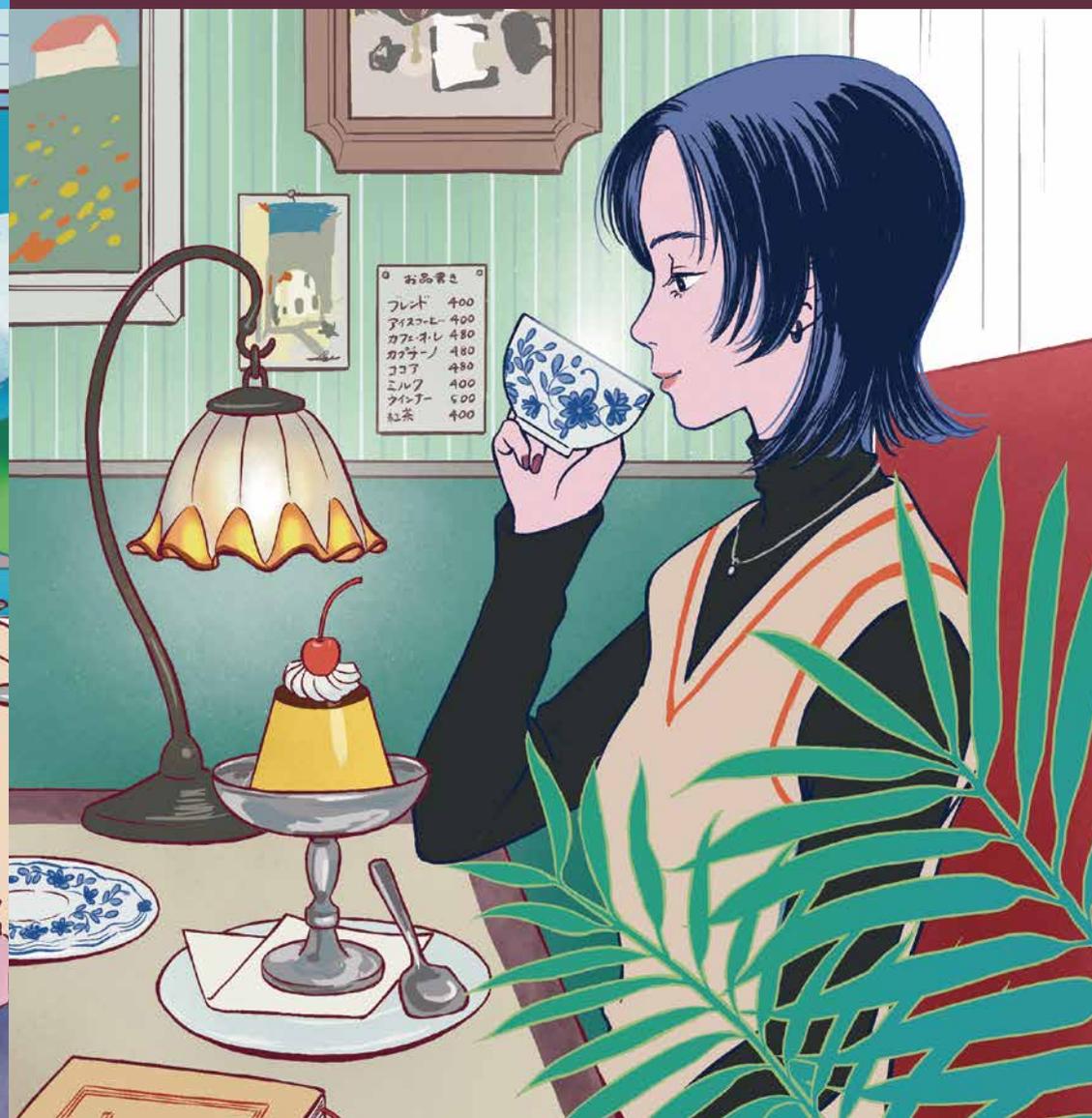


SUMIDA'S A BATHHOUSE TOWN!



SUMIDA'S A CAFÉ TOWN!



Why's Sumida a Cozy Kissa Town?



