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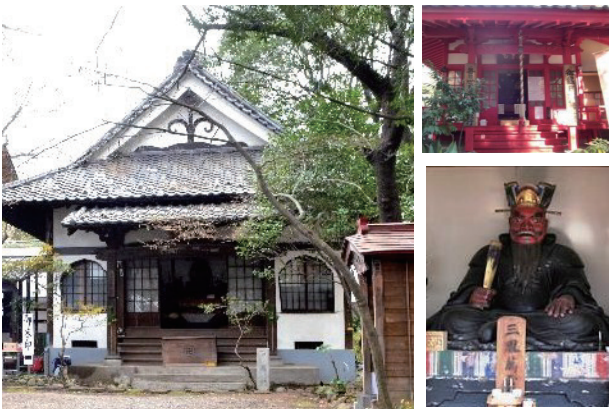
Built in 1393, Zojo-ji reached its peak during the Edo period when it served as the family temple of the House of Tokugawa. As one of the seven major temples of the Jodo shu, it is a key training temple of the nenbutsu teachings.



The temple offers sutra-copying sessions every 14th of every month, as well as a special public viewing of the House of Tokugawa mausoleum on the 15th of January, May, and September (admission required).

C Hoshu-in Tel: 03-3431-0987

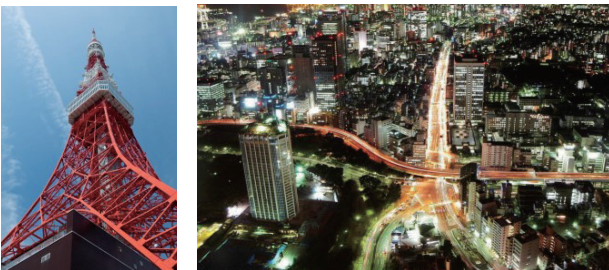
Hoshu-in was built along with the Bentendo Hall in 1685 by 30th Reigen-Shonin of Zojo-ji temple.



Minato Ward is home to Minato Ward cultural treasure Enma Daio (great king Enma) and a Benzaiten associated with Emperor Seiwa (858-876).

E Tokyo Tower Tel: 03-3433-5111

This symbol of Tokyo stands at 333 meters. Enjoy a spectacular view of Tokyo from the observation deck.



Hours: Observatory (150 m), 9:00-23:00 (doors close 22:30). Open daily year round. Visitors may climb the stairs to the observatory on Saturdays and holidays. In the spring, the Tower is lit up with 25,000 LED lights in a display known as "Tokyo Warm Light." In the summer, it is decorated with yet another display called the "Milky Way Illumination."

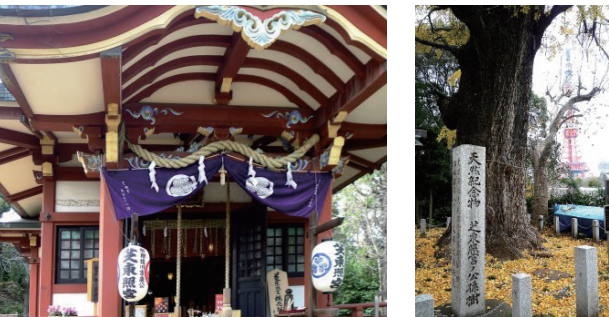
G The Prince Park Tower Tokyo Tel: 03-5400-1111



This hotel, standing 33 floors high and equipped with 604 rooms and 17 banquet halls, also features many more great facilities including a gym complete with a natural hot spring, and more. The seven restaurant choices include European cuisine Restaurant Brise Verte, Chinese cuisine Yomeiden, and Japanese cuisine restaurant Shiba-zakura, amongst others.

B Shiba Toshogū Tel: 03-3431-9658

The site is features gingko trees--considered a "natural monument"--planted by the third shogun Tokugawa Iemitsu, as well as important cultural properties.



Visitors may witness the changing seasons right here in the Metropolitan--spring plum blossoms, cherry blossoms, new greenery, and autumn foliage. A major festival is held on April 17th.

D Myojyo-in Tel: 03-5777-2111

This noted nenbutsu temple featuring a plaque honoring the Tokugawa shogunate. Established in 1763, the beautiful exterior has been restored in recent years by dismantling followed by repairs.



The Kumanodo and Jodo-kura interior is open to the public in early November to showcase exhibits. The halls contain numerous treasures brought from Edo Castle and dedicated to the temple.

