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日本の国花「桜」は日本人にとって春を告げる特別な花です。

さいたま市内には桜の名所がたくさんあります。

また、名所ばかりではなく、近くの公園、川縁や街路、学校などでも美しい桜を眺めることができます。あなたも出かけてみませんか。

Japan's national flower, the cherry blossom, is a special flower that heralds spring for Japanese people. There are many famous cherry blossom viewing spots in Saitama City, but they can also be seen at nearby parks, riversides, streets, and schools. Get out and take in the gentle beauty of cherry blossoms.

La flor de cerezo, la flor nacional de Japón, es especial para nosotros los japoneses porque nos anuncia la primavera. Hay muchos lugares turísticos para ver los cerezos en flor en la Ciudad de Saitama. Se puede ver las flores bonitas de cerezo no sólo en los lugares turísticos sino también en los parques vecinos, en las orillas de los ríos, en las calles, y en las escuelas. ¡Vamos a verlas!



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🌸 Saitama City's Famous Cherry Blossom Viewing Spots 🌸

🌸 **Chosen as 1 of Japanese top 100 cherry blossom viewing sites**

Omiya Park (near Omiya Hikawa Shrine)

This historic park has been around since the Meiji period and features many cherry trees. It is the perfect place for cherry blossom viewing, as you can relax under the trees. There are also playgrounds and other facilities for kids.

🌸 **Famous for its 100-year-old weeping cherry tree**

Gyokuzoin Temple

(a small temple near Urawa Station)

This temple is famous for its weeping cherry tree, which is said to be over 100 years old. The cherry blossoms hanging down like a waterfall are spectacular. You can also see things of historical value such as traditional gardens, buildings, and statues.

🌸 **Approximately 600 cherry trees in the castle ruins park**

Iwatsuki Joshi Park

(Ota, Iwatsuki-ku)

Surrounded by natural forests, the combination of cherry blossoms and the vermilion Yatsunashi Bridge over Shobu Pond creates majestic scenery. You can also enjoy the cherry blossoms at night illuminated by lanterns.

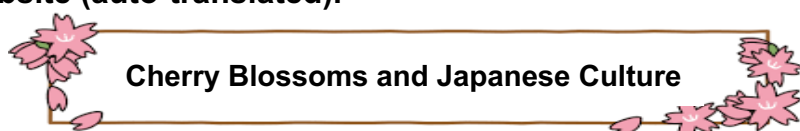
🌸 **Japan's largest row of cherry blossom trees where you can walk under**

Minuma Rice Paddies' Cherry Blossom Corridor

(Kita-ku, Omiya-ku, Minuma-ku, Urawa-ku, Midori-ku)

This row of cherry trees stretches along the Minuma canal, and is the longest in Japan with a total distance of over 20 km! The views of the countryside along the way are amazing. Take a leisurely stroll, eat your lunch under the cherry blossoms, or enjoy a bike ride.

🌸 **Other cherry blossom viewing spots in the city are also introduced on the Saitama City website (auto-translated).**



Cherry Blossoms and Japanese Culture

Ohanami (or Hanami)

"Ohanami" means enjoying the sight of cherry blossoms. Enjoy a meal under the cherry blossoms with your family and friends, just like having a picnic. Cherry blossom viewing is a Japanese custom that celebrates the arrival of spring.



Cherry blossoms to mark the beginning of the year

Japan's fiscal year begins in April and ends in March of the following year. The same goes for schools and companies, and entrance ceremonies are held for these in April. Cherry blossoms also signify a new start.



The beauty of falling cherry blossoms (Hanafubuki)

Cherry blossoms do not wither even after they bloom. Their petals fall as they are--in their full beauty, giving them a sense of purity for which they have been loved by Japanese people since ancient times. It is said that the way the blossoms fall is like a blizzard of flower petals.