Home to Many Local Factories and Workshops People Meet and Eat at Junkissa (Traditional Japanese Coffee Shops)

As Sumida's backbone, small factories scattered throughout the city have supported its development. Coffee shops (kissaten) have long served as places for working people to take a break between work tasks, or for meetings.

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Let's Find Cafes that Serve Breakfast Sets!



Sumida's coffee shops bustle from morning onward. Morning sets, which help kickstart your day, are popular with tourists. Let's find a menu that inspires an early start.

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Can't Imagine Downtown Without Wa-Cafes

Traditional Japanese sweets shops were long frequented by people enjoying cherry blossom viewing or going out. Japanese-style cafes (wa-cafe) incorporating modern tastes are also becoming more common. The casual, welcoming atmosphere you can drop into anytime is unique to downtown neighborhoods.

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Cafes Where Owners' Love and Personality Come Alive

Where history lives on, new shops with unique flair are multiplying. Coffee and food imbued with the shop owners' aesthetic principles, paired with the original space, all radiate a presence like a work of art.

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Sumi Co-Ren: Transforming Sumida's Coffee Culture



The Sumida In-House-Roasting Coffee Shops Association (Sumi Co-Ren), established in 2016, brings together renowned home-roasting shops. They promote the appeal of Sumida's coffee culture through events and collaborations.

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※For business hours, regular holidays, and other details, scan the QR code to check Google Maps, Instagram, or visit the shops' websites.

Photo: Coffee Mikado

4 Historic Junkissa (Traditional Japanese Cafes)



For business, leisure, or a break.
Traditional coffee shops that stay close to people's lives.



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1 Coffee Mountain

Taking a Break in the Bustling City

Established in 1966. The shop is divided into smoking and non-smoking sections. Inside the shop, despite the bustling of a station's neighborhood, time flows calmly. Classic brewed coffee, breakfast sets, and sweets - like creme caramel and fruit sandwiches - are also popular.



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2 Cafe Knit

Retro Cafe Featured in the Media

The interior feels like a trip back to the Showa era, with red sofas and handwritten menus, bustling with customers of all ages. The signature pancakes, topped with syrup and butter, are fluffy and thick. Open Monday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Ryogoku

3 Itchome Sabou

Enjoy a Foreign Feel in Ryogoku

Celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2026. This shop features sophisticated decor reminiscent of Europe, classical music BGM, and tables adorned with world maps. Enjoy toast or sandwiches from 8 a.m. on weekdays. The lunch-time curry is truly delicious.



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4 Coffee Mikado

Satisfies Both Heart and Stomach

This shop features retro cocktail table games, and smoking is permitted at all seats in the chandelier-lit interior. The Ginger Pork Set Meal, Neapolitan Spaghetti, and large-sized parfaits will satisfy your appetite. This shop has been cherished by locals for over 55 years.



8 Cafes Serving a Morning Set Menu



A good morning makes the day.

Get up early and enjoy a moment that warms both heart and body.

This booklet categorizes the Sumida area into seven colors for both the Cafe Section and Bathhouse Section. Introducing each neighborhood's charm through its key features.

Kanegafuchi = Good Old Sumida

Higashi Mukojima = Mukojima-Hyakkaen Garden

Hikifune (Kyojima) = Retro & Modern

Ryogoku = Sumo & Hokusai

Oshiage = Home to TOKYO SKYTREE®

Honjo Azumabashi = City Hall Area

Kinshicho = Shitamachi Town



Hikifune (Kyojima)



Oshiage



Hikifune (Kyojima)



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5 cafe Norakuro

An International Downtown Cafe

A regular spot for local sumo wrestlers, this shop is filled with sumo goods. Visitors love the opportunity to take photos with the shop owner's prized armor and helmet. The breakfast set lets you choose from five ways to have your eggs.



6 cafe kohana

Coffee, Music, and Tasty Vegetables

Fresh vegetables grown by over 10 partner farms, available for purchase on-site, are used in salads, curries, and specialty pasta dishes. The shop's PA, chosen by the owner, and background music are both excellent. Live performances sometimes happen here as well.



9 Higashi Mukojima Coffee Shop

The Cafe that Connects People

This cafe showcases artwork by creators from Sumida and serves as a gathering place. The morning set features handmade salad dressing and an egg salad sandwich. This shop's signature no-bake cheesecake comes in a wide variety of flavors.