F Tokyo Prince Hotel Tel: 03-3432-1111

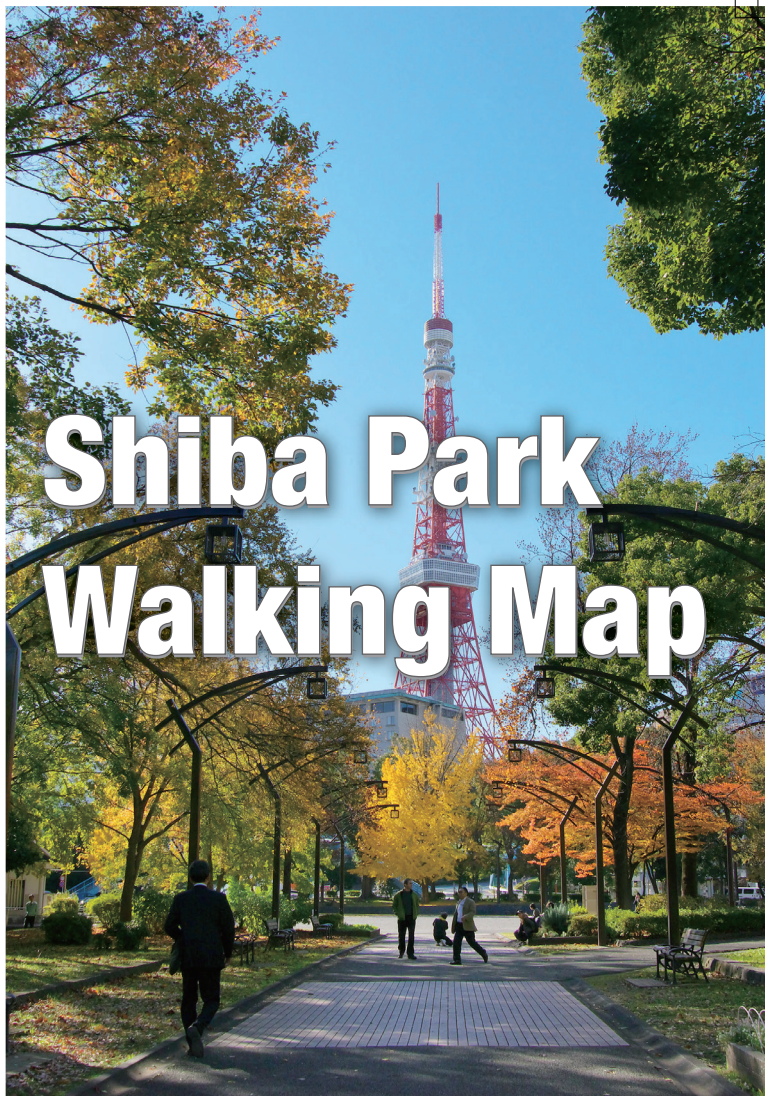


The hotel offers an ideal location in a relaxed neighborhood with Tokyo Tower in the background, as well as highly convenient transportation. It features seven restaurants including buffet restaurant Porto, Japanese cuisine Shimizu, sushi restaurant Gotoku, and tempura restaurant Fukusa.

H Shiba Park (Minato Ward)



The Park was re-opened following renovations in March 2007. Shiba Park features a broad grassy stretch designed in consideration of factors such as potential natural disasters and the natural environment. It also has the "Peace Light" as a reminder of the horrors of war and the treasure of peace.



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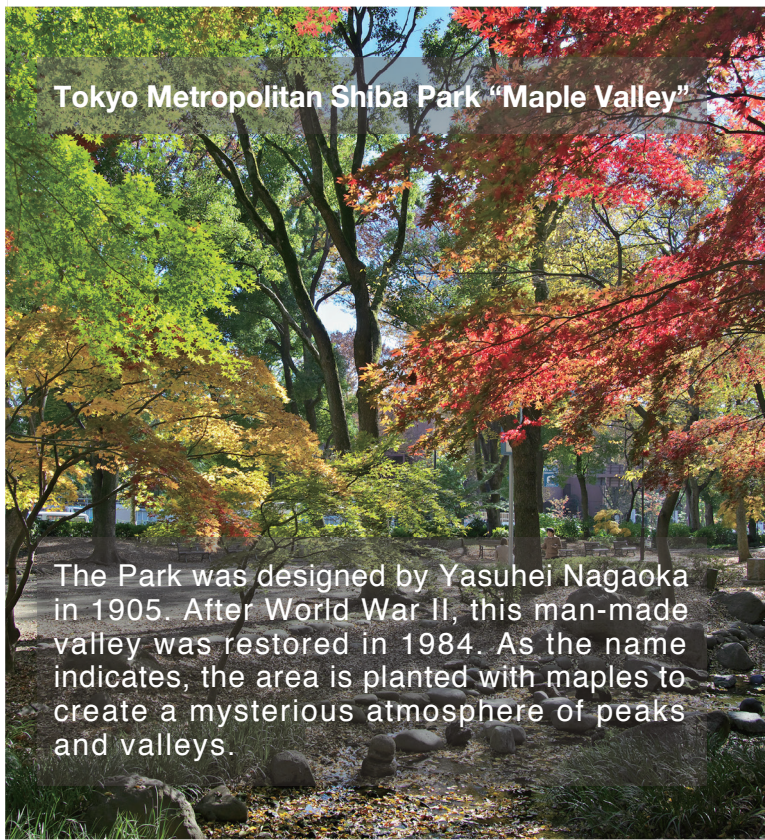
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12 minutes' walk from Hamamatsuchō station on the JR Yamanote line/2 minutes' walk from Shibakoen station on the Toei Subway Mita line/2 minutes' walk from Akabanebashi station on the Toei Subway Oedo line

