



Basement Passageway
(Admission free zone)

- Museum Store
Original museum products and books are available for purchase.



• Restaurant



• Models of Buddhist sculptures and panel displays

Opening Times

9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
 * The museum closes at 6:00 PM on March 1-11, 13, 14.
 The Museum is open late until 7:00 PM on following days.
 • Fridays from the last week in April until the last week in October
 • Fourth Saturday in January, Setsubun Day (February 3), March 12, and December 17
 • Please see posters, flyers, or our website for museum hours during special exhibitions.
 * Last admission is 30 mins before Museum close.

Holidays

Closed Mondays
 (When Monday falls on a public holiday, the museum remains open on that day and closes the following Tuesday. When Monday falls in the middle of an extended holiday, the museum remains open throughout the holiday period and closes the first weekday thereafter.)
 Closed on January 1
 * Hours and holidays are subject to change.

Admission Fees

• Masterpiece Exhibitions, Special Displays, Featured Exhibitions, and the Parent-Child Gallery

	Adults	University/College Students
Individual rates	¥500	¥250
Group rates (Groups of 20+)	¥400	¥200

* Admission is free for persons of high school age and younger (18 and under).
 * Admission is free for persons 70 years and older as well as for handicapped persons and their caregivers (one each). (Please be prepared to present ID and a handicap passbook.)

* Free admission on Setsubun Day (February 3), Children's Day (May 5), International Museum Day (May 18), Respect for the Elderly Day (Third Monday in September) and Kansai Culture Day (designated day in November)
 * Group rates apply to adults visiting the Museum with children under junior high school.
 * Group rates apply to persons visiting the museum after 5:00 PM on days with extended hours during winter vacation (December and January) and summer vacation (July and August) ("late discount").
 * General admission is ¥250 per person for married couples visiting the museum on the 22nd of each month, and free for married couples visiting the museum on November 22 ("couples day" discount).
 • Special Exhibitions (including Joint Exhibitions)
 Varies by exhibition.

Guided Tours

Volunteer guides will be happy to answer any questions about the exhibits. Volunteer guide services are also available free of charge for school trips, field trips, other educational activities, company training sessions and other group tours. If you would like to request a group tour, please make a reservation at least two weeks prior to your visit.
 For more information, see the Museum's website or contact the Education Office in the Arts Department.
 Tel: (0742) 22-4464, weekdays 10:00 AM to noon and 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Access

15 minutes by foot from the Kintetsu Nara Station, or immediately in front of the "Himuro Jinja/Kokuritsu Hakubutsukan" bus stop on the Nara Kotsu City Loop Bus "Shinai Junkan Sotomawari" from JR Nara Station or Kintetsu Nara Station.
 * No parking space is available at the museum, so please use the nearby prefectural toll parking lot or other location.



Times to Nara Station by train:
 Kintetsu: 34 minutes from Kyoto Station on the Express
 35 minutes from Osaka Namba Station on the Limited Express
 JR: 40 minutes from Kyoto Station on the Miyako-Ji Limited Express
 44 minutes from Osaka Station on the Yamato-Ji Limited Express

Nara National Museum

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NARA NATIONAL MUSEUM

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Nara National Museum is nestled in a leafy corner of Nara National Park near Todai-ji Temple, Kofuku-ji Temple, Kasuga Shrine and other ancient temples and shrines. The spacious grounds offer the visitor the perfect setting for coming in contact with the beauty of Buddhist art and learning its history. We hope you enjoy your stay.

Nara Buddhist Sculpture Hall (Important Cultural Property)

The main building of the original Imperial Nara Museum, an Important Cultural Property which was completed in 1894 and opened the following year, became a well-loved place where visitors could encounter famous Buddhist art. On July 21, 2010, the facility reopened as the Nara Buddhist Sculpture Hall following extensive renovations to its interior lighting and exhibit spaces. The Masterpiece Exhibition, "Gems of Buddhist Art", features various types of exceptional Buddhist statues that trace the history of Japanese sculpture from the Asuka period through the Kamakura period.



Bronze Ware Gallery (Sakamoto Collection)

Masterpiece Exhibitions (featuring bronze ware from ancient China)
 The Bronze Ware Gallery features exhibits of exceptional Chinese bronze ware dating from the Shang (Yin) Dynasty to the Han Dynasty that were donated by Goro Sakamoto.

Map of Nara National Museum



Hassoan Tea Room

The team room can be viewed from the garden-side pilots only on days when the West Wing is open.



West Wing

Masterpiece Exhibition: "Gems of Buddhist Art" (painting, calligraphy, ceramics, archaeological artifacts), Special Exhibitions and 1st floor resource room



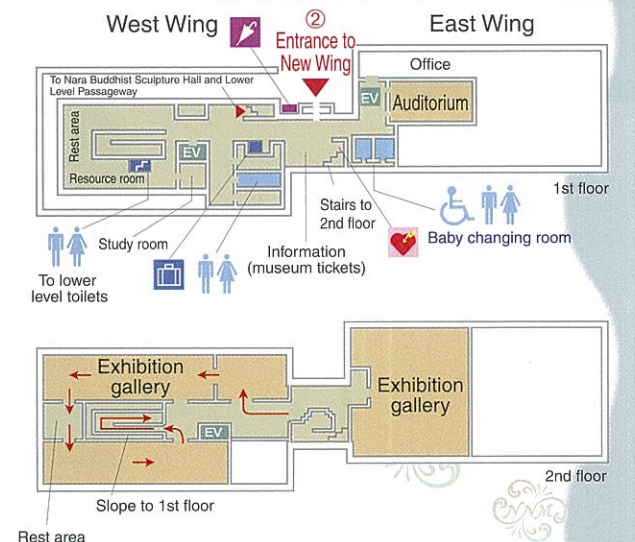
Buddhist Art Library and Research Center (Important Cultural Property)



The Buddhist Art Library
 Open to the public from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM
 Wednesdays and Fridays (excluding holidays).

East Wing

Special Exhibitions



* → indicates suggested route.
 * Arrangement of galleries is subject to change.

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