10 THE MORNING FOLKS OSHIAGE

Start Your Day with an Energy Boost

The substantial American breakfast, popular with tourists, was inspired by the shop owner's time in Portland. The sweet-salty harmony of buttermilk pancakes with bacon and sausage pairs perfectly with the flavor of in-house-roasted coffee.



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Begin a New Day in a Historic Space

Enjoy plant-based waffles and milk coffee. This cafe, with a 40-year history, primarily operates from morning through the afternoon. This place is filled with a comforting warmth that energizes you as you begin your day.



8 Coffee Elementary School Kinshi Park Campus

Let's Go Meet a Wonderful "Teacher"

This shop's name comes from the fact that the owner used to be an elementary school teacher. The popular anko butter sandwich, and ham sandwich, both pair perfectly with the shop's signature blend of coffee to energize your morning.



Honjo-Azumabashi

11 safn°

Immerse Yourself in Art at This Cafe

This cafe operates on the first floor of a hotel, integrated with an art collection space. This cafe features unique artworks that stimulate your intellectual curiosity. The morning set includes a bagel and soup. During cafe hours, don't miss the popular creme caramel.



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12 Mellow Bites

A Sweet Moment in Your Daily Life

This cafe is a place to take a leisurely break, even amidst your busy daily life. Breakfast and lunch featuring an abundance of vegetables offer the added appeal of choosing your favorite dish. Carefully selected bananas make surprisingly sweet juice.



6 Cafes in Which to Savor Japan



When you think of downtown, Japanese-style cafes come to mind.
Enjoy sweets in a cozy atmosphere.

Honjo-Azumabashi



13 Ho to Ka HOJICHA FACTORY

A New Attraction at Sumida Park

A specialty shop for hojicha (roasted green tea) and rice-flour sweets. Hojicha, available in a wide variety, offers comforting deliciousness straight or as a latte. Ushi-yaki pancakes in adorable cow (ushi) shapes feature a uniquely chewy rice-flour texture.



Oshiage



14 Manmaru

Charm Packed Into a Round Shape!

A Japanese sweets cafe overflowing with the concept of “roundness,” featuring round taiyaki and round shiratama mochi balls. The freshly boiled shiratama are absolutely delicious. Don't miss the shop's gorgeous items featuring seasonal fruits.

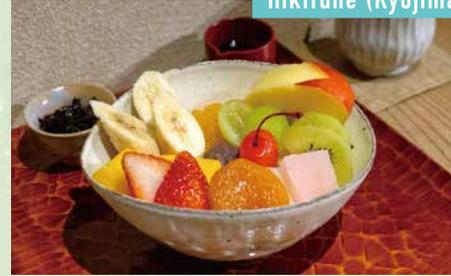


Sumida and Tourism

From the Edo period onward, Sumida has been a manufacturing hub, but its transformation into a tourist destination began in the 2000s when the TOKYO SKYTREE® project was launched. The Sumida Tourism Association was established in 2009. It promotes this city's attractions—such as the Sumida River, sumo, and Katsushika Hokusai—both domestically and abroad.



Hikifune (Kyojima)



15 Wabisuke

A Hideaway Where You Can Meet a Cat

Enjoy anmitsu made with carefully selected domestic ingredients, in dishes crafted by artists. Gently brewed Japanese tea creates a quiet, peaceful moment in the cafe. The shop cat also brings smiles to animal-loving customers.



Kinshicho



16 Wood Gallery & Cafe -ki

A Cafe Wrapped in the Warmth of Wood

This cafe, run by a lumber wholesaler, features an array of furniture made from fine wood, as well as woodwork pieces by artists. Feeling the texture and scent of wood with all five senses may help you relax. This cafe has become the center of a tree-related community.



Honjo-Azumabashi



17 Ichiya Tokyo Mizumachi

Savor the Seasons in This Sweetshop

A Japanese-style cafe run by the wagashi shop Ichiya, in Hikifune. Located in Tokyo Mizumachi, it offers views of the changing seasons through large windows. Savor seasonal items such as anmitsu, parfaits, shaved ice, and Japanese sweets.