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Tokyo Metropolitan Shiba Park "Maple Valley"

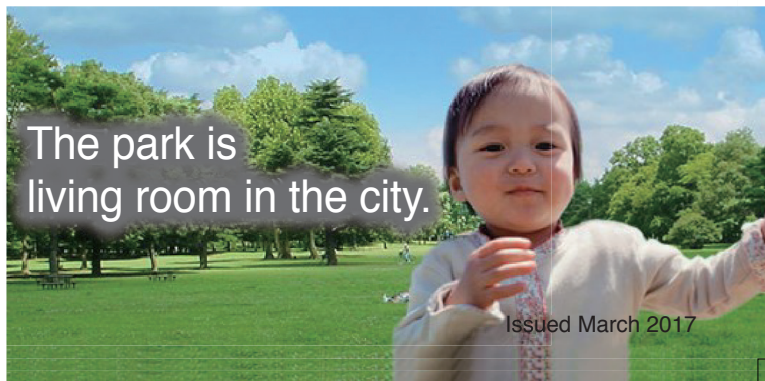
The Park was designed by Yasuhei Nagaoka in 1905. After World War II, this man-made valley was restored in 1984. As the name indicates, the area is planted with maples to create a mysterious atmosphere of peaks and valleys.

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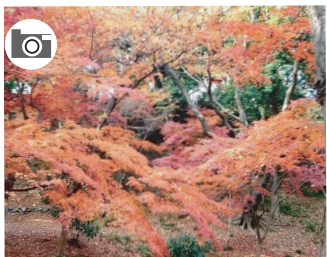


Walking Course Map

Shiba Park 1, 2, 3, and 4 chome



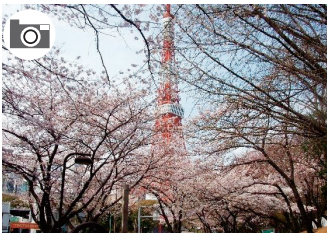
Metasequoia forest
Spring greenery : April-September
Autumn foliage : Late November



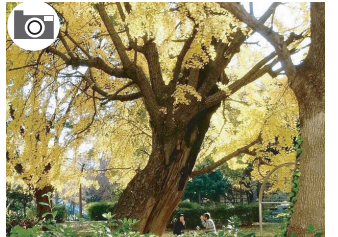
Maple valley
Designed by Yasuhei Nagaoka in 1905.
Autumn foliage-viewing: early-mid December



Higashi-azabu shopping street
Scarecrow festival: early October



Cherry-blossom viewing peak: early April



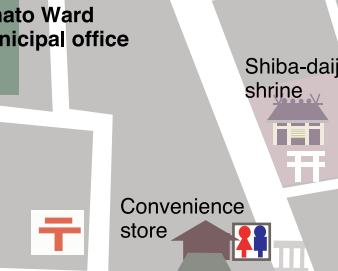
Maple valley
These trees were hit in the Tokyo firebombing of May 1945
Autumn foliage: Mid-November-early December



Photo opportunity spot



Convenience store



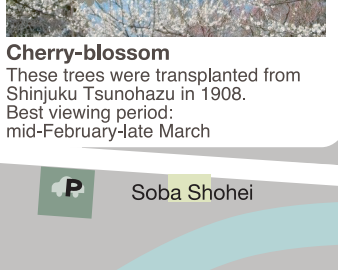
Shiba-daijingu shrine



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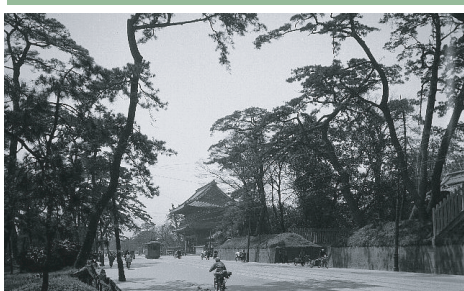


Shiba Park Front Tower



Cherry-blossom
These trees were transplanted from Shinjuku Tsunohazu in 1908.
Best viewing period: mid-February-late March

Shiba Park



Shiba Park became one of Japan's first parks when it was assigned lands on the precincts of Zojo-ji temple on October 19th, 1873.
Following the Great Kanto Earthquake and the ravages of World War II, the vicinity took on its present form through a process of area development. As is befitting to an old park, it features camphor, zelkova, ginkgo trees, and more. The park is also known as the home of some of the first sports facilities in Tokyo parks.

Photo: Tokyo Metropolitan Park Association



Monument to Tadataka Ino
This monument was built in honor of Ino's surveying achievements, which originated near Shiba Park.



Monument to Tadataka Ino
This keyhole-shaped mound is believed to date back to the 5th century. It is amongst the largest in the Tokyo metropolitan area, and an important historical property of Tokyo.

Walking course

Approximately 1.9 km

Approximately 1.6 km

100m