

Aichi, Home of Ghibli Park and Packed with Fun! 10 Recommended Routes along the Linimo Line

Places Connected to Ieyasu and the Tokugawa Family's Roots Discovery Route

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 30 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Nagakute Kosenjo Station

Meitetsu Bus Nishin Chuo Line
Get on at the Iwasaki Ontakeguchi Station bus stop
Get off at the Iwasaki Ontakeguchi bus stop

History Iwasaki Castle (Stay for 1 hr.) **A**

This castle area shows what Nishin City was like during the Warring States period. It was built by Oda Nobunaga's father, Nobuhide.

15:30

Approx. 50 min. trip

Meitetsu Bus Nishin Chuo Line
Get on at the Nagakute Kosenjo Station bus stop
Get off at the Akaike Station bus stop

Meitetsu Toyota Line
Get on at Akaike Station
Get off at Toyotashi Station

day 2 Stay overnight In Toyota City

Approx. 40 min. trip

Toyota Olden Bus Shimoyama-Toyota Line
Get on at the Toyotashi Station (East Gate) bus stop
Get off at the Matsudaira Go bus stop

History Hachiman-jinja Matsudaira Toshogu Shrine (Stay for 1 hr.)

10:00

Approx. 80 min. trip

Toyota Olden Bus Shimoyama-Toyota Line
Get on at the Matsudaira Go bus stop
Get off at the Toyotashi Station (East Gate) bus stop

Aichi Loop Railway
Get on at Shin-Toyota Station
Get off at Kita-Okazaki Station

History Iga Hachimangu Shrine (Stay for 1 hr.) **C**

13:00

Approx. 25 min. trip

Aichi Loop Railway
Get on at Kita-Okazaki Station
Get off at Naka-Okazaki Station

History Okazaki Castle (Stay for 1 hr.)

14:30

Photo credit: Okazaki City

The Home of Seto Ware Seto Route

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 15 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Tojishiryokan Minami Station

Appreciation **Experience**

Aichi Prefectural Ceramic Museum (Stay for 1 to 2 hrs.) **B**

14:00

This is one of Japan's leading ceramics museums. You can try your hand at ceramics making and painting here, too.

Check these out, too!

Meito Art Museum and Maspro Art Museum

Approx. 30 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Tojishiryokan Minami Station
Get off at Yakusa Station

Aichi Loop Railway
Get on at Yakusa Station
Get off at a station in Seto City

day 2 Stay overnight In Seto City

Owari Seto Station (Meitetsu Seto Line) area

Experience Pottery Class / Pottery Experience (Stay for 1 to 2 hrs.)

10:00

Visit **Experience**

Maneki-Neko Museum (Stay for 1 hr.) **C**

13:30

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Japan's largest museum dedicated to maneki-neko ("beckoning cats"), with thousands of items on display. You can enjoy a painting experience and relax at the on-site cafe.

Visit

Seto-Gura Museum (Stay for 1 hr.) **D**

14:30

This museum features a replica of an old Seto ware workshop and showcases the 1,000-year history of Seto ware.

Coffee Shop / Morning Service Culture and Nagoya Sightseeing Classic Route

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 25 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Nagakute Kosenjo Station

Meitetsu Bus Nishin Chuo Line
Get on at the Nagakute Kosenjo Station bus stop
Get off at the Takenoyama bus stop

Cafe Cafes in the Takenoyama area of Nishin City (Stay for 1 hr.)

15:00

Check these out, too!

Cafes in the Ichigahara area of Nagakute City

Approx. 50 min. trip

Meitetsu Bus Nishin Chuo Line
Get on at the Takenoyama bus stop
Get off at the Nagakute Kosenjo Station bus stop

Linimo
Get on at Nagakute Kosenjo Station
Get off at Fujioka Station

Higashiyama Subway Line
Get on at Fujioka Station
Get off at Nagoya Station

Evening

Midland Square Sky Promenade Open-air Observation Deck (Stay for 1 hr.)