Kinshicho



18 Hokusai Sabo

Savor Tradition in a Tatami Room

This sweetshop, in the birthplace of ukiyo-e artist Katsushika Hokusai, has watched over the town's bustle for over 20 years. Special anmitsu and Uji matcha, among others items, offer a refined taste that brings quiet comfort.



Traditional Japanese Sweets Culture in Sumida

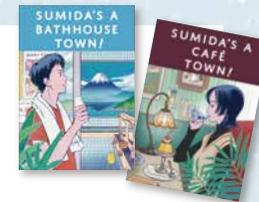


In Sumida, the townsmen culture of seeking delicious food still thrives today. Since the Edo period, teahouses and confectioneries lined the entertainment districts of Ryogoku and the resort areas of Mukojima. Mochi dango, rice cakes, and seasonal confections have long been a part of people's daily lives. This spirit lives on in modern Japanese-style cafes that serve traditional ingredients with a creative twist.

7 Unique Must-Visit Cafes



Sumida is home to many unique cafes.
Find the perfect one for you.



About the “Sumida’s a ___ Town! Series”

The city of Sumida is rich in history and constantly evolving with new cultures. The “Sumida’s a ___ Town! Series” is a booklet that introduces its charm from multiple angles. This Cafe and Bathhouse Edition is the very first issue. Stay tuned for upcoming features!



Oshiage

19 SASAYA CAFE

Pet-Friendly Vegan Specialty Shop

This cafe sits in a converted warehouse that belonged to a starch syrup factory, dating back to the Edo era. Healthy vegan dishes, such as curry and daily specials, are popular. Customers with dogs are welcome on the terrace.



Higashi Mukojima

20 from afar

Popular Cafe Reopens in Sumida

This cafe serves drinks in classic cups on saucers, and is popular for its sophisticated sweets, and with customers who bring their families. Takeout is also available. The bagel-specialty sister shop “Mugimaru” is located next door.



Ryogoku

22 Antique Cafe Wool Club

A Knitter’s Paradise

A cafe run by the Maruyasu Corporation where knitwear lovers from all over the world gather. The shop displays antique items and goods related to yarn, and also hosts knitting classes. When you order tea, it’s served with a knitted pot cover and tea mat.



Ryogoku

23 Kissa Laundry Morishita Ryogoku Shop

A Vibrant Community Utility Room

This spacious shop features a corner of washing machines, dryers, sewing machines, and irons, blending daily household chores with a cozy cafe. Known as the community utility room, you may also enjoy unique food here.



Oshiage



21 Woodchuck

A Soothing-Herbal-Tea Specialty Shop

This shop offers over 150 varieties of delicious and smooth-to-drink blended herbal teas. Choosing items from unique names like “Lonely Tea” or “Night Sea” is quite enjoyable. The gallery inside the cafe also hosts art exhibitions.



Oshiage

24 Nagaya Cafe Tenshin-An

Relax in a Historic Row House

A tea room run by its owner, who studied soba and coffee. The coffee and galettes enjoyed in this renovated old row house are exceptional. This shop also holds tea and miso-making classes, as well as sales of UFO-shaped roasters.



Ryogoku

25 SINGLE O RYOGOKU ROASTWORKS/CAFE

A Popular Australian-Born Roastery

The high-ceilinged interior of this converted warehouse features an attached roastery and a cupping room. Experience a unique style where customers pour their own coffee from the tap, and savor a cup that brings out the beans’ natural sweetness.



The Sumida In-House-Roasting Coffee Shops Association



Established in 2016. Through a dedication to each cup and community-focused activities, it continues to support Sumida's coffee culture.



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26 macchinesti Coffee

Connecting Seattle and Tokyo for 25 years

This shop's history began with the owner's life in Seattle, and started with the sale of espresso machines. The cappuccino served at their previous location was ahead of its time, and this cafe continues to deliver the unchanging spirit of Seattle.



Hikifune (Kyojima)

28 Café Sucré

Aiming for Coffee-Related Endeavors

Specialty coffee brewed cup by cup in front of customers allows full appreciation of its unique character. The cafe's appeal lies in its wide range of products, including a proprietary decaf, which preserves flavor, and collaborations with other businesses.



