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Shizuoka How Green Tea Guide Ocha-Konchiwa







Tea traders!

Tea traders purchase and process tea grown by tea farmers with special care in a variety of ways to ship it out across the world. They not only distribute tea but promote "tea culture" to encourage people to enjoy green tea. Tea traders in Shizuoka City have long dealt with green tea from across the country in addition to locally grown varieties. Green tea meisters concentrate in Shizuoka City. Visiting these experienced tea traders and their plants and tasting their tea, you may discover a new world of green tea.



Tea farmers!

Shizuoka City stretches from the north to south and tea farmers are fully aware of the topographic and climatic characteristics of their land and grow tea in the way most suitable to them. The scenery of tea farms also differs with some on flat land and others on terraced fields on steep mountain slopes. When you visit them, you will surely have a good time relaxing and chatting with farmers while they may also talk about their own rules of tea production. They will offer you the tea they grow and a snack to go with it and you can try picking tea with local people or experience the way of living in the countryside.



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Choose the site you are interested in.

Send an email to the Agricultural Policy **Division of Shizuoka City** Government for inquiries.

It will arrange an appointment and schedule for you.

Visit it on the day of your reservation.

*The sites may accept requests not included in the Guide. *Inquire with the city government office about time required, fees and other details.









Osawa Community Tea Promotion Association

















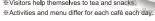
Farmers

Mr. Uchino

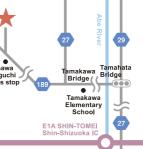
Osawa farmers' garden cafés

Get a map distributed at the entrance of the Osawa community and visit the cafés of your choice. Pay 300 yen at each café that welcomes you with green tea they produce and a homemade seasonal snack that goes with it. This varies from traditional cooked food to sweets. If you gather the stamps of eight cafés and go to Mr. Uchino's house, he will give you some green tea as a gift.









Osawa Community Tea Promotion Association

Opening days :	2nd and 4th Sundays of each month all year round
Capacity :	1 to 200 persons
Reservation :	not required
Access :	40 min. by car from Shin-Shizuoka IC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI
Parking :	30 passenger cars
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	276 Osawa, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-292-2656 (Uchino)
Email:	info@tsunagari-osawa.com
Website :	tsunagari-osawa.com

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Clean Tea Matsuno Co.

Farmers













This communal tea plant is shared by over 50 tea farmers in the Matsuno community located along the middle reaches of the Abe River. They produce deep-steamed vivid green tea from rather thick leaves. The spacious plant is lined with automated machines and accepts visitors individually or in groups. Mr. Minowa explains the processing process and diligently answers questions about tea.



Mr.Minowa



Tea plant tour

Howdy GreenTea!

The harvested fresh tea leaves are taken to the tea plant where visitors can observe an array of processing machines. You can also taste tea in different stages of production. Although they accept visitors all year round, it is recommended to visit from May to July when the first and second flush of tea leaves are harvested or when the Shuto bancha is produced in autumn around September to October.

Tea picking experience Even beginners including children can enjoy picking

tea on the flat tea farms near the plant. You can try it even in light rain. Mr. Minowa advises visitors to carefully look at the leaves and pick the ones you want to put in your mouth. Visitors can eat tempura of tea leaves they pick on the site or take them home.



Clean Tea Matsuno Co.

Opening days :	All year around
Capacity :	1 to 80
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access :	15 min. by car from Shin-Shizuoka IC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI
Parking:	10 passenger cars and 3 large coaches
Languages :	Written materials available in Chinese, English and French
Address :	68 Tsudono, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	0120-135-009 (Minowa)
Email :	matsuno@shizuoka-tea.com
Website :	www.shizuoka-tea.com



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Ashikubo Yamabikokai

Farmers

















Mr.Takeda

Tea-Brewing Experience

They teach an original way to brew tasty tea. Visitors use the tea set prepared for each to brew tea with water to make it sweet with a deep umami flavor, which is quite different from the tea you are familiar with. They may also advise you that you can cook tempura with the leaves after you enjoy tea!





Satoyama walking

Visitors can discover the history of tea and enjoy the landscape in this walking event in early spring. Hilly tea farms with a superb view also offer scenes unique to a tea-producing community such as a chimney of tea plants. It's also fun to chat with local people while having a cup of tea.



