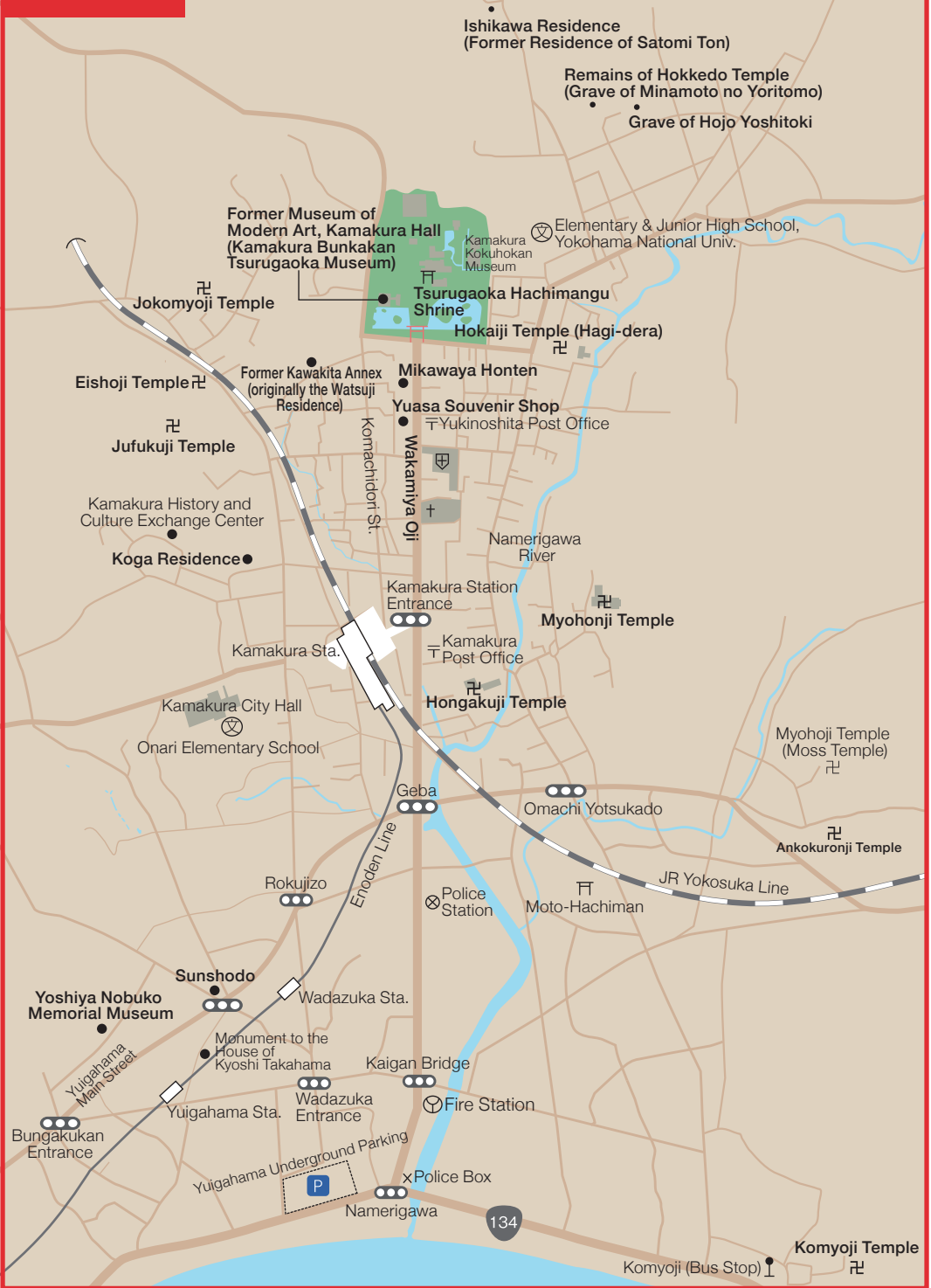
Kita-Kamakura Area



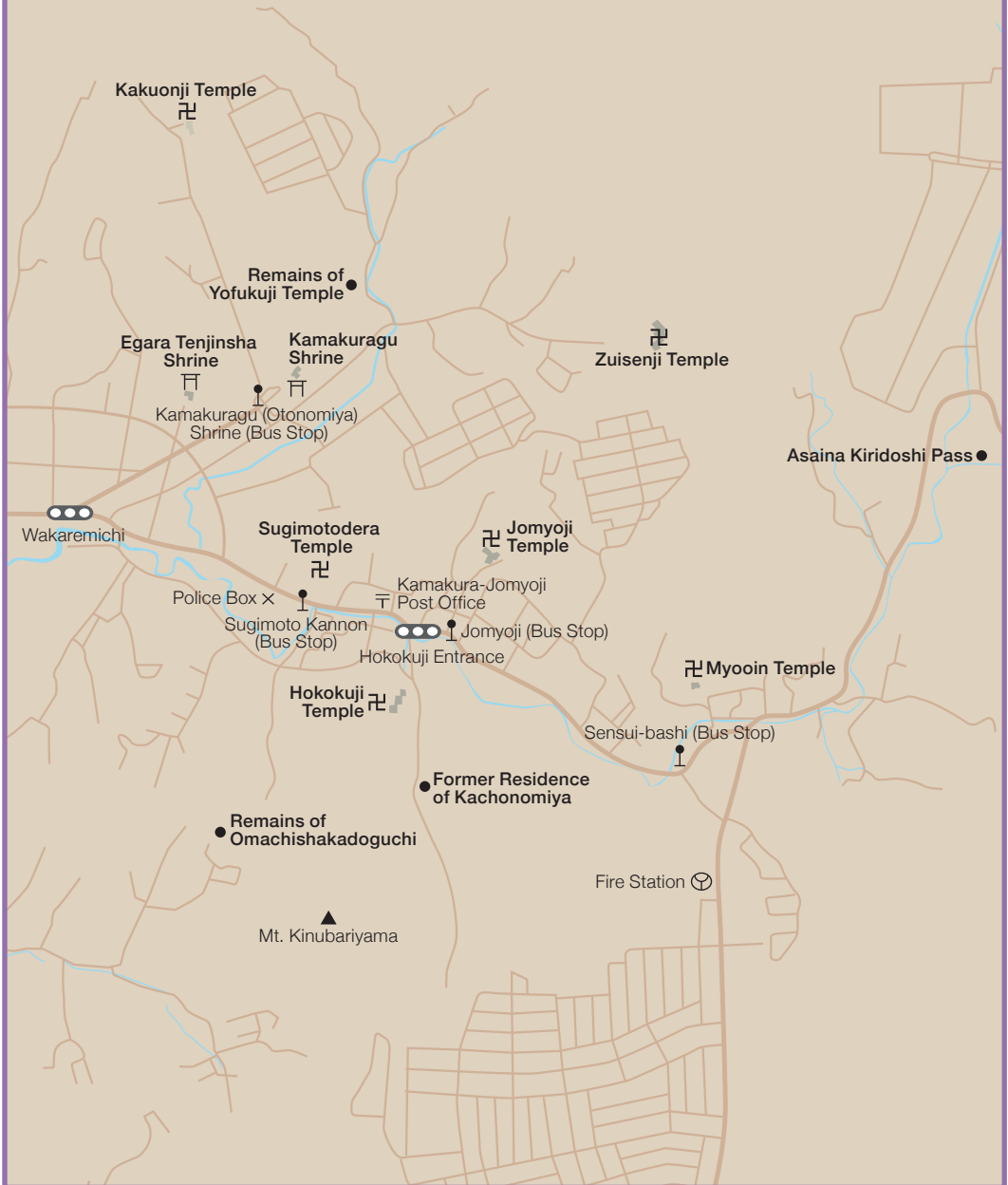
Sasuke / Genjiyama Area



Kamakura Area



Higashi-Kamakura Area



List of "Japan Heritage Sites" in Kamakura

Kamakura City's tangible and intangible cultural assets that have been registered as Japan Heritage are called heritage assets.

A Ankokuronji Temple [P19]

4-4-18 Omachi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-4825
9:00–16:30 Closed on Mondays. (Open on holiday Mondays.)

Asaina Kiridoshi Pass [P17]

Juniso, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3000
(Kamakura City Board of Education Cultural Properties Division, Cultural Properties Department)

B Bonbori Festival [P40]

2-1-31 Yukinoshita, Kamakura (Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine)
☎ 0467-22-0315
Starts one day before the first day of fall, according to the lunar calendar, and continues through August 9th.

