



# Nikko & Ōshū Kaido, Sawara & Mito Kaido / Green Route



EDO SHOGUN ROADS

## ~ A Winter Journey of Prayer, Handcrafts, and Timeless Japanese Beauty ~

### Route



### Day 1

AM

PM

From Narita Station



By Car  
40 min

OR

By Train  
60 min



By Car  
90 min

OR

By Train  
120 min



By Car  
15 min

OR

By bus &  
On Foot  
40 min



#### ① Naritasan Park

A walk through Naritasan Park, adjacent to Naritasan Shinshoji Temple. Within the park, lined with ancient trees, visitors can enjoy the tranquil scenery of the temple grounds in the crisp, clear winter air.

#### ② Sawara Townscape

Stroll through the historic townscape of Sawara, and explore Edo-period culture through a boat cruise on the Ono River and visits to Ino Tadataka's former residence and memorial museum, tracing the origins of the man who created Japan's first modern maps.

#### ③ Kairakuenn

Founded by Nariaki Tokugawa, the 9th Lord of the Mito Domain, this is one of Japan's Three Great Gardens. It serves as the stage for the Mito Plum Blossom Festival, a tradition spanning over 120 years, where 3,000 plum trees of 100 varieties bloom (Peak season: mid-February to mid-March).

#### ④ Plum Dyeing Experience

A sustainable workshop using pruned plum branches. Learn the traditional wisdom of utilizing plant resources in daily life.

Staying in Mito

### Highlights

◆ Experience the deep-rooted connection between Japanese faith and daily life by walking through the pilgrimage approach to Naritasan and the historic merchant townscapes preserved in the riverside district of Sawara.

◆ Experience the wisdom and aesthetics of Japan, which has long lived in harmony with nature, through the plum blossoms of Kairakuen (one of Japan's three most famous gardens) and a plum-dyeing workshop.

◆ Feel the immense power and serenity of nature up close by witnessing the magnificent four-tiered flow and valley beauty of Fukuroda Falls, one of Japan's three most famous waterfalls.

### Day 2

AM

PM

From Mito

To Mito Station



By Car  
80 min



By Car  
70 min

#### ③ Suifu Lantern Making Experience

Mito is celebrated as one of Japan's three major lantern-producing regions, and its lanterns are popular worldwide. Even beginners can easily try their hand at crafting these traditional lanterns.

#### ④ Fukuroda Falls

Standing 120m high and 73m wide, this is one of Japan's Three Great Waterfalls. While it changes face with every season, the "Icefall" (Hyobaku) created by severe winter cold is truly mystical. The frozen falls resemble a natural sculpture, offering a breathtaking view (Peak season: late December to early February).



: GREEN (Flowers, Greenery, Nature, etc.)  
Immersion Experience