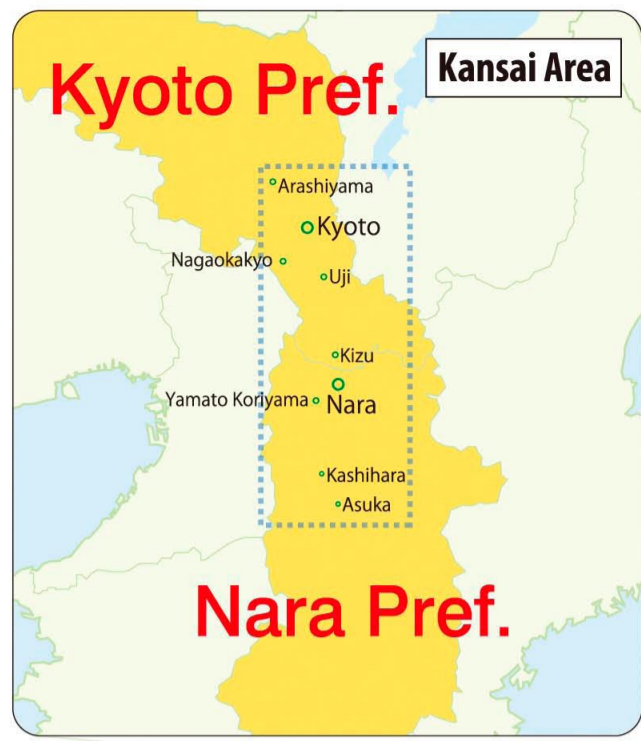
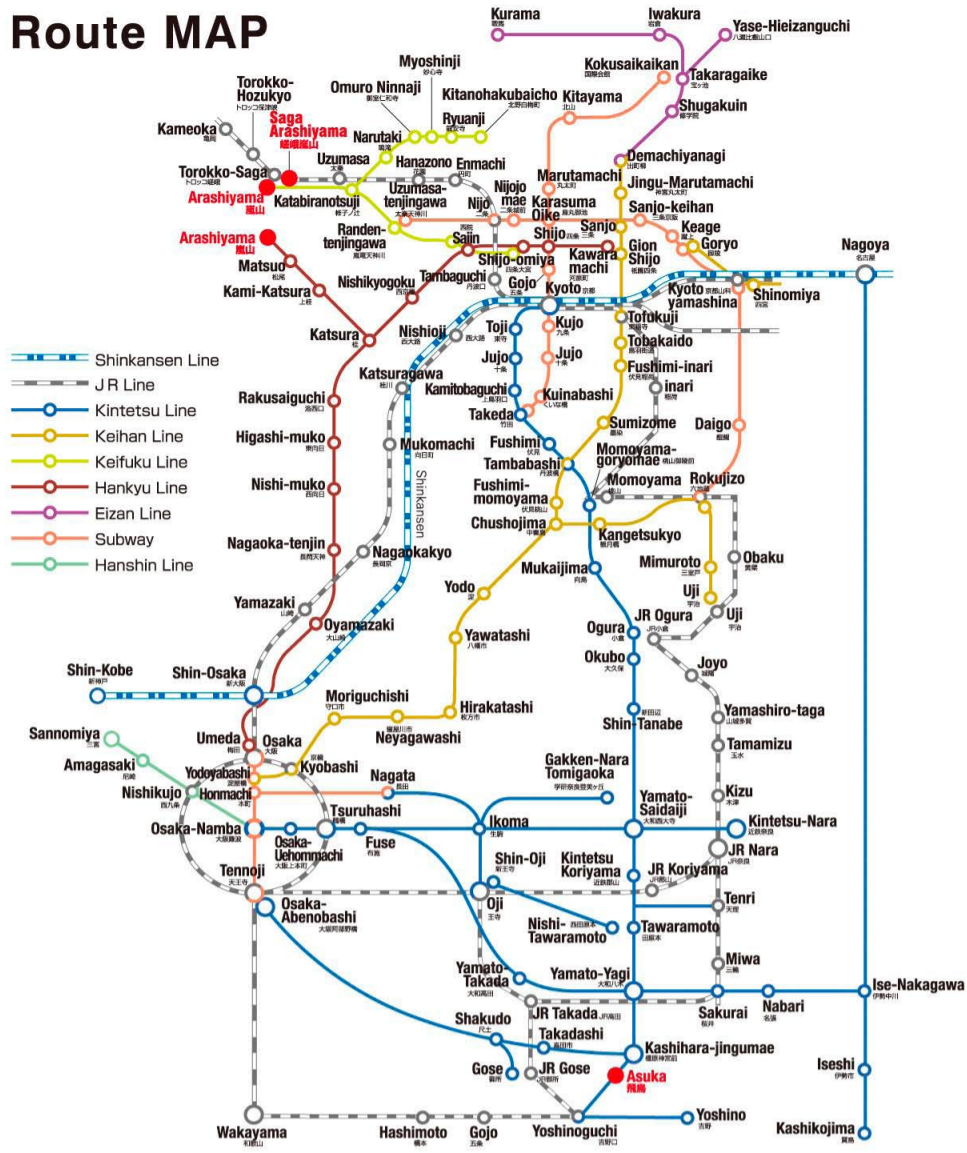