20:00

day 2 Stay overnight Nagoya Station area

Walk for approx. 15 min. from Nagoya Station

Stroll **Cafe**

Morning Service at Matsuba Coffee Shop in Endoji Shopping Street / Stroll Around the Shikemichi Townscape (Stay for 1.5 hrs.)

9:00

Route 1

Approx. 30 min. trip

Meitetsu Lines
Get on at Central Japan International Airport Station
Get off at Tokoname Station

History Atsuta Jingu Shrine (Stay for 1 hr.)

11:00

Approx. 30 min. trip

Meitetsu Lines
Get on at Jingu-mae Station
Get off at Arimatsu Station

Experience **Stroll**

Arimatsu Tie-Dyeing Experience / Stroll Around the Townscape (Stay for 2 hrs.)

13:30

Route 2

Approx. 35 min. trip

Higashiyama Subway Line
Get on at Nagoya Station
Get off at Higashiyama Koen Station

Visit

Higashiyama Zoo and Botanical Gardens (Stay for 3 to 4 hrs.)

11:00

Photo credit: Higashiyama Zoo and Botanical Gardens, Nagoya City

Chubu Centrair International Airport and Home of Ceramics Tokoname Route

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 20 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Fujioka Station

Stroll Fujioka Chuo Shopping Street (Stay for 1 hr.)

14:00

Approx. 60 min. trip

Meitetsu Bus
Get on at the Fujioka Chuo Shopping Street bus stop
Get off at the Chubu Centrair International Airport bus stop

Visit

FLIGHT OF DREAMS in Chubu Centrair International Airport (Stay for 1 hr.)

16:00

Approx. 15 min. trip

Meitetsu Lines
Get on at Central Japan International Airport Station
Get off at Tokoname Station

Chita Bus Handa-Tokoname Line
Get on at the INAX Live Museum-mae bus stop
Get off at the INAX Live Museum-mae bus stop

day 2 Stay overnight In Tokoname City

Approx. 30 min. trip

Meitetsu Lines
Get on at Central Japan International Airport Station
Get off at Tokoname Station

Chita Bus Handa-Tokoname Line
Get on at the INAX Live Museum-mae bus stop
Get off at the INAX Live Museum-mae bus stop

Visit **Experience**

INAX Live Museum (Stay for 2 hrs.)

10:00

Approx. 15 min. trip

Chita Bus Handa-Tokoname Line
Get on at the INAX Live Museum-mae bus stop
Get off at the Tokoname Station bus stop

Stroll **Visit** **Experience**

Pottery Footpath (Stay for 2 hrs.)

13:30

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Historic Battle Sites (Komaki & Nagakute / Nagashino & Shitaragahara) and Japan's Top 100 Hot Springs Tour Route

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 10 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Nagakute Kosenjo Station

History Iroganayama Historical Park (Stay for 1 hr.) **E**

14:30

A stone preserved here is where Ieyasu sat and held a war council for the Battle of Nagakute. It also has an observation deck and a teahouse.

Walk for approx. 20 min.

History Kosenjo Park (Stay for 1 hr.) **F**

16:00

The site of a fierce battle between Hashiba (Toyotomi) Hideyoshi and Tokugawa Ieyasu was turned into this park. NAGAKUTE MEMORIAL 1584 (Nagakute Battlefield Memorial Museum) is scheduled to open in April 2026.

Head over to AEON MALL Nagakute, right in front of Nagakute Kosenjo Station, while you wait for the bus!

Approx. 130 min. trip

Yama no Minato Highway Bus
Get on at the Nagakute Kosenjo Station bus stop
Get off at the Kawanishi (Mikawa-Togo Station) bus stop

JR Iida Line
Get on at Mikawa-Togo Station
Get off at Yuya-Onsen Station

day 2 Stay overnight

Approx. 25 min. trip

JR Iida Line
Get on at Yuya-Onsen Station
Get off at Nagashino Station

History Ruins of Nagashino Castle History Museum (Stay for 1 hr.)

10:00

Approx. 30 min. trip

JR Iida Line
Get on at Nagashino Station
Get off at Mikawa-Togo Station

History Shitaragahara Battlefield / Shitaragahara Historical Museum (Stay for 1 hr.)

