

# Cherry Blossom Festival at Garyu Park

Suzaka City flourished with silk industry from the Meiji to Showa eras. A stroll around the town dotted with historic warehouse-style buildings gives you a relaxing time away from your busy lifestyles. Garyu Park in Suzaka is famous for its beautiful cherry blossoms, chosen one of Japan's Top 100 Cherry Blossom Viewing Sites.

There are 160 cherry trees around the Ryugaike Lake, and 600 of them in the whole park. When you enter the park, you will be welcomed by cherry blossoms hanging from both sides of the path. The blossoms reflected on the lake are great for photographs. The cherry trees will be lit up at night during the peak season.

Don't miss Garyu Park's famous pitch-black *oden* and sweet *dango* rice balls!



Season	Thursday, April 7~Sunday, April 24, 2016
Location	Garyu Park, Suzaka City
Fee	Entrance: Free Paid parking toward preservation of the park
Contact	Suzaka City Tourist Association: TEL: +81-26-215-2225
Website	<a href="http://www.suzaka-kankokyokai.jp/midokoro/sakuramatsuri.php">http://www.suzaka-kankokyokai.jp/midokoro/sakuramatsuri.php</a> (Japanese)
Access	By car: 10-min. drive from the Suzaka-Nagano Higashi Exit By train/bus: 10-min. bus ride from Nagano Dentetsu Suzaka Sta.
Available Languages	Chinese (Simplified), Japanese