Ashikubo Yamabikokai

Opening days :	Saturdays and Sundays from July to April
Capacity :	1 to 40
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access :	20 min. by car from Shin-Shizuoka IC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI
Parking :	20 passenger cars and 2 large coaches
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	3620 Ashikubo-Okugumi, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-296-3637 (Takeda)
Email :	miwaeino@shizuoka.ja-shizuoka.or.jp
Website :	-

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Moriuchi Tea Farm

Farmers







(All year around) (Apr, to Sept,)







Mr.&Ms.Moriuchi

Mr. and Ms. Moriuchi warmly welcome you to their 150-year-old traditional house. They produce a wide range of tea from green tea to fermented and black tea. As experienced tea instructors, they accommodate various requests that include tea farm tours and hand-kneading of tea leaves. They have over 200 visitors a year. Some are keen tea fans while others are more interested in their old traditional house. Visitors can also try picking tea with skilled workers in the first-flush harvesting season.



Tasting various teas

Enjoy tasting different types of tea at the bar-counter-like table on the earthen floor. It will be fun to find your favorite one from over 10 varieties of tea processed in four or five different ways. Ms. Moriuchi teaches everything, even the processing method, saying "I have nothing to hide." Time flies by as you listen to her.



Hand-kneading

Visitors can try hand-kneading frozen steamed tea leaves all year round. Mr. Moriuchi, who is a hand-kneading master, teaches how to knead tea leaves by hand in a special room in front of their old traditional house. If you spend a day to complete the entire process, you can take the tea home with you that day. You may taste different types of tea while waiting for the final drying.





Moriuchi Tea Farm

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Opening days :	All year round
Capacity :	1 to 20
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access :	15 min. by car from Shin-Shizuoka IC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI
Parking:	15 passenger cars and 2 large coaches (please inquire in advance.)
Languages :	Written materials available in English
Address :	705 Uchimaki, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-296-0120 (Moriuchi)
Email:	moriuchitea@nifty.com
Website:	www.moriuchitea.com

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Marushiroen

Farmers



traditional tea processing tools which are rarely found today.



Marushiro's tea plant is situated in Kagoue near Shizuoka Station and the city center. Mr. and Ms. Shirotsuka have processed tea grown at their farm in Uchimaki along the Abe River and distributed it mainly outside the prefecture for over 40 years. They hope that people will learn that tea is not limited to sencha and drink more tea in different ways. Visitors can have a close look at











Ms.Shirotsuka

Discover a new way of drinking tea. Tea prepared with a mortar.

Tea plant tour

Visitors can take a tour of their plant equipped with many traditional processing tools for finishing. They are rare and precious today. The factory is also equipped with large refrigerators for professional use to store tea leaves as well as an old iron pan for making pan-fried tea that survived a bombing attack in the Second World War.



Preparing tea with a mortar

Ms. Shirotsuka shows how to prepare tea with a mortar, which is thick like matcha but tastes mellow. You grind wet sencha leaves to a pulp in the mortar,

add lukewarm water and pour it through a strainer. She also teaches you ways to brew tea for different varieties of tea.