13:00

Approx. 45 min. trip

JR Iida Line
Get on at Mikawa-Togo Station
Get off at Toyokawa Station

Stroll Toyokawa Inari / Temple Town (Stay for 2 hrs.)

15:00

Classic Car Tour and Toyota City Sights Spectacular Route

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 10 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Geidai-dori Station

Visit Toyota Automobile Museum (Stay for 1 hr.) **G**

15:00

This museum exhibits around 140 of the most famous Japanese and foreign automobiles, and it explains the history of the automobile from its invention to the present.

Approx. 40 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Geidai-dori Station
Get off at Yakusa Station

Aichi Loop Railway
Get on at Yakusa Station
Get off at Homi Station

Taxi
Get in at Homi Station
Get out at Sanage Onsen

day 2 Stay overnight

Approx. 45 min. trip

Taxi
Get in at Sanage Onsen
Get out at Homi Station

Aichi Loop Railway
Get on at Homi Station
Get off at Shin-Toyota Station

Appreciation Toyota Municipal Museum of Art (Stay for 2 hrs.) **H**

10:00

This museum features a large collection of contemporary and modern art and crafts from Japan and around the world. Its modern architecture and gardens are highlights, too!

Approx. 35 min. trip

Aichi Loop Railway
Get on at Shin-Toyota Station
Get off at Mikawa-Toyota Station

Olden Bus Tsuchihashi-Toyota Higashi Kanjo Line
Get on at the Mikawa-Toyota-mae (Station) bus stop
Get off at the Toyota Kaikan bus stop

Visit Toyota Kaikan Museum (Stay for 1 hr.) **I**

14:30

This museum showcases Toyota's latest environmental and safety technologies and its social contribution work. A number of new car models are also on display at all times.

Aichi's Bountiful Nature Experience Route (Obara's Four-Season Cherry Blossoms, Korankei's Fall Foliage)

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 40 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Yakusa Station

Aichi Loop Railway
Get on at Yakusa Station
Get off at Yamaguchi Station

Stroll Aichi Kaisho Forest Center (Stay for 1 hr.) **J**

15:00

This forest was the first location set to be used for Expo 2005 in Aichi. Take a stroll through the bountiful nature this area boasts.

Approx. 45 min. trip

Aichi Loop Railway
Get on at Yamaguchi Station
Get off at Shin-Toyota Station

day 2 Stay overnight In Toyota City

Two Great Autumn Routes

Route 1

Approx. 70 min. trip

Toyota Olden Bus Obara-Toyota Line
Get on at the Toyotashi Station (East Gate) bus stop
Get off at the Kami Niji bus stop (for Senni Shikazakura-no-Sato)
Get off at the Washi no Furusato bus stop

Stroll **Experience**

Obara Four-Season Cherry Blossom Festival (Senni Shikazakura-no-Sato) / Obara Paper Art Museum (Stay for 3 hrs.)

10:00

Approx. 70 min. trip

Meitetsu Lines
Get on at Toyotashi Station
Get off at Josui Station

Toyota Olden Bus Sanage-Asuke Line
Get on at the Josui Station bus stop
Get off at the Korankei bus stop

Route 2

Approx. 70 min. trip

Meitetsu Lines
Get on at Josui Station
Get off at Josui Station

Toyota Olden Bus Sanage-Asuke Line
Get on at the Josui Station bus stop
Get off at the Korankei bus stop

*We recommend taking the bus from Josui Station when the leaves change as the area will likely be crowded.

Stroll **Experience**

Korankei Maple Festival / Sanshu Asuke Yashiki (Stay for 4 hrs.)

10:00

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Nagoya Filming Locations Tour and Samurai Culture Route

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 50 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Fujioka Station

Higashiyama Subway Line
Get on at Fujioka Station
Transfer to the Meijo Line and get off at Shiyakusho Station

Visit Aichi Prefectural Government Office Main Building / Nagoya City Hall Main Building (Stay for 1 hr.)

