

Access



Japan

Fukui Prefecture

From Tokyo

Airplane ◆ About 2h
[Airplane & Bus]

Train ◆ About 3h30m
[Bullet train & Limited Express]

From Osaka

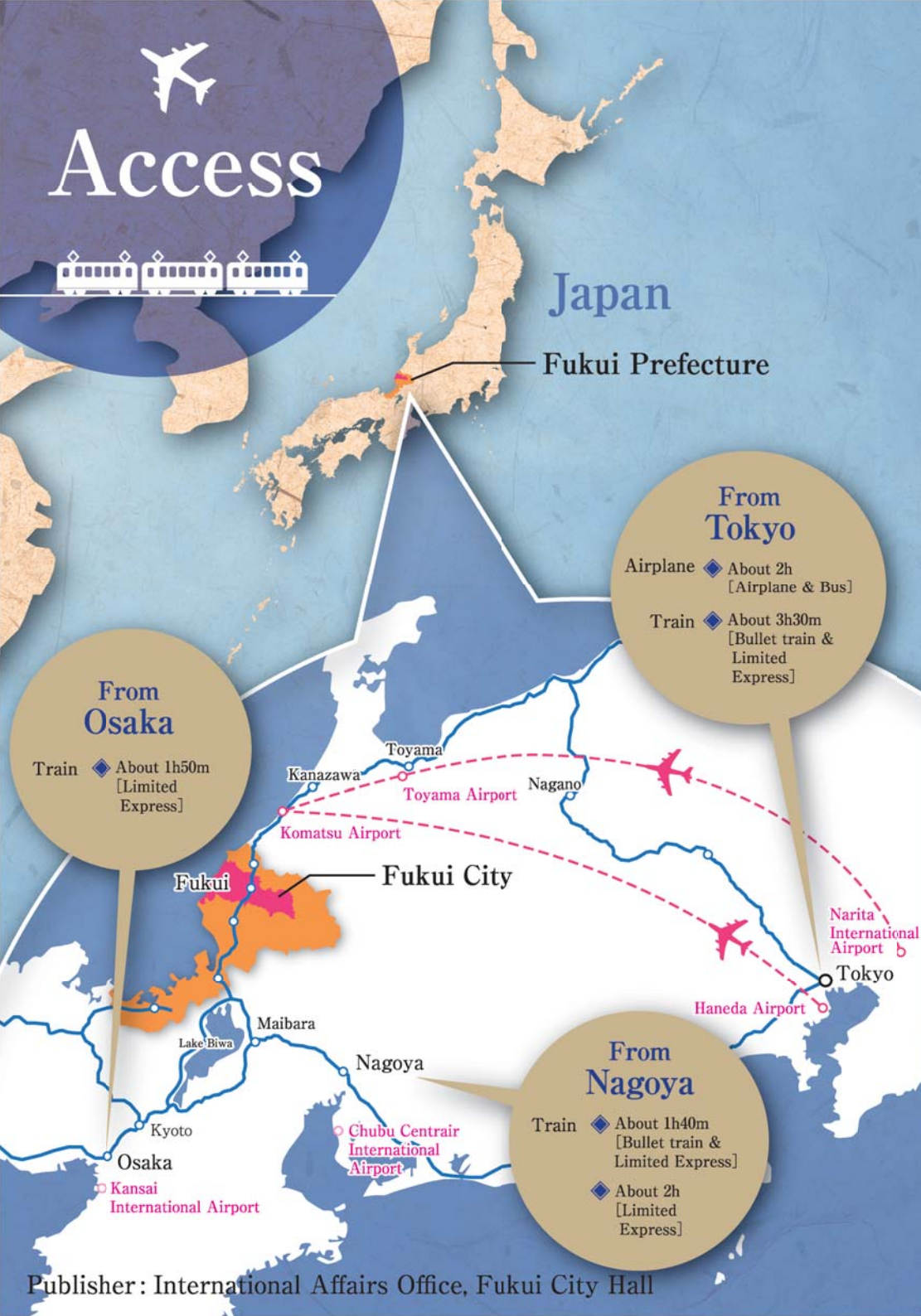
Train ◆ About 1h50m
[Limited Express]

From Nagoya

Train ◆ About 1h40m
[Bullet train & Limited Express]

◆ About 2h
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FUKUI CITY 福井市

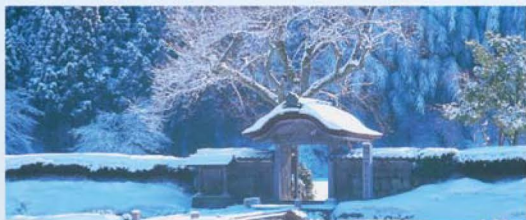


Cherry Blossoms of Asuwa River



Ichijodani Asakura Clan Ruins

The ruins of a castle town from the Warring States Period. The Asakura Clan ruled as feudal lords over Echizen Province (present day Fukui Prefecture) from 1471 across 103 years and 5 generations. In its golden age, the town held a huge territory and supposedly housed a population of over 10,000. Graceful culture flourished here in Ichijodani. In 1573, the Asakura were defeated by the powerful warlord Oda Nobunaga, their castle town was burned down, and its history ended with them.



美
Beauty

“Asakurazen”

A set of traditional meals that was supposedly served for Ashikaga Yoshiaki (who later became Shogun) upon his visit to Ichijodani from Kyoto. Traditional dishes, such as “Gojiru” soup and “Gomakoro” potatoes, are meticulously prepared by area natives.



Yokokan Garden

The Fukui feudal lord Matsudaira's second residence. This beautiful garden with its graceful sukiya-zukuri style villa is well known as a masterpiece amongst Japanese gardens from the middle Edo Period (17C). It was also used as a guest house of Fukui Domain, reflecting Fukui's thriving culture. The garden was restored in recent years and garners positive reviews in the American Journal of Japanese Gardening.



Echizen Oroshi Soba

A bowl of dark, chewy buckwheat noodles served in a distinctive soup characterized by grated Japanese radish.

食
Food

Echizen Gani (Crab)

A Fukui specialty called the “king of winter delicacies.” Echizen Crab is savored throughout Japan by casual diners and food connoisseurs alike.