27 Shigeno Coffee Studio

Finding the Flavor You Love

Under the guidance of the cafe's owner, with over 40 years of coffee experience, people come to enjoy - and learn about - coffee. Embark on a journey with the friendly owner to find coffee bespoke to your taste. You're sure to discover the perfect cup for you.



Kinshicho

29 Sumida Coffee

A Shop Connecting the Streets of Sumida

To allow customers to enjoy Edo Kiriko glassware in the shop, cups suitable for warm beverages were developed. Coffee grounds from the shop are upcycled into products or used as fertilizer for community farms, creating a cycle of food and culture within the town.



Sumida Cafe & Bathhouse Map

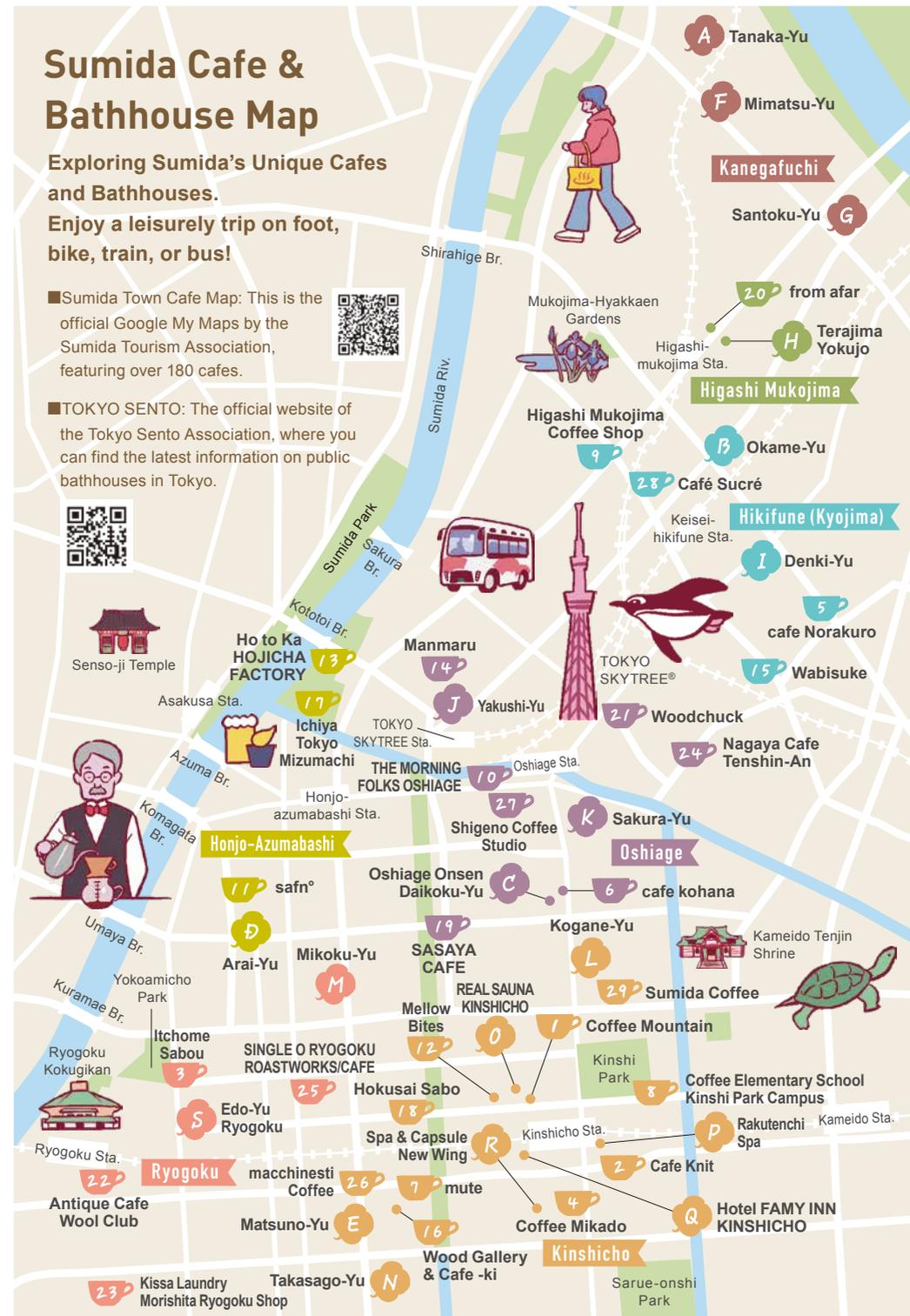
Exploring Sumida's Unique Cafes and Bathhouses.

