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BIG MARATHON FESTA 2015

# Shinjuku Chiyoda Area

**1** **MINISTRY OF DEFENSE**



The Japan air self-defense force central band will perform to cheer on the runners.



**2** **Tokyo Kusei Kaikan Building**



Performance by local chiyoda ward residents



**3** **Sumitomo Fudosan Kudan Building**




Japanese folk dance




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# Shiba Takanawa Area

**8** **Tokyo Metropolitan Shiba Park**



Oedo dance matsuri (elementary through high school students to perform)



**9** **Minato Ward Shiba Park**



Entertainment to include belly dance, flamenco, and taiko drum performances



**10** **Mita Twin Building West Pavilion**



Enjoy gospel singing, cheer dance, Japanese folk dance, and other performances.



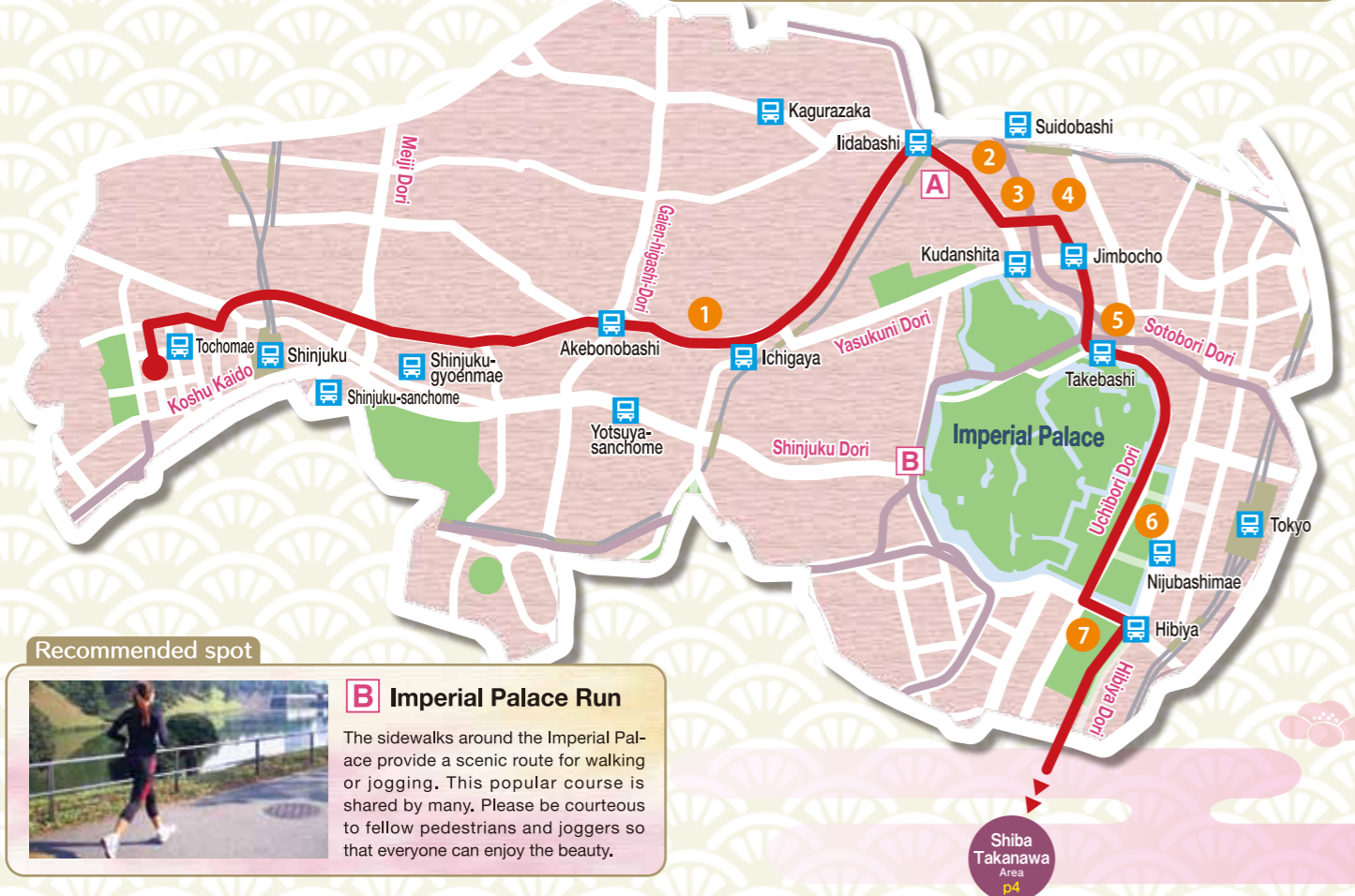
## Anticipation fills the air at the starting line!

