Go deeper into Kanazawa’s fascinating past and vibrant present through the city’s remarkable artisanal crafts and unparalleled culture. Replete with dozens of museums, preserved houses and shops, thriving geisha districts, and of course, Kanazawa Castle and Kenrokuen Garden, Kanazawa offers something for everyone.
The Kaga clan provided sufficient protection and training to enable art and craft techniques to flourish under their rule. Kanazawa is renowned in Japan as a city of crafts and is the established home of a number of art forms, including Kaga Yuzen, gold leaf, and lacquerware. In recognition of its thriving arts and crafts, the city was appointed the first UNESCO Creative City of Crafts and Folk Art of Japan in 2009.

Kanazawa's traditional arts and crafts

Kanazawa’s food culture

Kanazawa benefits from its location facing both the sea and mountains, with an abundance of fresh ingredients available. These include seafood such as crabs and shrimps from the Sea of Japan, as well as locally produced Kaga vegetables. Kanazawa’s rich food culture aims to delight all of your five senses using its advanced cooking techniques and arrangements, serving up dishes and table manners in addition to the ingredients. Kanazawa is also known as the home of Japanese confectionery due to the fact that a number of famous sweets were created in the city, and where the tea ceremony is very popular.

Kanazawa’s traditional performing arts

There is a saying in Kanazawa that goes “Utai (the chanting of a Noh text) falls down from the sky.” Ever since the olden days, Noh plays have been enjoyed by samurai, merchants, and even by gardeners. You would often hear someone humming a verse from a Noh play while walking down the street in Kanazawa, which is where the above saying comes from. The unique Kaga Hosho Noh plays and the Subayashi musical accompaniment have been passed down through the generations, and remain part of citizens’ lives to this day. Kanazawa is also known as one of Japan’s leading cities for Geisha performers. The tea ceremony, an essential part of samurai culture, has also grown in popularity as a way to casually enjoy tea.

Kanazawa Castle Town

The castle town of Kanazawa was built by the Maeda family of the Kaga clan in the late 16th century. The Maeda family promoted the city’s development by arranging samurai and townsmen’s residential areas and the temple districts around Kanazawa Castle. Kanazawa then grew to become Japan’s largest castle town, ruled by a feudal lord who invested heavily in culture and education as opposed to military force, in an attempt to create a sophisticated, traditional culture. Kanazawa was Japan’s fourth-largest city at the time, behind Tokyo, Osaka, and Kyoto.

Modern-day Kanazawa is one of the largest castle towns in Japan and retains many streets and cultural elements from the olden days owing to the fact that the city has escaped damage caused by war or major disasters for a period of over 400 years. Kanazawa’s unique charms include the tourist spots of Kanazawa Castle, Kenrokuen Garden, the long-established fish market, teahouse districts, the samurai district and tradesmen towns, as well as its traditional culture such as crafts, entertainment, and food.

Along with its history and culture, today’s Kanazawa also has new attractions including the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, which attracts attention from home and abroad, and districts that are home to fashionable gallery shops. Experience the city of Kanazawa that combines tradition with new culture.

Kanazawa – Town with a mixture of old traditions and new culture

Welcome to Kanazawa!

A city that prides itself in the colors of Kenrokuen Garden throughout the four seasons, in the clear water of the Saigawa and Asanogawa rivers, in its abundant greenery, and in its refined traditional culture - and at the same time incorporates modern elements as it continues to develop. This is the city of Kanazawa.
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The area that comprises Ishikawa Prefecture, where Kanazawa is located, is often referred to as the Oroku area. This is because it is a popular destination for shopping, especially in the Naga-machi area, which is also popular for its samurai culture. The area is home to some of the most beautiful and well-preserved samurai houses in Japan. The Kanazawa Theatre, which is located in the Naga-machi area, is a popular destination for opera and classical music performances. There are also many izakayas, or Japanese-style pubs, where you can sample traditional Japanese cuisine. These pubs are a common sight in Japan and are a great place to try local specialties. In addition to its cultural attractions, Kanazawa is also home to some of the most beautiful gardens in Japan, including Kenrokuen Garden and Kanazawa Castle Park. These gardens are a must-see for anyone visiting the city and provide a wonderful place to relax and enjoy the natural beauty of the area.
The glass dome of Kanazawa Station has the nickname of “Motenashi Dome”. Motenashi means “welcoming” or “entertainment”, it is a word that indicates good treatment of guests. The dome expresses the hospitality of the citizens of Kanazawa, who kindly greet and send off people who come to visit the rainy city, in the hope that they will not get wet when starting their journey. Omi-cho Market, said to be the “kitchen of the citizens of Kanazawa”, is located in Musashigatsuji. About 300 years old, it is crammed with rows of seafood and vegetable shops. Looking around at all of the produce, you will get a sense of the market’s unique vitality. Omi-cho, which was once inhabited by merchants and craftsmen, has many old shops that are still in business. You can enjoy the taste of such treats as old-fashioned confections and tsukudani (various foods boiled down in soy sauce). The atmospheric street that goes from Omi-cho to the Kaze-machi Chaya District by the Asanogawa River is the perfect place for a stroll.