D Daibutsu Kiridoshi Pass [P18]

Hase, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3000
(Kamakura City Board of Education Cultural Properties Division, Cultural Properties Department)

Daibutsu (Great Buddha) of Kamakura (the colossal copper image of Amida-butsu) [P21]

4-2-28 Hase, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0703
8:00–17:30 (Closes at 17:00 from Oct. to Mar.)
Visitors can enter up to 15 minutes before closing time.)

E Egara Tenjinsha Shrine [P9]

74 Nikaido, Kamakura ☎ 0467-25-1772 8:30–16:30

Eishoji Temple [P30]

1-16-3 Ogigayatsu, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-3534
9:00–16:00 Closed on Thursdays.

Engakuji Temple [P22]

409 Yamanouchi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0478
8:00–16:30 (Closes at 16:00 from Dec. to Feb.)

F Former Kawakita Annex (originally the Watsujii Residence) [P36]

2-2-12 Yukinoshita, Kamakura
☎ 0467-23-2500 (Kamakura City Kawakita Film Museum)
*The villa is open to the public on specific days and when special events are held.

Former Residence of Kachonomiya [P36]

2-6-37 Jomyoji, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3000
(Urban Landscape Division, City Planning Department)
Hours for visiting the garden: 10:00–16:00 (Closes at 15:00 from Oct. to Mar.)
The garden closes for year-end and New Year holidays, Mon, Tue, and Wed.
(When Monday or Tuesday or Wednesday is a holiday, the garden closes on the next working day.)
*The interior of the building is open to the public four days a year (two days in spring and two days in fall.)

G Godaido Myooin Temple [P16]

32 Juniso, Kamakura ☎ 0467-25-0416 9:00–16:00

Gokurakuji Temple [P20]

3-6-7 Gokurakuji, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-3402 9:00–16:30

Goryojinja Shrine [P6]

4-9 Sakanoshita, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-3251
Treasure house open: 9:00–17:00

H Hakujitsudo [P41]

3-12-19 Hase, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-3207
10:00–18:30 Closes irregularly.

Hase Children's Hall (Former Moroto Residence) [P33]

1-11-1 Hase, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3000 (Youth Affairs Division, Kamakura City)
*Not open to the public.

Hasedera Temple [P6]

3-11-2 Hase, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-6300
8:00–17:00 (Closes at 16:30 from Oct. to Feb.)
Kannon Museum: 9:00–16:00 Closes irregularly.

Hokaiji Temple [P25]

3-5-22 Komachi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-5512 8:00–16:30
(Visitors can enter up to 15 minutes before closing time.)

Hokokuji Temple [P25]

2-7-4 Jomyoji, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0762
9:00–16:00. Closed from Dec. 29 to Jan. 3.

Hongakuji Temple [P28]

1-12-12 Komachi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0490 9:00–16:00

I Ishikawa Residence (Former Residence of Satomi Ton) [P34]

1-19-3 Nishimikado, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-7477

J Jochiji Temple [P23]

1402 Yamanouchi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-3943 9:00–16:30

Jojuin Temple [P16]

1-1-5 Gokurakuji, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-3401
8:00–17:00 (Closes at 16:30 from Nov. to Feb.)

Jokomyoji Temple [P19]

2-12-1 Ogigayatsu, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-1359
9:00–16:00 (Amida hall and treasure house are open to the public 10:00–12:00 and 13:00–16:00 on Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.)
The temple is open year round
(Amida hall and treasure house close on rainy days, all of August, and year-end and New Year holidays)

Jomyoji Temple [P13]

3-8-31 Jomyoji, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-2818 9:00–16:30

Jufukuji Temple [P15]

1-17-7 Ogigayatsu, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-6607
*Visitors are allowed to enter as far as the *chumon* gate.

K Kakuonji Temple [P24]

421 Nikaido, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-1195
10:00–15:00 (Visitors must be accompanied by a temple guide available every hour on the hour except 12:00 on weekdays.)
Closed on Apr. 27, in Aug., from Dec. 20 to Jan. 7 and on rainy or stormy days.

Kamakura Meishoki [P30]

Kamakura Museum of Literature (Former Maeda Kamakura Villa) [P38]

1-5-3 Hase, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3911
9:00–17:00 (Closes at 16:30 from Oct. to Feb.)
Closed on Mondays (Open on holiday Mondays, from Dec. 29 to Jan. 3, during the exhibition replacement and maintenance periods.
The schedule may be changed in May, Jun., Oct. and Nov.)