**Recommended spot**



**A Tokyo Daijingu**

In recent years, the shrine has also become known as having a beneficial effect for those hoping to be in a successful relationship. With each year, more and more young people searching for a suitable partner visit the shrine to worship.




**Recommended spot**


**B Imperial Palace Run**

The sidewalks around the Imperial Palace provide a scenic route for walking or jogging. This popular course is shared by many. Please be courteous to fellow pedestrians and joggers so that everyone can enjoy the beauty.

**4** **Chiyoda First Building West Pavilion**



Cheer dance and Japanese folk dance performances




**5** **Hitotsubashi Sogo Building**



Cheer dance



**6** **Kogyogaien National Garden Plaza**



The imperial guard band will cheer the runners with a musical performance.



**7** **Hibiya Park**



Chorus, cheer dance, and belly dance performances



## Tokyo landmarks - Tokyo Tower and Zojoji Temple

**Recommended spot**



**Tokyo Tower**

The night prior to the marathon, Saturday, February 21, Tokyo Tower will be specially lit in gold and black, the colors of the Tokyo Marathon emblem. We hope that visitors and residents alike will take advantage of this rare opportunity to see this special lighting program.

**Recommended spot**



**C Tokyo Metropolitan Teien Art Museum**

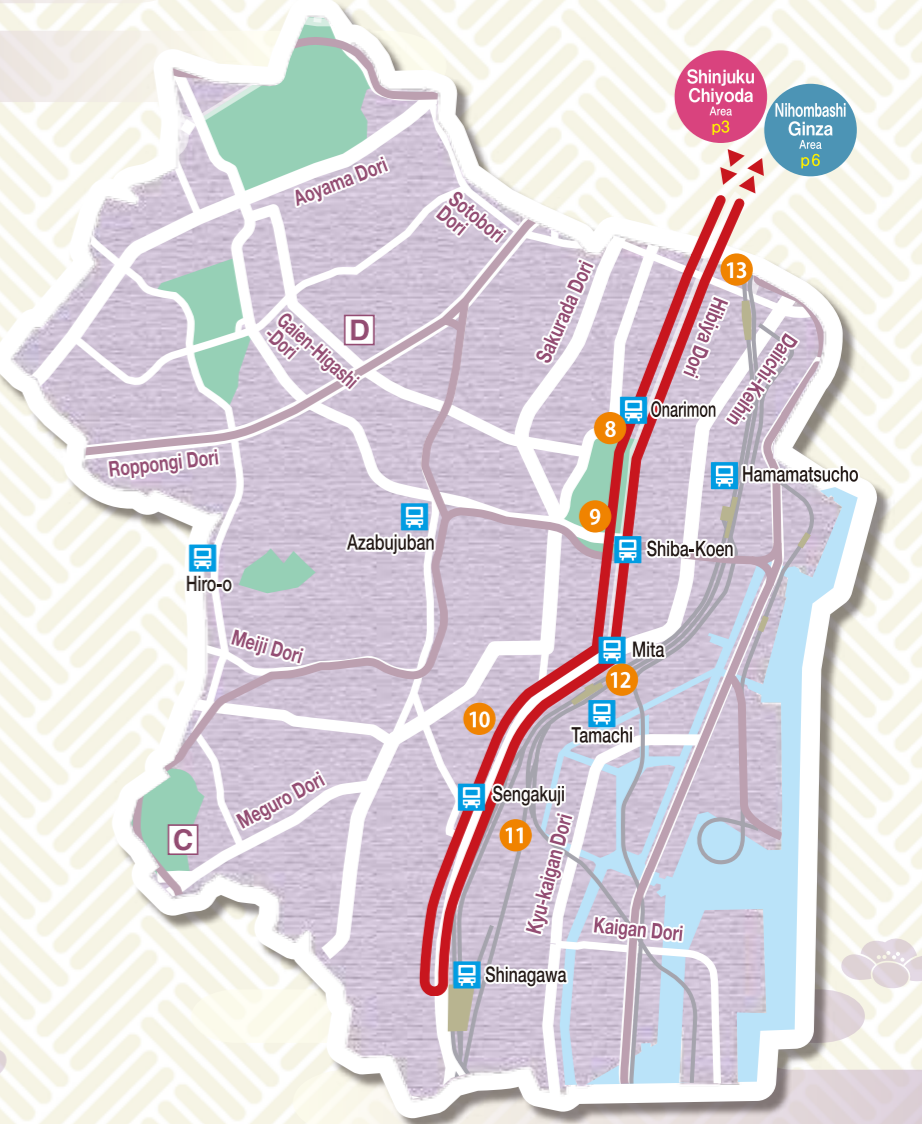
Constructed in 1933, the Art Deco style building, formerly the residence of Prince Asaka, now serves as a unique space to exhibit art. Following extensive renovations and the addition of an annex, the museum reopened to visitors in 2014.