Route MAP



Nara and Kyoto Access MAP



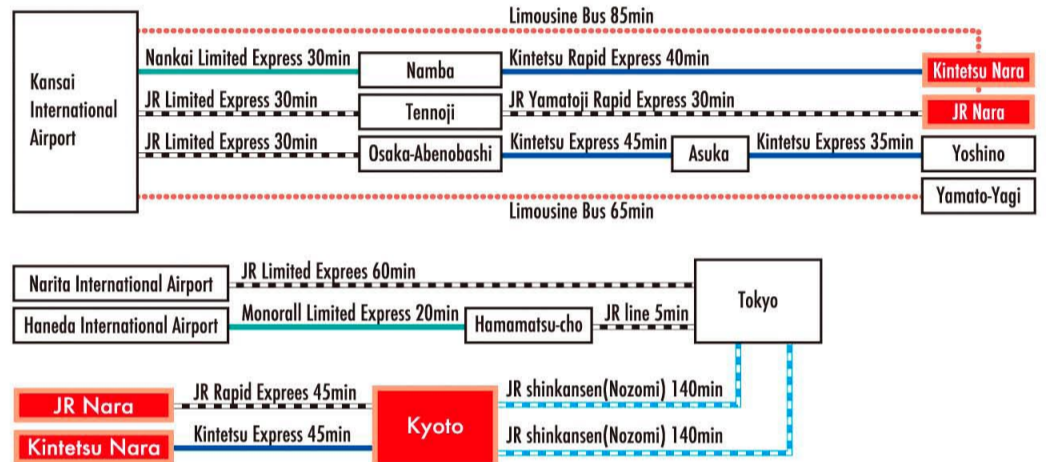
Please follow the safety rules below.

- As a general rule, bicycles must be ridden on the roadways.
- Keep to the left hand side of the road.
- When you ride on sidewalks, give way to pedestrians and ride slowly, close to the road.
- Rules for safety
 - Drunk driving, riding with another person on the same bicycle, and riding side-by-side with another person and their bicycle are all prohibited.
 - Turn on your lights when riding at night.
 - Observe and obey traffic signals, and stop temporarily to make sure crossroads are safe.
 - Wear a helmet to protect yourself in case of an accident.



Parents are responsible for making their children under 13 wear helmets when riding. (Article 63-10 of Road Traffic Law)

Railroad Access



If you go a little further, you can visit and enjoy various towns.

Sightseeing and cycling around the city



The Kyoto Botanical Garden 京都府立植物園

The Kyoto Botanical Garden was the first public botanical garden built in Japan. It is a scenic garden surrounded by Mt. Kita, Mt. Higashi and the Kamogawa River, which makes it a popular place for people to relax. People also enjoy jogging, cycling and walking along the Kamogawa River.



