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**Deeper Exploration into Fushimi Inari Taisha, a Destination for a
Constant Stream of Visitors from around the World
Paying Respects and Kagura Offerings, Special Tour of Non-public Areas**

The Keihan Group’s flagship hotel, THE THOUSAND KYOTO (Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto City; Miwa Sakurai, General Manager), starts accepting bookings today for our new programs – paying respects, Kagura offerings, and special tours of non-public areas overlooking the ancient garden – for OKUTRIP KYOTO, an exclusive program inviting hotel guests into the depths of Kyoto.



With a history of over 1,300 years, Fushimi Inari Taisha, is the main shrine of Inari shrines nationwide. Also known for its attractive Senbon Torii gates, the shrine is said to bring business prosperity, good harvests, household safety, healing from all illnesses, and traffic safety. In this program, a Shinto priest shows you around areas that are normally closed to the public, and you can also experience praying at the main shrine and making Kagura offerings.

In areas normally closed to the public, you can tour the Hoshuken tea room named and handwritten in calligraphy by Sen Soshitsu, the 16th head of the Urasenke school of tea ceremony, and Seicho no Ma hall that displays a hanging scroll by Munakata Shiko, a printmaker who achieved the international print award at the 28th Venice Biennale and other acclaim worldwide. You can also see a garden that depicts the waterscape from the age of the gods, as well as works by Yumemakura Baku, Amano Yoshitaka, and “The Playing Fox Princess” by Kano Shokoku. *Works are subject to change.

Step further inside from the approach to the shrine visited by many worshipers from around the world to enjoy a quiet time away from the hustle and bustle of the outside world. After the tour, pray for your wishes to come true by paying respects at the main shrine and viewing kagura

(entertaining the gods with music and dance) at the seats set up in the Kagura Hall. Please note that applying for this tour of non-public areas is currently only offered at The Thousand Kyoto.

OKUTRIP KYOTO provides an experience into the deeper parts of Kyoto. With our newly added program, we take you to areas further inside Fushimi Inari Taisha where guides cannot usually enter.

< OKUTRIP KYOTO > Paying Respects and Kagura Offerings, Special Tour of Non-public

Areas

[D a t e s] March 8 (Friday) to November 30 (Saturday), 2024 *Book by two days in advance.
May not be available on some days for shrine events

[Content] - Prayer at the main shrine (Gifts: one amulet, offerings)
- Kagura offering at the Kagura Hall
- Tour of areas normally closed to the public (Tea is not served at Hoshuken.)

[F e e] 10,000 yen per guest

[T i m e] About one hour (Two time slots ①9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. ②2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.)

[Location] Fushimi Inari Taisha (68 Fukakusa Yabunouchi-cho, Fushimi-ku, Kyoto City, Kyoto Prefecture 612-0882)

[Details] <https://www.keihanhotels-resorts.co.jp/the-thousand-kyoto/okutrip/healing/inari.html>
(Japanese page)

*Photography is not allowed during prayers and Kagura offerings.

*The route for non-public areas, prayers, and Kagura may change due to festivals and other circumstances.

*Transportation expenses are not included in the price.

*OKUTRIP KYOTO is an activity exclusively offered to THE THOUSAND KYOTO hotel guests.

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About Fushimi Inari Taisha

Fushimi Inari Taisha is the main shrine of the approximately 30,000 Inari-san shrines nationwide, enshrining Inari Okami, enshrined on Mt. Inari in 711 during the Nara period. Celebrating 1,300 years in 2011, the shrine is known to bring business prosperity, good harvest, safety of households, and the fulfillment of various wishes. The shrine attracts visitors from worldwide as a Japanese cultural spot as its premises are also home to the Senbon Torii, the tunnel-like row of torii gates dedicated by people as a sign of worship and gratitude, statues of foxes which serve as messengers to Inari Okami, and the shrine building designated as an important cultural property.

Address: 68 Fukakusa Yabunouchi-cho, Fushimi-ku, Kyoto City

THE THOUSAND KYOTO's Activity "OKUTRIP KYOTO"

OKUTRIP KYOTO is a tourism program for hotel guests that suggests the charms of Kyoto discovered by our hotel staff who walked over 1,000 kilometers around the city to find. In collaboration with Kyoto's shrines, temples, and traditional crafts, OKUTRIP KYOTO provides unique contents and experiences in which guests can explore the depths of Kyoto tailored to individual needs.

Please see details here:

<https://www.keihanhotels-resorts.co.jp/the-thousand-kyoto/en/okutrip/>

KYOTO DEEP EXPERIENCE GUIDE



BY THE THOUSAND KYOTO

THE THOUSAND KYOTO celebrates our 5th year.

About a two-minute walk from Kyoto Station, THE THOUSAND KYOTO branded as the 1000 Year Hotel offers moving experiences in pursuit of a new comfort and sustainability from the Thousand-year Capital Kyoto that will last through the next one thousand years.

To commemorate the 5th anniversary since our opening in January 2024, we offer hospitality that is unique to THE THOUSAND KYOTO with the five senses as our theme. The logo is based on our hotel's iconic grand staircase. We will keep our original intentions in mind as we express our gratitude to our guests, and continue to evolve step by step as a "Sustainable Comfort Hotel" that is comfortable for people, society, and the future.



▶ Learn about THE THOUSAND KYOTO sustainability initiatives.

https://www.keihanhotels-resorts.co.jp/the-thousand-kyoto/en/sdgs_actions/

Proposing lifestyles for achieving SDGs

About the Keihan Group's BIOSTYLE PROJECT

The project contributes to the achievement of SDGs while actualizing healthy, beautiful, high-quality lifestyles. The Keihan Group designates the lifestyles that contribute to achieving such a recycling-oriented society as BIOSTYLE and promotes such lifestyles to our guests.



The Keihan Group puts forward activities that contribute to the achievement of a recycling-oriented society that can make positive changes to people and earth in a way that is fun, undemanding, and easily adaptable in people's daily lives rather than activities born out of rules and enduring patience.

▶ THE THOUSAND KYOTO rebranded as the 1000 Year Hotel in July 2022 is a certified BIOSTYLE PROJECT and the flagship hotel of the Keihan Group that pursues comfort and sustainability. We develop comfortable and sustainable experiences and actions as only a 1000 Year Hotel can do.

▶ Details about the BIOSTYLE PROJECT <https://www.keihan-holdings.co.jp/business/biostyle/> (Japanese page)

THE THOUSAND KYOTO

[Address] 570 Higashi Shiokoji-cho, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto City 600-8216

[Access] About 2 minutes on foot east from JR Kyoto Station

[Opening] January 29, 2019

[Floors] 1 floor underground, 9 floors above ground

Guest rooms: Floors 3 to 9 / 222 rooms

[Website] <https://www.keihanhotels-resorts.co.jp/the-thousand-kyoto/en/>



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