Enjoy a leisurely trip on foot, bike, train, or bus!

■ Sumida Town Cafe Map: This is the official Google My Maps by the Sumida Tourism Association, featuring over 180 cafes.



■ TOKYO SENTO: The official website of the Tokyo Sento Association, where you can find the latest information on public bathhouses in Tokyo.



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Spa & Capsule New Wing

Kinshicho

No Tattoos Male-Only



Two Different Temperatures of Cold Baths Erase Your Fatigue

Male-only sauna attached to a capsule hotel. Enjoy three types of saunas and contrast bathing, featuring a wide variety of baths, including calcium-rich hot springs and jacuzzi baths. There's a lounge space where you can relax after enjoying the sauna.



S

Edo-Yu Ryogoku

Ryogoku

No Tattoos



A Facility Where You May Both Work and Relax

Sumida-born Katsushika Hokusai's ukiyo-e designs adorn an entire bathhouse wall. There are six types of baths and three saunas, and the amenities are also well-equipped. A workspace where meetings can be held enables a balance between work and rest.



Public Bathhouse Manners You Need to Know

Do Not Dip Your Towel in the Bath

Wash Your Body before Getting in the Bath

Dry Off Before Reentering the Dressing Room



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5 Must-Visit Sauna & Spa Facilities

Business travelers and those who miss their last train find relief here; saunas and spas keep the nightlife buzzing.

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REAL SAUNA KINSHICHO

Kinshicho

No Tattoos



A Sauna Facility Where You May Stay When You Miss the Last Train

The heat of the male-only sauna is so intense, and the female-only bedrock bath is also popular. The rooftop features a private sauna for exclusive use, offering an open-air experience. This sauna near Kinshicho Station also has a capsule hotel attached.



P

Rakutenchi Spa

Kinshicho

No Tattoos

Male-Only



A Relaxing Spa Overlooking Kinshicho's Cityscape

Natural hot springs and highly concentrated carbonated water drawn from 650 meters underground are exceptionally effective for relaxation. The popular daily heat wave service is offered 15 times a day. The observation restaurant offers drinks and meals.



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Hotel FAMY INN KINSHICHO

Kinshicho

No Tattoos

Male-Only



A Trusted Haunt of Business Travelers

This bathhouse is attached to a business hotel, but is also open to non-guest visitors. (15:00-23:00 and admission closes at 23:00). For a reasonable price of 1,100 yen (tax included), you may enjoy the large bath and steam sauna. There is an izakaya in the basement.





9 Selections of Modern-Style Bathhouses



Kogane-Yu Kinshicho



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Innovative and Stylish Designer Public Bathhouse

This bathhouse features a DJ booth and a tap system serving original craft beer, creating a gathering place for people of all ages, from young to elderly. It features lodging facilities where you may stay overnight after bathing, as well as a cafe space.



Mikoku-Yu Ryogoku



A Barrier-Free, Future-Oriented Bathhouse Welcoming Everyone

This public bathhouse features barrier-free private bathing rooms that can be reserved for exclusive use; designed for those requiring care, and their families to use together. There is no sauna, but the men's and women's baths switch weekly.



Takasago-Yu Kinshicho



A Bathhouse Popular with Sauna Enthusiasts Who Love High Temperatures

You might end up lingering in the spacious sauna equipped with a TV. The cold bath is kept at a low temperature. The lobby is also spacious and comfortable. The owner is friendly and loves to chat, so you can get tips on great local eateries. Runner-friendly temporary luggage storage service available.



9 Selections of Modern-Style Bathhouses



Denki-Yu Hikifune (Kyojima)



A Bathhouse Actively Engaging in Community Interaction

As symbolized by the bench under its eaves, this bathhouse proactively engages with the community. On Saturdays, regular closed days, events are also frequently held here, and this bathhouse is sometimes used as a filming location for foreign movies.