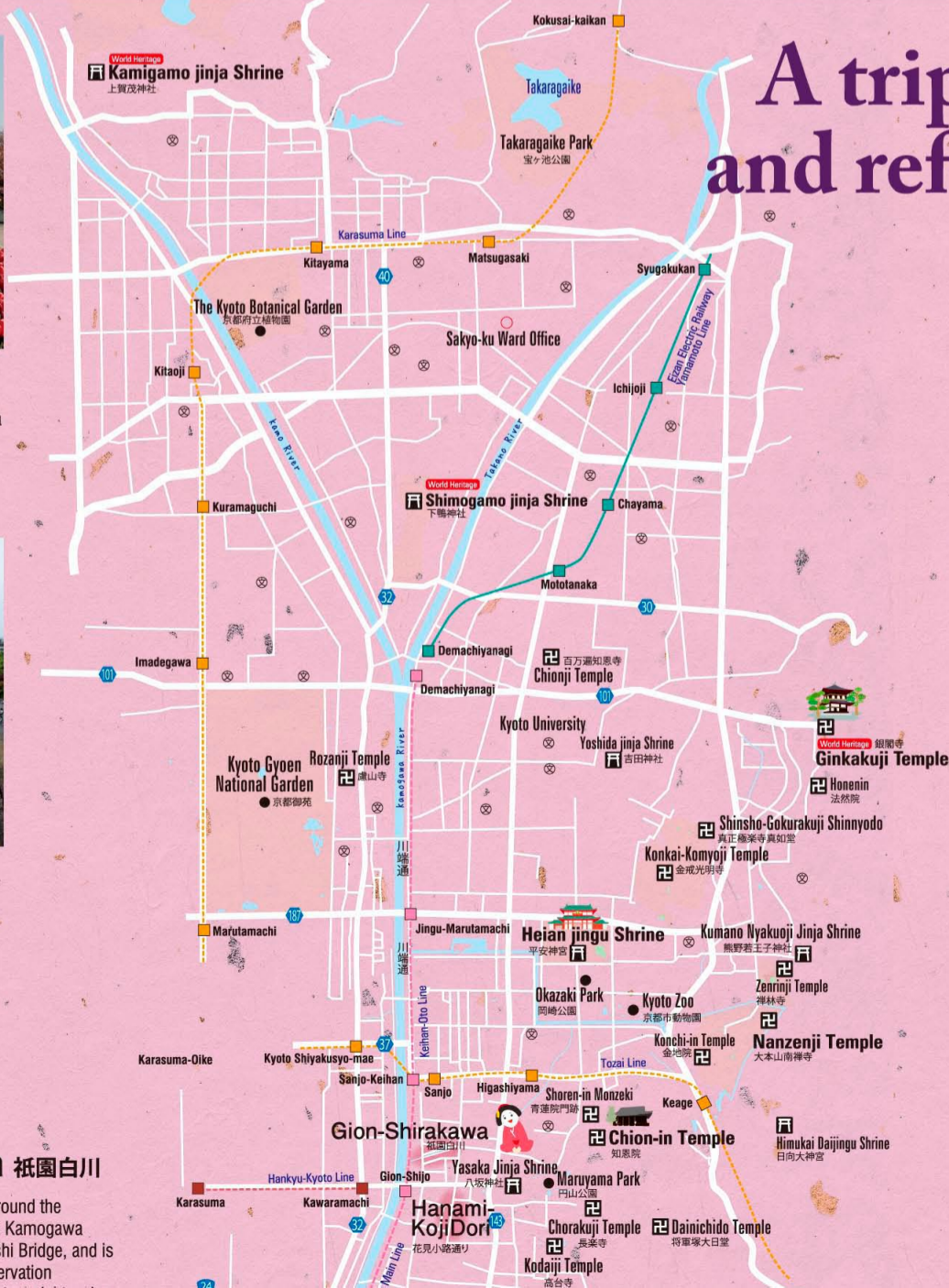
Kamogawa River 鴨川 (四条大橋より上流を望む)

Since the medieval period, Dengaku (a style of dancing and music originally performed at agricultural festivals) and Sarugaku (form of theatre popular in Japan during the 11th to 14th centuries) have been performed in the Shijo Kawaramachi area, around Shijo-Ohashi Bridge. Okuni Kabuki is regarded as the origin of today's Kabuki. This area had many theaters and tea houses back in the day, and Kyoto-Minamiza, one of the former "Za", a guild for performers, still operates as a Kabuki theater. Many restaurants lay out Noryo Yuka (outdoor terraces) in the summer, making it a picturesque summer scene in Kyoto.



Gion Shirakawa 祇園白川

Gion Shirakawa is the area around the confluence of the Shirakawa Kamogawa Rivers, extending to Shinbashi Bridge, and is listed as an "Important Preservation"



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On the Kyoto Yawata-Kizu bicycle road of Katsuragawa River, you can go from Koga-hashii Bridge along the Kamogawa River to the Higashiyama area, and experience the atmosphere of some historic towns such as "Toko" on the Kamogawa riverside, rows of cherry trees in spring, birds singing by the rivers, and the beauty of the mountain range, with Mt. Higashi and Mt. Kita visible in the distance. Kyoto offers a different beautiful scene for each season.



Hanami-koji Street 花見小路

Hanami-koji Street runs from north to south through the center of Gion, and extends from Sanjo-dori Street in the north to Yasui Kitamon-dori Street in the south. The southern district, with its old buildings, has been designated as an entertainment/geisha district from year 7 of the Meiji period (1874). On the southeast corner of Shijo-Dori, there's a famous teahouse called