



Dotonbori Lantern Festival

A List of Annual Festivals in Minami

In Minami, which has a history of 400 years, a variety of festivals are held in each season. You will be fascinated with people in Minami through shopping districts by streets, temples, shrines, arts, jazz and festivals including dances. In the fall of 2023, in front of Nankai Namba station will undergo a big makeover into a symbolic human-centered square. In 2025, the Osaka-Kansai Japan Expo will be held, so special events to liven it up are planned. Here, we would like to introduce what kinds of festivals are held in Minami.

Please check the holding information on the website.



Dotonbori River Festival 2019 (River Parade)

Entertainment Spring Summer Autumn

A festival is held at Dotonbori river, which is regarded as the origin of Minami, and this festival is unique to Minami. From the end of June to the beginning of July, the Kabuki actors board a ship floating on Dotonbori river, and send greetings to invite everyone to July Kabuki Program. This "Ship Boarding" is quite splendid. Dotombori Lantern Festival is held in July and August, where you can feel Naniwa atmosphere. In this festival, over a thousand of lanterns along the walkway of Dotonbori illuminate the surface of the river. Please take a walk at "Tombori River Walk" after 19:00. Also, some festivals, where you can enjoy music, dances and food, will be held in spring (during golden week), Summer (July) and fall. A stage floating on Dotonbori river and the walkway will be venues of these festivals. Especially, Dotonbori River Festival in fall is one of the biggest festivals in Osaka, where entertainment of Osaka, such as traditional arts, comedy, food, jazz, and dances, including yosakoi dance, will gather.

Festival at Shrine and Temple Summer

You can enjoy unique summer festivals, feeling traditions of shrines and temples which have a deep connection with Minami. Namba Grand Shrine, Ikukunitama Shrine Ikutama Festival / Namba Yasaka Shrine Summer Festival Funatogyo Rikutogyo / Mitsu Hachiman Shrine Summer Festival / Naniwa Kozugu Shrine Grand Festival / Namba-Jinja (Shrine) Himuro Festival / Imamiya Ebisu Shrine Children's Ebisu



Namba Yasaka Shrine Summer Festival Funatogyo Rikutogyo

Festival at Shopping Street Summer Autumn

In Minami, unique shopping districts are connected to each other like a huge network. From summer to fall, various festivals are held in a way that makes the most of each feature, so please check them in advance and join them. Every year, various festivals, such as Sennichimae "Minyamin" Summer Festival, Hozenji Yokocho Festival, Dotonbori Bon-dance International, Kitchenware Street Festival, Ebisubashisuji Shopping Street Expo, Soemon-cho Summer Festival and Pounding Mochi Festival to ward off evil spirits with ghosts, are held.



Douguyasuji Festival



Hoekago Procession

Winter Festival Winter

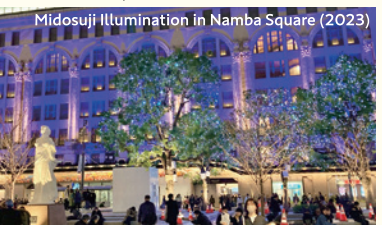
Hoekago Procession is carrying on the tradition of Minami, the pleasure district, to the present day. It is the traditional event in which kabuki actors and other representatives from various fields ride in a palanquin in a procession to visit Toka Ebisu (Imamiya Ebisu Shrine).

Illumination Winter

In addition to lights and decoration along Midosuji street, illuminated objects will be displayed at commercial buildings in Minami area.



Illumination of lucky charm from Ebisubashisuji shopping street



Midosuji Illumination in Namba Square (2023)



OSAKA, KANSAI, JAPAN EXPO 2025

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Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan -Designing a Future Society for Our Lives

EXPO 2025 Osaka , Kansai Japan, with the theme of "life" , is an opportunity for the world to gather in one place. The Overseas Pavilions showcase the latest technologies and diverse cultures of more than 160 countries, regions, and international organizations. In addition, Signature Pavilions produced by eight leading producers from Japan, along with 13 private-sector pavilions, the Japan Pavilion, the Women's Pavilion, the Osaka Healthcare Pavilion, and the Kansai Pavilion feature unique and creative exhibits. There are also a wide variety of events that are fun, educational, and full of new discoveries.

Please check the official APP and WEB 'EXPO 2025 Visitors' for more information about pavilions and events, access, venue maps, and tickets.

EXPO 2025 Visitors



All Osaka is an Expo--A Tapestry of City Pavilions

Interesting experiences and projects held in Osaka triggered by EXPO are introduced on the official website, "Machigoto EXPO". Operating organization: The "All Osaka's a Stage" Co-creation Platform to Harness the 2025 World Expo (Organized by the Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Osaka World Expo Promotion Bureau, Kansai Economic Federation, and Kansai Keizai Doyukai (Kansai Association of Corporate Executives)) Cooperating partner: demoexpo [Web] https://machigotoexpo.jp