Kanazawa Station / Musashigatsuji / Omi-cho and Vicinity

The design of “Motenashi Dome”, the symbol of the station’s East Plaza, represents an umbrella proffered to visitors to Kanazawa. In front, there is a wooden gate that represents a hand drum. The undergound plaza is equipped with Internet terminals, and a large multivision sign that displays a variety of images. This is the place to gather information before going on a trip.

The mall includes restaurants and a movie theater as well. 10:00 am - 9:00 pm (Open year-round; some individual stores may close) 076-265-8111

Kanazawa Station / Musashigatsuji

The shopping and restaurant section of JR Kanazawa Station. Here you will find all kinds of designer items, including traditional crafts and Japanese confectionery. There is also a post office and a tourist information center that can provide service in English. ① NTU (houseware): 8:30 am - 8:00 pm ② Restaurants: 11:00 am (some 10:00 am) - 10:00 pm ③ NTU (food Supermarket): 10:00am (11:00 am (some 10:00 am) - 10:00 pm

Kanazawa Hyakubangai

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Omi-cho Market

A favorite place for food shopping among Kanazawa residents, this market consists of about 175 shops selling fresh fish, vegetables, etc. There are also such bars and restaurants that serve lunch. Approx. 9:00 am - approx. 5:00 pm (lunch varies depending on the shop) Varies by Shop 076-231-1462

Kanazawa Hyakubangai Market Plaza

Adjacent to the Omi-cho Market, this building houses 37 shops including restaurants and fresh produce stores. ⑦ 10:00 am - 5:00 pm (stalls by shop) ⑧ Restaurants: 11:00 am - 11:00 pm, ⑨ Produce and daily commodities: 9:00 am - 8:00 pm (Open year-round) 076-231-5123

Omi-cho Ichiban Kan Market Plaza

Try your hand at playing the koto. This shop manufactures and sells kotos. From January to March, visitors can make a reservation to try playing the koto free of charge (no fixed time limit). Koto Sangen Nodaya ⑩ 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays, Dec. 29 - Jan. 3 076-221-2870

Kanazawa Phonograph Museum

This museum has a collection of 600 phonographs, including Edison models, most of which still work, as well as 10,000 SP records. There are three demonstrations a day that you can listen to and compare sounds.

10:00 am - 5:30 pm (Last admission 5:00 pm)

Madosa Hachisohi Company

This long-established shop has been in business since 1937. Using the delicate art of Kaga fly tying, this shop today produces feather accessories made from fishing lures originating from the Edo period, this shop today produces feather accessories made from fishing lures originating from the Edo period.

Koto Sangen Nodaya ⑩ 10:00 am - 5:30 pm ⑪ Tuesdays ⑫ Riting a shop’s fly/lure brooch ¥2000 (reservation required) 076-231-4671

Chomin Bukkakan Community Center

This cultural center was built as a bank in 1967. ⑬ 10:00 am - 5:30 pm Wednesdays, 12:00 - 12:30 Free of charge 076-222-7670

Kanazawa Men-ya

Nakashima Men-ya is a long-established store which creates and sells Kaga Hachiman Oki-agari dolls, Kaga Ryougi dolls, Kaga Shinji Gashira, and Kanazawa traditional toys. You can try your hand at making decorating a Kaga Hachiman Oki-agari doll as well.

Nakashima Men-ya ⑭ 10:00 am - 6:00 pm ⑮ Tuesdays ⑯ Kaga Hachiman Oki-agari dolls Decoration Trial lesson ¥175 (reservation required) 076-222-1818

Yokozuna-cho Shopping Street

This is the shopping street area located between Kanazawa Station and Musashigatsuji. This street features an assortment of stores, such as variety stores, coffee shops, and old specialty stores.

