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Bus Tour A Sight-seeing in city (As the option (Coloring Experience (Closed Thursday)))
(9:00~12:20) Station → Oyama Shrine → Udatsuyama → Kaga-yuzenproducta display-hall → Seisonkaku villa → Teramachi temple(view in the Bus) → Station Fee; ¥2,710.-



3 Oyama Shrine

Dedicated to Lord Maeda Toshiie. The entrance gate, with its stained glass window, was designed with the help of two Dutch instructors and completed in 1875. The shrine is also known for its Edo-period garden, arranged on a musical theme. Between Korinbo and Musashi-ga-tsuji.



Udatsuyama

Udatsu-yama is in the east of the city and 141m above sea. “UDATSU” is called from the name of direction in Japanese language at the center of the Kanazawa castle. The view on the hill is wonderful. Especially, light-up view is very nice at night.



13 Kaga Yuzen Products Display Hall (Coloring Experience)

Near Kenrokuen, the Exhibition Hall offers visitors the chance to learn about and experience the yuzen process, and there is a shop selling a variety of Yuzen products.

Closed Thursday TEL224-5511

Kaga-Yuzen products

The technique for making Kaga Yuzen is quite complicated. First, a rough sketch is made on the material using the juice of a spiderwort flower; the sketch looks like stitches of blue thread. Next, the sketch is traced with a special paste made from glutinous rice. Then the space surrounded by the paste is painted. The five basic colors used in Kaga Yuzen are red, indigo, dark yellow, green, and ancient purple (black). Another special feature of Kaga Yuzen is that when a kimono dyed using this technique is spread out it forms a continuous scene from one sleeve to the other. It is used primarily on kimonos, but also on scarves and other smaller, more affordable items.



Coloring Experience for Kaga-Yuzen zone

You are able to paint on the handkerchief like the photo in the left-hand side.



8 Seisonkaku Villa

A villa, located inside the Kenrokuen grounds, built by the 13th lord Maeda for his mother. The villa and its garden are beautifully preserved, every corner provides a treat for the eye. Some special features are the large spaces unobstructed by support posts, sliding doors with Dutch painted glass insets, and strikingly colored transoms.

Closed Wed.

TEL221-0580



24 Teramachi Temples

Over 70 Buddhist temples are concentrated in the Teramachi district, which overlooks Kanazawa from across the Saigawa River. Many of the temples, such as Shogetsuji Temple and Daienji Temple, house historic Buddhist statues and paintings.

Bus Tour B *Sight-seeing in city (As option (Playing Experience for Shamisen))*

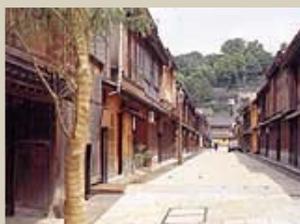
(13:25~17:00) Station → **Municipal Yasue Gold Leaf Museum** → **Higashi Chaya District** → **Honda museum** → **Nagamachi** → **Station**, **Fee; ¥2,110.-**



Municipal Yasue Gold Leaf Museum

Displays of gold leaf products. Visitors can see the process of beating gold leaf.

Kanazawa Haku is gold which is beaten into a paper-like sheet. It is thought that the technique of producing gold leaf was imported from China during the late Nara Period or the early Heian Period (ca 800), and it is estimated that it was brought to feudal lord Toshiie Maeda in 1593. Maeda proceeded to order craftsmen of the Kaga region to produce gold leaf. 99% of the gold leaf produced in Japan is made in Kanazawa and it is essential for decorating lacquerwork, woven cloth, pottery, and Kanazawa's Buddhist altars.



5 Higashi Chaya District

Narrow winding streets, latticed windows: Higashiyama is the heart of old Kanazawa. Much old architecture is lovingly preserved by the people who live there. Eastward, across the Asano River, lies the old pleasure district. Here, amongst the wooden slatted buildings, wealthy samurai and merchants were feted by the witty conversation, music and dancing of the geisha. Even now, stroll the streets and you may be able to hear the plaintive notes of a shamisen drifting through the night air, or catch a glimpse of a geisha hurrying to an appointment.



Playing Experience for Shamisen (Fukushima Musical Instruments (Shamisen))

Located in the Geisha district, this small shop provides visitors with a view of the making of Shamisen (Japanese three-stringed guitar). Drop in and try playing this popular traditional instrument. Shamisen is an old Japanese musical instrument. It looks like a banjo with a long neck. You might have heard of shamisen music in connection with geishas, the kabuki theater or the Japanese bunraku puppet theater.



16 Honda Museum

The Honda Museum has a collection of articles maintained by the Honda family, descendants of Honda Masanobu, who was an advisor to the Tokugawa Shogun and later Lord Maeda's highest vassal. Military articles as well as kimonos and objects of art presented to Honda by his lords. Between the Art Museum and the History Museum. Closed Thurs. TEL261-0500



4 Nagamachi (Samurai Villa Site)

Hidden behind the central shopping district of Korinbo, lies the cobblestone streets of the Samurai district and the mud daub walls of the houses of the samurai retainers of the feudal rulers. A visit to the Nomura House which is open to the public will give you a first-hand glimpse of the old samurai lifestyle.

Bus Tour C (A +B+Lunch (at Kanazawa Sky Hotel)) *Sight-seeing in city (As option (Coloring Experience (Closed Thursday)) and (Playing Experience for Shamisen))*

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Kanazawa Sky Hotel (Lunch time)
(Lunch at Kanazawa Sky Hotel)

The view is very nice from the restaurant.
You are able to take lunch as the Kaga-Ryouri like a photo in the right hand side.