Kamakurabori [P41]

3-4-7 Yuigahama, Kamakura City
☎ 0467-23-0154 (Kamakurabori Kogeikan)
Tue.-Fri.: 9:00–17:00, Saturdays: 9:00–16:00,
Sundays and holidays: 11:00–16:00, Closed on Mondays
(When Monday is a holiday, closes on the Tuesday following.)

Kamakuragu Shrine [P31]

154 Nikaido, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0318 9:30–16:30
(Closes at 14:00 when Takigi Noh is held.)

Kenchoji Temple [P21]

8 Yamanouchi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0981 8:30–16:30

Keizaizaka Pass [P18]

Ogigayatsu, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3000
(Kamakura City Board of Education Cultural Properties Division, Cultural Properties Department)

Koga Residence [P33]

1-7-23 Ogigayatsu, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-2011
11:00–15:00 and 17:00–21:00 Closed on Tuesdays.
*Currently the building is used as a restaurant and a café.

Komyoji Temple [P17]

6-17-19 Zaimokuza, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0603
6:00–17:00 (7:00–16:00 from Oct. 15 to Mar. 31)

Koyurugijinja Shrine [P13]

2-9-12 Koshigoe, Kamakura ☎ 0467-31-4566

M Meigetsuin Temple [P28]

189 Yamanouchi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-24-3437
9:00–16:00 (8:30–17:00 in June)

Mikawaya Honten (Reopening in the spring of 2026) [P35]

1-9-23 Yukinoshita, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0024
11:00-18:00 Closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Myohonji Temple [P20]

1-15-1 Omachi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0777 8:00–16:30

N Nagoe Kiridoshi Pass [P18]

Omachi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3000
(Kamakura City Board of Education Cultural Properties Division, Cultural Properties Department)

R Rai Tei [P42]

Takasago, Kamakurayama, Kamakura ☎ 0467-32-5656
The garden and soba noodle restaurant: Open from 11:00 to sunset.
Kaiseki Ryori is available from 11:00 to 20:30
(Reservations are required for Kaiseki Ryori after 17:00)
Closed January 1st to 3rd, and Mon. to Thu. in the last week of July.
*Now open as soba noodle and Kaiseki Ryori restaurants.

Remains of Hokkedo Temple (Graves of Minamoto no Yoritomo and Hojo Yoshitoki) [P14]

2 Nishimikado, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3000
(Kamakura City Board of Education Cultural Properties Division, Cultural Properties Department)

Remains of Omachishakadoguchi [P24]

Omachi, Kamakura *Please check the Kamakura City website for current public access information.
☎ 0467-23-3000
(Kamakura City Board of Education Cultural Properties Division, Cultural Properties Department)

Remains of Yofukuji Temple [P15]

178 Nikaido, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3000
(Kamakura City Board of Education Cultural Properties Division, Cultural Properties Department)

S Senkosanso Villa [P37]

1-21-1 Kamakurayama, Kamakura ☎ 0467-23-3000
(Urban Landscape Division, City Planning Department)
Parks Division, Urban Construction Department)
*Open approximately two days a year.

Sugimotodera Temple [P5]

903 Nikaido, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-3463
8:00–16:30 (Entrance closes at 16:15)

Sunshodo [P41]

5-1 Sasamemachi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0708
10:00–17:00 Closes irregularly.

T Tokeiji Temple [P23]

1367 Yamanouchi, Kamakura ☎ 0467-33-5100
Open to the public from 8:30 to 16:30.
(The temple closes at 16:00 from October to March.)
Reservations are required to see the statue of Suigetsu Kannonzo.
(Please visit Tokeiji Temple's website.)
Matsuoaka Treasure House: open from 9:30–15:30 from Tue. to Sun
and holidays. (Closed on Mondays.)

Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine [P10]

2-1-31 Yukinoshita, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0315 6:00–20:30
(Treasure house is open from 8:30 to 16:00 except for September 15th.)