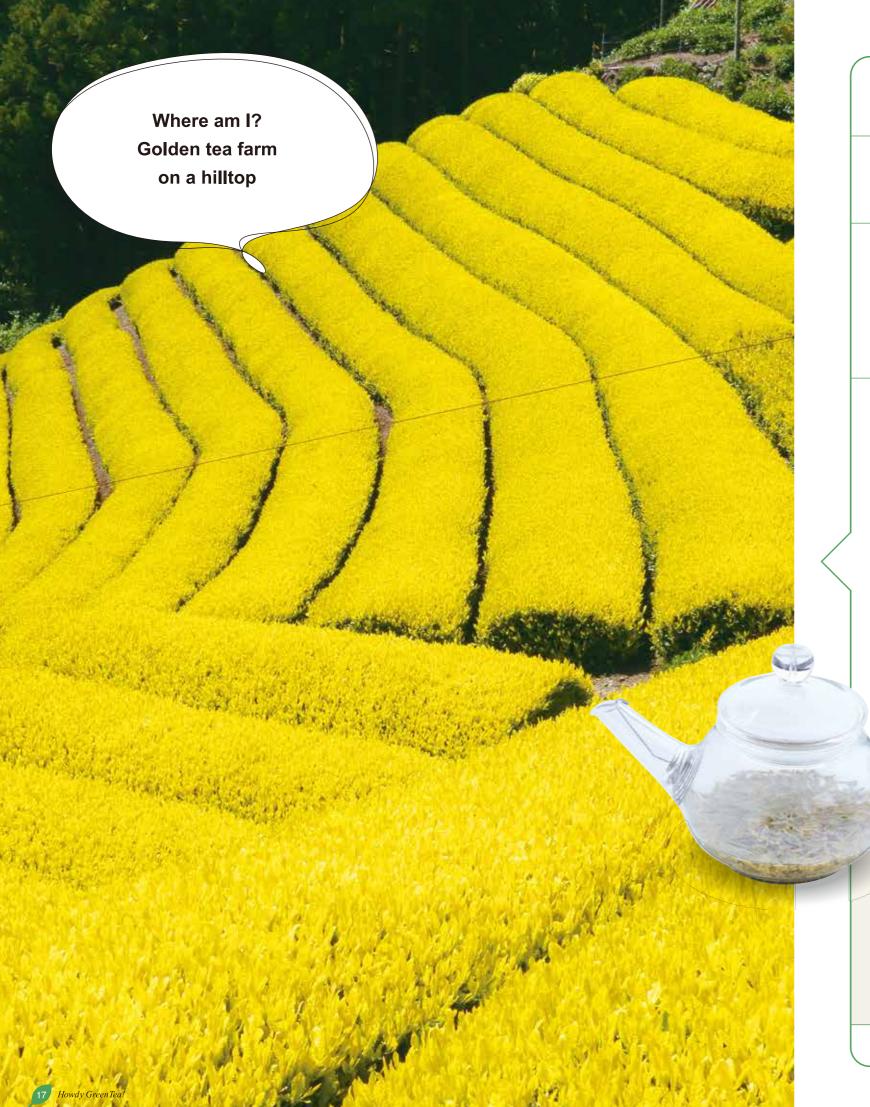


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Capacity:	1 to 12
Reservation :	Required (3 days in advance)
Access :	10 min. by car from JR Shizuoka Station
Parking:	8 passenger cars
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	28-20 Kagoue, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-271-5321 (Shirotsuka)

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Koganemidorichaen















Farmers

Mr.Sato

This tea farm features tea leaves that have turned golden due to a mutation. The color and tea production with a sense of fun attract visitors. Enjoy the visit as you like—just observe the farm, taste tea, or relax along the river. The friendly owner may be another reason people are attracted to this spot. They will do their best to accommodate different requests that include a farm tour or making black tea.

Tea farm tour

Howdy GreenTea!

A 30-minute-walk from the owner Sato's house takes you to the golden tea farm on a steep mountain slope. It is like a carpet of canola flowers in the first harvest season of the year. Many fans and photographers also come back to the farm to see the sunny yellow carpet under the blue sky. Visitors can pick tea in May and June. (Please inquire in advance.)

Tasting different teas

Mr. Sato produces different types of fermented tea including oolong tea, white tea and black tea in addition to regular green

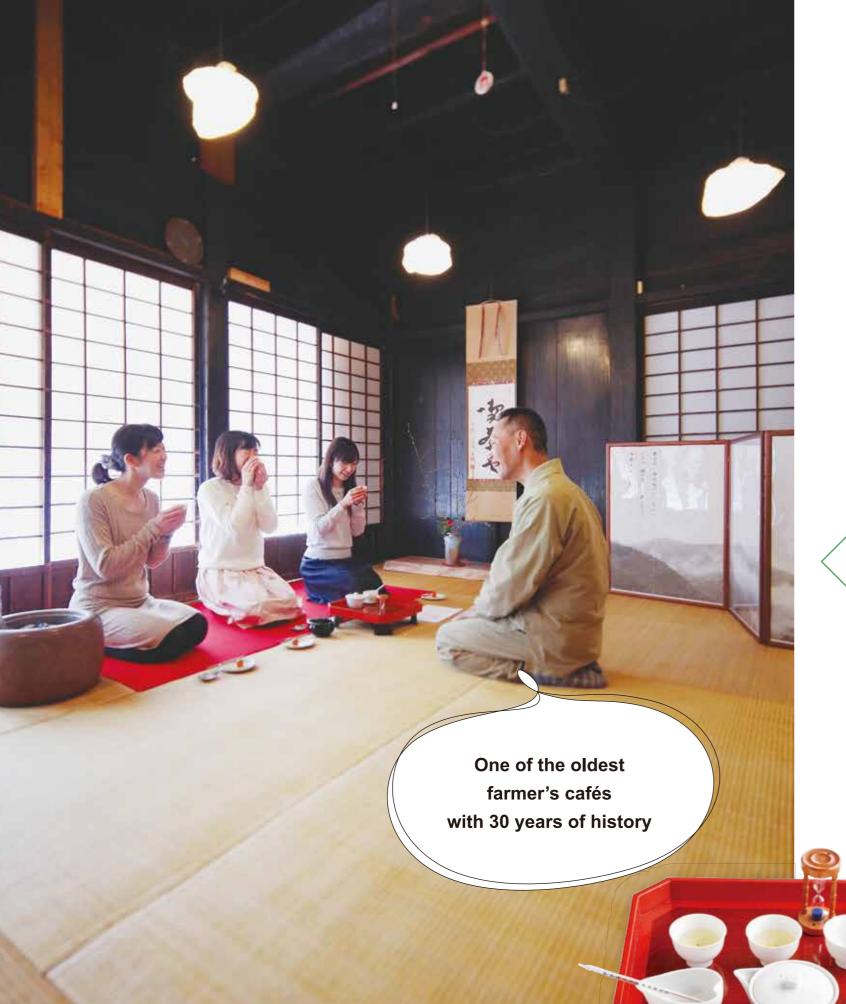
tea. Time passes quickly as he recommends one type of tea after another while chatting, saying, "How about this if you like the taste of it?"



