



The Green Town Linking
Yokohama and Kamakura

Sakae, Yokohama





1 Town Blessed with Nature



Sakae-ku is located in one corner of the city's largest green belt (surrounding Mt. Enkaizan). It is encompassed by abundant nature, including the Yokohama Nature Sanctuary and five Citizens' Forests, and a hiking course that leads through to Tenen at Kamakura via scenic routes and natural woodlands is

available in the southeastern part of the ward. It is possible to view flowers and wild birds throughout all four seasons, and stunning views of Mt. Fuji are available from many areas on sunny winter days. Delicious fresh vegetables are grown in Taya, Nagaodai and other areas in the western part of the ward; some of which are shipped under the name of "Kamakura vegetables".

An area blessed with a green and very pleasant natural environment while remaining part of the large metropolis of Yokohama: That's Sakae-ku.

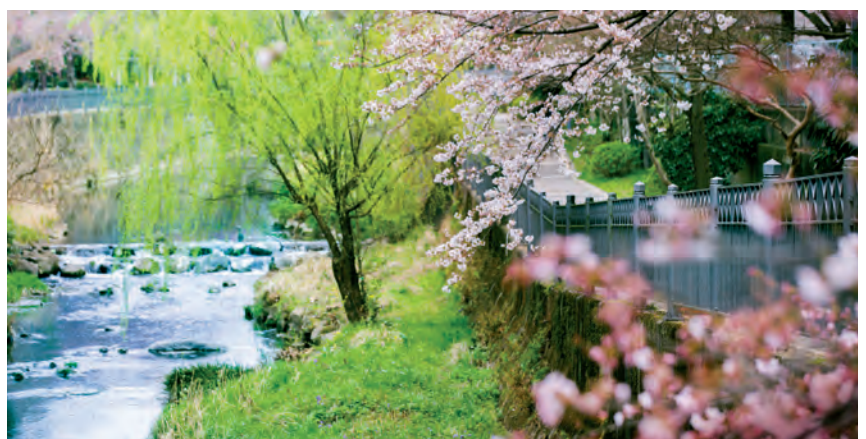
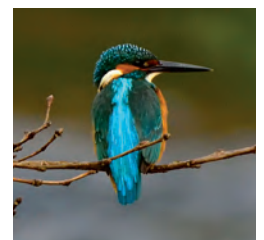


Moderate Urbanization with a Perfect Blend of Countryside

2 The Calming Effects of a River

The Itachi River, which flows from east to west through the center of Sakae-ku, is a symbolic river for the ward. The upper reaches of the river contain many waterside areas with abundant nature, and in summer it is possible to see children playing around the banks of the river and catching crayfish, etc. A promenade alongside the river is available at the lower reaches, which is very popular with local residents as they enjoy walking and birdwatching, all of which helps Sakae-ku support long and healthy live spans. If you are lucky, you may catch a glimpse of a kingfisher; the flying blue gem of water-land areas.

Spending all four seasons with the babbling brook of the Itachi River: That's Sakae-ku.



3 A Safe and Secure Community

Sakae-ku is the only administrative ward in all of Japan to have international certification as a Safe Community. A “Safe Community” is a region that is committed to safety in everyday life and strives to prevent accidents by analyzing data to identify the cause of past injuries and accidents. Internationally recognized activities to prevent accidents and injury are bolstered by the ward’s strong local community.

Anxiety-free lifestyles with visible safety:
That’s Sakae-ku.

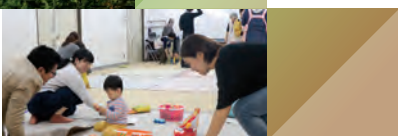


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4 Self-Supporting Community

The neighborhood associations in Sakae-ku are very active, and they organize and hold festivals, sports events and various other events. There are many districts within the ward that are passionate about taking care of the elderly and children, and all areas are forging ahead with systems to create self-supporting communities that transcend generations. Sakae-ku is also the location of Japan’s first ever day care center for children with severe mental and physical abilities, named Tomo, and various events are held providing opportunities for interaction with the people of the community.

Town in which everybody helps each other and really shines: That’s Sakae-ku.

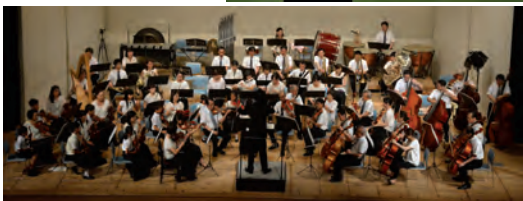


A community committed to living surrounded by nature

5 Town for Healthy Lifestyles

There are many elderly people in Sakae-ku who enjoy everyday life and are active within the community. And, there's no surprise there. Men in Sakae-ku rank third in the entire city for average life span and healthy life span, and women rank first. And, amazingly, although the ward has the highest rate of elderly people, it also has the lowest rate of people certified as requiring long-term nursing care. In other words, we have a large population of elderly people who are able to live healthy and independent lives.

