

Takato Castle Cherry Blossom Festival

Takato Castle Park is well-known as one of the three greatest cherry blossom sites in Japan. It originates in the early Meiji Era, when former provincial samurais started planting cherry trees to somehow restore the neglected castle of Takato. Now the castle site has become a forest of 1,500 *Kohiganzakura* cherry trees, which are called the greatest cherry blossoms in the world, and has been designated as a natural monument by the prefecture. The whole park site is covered with pink colors during the peak time, visited by many tourists from all over Japan.

(View from
Oun Bridge)



Season	Friday, April 1~Saturday, April 30, 2016
Location	Takato Castle Park, Takato-machi, Ina City
Fee	Adult: 500 yen, elementary and middle school: 250 yen (Group rates available)
Contact	Tourism Division, Ina City Government (Ina City Tourism Association): +81-265-78-4111
Website	Ina City Official Website: http://www.inacity.jp/ (Japanese) Ina City Tourism Association Official Website: http://inashi-kankoukyoukai.jp/cms2/welcome-to-ina-city (English)
Access	By car: 30-min. drive from the Ina Exit on the Chuo Expressway By train/bus: 25-min. bus ride from Ina-shi Station on the JR Iida Line, or 15-min. walk from Takato Station
Available Languages	Chinese (simplified and traditional), English, Japanese, Korean