Koganemidorichaen			
Opening days :	All year round		
Capacity :	1 to 10		
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)		
Access :	40 min. by car from Shizuoka SIC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI		
Parking:	5 passenger cars		
Languages :	Japanese only		
Address :	219 Morokozawa, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka		
Phone :	054-291-2423 (Sato)		
Email:	kogane-cha@pony.ocn.ne.jp		
Website:	-		



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(June to Apr.) (June to Sept.) (June to Apr.) (Contact required)







Farmers

Mr. Uchino

While producing quality green tea on his tea farm, Sansuien, in Tochizawa, Mr. Uchino has served tea in a formal fashion at his house since the 1980s to create fans of Tochizawa tea. A cup of tea at this traditional farmer's house or in their garden is something special. "I'll do anything to help, any time" says Mr. Uchino. It is also fun to listen to him explain about traditional customs and local history.

Howdy GreenTea!

Authentic tea drinking

Mr. Uchino holds a tea-savoring event in May and November each year. At the May event, Mr. Uchino personally brews the tea himself whereas, at the November event, visitors get to brew special tea, which was submitted to a tea fair, according to his

Apart from these events, he is able to accommodate various requests, so why not give him a call?





Tea farm tour

Behind his house is his well-kept tea farm. After having tea, you can stroll around it while listening to his explanation. You may try picking tea or processing tea in the harvest season.



Sansuien

Opening days :	June to April
Capacity :	1 to 20
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access :	30 min. by car from Shizuoka SIC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI
Parking :	5 passenger cars
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	421 Tochizawa, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-291-2219 (Uchino)
Email :	sansuien-kiyomi@hop.ocn.ne.jp
Website:	sansuienkiyomi.blog136.fc2.com

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Kikoen

Farmers













Ms.Kajiyama

Ohara, located along the middle reaches of the Warashina River, is another production site of Honyama tea. Beautiful tea farms spread out in the mountainous area in a great natural setting. Ms. Kajiyama guides visitors around, hoping they can feel rejuvenated in the natural setting. How about visiting the farm to try picking tea when they harvest the first flush of the year? Enjoy spending time in the fresh air away from your everyday life or just stroll around and relax.

Tea picking

Visitors can pick tea leaves on May 3, 4 and 5 in the tea harvest season. It is a two-hour program either in the morning or afternoon. As the farm is located on a gentle slope, children are also welcome. After picking tea, you can enjoy a small tea party with some sweets. Participants can also make tea from water and leaves they picked.





Satoyama stroll

Stroll around tea farms in a great natural setting in this mountainous area. Why not have a relaxing time in the rich green landscape? A bit of a walk will take you to Dairabo and Mt. Takayama overlooking the city center and Mt. Fuji.





207 E1A SHIN- TOMEI Shizuoka SIC	Warashina River	Crossing at Warashina Junior High School
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Kikoen			
Opening days :	May 3, 4 and 5 (morning or afternoon)		
Capacity :	1 to 10 (each time)		
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)		

10 min. by car from Shizuoka SIC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI 10 passenger cars Japanese only 656 Ohara, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka 054-279-0067 (Kajiyama) t51victry@jasnet21.com

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nougyouseisaku@city.shizuoka.lg.jp

Feel refreshed

with the flavor of fresh

green tea!





Farmers











(All year around) (Apr, to June) (All year around) (Contact required







Mr. Urushibata



Tea plant tour

Howdy GreenTea!

You can have a look at the processing machines for the entire process from steaming to drying. Although they accept visitors all year round, a visit in the afternoon in the tea harvesting season (April to June) is recommended if you hope to observe its actual operation. You can taste tea outside the plant and learn how to brew tasty green tea from the tea instructor.