Elderly people enjoying long lives involving healthy activities: That's Sakae-ku.



6 Town Steeped in Culture and Sports

Many cultural events and sports events are held in Sakae-ku throughout the course of the year. One of the main features of Sakae-ku is that it is supported by its citizens' passion for voluntary assistance. And, despite being a small ward, one of its main charms is that it has many facilities and forums for partaking in all forms of activities.

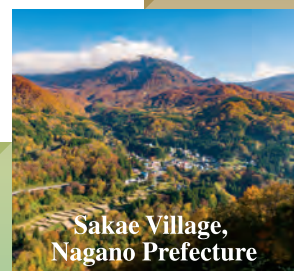
Providing opportunities for enjoying hobbies and finding purpose in life together with friends: That's Sakae-ku.

7 Glittering Technology and Bonds of Friendship

Sakae-ku does not provide a base for a huge number of companies, but there are several companies with world-leading technologies and companies that have contributed to the community over the course of many years here, and we are all very proud of them. Citizens and companies working together for the benefit of the community: That's Sakae-ku.

Connecting and Interacting with Other Towns

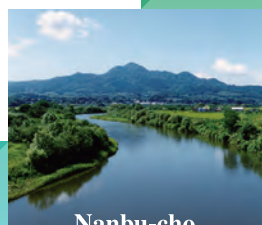
Sakae-ku interacts with many other towns and villages. These interactions began with exchange visits with an elementary school in Sakae Village, Nagano Prefecture, and when personnel were dispatched here from Nanbu-cho in Aomori Prefecture and Takahata-machi in Yamagata Prefecture. The Sakae-ku Citizens' Festival held in November serves up famous cuisine from various regions, and the ward residents form queues to participate in this from early morning.



Sakae Village,
Nagano Prefecture



Takahata-machi,
Yamagata Prefecture




Nanbu-cho,
Aomori Prefecture



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The Charm of Sakae at a Glance



Sakae-ku Population
119,643
Ranked 17th in the city
* As of September 2020


Sakae-ku Area
18.55km²
Ranked 15th in the city


Sakae-Ku Official Flower
Chrysanthemum
Sakae-ku Official Trees
Cherry-blossom,
Katsura tree

Town Blessed with Nature

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Green Coverage Rates
38.8%
Ranked 2nd in the city
Yokohama stands at 27.8%
* As of 2019

Area of the Yokohama Nature Sanctuary

44.4 ha * Equivalent to 9 Tokyo Domes (approximately 4.7ha each). * As of 2020

Area of the Five Citizens' Forests in Sakae-ku

71 ha Total area of Citizens' Forests in Yokohama: 550ha (47 locations). * As of 2020

The Calming Effects of a River

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Length of Itachi River
6.17km

It is said that the name Itachi River originated from Idetachi River, which referred to the samurai of the Kamakura Era gathering in preparation to depart on a trip along the Kamakura Kaido road.

Safe Community

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Internationally Certified Safe Community
2013: Certification acquired
2018: Certification reacquired
The only administrative ward in Japan to be certified

Percentage of residents who answered [A. I feel that Sakae-ku is a safe and secure community]

90.2%

* Safe Community questionnaire implemented in fiscal year 2020

Self-Supporting Community

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Neighborhood Association Membership Rates
80.7%
Ranked 1st in the city
Yokohama stands at 71.2%
* As of 2020

77.3%

of neighborhood associations take part in daily salons, patrols and other activities for taking care of neighborhoods.

* As of 2015

Town for Healthy Lifestyles

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Aging Rates
29.3%
Ranked 1st in the city
Yokohama stands at 23.4%
* As of 2015 National Census

Long-Term Care Certification Rates

16.6%

Ranked 18th in the city.

