Useful Expressions in English

英語で道案内

こんにちは。どうされましたか? Hi. How may I help you? ☆最もカジュアルなのが"Hi."

何をお探しですか?(何をお求めですか?) What are you looking for?

少々お待ちください。 Please hold on. ☆調べる間、待ってもらうとき

寿司はいかがですか? How about Sushi? ☆相手が迷っているときに、お店や料理、場所などを提案する

~をオススメします。 I recommend ~.

私の方で予約をお取りしましょうか。 Shall I make a reservation for you?

他の誰かに聞いてみます。 Let me ask someone else. ☆自分ではわからないことを、他の人に聞いてくるとき ここに書いてもらえませんか。 Would you write it down here? ☆聞き取れない言葉も文字で見れば理解可 コンビニが見えるまでまっすぐ進んでください。 Go straight until you see the convenience store.

コンビニを通り過ぎてください。 Go past the convenience store.

この道(地図上でも可)をまっすぐ進んで下さい。 Go down this street.

1つ目(2つ目、3つ目)の角を右に曲がってください。 Turn right at the first (second, third.) corner.

JR 高尾駅で電車を乗り換え、京王高尾駅に。 Change train at JR Takao to Keio Takao.

道を渡って下さい。 Cross the street. 道路の反対側にあります。 It is across the street.

コンビニの向かいにあります。 It is across from the convenience store. ☆「道を挟んで」という場合

コンビニの前にあります。 It is in front of the convenience store. ☆「すぐ前に」という場合

コンビニは道の突き当りにあります。 The convenience store is at the end of the street.

コンビニの横にあります。 You will find it next to the convenience store. ☆You will find は「そこにあるよ」

コンビニは角にあります。 The convenience store is on the corner.

徒歩 10 分です。 It's a ten-minute walk.

ここです。 Right here. ☆場所はどこですか?に対し、地図や案内板を指さしながら「ここです」と答えるとき

交差点 Intersection 信号 Traffic light ☆Signal は NG

他にお手伝いできることはありませんか? Anything else?

良い一日を。 Have a nice day.





Visiting Sites in Hachioji



Mt. Takao

This mountain is visited by 2.5 million people every year. Its attraction is the 6 climbing routes, each with a different theme and skill level. Whichever route you chose, you will still reach the summit within about 1.5 to 2 hours. There are many spots to visit, such as Yakuoin Temple, many shops and restaurants cater to all food and souvenir requirements.





Hojo Ujiteru's castle from the Warring States period designated as one of Japan's best castles in February 2006. The castle fell from an attack by Toyotomi Hideyoshi. The castellan's residence and the wooden bridge ruins remain at the mountain base while the central bailey and Hachioji Shrine ruins are on the summit which is one-hour climb.





Silk Road

This area, affectionately known as the "Silk Road", was one called the "Hamakaido". It was used to transport silk manufactured in Hachioji area as well as from Nagano, Yamanashi and Gunma for export. This 1.5km site has been selected as one of the top 100 historic roads. There is Silk Road Museum showing archives on the Silk Road and silk thread.



Hachioji Kuruma Ningyo Play

Kuruma Ningyo is a form of one-man puppet handling. The puppeteer sits on a wheeled box to control the puppet which is one and only in the world. The performance began in the Edo period in the 19th century and has been handed down from the generations. This was designated as an intangible fork-cultural asset of Japan in 2022.



Hachioji Geisha Girls

Walking along the alleys that used to be an entertainment district back in the good old days. Take a trip back in time to the Meiji period. There used to be about 200 geikos(female entertainers) in Hachioji with the prosperity of textile industry. There are still "Hanamachi" geiko quarters on the Nakacho Kurobei(black wall) street



Hachioji Textile Industry

Hachioji is known as the "City of Mulberries". Tama textiles, which fall under Hachioji textiles, were named a national traditional craft in 1980.

They were also named part of the Japan Heritage "Mysterious Mt. Takao" cultural asset group in 2020. Don't miss the amazing quality of Hachioji textile like neckties, shawls and so on. Visit Hachioji Beneck.



Hachioji Event Calendar

January

Visiting the Seven(or 8) Gods of Fortune in Hachioji.

February



Setsubun Bean-throwing Festival in Mt. Takao.

March



Firewalking Festival at Yakuoin temple in Mt. Takao.

April



Mt. Takao Spring Festival.

May



Legendary Tama Traditional Culture Festival.

June



Mt. Takao Beer Mount (beer garden) opens till October.

July



Hachioji Fireworks Festival.

August



Hachioji Festival

September



Ecchu-Owara Wind Bon Dance in Hachioji.

October



Hojo Ujiteru Festival in Moto-Hachioji.

November



Hachioji Icho(Ginkgo) Festival.

December



Satoyama Illuminations in Ongata.

Favorite Foods in Hachioji



Hachioji Ramen

Rich flavor of soy-based soup and chopped onions.



Mr. Takao Tororo-soba

Nourishing buckwheat noodles with grated yam.



Mitsufuku Dango

Charcoal-roasted three balls of pounded rice.



Tengu-yaki

Sweet black bean paste with crisp savory outside.



Hachioji Castle Monaka

Castle-shaped monaka filled with plenty of sweet bean paste.



Matsuhime Monaka

Five different types of sweet bean paste like ogura, citrus, chestnut...



Takao Poteto

Characterized by savory flavor of sweet potatoes.



Karinto Dumplings

Crispy outside is made of brown sugar from Okinawa with sweet bean paste.



Takao Taiko Dorayaki

Smoothly baked dorayaki with sweet bean paste.

Brief History of Hachioji

During the Sengoku period, **Hojo Ujiteru** built a castle to enshrine the <u>8 princes of Gozu gardian god</u> and named it Hachioji Castle, which is the beginning of Hachioji. In **the Edo period**, it became a very important site for both <u>military and commerce</u>. In **the Meiji era**, the textile industry became a star, and Hachioji became a distribution hub for transporting <u>raw silk</u> to Yokohama for export.



It became the first city on the outskirts of Tokyo in **1917**, but was devastated by bombing during the war. **After the 1960s**, with the construction of residential complexes and the universities, the population has exploded, and **today** it has become a town of culture, tourism and innovation.