Access information

JR Chuo Main Line

Kanazawa Station / Musashigatsuji / Omi-cho

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Kanazawa Station / Musashigatsuji / Omi-cho
Mt. Utatsu is a mountain that Kanazawa citizens are familiar with. You can go there in the spring to enjoy its cherry blossoms, and in the fall to enjoy its crimson foliage.

Geisha District is an area where you can see and experience for yourself the traditional culture of Kanazawa. This popular tourist area beside the Asanogawa River features rows of old geisha houses that give a feel for what Kanazawa was like in bygone days.

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Higashi Chaya District / Kazue-machi / Utatsuyama and Vicinity

Higashi means “east”, utatsu means “east-southeast”; the names of the Higashi Chaya District and Mt. Utatsu (Utatsu-yama) derive from the fact that they are located in the east-east-southeast direction, respectively, as seen from Kanazawa Castle. The Higashi Chaya District is one of three chaya districts in Kanazawa. Its streetscape, which has maintained a strong feudal-period atmosphere, is still throbbing with life. For example, in the evening, under the lights of the houses, you might be lucky enough to meet a group of geisha girls. These are not meant as an attraction for tourists; they are places where local residents have with it.

Shamisen playing

The shamisen is an indispensable instrument in the geisha district. You are offered a chance to play one in this time-honored shop.

Asanogawa River

There is something delicate about the scenery around Asanogawa River. Walking on the street along the river, you will notice the close relationship that local residents have with it.

Asanogawa River park

This park, which extends along the base of Mt. Utatsu, affords a good view of Kanazawa. From the lookout point on the summit, called ‘Bokidake’, one can see the whole city, and on clear days, there is a view of the Japan Sea. The park is also popular for its night view.

Terashima’s House

The outstanding works of Kurando, who was also an artist, are on display. The impressive and scholarly life of the Tera-machi domain is also displayed.

Kenrokuen Garden / Kanazawa Castle Park

Away from the hustle and bustle, this mountain temple. With several small, winding paths, enemy invasions, the atmosphere of the Edo period still lingers at this temple area.

Touge Gold Leaf Museum

Exploration of the process on how gold leaf is made and which tools are used to create it. Through art and craft works, you can experience the world of 0.001 mm thin gold leaf.

Kazue-machi Chaya District

This area near Asanogawa River features a cobblestone street lined with old buildings, high-end Japanese restaurants, bars and inns. Be sure to check out the beautiful glass bench at the nearby Hishiba-cho bus stop!

The Old Site of Mr. Kurando Terashima’s House

The residence of Kurando Terashima, a middle-ranking samurai of the Kaga Domain. The outstanding works of Kurando, who was also an artist, are on display.

Shima (Geisha House)

This typical geisha house, constructed differently from other houses, has been perfectly preserved, and is open to the public as a cultural asset of national importance. You can enjoy a cup of powdered green tea and dry confectionary (materials) + shipping cost ¥600/person for one time (includes cost of tea, black tiles is especially beautiful harmonizes tradition and originality. Tea is available in the garden.

Ohi Family Ceramics Studio, K cls of the Twentieth Oh Chuzanemon and Ohi Gallery

Ohi ceramics were made for successive generations of the Kaga clan, and have a history of about 300 years. The museum exhibits pieces ranging from superb works made by the first Ohi master to contemporary masterpieces.

Kazue-machi / Utatsuyama / Higashiyama

Gold leaf application

Ninety-nine percent of Japanese gold leaf is a high-quality leaf produced in Kanazawa. Here you can watch the process of making gold leaf of a thickness of only 0.0001 mm, and try your hand at gold leaf application.

Access information

Transportation: 5 minutes on foot from the Higashiyama / Kazue-machi / Utatsuyama Temple Area

Visitor Pass:

Adults ¥1,400 / Children ¥1,000 / Seniors 65 years and over ¥1,200

Open year-round

9:30 am - 5:00 pm (last admission 4:30 pm)

Available on the third Saturday of the month, and on holidays, 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, Dec. 29 - Jan. 3, periods of exhibit change

Admission fee: 1) 9:00 am ~ 2) 10:30 am ~ 3) 2:00 pm ~ 4) 3:30 pm

Times for do-it-yourself gold leaf application: 1) 9:00 am ~ 2) 10:30 am ~ 3) 11:30 am ~ 4) 1:30 pm ~ 5) 2:30 pm ~ 6) 3:30 pm

1 hour limit of 50 people (Reservations required. Open year-round)

Reservations: 076-221-2397

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No-machi / Tera-machi and Vicinity

Tera means "temple". As the name indicates, there are about 70 temples in Teramachi. About 400 years ago, temples that were dotted around the city were moved to Teramachi and the base of Mt. Utatsu. Myoryuji Temple, known by its nickname of Ninja Temple, will probably surprise you with its various contraptions. The sound of bells at dusk also makes a deep impression on visitors.