**Recommended spot**



**D Hinokicho Park**

Located next to Tokyo Midtown, visitors can enjoy the beauty of nature in the center of the city.



**11** **The SASAKAWA HALL**



Enjoy performance by a children's dance group, cheer dance group, and more.



**12** **Mitsubishi Motors Corporation Headquarters Showroom**



Band, chorus, and gospel performances



**13** **NBF Hibiya Building**



Performances to include hula dance, cheer dance, and a children's dance group





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# Ningyocho Asakusa

Area

**14 Legare Nihombashi Ningyocho Building**



Enjoy performances of hula dance, street dance, cheer dance, and more.



**15 Asakusa Kaminarimon**



A team from taito ward will perform to cheer on the runners.



**16 Tornare Nihombashi Hamacho Building**



Dance performances, including Japanese folk dance, a band performance by local junior high school students, and more.



## Experience the vitality of Tokyo's shitamachi neighborhoods!

Recommended spot



**E Swift-footed Idaten**

Ogannonji Temple is located in central Nihombashi Ningyocho, Chuo Ward. Here, a statue of Idaten, a swift-footed god, is enshrined. Until recently, the statue was known to only a few. However, now, the number of visitors hoping to catch a glimpse of Idaten is growing. Those entering the Tokyo Marathon hoping to better their time may want to consider paying a visit to the shrine with fellow runners.

**Attention**

### Free yakatabune cruises!



Yakatabune offer a taste of recreational boating in the Edo era. On the day of the Tokyo Marathon, free yakatabune rides will be offered departing from Asakusabashi and Sumida Ward, Azumabashi piers. Six or more cruises are planned for the day, starting at around 11am. Cheering on the runners from the water, passengers will enjoy a 45-60 minute cruise to the finish line in Ariake.

※No advance reservations. Cruises will be boarded on a first come, first served basis.

For inquiries, please contact the Yakatabune Tokyo Association 03-5825-6526 or see the association's website at <http://www.yakatabune-kumiai.jp>



Recommended spot



**F Asakusa Nishi-Sando shopping street**

*First of its kind in Japan! The shopping street has a wooden footpath.*  
It is surrounded by a tender atmosphere and has a tasteful appearance.

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# Nihombashi Ginza

Area

**17 Metropolitan Expressway Kabutocho Parking Lot**



Local groups from chuo ward will perform to support the runners, as a musical performance by local elementary school students.



**18 Ginza Shochiku Square Building**



Cheer dance, gospel, band performances, and more.



**19 Irifunebashi Bridge**



Performances by local chuo ward groups will cheer on the runners.



## The upscale atmosphere of Nihombashi and Ginza add to the thrill of the race.

Recommended spot



**G Tokyo Station**

The red brick station building is designated as an important cultural asset. Through a recent renovation project, the station building's symbols, the north and south domes, have been restored to their original state. Near the station, you will find Marunouchi Naka-dori, a street lined with boutiques selling upscale brands.



**H Find specialties from regions across Japan in Ginza**

Over 20 specialty shops offering products from Hokkaido in the north to Okinawa in the South are located in the Ginza area.



**I Nihombashi Flower Plaza**

Nihombashi was designated the starting point for the five major highways of the Edo period, including the Tokaido highway. Near each of the four edges of the bridge there are plazas visited by many tourists.



**20 Across from Shintusukishima Park**



Taiko drum performances by local junior high school students and others