Tea picking

You can harvest tea during the picking season for 15 minutes or for half a day, whichever you prefer. You may pick the leaves of tea plants different from those for machine harvest. You can take the leaves you pick home or

have them delivered later after being processed at the plant.



Marusei Urushibata Seicha

Opening days :	Mon. to Sat. / All year round
Capacity :	1 to 10
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access :	15 min. by car from JR Shizuoka Station
Parking:	3 passenger cars
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	2170-1 Ikeda, Suruga-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-261-6890 (Urushibata)
Email :	uruuru@ny.tokai.or.jp
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Maruichi Mizuno Seicha

Farmers















Mr. Mizuno







Mr. Mizuno grows tea on his farm on the slope of Nihondaira hill overlooking Mt. Fuji. He grows such varieties as Saemidori, Benifuuki and Machiko as well as Yabukita, a strain that originated there. He has invited local primary school students and other people to try picking tea for over a decade. He also owns a shop where he sells his tea products and his farm is a spot to stop by on the taxi tour (see page 46).

Visitors can try different types of tea harvested on the Nihondaira hill while listening to Mr. Mizuno explaining about tea production and processing. You can taste green tea brewed slowly in ice cubes and Japanese black tea. You may also observe the tea processing process at the plant adjacent to his shop in the tea harvesting season from late April to June.

Tasting tea

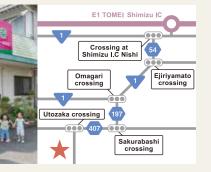


Tea picking

Visitors can try picking tea on the last day of the May holiday period free of charge. You can go with all your family members including young children and grandparents. As the farm also lends out traditional costumes, you can wear one and take photographs on the tea farm as a souvenir. Children's costumes are also available. The tea leaves you harvest are processed and sent to you later.

Maruichi Mizuno Seicha

Opening days :	All year round
Capacity:	1 to 6
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access:	15 min. by car from Shimizu IC on E1 TOME
Parking:	5 passenger cars
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	362 Utozaka, Shimizu-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-345-4662 (Mizuno)
Email :	info@mizunoseicha.net
Website:	mizunoseicha.net



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(All year around)









The farmer's inn Yururi is operated by Mr. and Ms. Nishiyama who grow tea and vegetables organically. Visitors stay at the traditional farmer's house and spend

Farmers

Mr.&Ms.Nishiyama

Tea picking

Howdy GreenTea!

Mr. and Ms. Nishiyama grow JAS-certified organic green tea. They have opened their tea farm to the public on the 88th day of spring (May 1st or 2nd). Since opening their inn in 2015, they have also accepted visitors on other days. If you stay overnight, you can pick tea and hand-knead it and take it home.





Matcha tea ceremony

Visitors can also try a matcha tea ceremony in the tea room in the detached house. Ms. Nishiyama, a tea master of the Omotesenke tea ceremony school, performs authentic tea ceremony. You may also enjoy matcha more casually on the veranda if you prefer. Such details as the columns and beams of their renovated century-old home are also

worth viewing.

Opening days :	All year round
Capacity :	1 to 9
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access :	10 min. by car from Shin-Shimizu IC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI
Parking:	3 passenger cars
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	2758 Kogouchi, Shimizu-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-393-2326 (Nishiyama)
Email:	nukumorien@beach.ocn.ne.jp
Website :	nukumorien.i-ra.jp

Farmer's Inn Nukumorien Yururi

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Breathtaking scenery

only on ideal days.

Houkouen

Farmers





(July to Aug., Nov. to Mar.)







Mr.Katahira

Ryogouchi is where tea farms concentrate along the upper reaches of the Okitsu River. Houkouen tea farm, on a steep slope 350 meters in elevation, not only yields quality tea but also offers superb views of Mt. Fuji and a sea of clouds. Owner Mr. Katahira started the tea farm tour to accommodate various requests ranging from seeing the sea of clouds to touring the tea farm and tasting tea. As he guides you around his farm, you'll surely have a luxurious time enjoying the scenery and seeing and feeling the world of tea.



Morning tour to view a sea of clouds

Houkouen offers a morning tour for people who hope to view the sea of clouds. Early spring, autumn and days following rain are recommended as the humidity is high. When all conditions are met, you can enjoy the fantastic scenery of a sea of clouds along with Mt. Fuji. However, this cannot be guaranteed as it all depends on the weather conditions.