Recommended Sightseeing Spots

1. Myoryuji Temple (Ninja Temple) 妙立寺（忍者寺）
   Famous for its nickname, this temple has many contraptions such as hidden staircases and floor traps to defeat attacking enemies.
   - Weekdays: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Weekends: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm
   - New Year’s, Buddhist sermon days
   - General (junior high school students and older): ¥1,000
   - Elementary school students: ¥700 (telephone reservations required)
   - 076-241-0888

2. Nishi Chaya District にし茶屋街
   In addition to a historical streetscape and geisha girls, this area has a museum and geisha houses, one of which offers visitors the rare opportunity of going inside for powdered green tea or coffee.

3. Kutani Kosen-gama (Kutani Kosen Pottery Kiln) 九谷光仙窯
   - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm *Visitors wanting to decorate a piece or watch the production process must arrive by 4:30 pm. (10:00 am - 3:00 pm from Dec. 30 to Jan. 3)
   - Jan. 1 only: ¥1,300 (Choice of over 20 types, reservations required)
   - 076-241-0902

4. Saigawa River 屋川
   The Saigawa River is called the “male river” because of its powerful current. It is also known as a famous place to see cherry blossoms.

5. Yoshiro and Yoshio Taniguchi Museum of Architecture, Kanazawa 谷口吉郎・吉生記念金沢建築館
   An architecture and urban development-themed museum, the facility contains a faithful replica of the Japanese Style Annex, “Yushintei” of the State Guest House, Akasaka Palace in Tokyo. The replica is displayed as a permanent exhibition in the museum, and is the first ever to be displayed in any facility in Japan. The building was designed by international architect, Yoshio Taniguchi.
   - Mondays (or the next day if Monday is a holiday), New Year’s Holiday period
   - Adults ¥300, High school students and younger: free, Seniors 65 years and older ¥200

Access information

- From the Hirokoji bus stop
  → About 3 min. walk to Nishi Geisha District
  → About 3 min. walk to Myoryuji Temple

Bus stops

- ショウセイジンガーデン
- 国際会館
- 東京国際会議場
- 野町広小路
- 西茶屋資料館
- 西インター大通り
- 田町駅
- ミナマチ
- ハリオコジ

Kanazawa Geiko lessons

The Art of Kanazawa Geiko

In Kanazawa, where this tradition has been passed down since the Edo period, there are approximately 50 Kanazawa geiko (geisha girls) active in the three Chaya Districts. The old custom where you need the invitation of a regular customer to attend a dinner party in a tatami room is still being passed down today.

Although it is normally not possible to meet the geiko, depending on the season, the general public may have the chance to see the dance of the Kanazawa geiko.

If you walk the streets of the Chaya District, you might hear the sounds of the shamisen or taiko drums flowing from the tea rooms.
Kodatsuno / Nodayama and Vicinity

Kodatsuno is southeast of Kenrokuuen Garden. There are many temples here too, as well as residential neighborhoods, schools and hospitals; it is a good place for getting a close-up look at the Kanazawa way of life. Nodayama is an immense cemetery where many figures of historical importance to Kanazawa, such as members of the Maeda family, have been laid to rest. It is said that there are more than 50 thousand gravestones in the cemetery, and many people go there to pay their respects.

Recommended Sightseeing Spots

1. Tentokuin Temple
   This is the family temple of Tama-hime, the princess who came to Kaga in 1601 to marry into the Maeda family. Even now, a wind-up-doll play about the 24-year-long life of Kanazawa’s beloved Tama-hime is performed at the temple every day.  
   - Open hours: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm (Mar. - Nov.), 9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Dec. - Feb.)  
   - Admission: ¥200 (tea ceremony ¥500)
   - Telephone number: 076-231-4484

2. Daijoji Temple
   This temple, used for training monks, was founded about 700 years ago and moved to its present location about 300 years ago. Here you can experience Zen meditation - the seeking of enlightenment through detachment and silence, by sitting quietly and concentrating. The building has been designated as a cultural asset of national importance.