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WELCOME! OSAKA MINAMI MAP



NAMBA
DOTONBORI
SHINSAIBASHI
AMERIKA MURA
MINAMISEMBA

Never wrong coming HERE!
We asked 100 Minami Merchants
My favorite restaurant

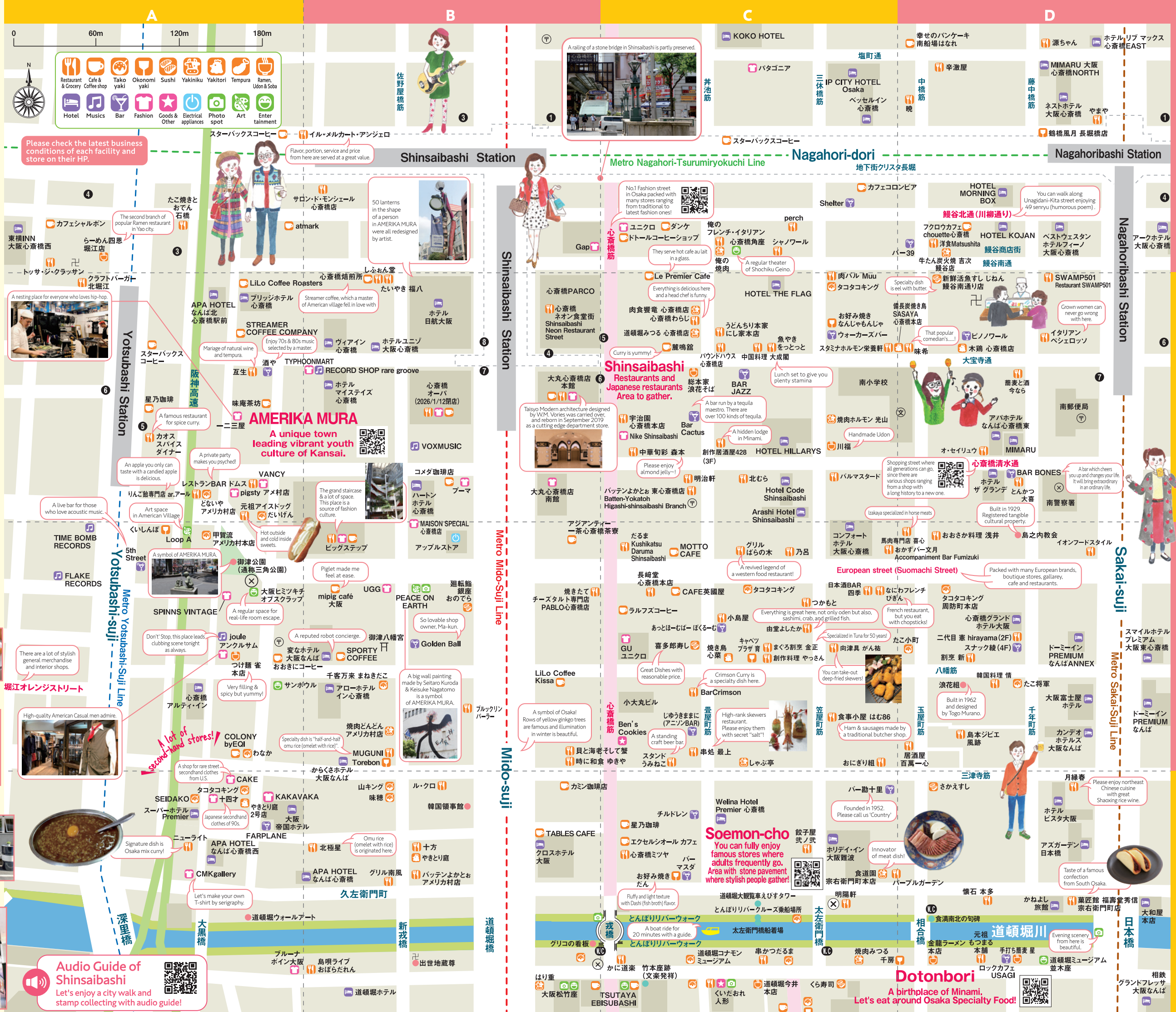
Exquisite Hinai-jidori chicken
Hidden yakitori spot in Ura-Namba
Traditional sushi handcrafted
by a sushi master with 50 years
of experience in Namba
Piping hot red bean paste you can't resist!
Freshly grilled mochi in Aiaubashi
Everywhere is delicious!
The famous food alley in Shinsaibashi
Osaka's soul food
Unmissable kushikatsu from a famous spot

Heartwarming and nutritious
Obanzai-style bar in Higashi-Shinsaibashi
Espuma style!
Rich chicken broth ramen
in Minamisemba
A luxurious moment in a calm, relaxing space
Café-restaurant in Dobuike-suji
Chef's choice pasta is exquisite!
A hidden wine bar in Nagahoribashi



Please use the convenient stations below to access to Osaka Minami.
〔Kintetsu〕 Osaka Namba Station・Kintetsu Niponbashi Station,
〔Hanshin〕 Osaka Namba Station, 〔Nankai〕 Namba Station
〔JR〕 JR Namba Station, 〔Each Metro Stations〕 Namba Station・Shinsaibashi Station・
Nipponbashi Station・Nagahoribashi Station・Hommachi Station・Sakaisuji・Hommachi Station





A Town of Textile Wholesale & Retro buildings

Minamisemba



Various artists who love Semba have carried on the good old days, and made this place comfortable.

You can never go wrong with here!
Highly recommended by a Minami merchant



Highly recommended by a female enthusiast of dietary education
Onigiri-ya TEMARIYA

Cute one-bite size Onigiri shop. They do not use any additives nor preservatives. You can also drink limited sake!

Highly recommended by a healthcare practitioner
Ramen MUGI to TORI

Chicken Soup, whose form is called espuma (creamy foam), is rich and mellow. You will be addicted to this rich flavor, welcoming atmosphere for solo female customer!

Designer's Recommendation
yohaku Blank

A caf during the day, then a French restaurant and bar at night. In a calm and quiet interior, just like the name suggests, it's a hidden spot where you can savor 'space' for your mind.

Highly recommended by a producer
apartment#03

You can definitely be stylish by selection from the owner. You can find bargains such as sample products and accessories from a brand!

Highly recommended by an owner of a Specialty Shop
Gokou Stand Bar

A relaxed wine bar that many women visit alone. Every small plate is delicious, making the wine go down easily. Choosing a base like oil or tomato, the chef prepares pasta that's truly exquisite!