Tea farm tour

This 3-hour tour includes the tea farm and plant as well as tea drinking overlooking Mt. Fuji. You choose three out of 21 varieties they produce on the farm to drink while learning how to brew them. You can also taste their quality tea submitted to a fair. They also offer tea as a gift. Check their website for details.





Houkouen

Opening days :	June to March
Capacity :	1 to 6
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access :	20 min. by car from Shin-Shimizu IC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI
Parking :	5 passenger cars
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	270 Nunozawa, Shimizu-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-396-3336 (Katahira)
Email :	houkouen@gmail.com
Website :	houkouen.org

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Farmers

Ms.Suzuki

Ryogouchi is known as a place that produces flavory tasty tea grown in thick fog in the morning and evening and gentle sunlight. The farm owner produces matcha powdered tea from locally produced tea leaves. Matcha is rarely produced in Shizuoka. Ms. Suzuki welcomes visitors, hoping to make them happy through tea. You can enjoy matcha in their tea room, picking tea on the farm or dyeing fabric in tea in addition to drinking tea.

Hand-dyeing in tea

Visitors tie-dye their own original handkerchief, shawl or drawstring bag in tea! You can also pluck tea from the end of May to October. Pour boiling water over the leaves you just picked to enjoy the fresh flavor and taste.

Tea ceremony

Try authentic tea ceremony with locally produced matcha and seasonal sweets. Tea leaves are carefully stone-ground into mild and slightly sweet matcha. You may also try typical sensha, gyokuro, Japanese black tea or other types of tea.



Seisyou	iyuen
Opening days:	All year round
Capacity :	2 to 30
Reservation :	Required (10 days in advance)
Access :	20 min. by car from Shin-Shimizu IC on E1A SHIN-TOME
Parking:	5 passenger cars (to be arranged in advance)
Languages :	English reservation by email
Address :	4209 Naka Gouchi, Shimizu-ku, Shizuoka
Phone:	090-3481-1828 (Suzuki)
Email :	seisyouyuenn@gmail.com
Website:	seisyouyuenn.jimdo.com





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Farmers

Mr.Hojo

Farmers' café

Howdy GreenTea!



This farmers' café opened in November 2015 adjacent to their tea processing plant in Wadashima in Shimizu to promote tea and Ryogouchi. Enjoy flavory green or black tea and chat with the manager in the woody warm atmosphere. Open 10am to 4pm and closed on Mondays.

Tea farm tour

They offer a tour of Ryogouchi in collaboration with Okakae Chaen KANEBUN (see page 35) in Yoshiwara in the harvesting season of the first flush from late April to mid-May. Join this one-day tour and try picking tea, visiting the tea plant and tasting green and black tea as well as fresh tea leaf tempura while overlooking Mt. Fuji. Check their website for details.



Opening days :	All year round, closed on Mondays
Capacity :	1 to 10
Reservation :	Not required
Access :	10 min. by car from Shin-Shimizu IC on E1A SHIN-TOME
Parking :	5 passenger cars
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	349-4 Wadashima, Shimizu-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-395-2203 (Hojo)
Email:	green8@dream.ocn.ne.jp
Website:	www.green8.bz

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Okakae Chaen KANEBUN





Yoshiwara in Shimizu, where Kanebun tea farm is situated, offers superb views of Mt. Fuji and a sea of clouds and is particularly well known among photographers. There are more than a few tourists from overseas who visit the area early in the morning to see Mt. Fuji at sunrise, have a cup of tea in the tea room and stop by the house to learn about local life. Enjoy the taste of tea unique to this mountainous area while listening to what the owner believes is important in tea farming in their tea room.



(All year around)









Farmers

Mr.Shiratori

Kanebun tea room

Howdy GreenTea!

This tea room offers hand-picked sweet tea with a deep umami flavor together with seasonal eye-catching sweets and a view of Mt. Fuji. You can also learn how to brew tea. Tea leaves after brewing can also be eaten with a pinch of salt and dried young sardines. Open all year round from 10am to 4pm.



Mt. Fuji and a sea of clouds from the tea farm

You cannot miss the superb scenery from this tea farm on a slope 500 meters in elevation. It is also a popular spot among photographers. Mt. Fuji floating over the sea of clouds is breathtaking. Early morning in spring and autumn when the humidity is high is recommended to see the clouds.