Yakushi-Yu Oshiage



A Bathhouse You May Visit When Viewing TOKYO SKYTREE®

This place has recently been renovated with Greek-style decor. The walls of the bathhouse display postings, original essays, and manga. The bath water selection changes daily from over 100 varieties, including coriander and cola water, and accommodates customer requests.



Sakura-Yu Oshiage



A Heartwarming, Therapeutic Bathhouse in a Small Shopping Area

This bathhouse features uniquely designed washing areas. Multiple bathtubs are available for your enjoyment. A face cutout board in front of the shop is a popular spot for taking photos. Adjacent to a guesthouse and close to TOKYO SKYTREE®, it attracts many tourists.





9 Selections of Modern-Style Bathhouses

A third place where retro and modern, nostalgia and novelty, exist side by side.

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Mimatsu-Yu Kanegafuchi



A Thoughtful Interior Design Even Suited to Elderly Customers

The road from Kanegafuchi station to Mimatsu-yu used to be called the ancient Tokaido road. The bathing room features beautiful Western-style tile artwork with a lustrous, enamel-like cloisonné finish. Bathtubs are spacious and comfortable.



G

Santoku-Yu Kanegafuchi



The texture of well water heated with firewood is truly special.

This bathhouse attracts many architecture enthusiasts captivated by its glass-walled exterior. The men's bath area features a small garden, allowing guests to enjoy bathing while appreciating its charm. The bathwater is well water.



H

Terajima Yokujo Higashi Mukojima



The Harmony of a Hot Sauna and a Coldwater Bath

This public bathhouse focuses on scents, offering a forest aroma bath and an herbal bath. It features an authentic Finnish-style sauna, and essential oils are added to the water used for löyly in the wooden bucket inside the sauna room.



5 Selections of Shrine-Style Bathhouses

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Arai-Yu Honjo-Azumabashi



A Downtown Oasis, Welcoming You with its Garden and Low-Temperature Baths

Its L-shaped bathtub creates steam, keeping the washing area warm and comfortable even in winter. The balance between hot and lukewarm baths is excellent, allowing you to enjoy baths of alternating temperatures. This bathhouse offers temporary luggage storage to support runners. The bathing area features a mural of Hokusai.



E

Matsuno-Yu Kinshicho



Open 365, this old-fashioned public bathhouse heats its water with firewood!

With its shrine-style exterior and high ceilings, this bathhouse retains its nostalgic charm. Free Wi-Fi is available, and the shop accepts various cashless payment methods. This bathhouse serves as a gathering place for a diverse crowd, including local regulars.



Icons Indicating Features

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5 Selections of Shrine-Style Bathhouses

Public bathhouses with traditional shrine-style exteriors, called “Tokyo-style bathhouses,” are extremely popular.

A Tanaka-Yu Kanegafuchi



Enjoy the Gentle Feel of Groundwater Heated with Firewood

This bathhouse features impressive blue tiles and high ceilings. Groundwater pumped up and heated with firewood is gentle on your skin. Some public benches in Sumida are repurposed as firewood here, once they reach the end of their service life.



B Okame-Yu Hikifune (Kyojima)



Crouch Down in the Tub and Enjoy the Bath

This bathhouse has an old-fashioned deep bathtub. The gable of the tile roof features the Okame mask, which also lends its name to this bathhouse. The bricks used at the entrance of this bathhouse were manufactured at the same factory that produced the bricks used in Tokyo Station.