W Wakamiya Oji Avenue [P10]

Y Yabusame [P10]

2-1-31 Yukinoshita, Kamakura (Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine)
☎ 0467-22-0315 (Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine) Sep. and Oct.
☎ 0467-23-3050 (Kamakura City Tourist Association) Apr.
Held on the 3rd Sunday in Apr., Sep. 16, and the 1st Sunday in Oct.

Yoshiya Nobuko Memorial Museum [P41]

1-3-6 Hase, Kamakura ☎ 0467-25-2030
(Kamakura City Lifelong Education Center) 10:00–16:00
*Open 1st to 3rd in May, Jun. Oct. and Nov., Saturdays in Apr.,
May, Jun. Oct. and Nov., Sundays in May and Jun., and Golden Week.
On other days, the museum is available as a study facility.

Yuasa Souvenir Shop [P39]

1-9-27 Yukinoshita, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-0472 10:00–18:00

Z Zeniaribaizaiten Ugafukuji Shrine [P11]

2-25-16 Sasuke, Kamakura ☎ 0467-25-1081 8:00–16:30

Zuisenji Temple [P24]

710 Nikaido, Kamakura ☎ 0467-22-1191
9:00–17:00 (Entrance closes at 16:30)

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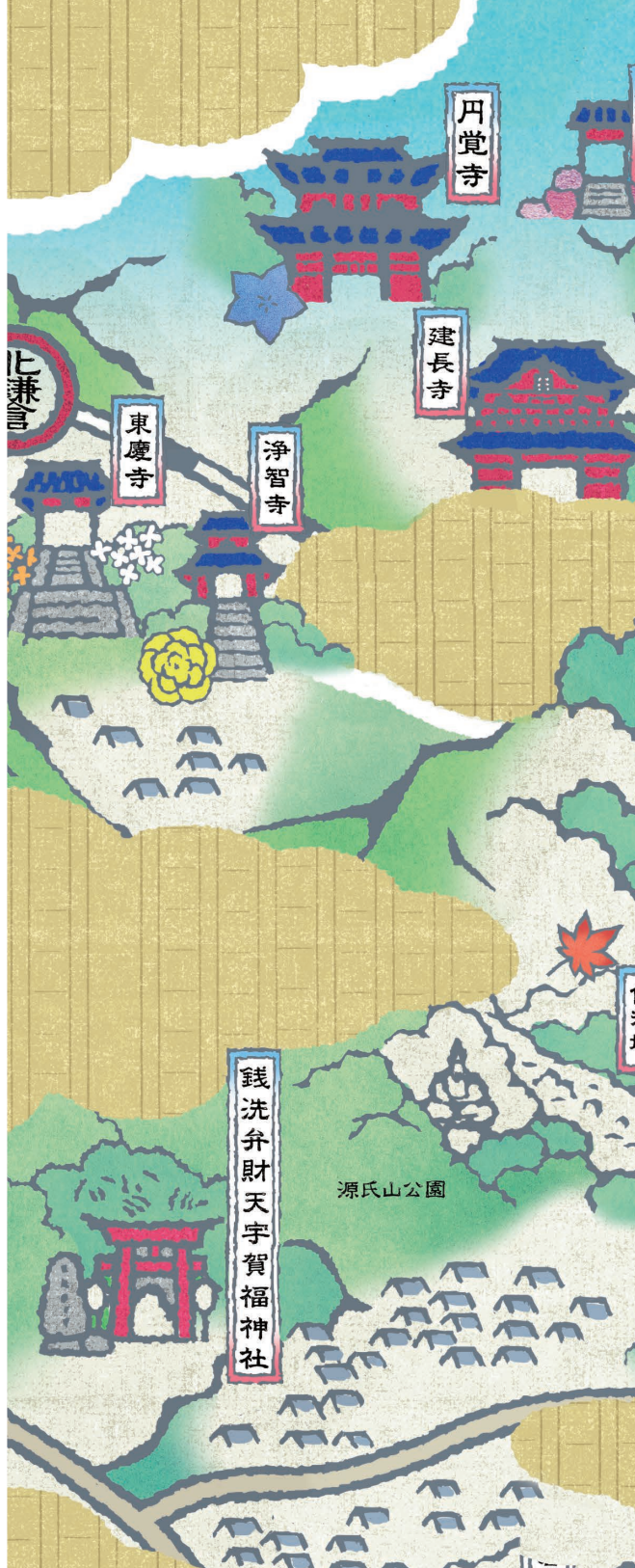
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