* As of 2020

Town Steeped in Culture and Sports

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Sakae-ku Culture Association Members
Approximately
1,500
Member Organizations
147 Organizations
* As of 2020

Sakae-ku Sports Association Members
Approximately
6,500
Member Organizations
21 Organizations
* As of 2020

Glittering Technology and Bonds of Friendship

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Number of Offices in Sakae-ku
2,151
* As of 2016
Break down | Wholesale/retail = 20.5%
Medical/welfare = 15.8%

Number of Workers in Sakae-ku
23,498
* As of 2016
Break down | Medical/welfare = 25.9%
Wholesale/retail = 17.0%

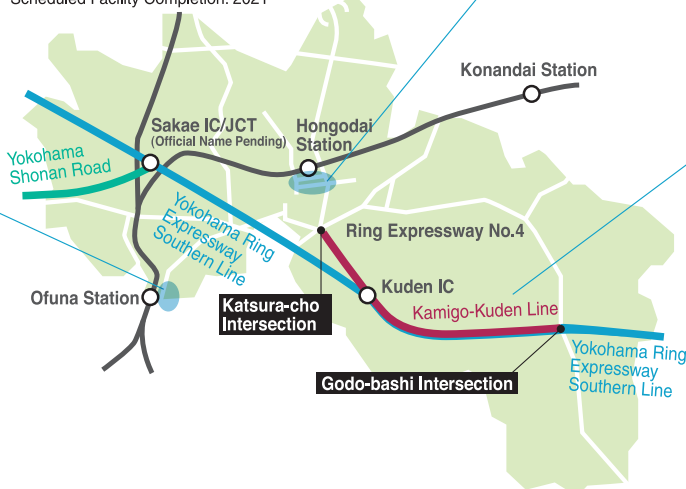


Redevelopment of the No.2 Zone Urbanization Project in North Ofuna

Redevelopment projects are moving forward in the area surrounding the North Exit (Kasama Exit) of Ofuna Station, which acts as the gateway to Sakae-ku. The area is now fully equipped with apartment buildings and commercial facilities.

The bus terminal and bicycle parking area are scheduled for future renewal.

Scheduled Facility Completion: 2021



Town Planning Around Hongodai Station

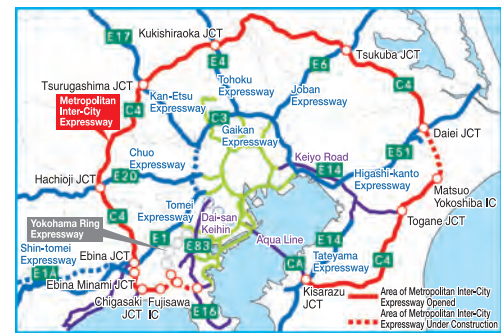
Various public facilities have been constructed in the vicinity of JR Hongodai Station, which could be said to represent the nerve center of Sakae-ku with its ginkgo trees and cherry-blossoms lining the roads. The future construction of a multi-purpose public complex and apartments along the Itachi River will create additional public spaces, which will ensure that the charm of Sakae-ku's central area is enhanced even further.

Yokohama Ring Expressway Southern Line, Yokohama Shonan Road, Kamigo-Kuden Line

Access into the area will become even more convenient when the Kamigo-Kuden Line, which will connect Sakae-ku districts of Kamigo and Kuden with the Yokohama Ring Expressway Southern Line and Yokohama Shonan Road, both of which are southern Yokohama Ring Expressway providing access to certain parts of the Metropolitan Inter-City Expressway, is opened.

Scheduled Opening: Yokohama Ring Expressway South: 2025 fiscal year
Yokohama-Shonan Road: 2024 fiscal year
Kamigo-Kuden Line: 2025

Metropolitan Inter-City Expressway

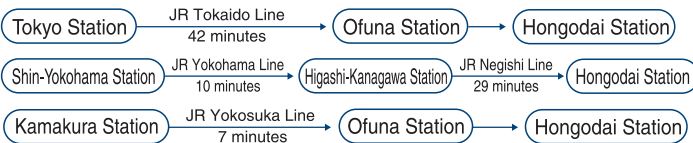


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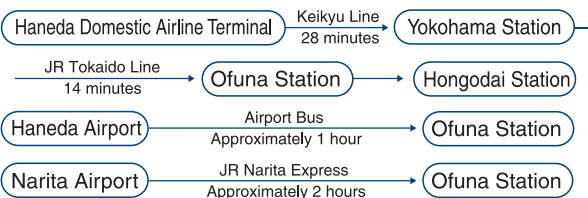
When Roads Provide Access, Towns Get Moving

One hour by train from Tokyo, and easy access to Haneda Airport and Narita Airport By Train

By Train



By Air



* Shortest time periods by train (for reference purposes)
* One stop from Ofuna Station to Hongodai Station (4 minutes) on the JR Negishi Line.

By Car

Approximately 15 minutes from the Hino IC on the Yokohama-Yokosuka Expressway