3. View from Nodayama
   From Nodayama, a hill located in the southwestern part of the urban area of Kanazawa, you can see the whole urban area. It is popular as a spot from which to see the city at night; if you have a car, the view is well worth the drive.

Access information

- About 5 min. walk from Noda bus stop to Nodayama
- Bus stops: Tentokuin-mae (via Hashiba-cho)
- Nada (3 buses/hour)

Kanazawa, the birthplace of the Buddhist philosopher Daisetz Suzuki, who made Zen culture known around the world, has been a flourishing place for Buddhism since ancient times. At Daijoji Temple, Zen meditation starts at 4:15 AM and continues for the entire day without a pause, and in the morning you can join the monks for their ascetic practices.

In addition, at the Zen meditation sessions held every Sunday from 1:30 PM, or the temple stays, you have the chance to quietly collect yourself.
Why not board a local train and relax at the spots familiar to locals and not normally found in guidebooks?

1 **Uchinada Beach**
   [内灘海水浴場]
   At this beach located approximately 200 meters from the water’s edge, young people enjoy surfing and jet skiing all year round, and in the summer it is busy with families. You can enjoy barbeque at the beach huts, and the beautiful sunset is a must-see.
   - Hokuriku Railroad Asanogawa Line, 20-minute walk from Uchinada Station

2 **Shirayama Hime Jinja Shrine**
   [白山咩咩神社]
   Along with Mt. Fuji and Mt. Tateyama, Mt. Hakusan has been regarded as a sacred place for mountain worship since ancient times.
   Mt. Hakusan is the object of worship at this shrine, the head shrine of roughly 3,000 Hakusan Shrines across the country.
   - Hokuriku Railroad Ishikawa Line, 30-minute walk from Tsurugi Station

3 **Ishikawa NISHIDA KITARO Museum of Philosophy**
   [石川県西田幾多郎記念哲学館]
   At this museum that introduces the achievements and belongings of the philosopher Kitaro Nishida, you will not only learn about philosophy, but also have the chance to philosophize. The building was designed by Tadao Ando.
   - JR Nanao Line, 25-minute walk from Unoke Station
   • 9:00 am – 4:00 pm (last admission 3:00 pm)
   • Mondays (or the next day if Monday is a holiday), year-end and New Year’s holiday (Dec. 29 – Jan. 3)
   • Adults ¥300
   • 076-283-6600

4 **Kita Family Residence**
   [喜多記念館]
   This townhouse, relocated from Kanazawa in the early 19th century, is a nationally designated Important Cultural Property. From the tatami room and the tea room, lined with old furnishings, you can see the garden outside.
   - Hokuriku Railroad Ishikawa Line, 10-minute walk from Nonoichi Koka-mae Station
   • 3-8-11 Honmachi, Nonoichi
   • 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
   • Irregular closing days
   • Adults ¥400
   • 076-248-1131
   (reservation required)

5 **Kurikara Fudoji Temple**
   [倶利伽羅不動寺]
   With roughly 1,300 years of history, this temple is known as one of Japan’s three most famous Fudoson temples.
   - Ishikawa Railway, 20-minute taxi ride from Tsubata Station
   • Ri 2 Kurikara, Tsubata-machi, Kahoku-gun
   • 076-288-1451

Gokayama / Shirakawago / Takayama / Matsumoto

Hokuriku Hida Shinsyu Mitsuboshi Kaidou

Gokayama [五箇山]
Along with Shirakawa-go, Ainokura and Suganuma Gassho-Zukuri Villages are UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The traditional washi (Japanese paper) industry and folk songs are being passed down.

• 60 minutes from Kanazawa by car or bus

Shirakawa-go [白川郷]
The mountain village lifestyle, rooted in tradition, is still alive at Shirakawa-go. Protected as an Important Preservation District for Groups of Traditional Buildings, it is known as a place where you can encounter the nostalgic, original landscape of Japan.
• 60 minutes from Kanazawa by car or bus

Takayama [高山]
The merchant center that was once the heart of this castle town still flaunts its elegant appearance today. At the Takayama Festival, held in spring and autumn and one of Japan’s three major beautiful festivals, you can watch a parade with gorgeous, dazzling floats.
• 2 hours from Kanazawa by car or bus

Matsumoto [松本]
Matsumoto flourished as a castle town in the Edo period. With the grand Northern Alps as a backdrop, Matsumoto Castle is a must-see. If you go a little farther, the abundant nature enveloping some of the most picturesque mountains in Japan is almost overwhelming.
• 2 hours from Takayama by car or bus