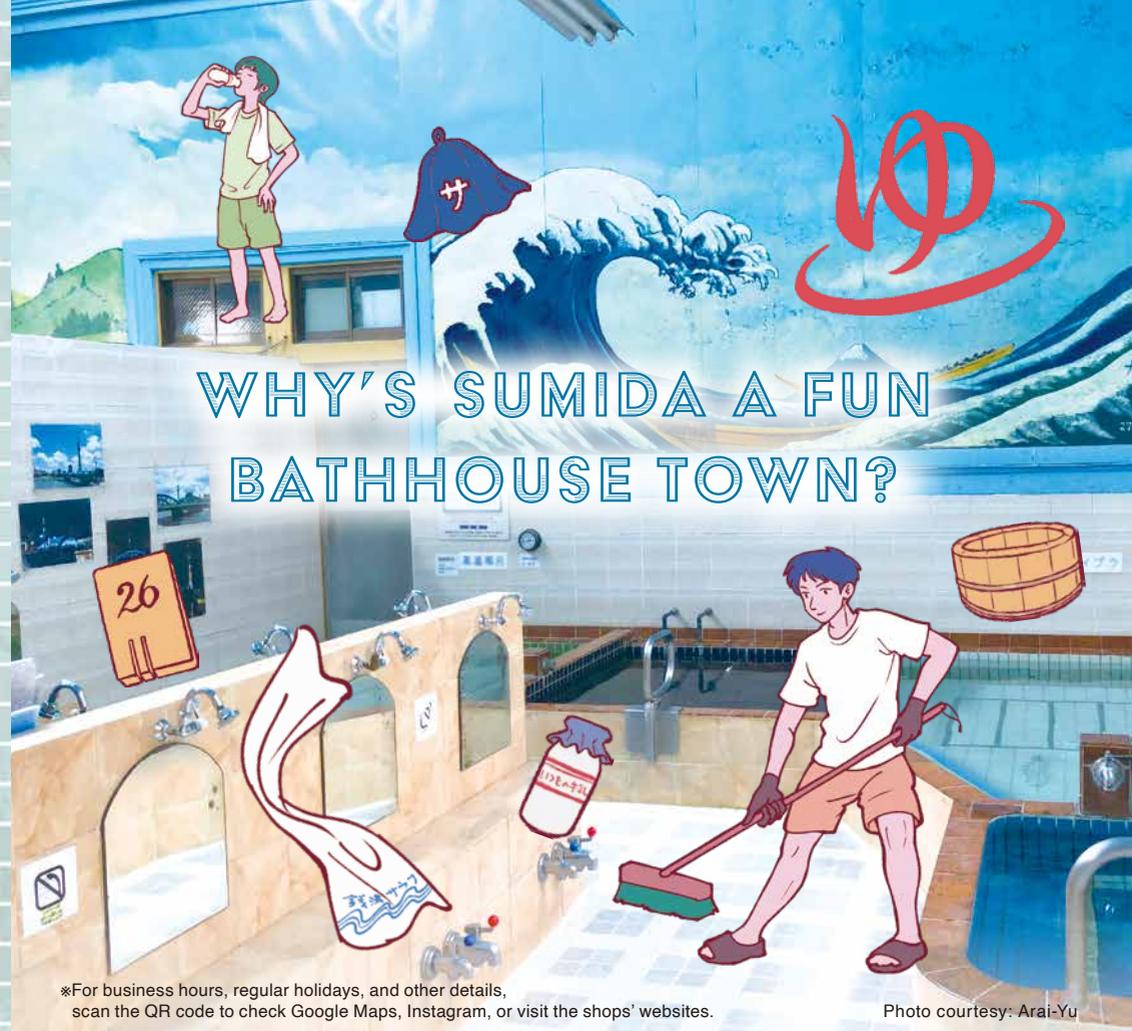


C Oshiage Onsen Daikoku-Yu Oshiage



Immensely Peaceful to Bathe in Both Late at Night or in the Early Morning

This is the only public bathhouse open until morning in Tokyo. Here, you'll find travelers arriving by overnight bus from the countryside or tourists arriving directly from Narita Airport, soaking away their travel fatigue in the jet bath. This bathhouse actively collaborates with animations and movies.



WHY'S SUMIDA A FUN BATHHOUSE TOWN?

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Photo courtesy: Arai-Yu

Each bathhouse has its own unique charm. Dive into Downtown's Public Bathhouses & Spas!



Sumida has long been a town where many artisans work and live. The public bathhouse was an indispensable place where regulars exchanged words and shared information while soothing the fatigue of a day's labor. Public bathhouses have also served as communal spaces where people interacted since the Edo period. Many people now visit Sumida to enjoy bathhouse hopping. More and more bathhouses are emerging, where the ingenuity and personality of proprietors are on display. This booklet introduces the appeal of bath facilities in Sumida, and we hope the bathhouses we covered here become a chance for you to dive deeply into the City of Sumida.

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