15:00

[Examples of titles filmed here]
Aichi Prefectural Government Office The Journalist (drama) (cast: Ryota Yonekura, So Ayano, etc.)
Nagoya City Hall: Noise (film) (cast: Tatsuya Fujiwara, Kenichi Matsuyama, Ryunosuke Kamiki, etc.)

Walk for approx. 15 min.

Evening Oasis 21 / Chubu Electric Power MIRAI TOWER / Hisaya-odori Park

18:00

day 2 Stay overnight In Nagoya City

Meijo Subway Line
Get off at Shiyakusho Station

Walk for approx. 10 min.

Visit Nagoya City Archives (Stay for 1 hr.)

9:00

[Example of title filmed here]
Kiss Me at the Stroke of Midnight (film) (cast: Ryota Katayose, Kanna Hashimoto, etc.)

Walk for approx. 15 min.

History

Nagoya Castle (Stay for 1.5 hrs.)

10:30

Approx. 20 min. trip

CityBus
Get on at the Shiyakusho (City Hall) bus stop
Get off at the Tokugawa Shindeki bus stop

OR

Nagoya Sightseeing Route Bus Me-guru Get on at the Nagoya Castle bus stop
Get off at the Tokugawa Art Museum, Hosa Library bus stop

History Tokugawa Garden / The Tokugawa Art Museum (Stay for 1.5 hrs.)

13:30

13:30

Great for Kids! LEGOLAND® Japan and Railroad Extravaganza Route

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 45 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Nagakute Kosenjo Station

Meitetsu Bus Nishin Chuo Line
Get on at the Nagakute Kosenjo Station bus stop
Get off at the Asado-Nishi bus stop

Visit **Experience**

Nagoya City Tram & Subway Museum (Stay for 1 hr.) **K**

15:00

Trams that used to run through Nagoya long ago and its first subway cars are displayed here. You can even go inside the trains!

Approx. 50 min. trip

Tsurumai Subway Line
Get on at Akaike Station
Transfer to the Higashiyama Line and get off at Nagoya Station

Ananmi Line
Get on at Nagoya Station
Get off at Sasashima-raibu Station

day 2 Stay overnight In Nagoya City

Nagoya Prince Hotel Sky Tower (Train Viewing & Plarail)

Approx. 30 min. trip

Ananmi Line
Get on at Sasashima-raibu Station
Get off at Kinjo-futo Station

Theme Park LEGOLAND® Japan (Stay for 4 to 5 hrs.)

10:00

History

Nagoya Castle (Stay for 1.5 hrs.)

10:30

Approx. 20 min. trip

CityBus
Get on at the Shiyakusho (City Hall) bus stop
Get off at the Tokugawa Shindeki bus stop

OR

Nagoya Sightseeing Route Bus Me-guru Get on at the Nagoya Castle bus stop
Get off at the Tokugawa Art Museum, Hosa Library bus stop

Visit **Experience**

SCMAGLEV and Railway Park (Stay for 1 hr.)

15:00

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Anime Pilgrimage and Pop Culture Experience Route

day 1 Start at Ghibli Park

Approx. 50 min. trip

Linimo
Get on at Ai-Chikyuhaku Kinen Koen Station
Get off at Fujioka Station

Higashiyama Subway Line
Get on at Fujioka Station
Transfer to the Tsurumi Line and get off at Osu Kannon Station

Stroll Osu Shopping District (Stay for 2 hrs.)

15:00

15:00

Evening Sauna (in Nagoya City)

18:00

day 2 Stay overnight In Nagoya City

Approx. 30 min. trip

JR Tokaido Main Line
Get on at Nagoya Station
Get off at Ogaki Station

Stroll Anime Pilgrimage in Ogaki City and Gifu City, Gifu Prefecture (Stay for 2.5 hrs.)

10:00

Approx. 10 min. trip

JR Tokaido Main Line
Get on at Ogaki Station
Get off at Gifu Station

Check these out, too!

Gifu Castle and Mount Kinka

12:00

JR Gifu Station
Set of A Silent Voice (movie)