Okakae Chaen KANEBUN

Onanao	
Opening days :	All year round
Capacity :	1 to 10
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access :	10 min. by car from Shimizu-Ihara IC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI
Parking :	4 passenger cars
Languages :	Written materials available in English
Address :	979 Yoshiwara, Shimizu-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-368-1913 (Shiratori)
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Shizuoka Cha-no-Machi Concierge















Traders

Mr. Maeda

Tea traders gathered here in Shizuoka in the time of Tokugawa leyasu and many of them still conduct business around Chamachi street. This is where experienced "tea meisters" concentrate. Tea from across Japan gathers at the tea auction market and is processed in a variety of ways to be distributed all over the world. The Cha-no-Machi Concierges formulated by nine tea traders, guide you around Cha-no-Machi and convey the tea culture.



Stroll around the tea street

How about a stroll around this area where you can smell tea, visit the tea auction market and processing plants and drink tea here and there? Join the Chanomachi Walk organized by the concierge or walk around the area guided by a tea trader who provides detailed explanations upon request. A map is also available.

Tea traders that offer tea-experience programs

- Chakukan (Japanese green tea café)
- Yamaka Katsuyama shoten (tasting of middle-steamed tea)
- Tea factory & wholesaler Yamanashi shoten(plant tour)
- Kojima Cha-ten (tasting tea from different sites)
- Takezawa Seicha "Tea Salon" (tasting 100 kinds of tea)
- Maruhide Iwazaki Seicha (packing as much tea as you can in a bag)
- Yamahachi Maeda Kotaro shoten (try blending tea)
- Cha-machi KINZABURO (green tea sweets)

• Yamaroku sangyo (tea tasting)

Gogumi

Gogumi is the process of blending different varieties of tea from different sites and with different degrees of drying by tea traders. Visitors can have a close look at their craft and taste different teas. You may visit multiple tea traders as they are all different.



The Chanomachi Map covers attractive spots around the tea street. Containing information on programs at each tea trader and historical tea-related spots, it is a must for your stroll.



Japanese tea café where green tea fans gather

Chakukan

A Japanese tea café that exclusively serves green tea from across Japan. There are many fans who visit it repeatedly to enjoy chatting about tea with the owner who is well versed in tea. He gives you advice on how to brew tasty tea. You can also enjoy a light snack and sweets that go well with tea.

Sweets made from different teas

Cha-machi KINZABURO

This shop has gained popularity for green tea sweets made from matcha from different areas in the prefecture, carefully selected by the owner who became the champion tea expert in a TV program. You can tell the difference between teas, which is difficult when you just drink them. Kinzaburo offers over 10 kinds of tea for free on the second floor. You can try blind tasting or watch the tea being blended.





Tea factory & wholesaler Yamanashi shoten

amanashi handles roasted hojicha, which is rare in Shizuoka, as well as sencha. The aroma of roasting spreads from their plant. Visitors can take a plant tour. The tea trader is also keenly working on the development of more flavorful tea such as pan-fried tea, oolong tea and other fermented tea as well as the promotion of tea culture.



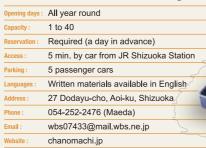


Expert in tea from mountainous areas

Kojima Cha-ten

A tea trader mainly handling tea grown in mountainous around the Abe and Warashina river basins. The store offers

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areas in Shizuoka Prefecture, including Honyama tea from an array of tea from various areas including Ashikubo, Umegashima, Warashina, Kawane, Hatsukura and Makinohara along with matured Honyama Tea, stored for maturation in a tea warehouse in Ikawa. Visitors can taste tea from different areas and observe hand-finishing of tea.













Oyaizu Seicha International Japanese Tea Co.,Ltd.

















Traders

Mr. Yokoyama

This wholesaler that performs the finishing process for Honyama and Kawane tea as well as other tea grown in Shizuoka Prefecture now operates Gashoan café which is popular for matcha sweets and meals. They offer a tour of their confectionery factory and ultra-low-temperature freezer for storing tea. They are also planning another tea picking and tea plant tour. They accept visitors in big and small groups.

Tea confectionery factory tour

Join this matcha sweets production process tour including their popular Marifuku at their factory in Makigaya. Depending on the timing, you may taste fresh sweets. You can also observe the tea packaging process in the same building.

※Baumkuchen is baked at Gashoan's Chiyoda café.