For more information: https://mitsuboshi-concierge.jp/en
(Mitsuboshi Kaido Concierge)

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Please take advantage of the Kanazawa Guide Interpreter Search site (http://kanazawaguide.jp).
There, you can search for Interpreters/Kanazawa guides based on availability as well as areas of expertise and inquire with them directly. The registered guides are all Kanazawa residents, so they can provide an even deeper and more meaningful experience than the standard travel guides!
## Transportation Information

### Osaka

#### Flight to and from Komatsu Airport

- **Tokyo (Narita) ↔ Komatsu**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 15 min
  - No. of flights: 1 round-trips/day (ANA)

- **Tokyo (Haneda) ↔ Komatsu**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 10 min
  - No. of flights: 10 round-trips/day (ANA, JAL)

#### Transportation between Komatsu Airport and Kanazawa Station

- **Komatsu Airport Limousine Bus**
  - Buses run according to arrival and departure times at Komatsu Airport.
  - One way: approx. 1 hr, 40 min (Super Express)
  - One way: ¥1,130

#### Komatsu Airport → Tokyo (Haneda)

- **Tokyo (Haneda) ↔ Noto**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr
  - No. of flights: 2 round-trips/day (ANA)

- **Express Bus**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 55 min
  - One way: ¥2,160
  - Noto Airport → Kanazawa: 10 buses/day
  - Noto Airport → Noto Airport: 9 buses/day

### Air routes

- **Tokyo (Narita) ↔ Komatsu**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 15 min
  - No. of flights: 1 round-trips/day (ANA)

- **Tokyo (Haneda) ↔ Komatsu**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 10 min
  - No. of flights: 10 round-trips/day (ANA, JAL)

#### Transportation between Noto Airport and Kanazawa Station

- **Noto Airport Limousine Bus**
  - Buses run according to arrival and departure times at Noto Airport.
  - One way: approx. 1 hr, 40 min (Super Express)
  - One way: ¥1,130

#### Noto Airport → Tokyo (Haneda)

- **Tokyo (Haneda) ↔ Noto**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr
  - No. of flights: 2 round-trips/day (ANA)

- **Express Bus**
  - One way: approx. 1 hr & 55 min
  - One way: ¥2,160
  - Noto Airport → Kanazawa: 10 buses/day
  - Noto Airport → Noto Airport: 9 buses/day

### JR Routes

#### Tokyo ↔ Kanazawa

- **Hokuriku Shinkansen**
  - Approx. 2 hrs & 30 min
  - No. of trains: 24 round-trips/day

- **Limited Express "Thunderbird"**
  - Approx. 2 hrs & 40 min
  - No. of trains: 25 round-trips/day

#### Nagoya ↔ Kanazawa

- **Tokaido Shinkansen "Hikari"** (Change trains at Maibara) → Limited Express "Shirasagi"
  - Approx. 2 hrs & 30 min
  - One way: ¥7,240
  - No. of trains: 16 round-trips/day

- **Limited Express "Shirasagi"**
  - Approx. 3 hrs
  - One way: ¥6,810
  - No. of trains: 8 round-trips/day

### Police

- **Police Help Line**
  - Mon-Fri / 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
  - Please feel free to call if you are the victim of a crime or need assistance from the police.

### Kanazawa Central Post Office

- **Address**
  - 1-1 Sanja-machi, Kanazawa, Ishikawa

### Services provided in foreign languages

- **Name & address of organization**
  - Ishikawa Prefectural Central Hospital
    - 2-1 Kuratsuki Higashi, Kanazawa, Ishikawa
    - 076-237-8211
  - Kanazawa Municipal Hospital
    - 3-7-3 Heiwa-machi, Kanazawa, Ishikawa
    - 076-245-2600

- **Fire / Rescue / Ambulance**
  - Dial emergency number (24 hrs/day)

- **To report an incident or accident to the police, dial the emergency number (24 hrs/day).**
  - 076-224-3822

## Tourist Information

### Kanazawa Goodwill Guide Network (KGGN)

- **Tourist Information Center in JR Kanazawa Station**
  - Provides information in English on sightseeing and transportation in Kanazawa.
  - Service available in English
  - Every day except Dec.31 - Jan. 2 / 9:30 am - 6:30 pm

- **Information Booth in Kanazawa Castle Park**
  - Provides guided tours of Kenrokuken Garden and Kanazawa Castle Park free of charge without reservations.
  - Service available in English, Chinese, and Korean
  - Every day except Dec.29 - Jan. 3 / 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

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