Tea tasting

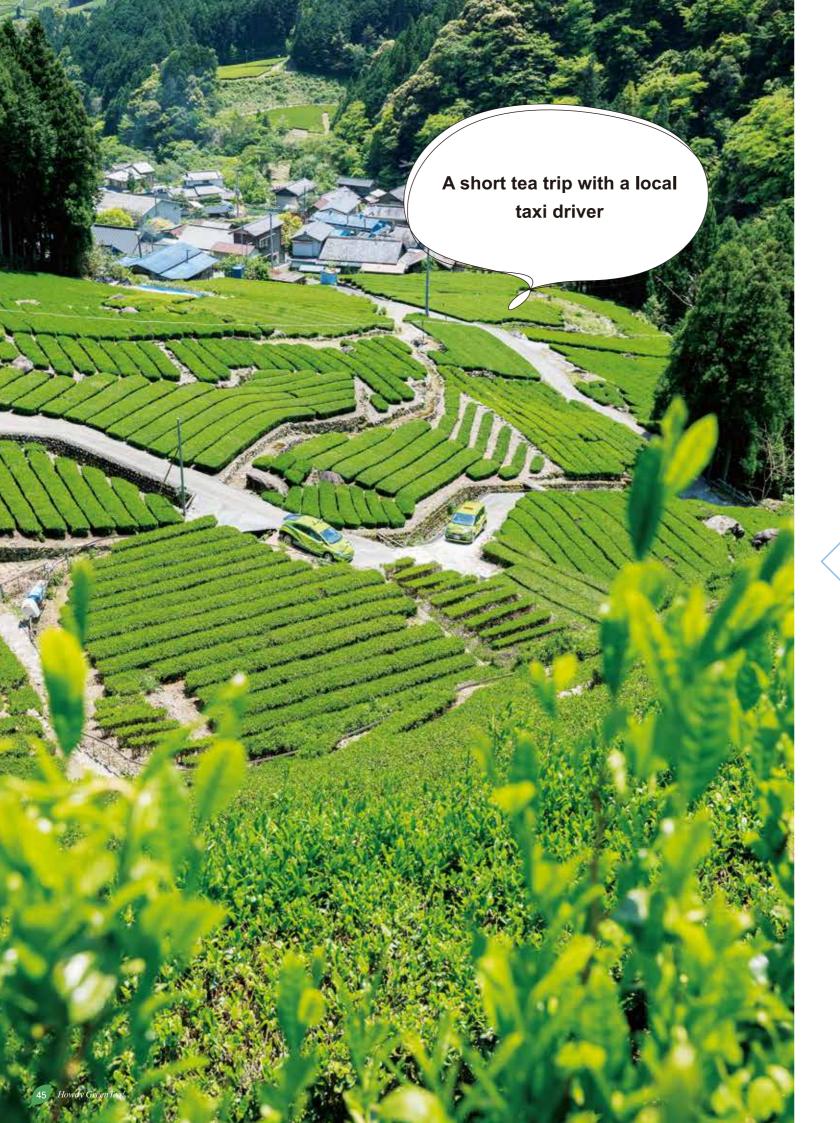
Visitors can try different tea including sencha, bocha, konacha and mecha finished at their plant. Compare differences of leaf shape and taste and find your favorite one. You may try packing as much tea as you can in a bag or enter their freezer, kept at 25 degrees Celsius below zero for keeping tea fresh, to feel the coldness.



Oyaizu Seicha International Japanese Tea Co.,Ltd.

Opening days :	January to November, closed on Sundays
Capacity :	5 to 100
Reservation :	Required (10 days in advance)
Access :	15 min. by car from Shizuoka SIC on E1A SHIN-TOMEI
Parking :	10 passenger cars and 3 large coaches
Languages :	Japanese only
Address :	1198-1 Mukoshikiji, Suruga-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-259-6775 (Yokoyama)
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Shizuoka City Taxi Council















Have you ever seen taxis in Shizuoka covered with green tea advertising? Shizuoka City Taxi Council is promoting the city as a city of tea in collaboration with the Shizuoka tea promotion council. Taxis covered with the advertising were introduced in 2015 and their number is increasing. They also provide gifts of tea for a limited period. The taxi tour visiting tea farmers and tourist destinations in Shizuoka is also popular.



Mr.Kato



Taxi drivers with knowledge about tea guide visitors to tourist destinations and tea farmers for them to enjoy green tea on its production site. The tour course is arranged to suit various times and budgets. Getting information only local drivers can offer is also appealing.





Shizuoka City Taxi Council

Opening days :	All year round
Capacity :	1 to 4
Reservation :	Required (a day in advance)
Access :	Tour can start wherever the customer prefers.
Parking :	-
Languages :	Japanese and English
Address :	3-8-1 Higashi-Chiyoda, Aoi-ku, Shizuoka
Phone :	054-261-0360 (Chiyoda Taxi)
Email :	unicab@chiyodataxi.com
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