Opening Hours

General exhibition from the Permanent Collections and feature/thematic exhibitions
9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Open late on the following days:
- Fridays and Saturdays (except over the New Year's holiday): Until 8:00 PM
- Nara Take-wa (mid August): Until 9:00 PM (Fridays and Saturdays) or 7:00 PM (Sundays to Thursdays)
- Tōda-ji Meito Kuyō-e and Kasuga-taisha Chuugen Mannon (Aug. 15), Kasuga Wakamya On-matsuri Owaemon-ichi (Dec. 17), Kasuga-taisha Setsubun Mannon (Feb. 3) until 5:00 PM (when events fall on a Friday or Saturday, until 8:00 PM)
- Wakasagusa Yamayuki (fourth Saturday in January): Until 8:00 PM
- Nara Run-a (mid February): Until 9:00 PM (Fridays and Saturdays) or 8:30 PM (Sundays to Thursdays)
- Tōda-ji Nigatsu Shūrini (Ochizuki) as follows:
  - Fridays and Saturdays from Mar. 1 to Mar. 14, Until 8:00 PM
  - Mar. 12: Until 7:00 PM
  - Other days: Until 9:00 PM

Holidays

Closed on Mondays and Jan. 1 (When a Monday falls on a national holiday, the museum remains open on that day and is closed on the following Tuesday. The museum remains open during consecutive holidays and is closed the day after the holidays.)

* The museum calendar is subject to change. See the museum’s website for the latest information.

Admission

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* Free admission on Children’s Day (May 5), International Museum Day (May 16), Respect for the Elderly Day (third Monday in Sep.), Kansas City Day (designated day in Nov.), Kasuga Wakamya On-matsuri Owaemon-ichi (Dec. 17), and Kasuga-taisha Setsubun Mannon (Feb. 3).

• Half regular adult admission for married couples on the 22nd of each month.

Free admission for married couple visitors on Nov. 22 (Couples Day)

• Group rate applied to adult visitors with children (junior high school and below).

• Group rate applied to admission after 5:00 PM on extended-hour days in the summer/winter vacations (Jul-Aug, Dec-Jan.)

• Special exhibitions including joint exhibitions

Access

15-minute walk from the Kitashin Nara Station, or 5-10 minutes by Nara Keihan City Loop bus to the bus stop “Hirano Jingū / Kokubunji Hakubutsukan” (in front of the museum) from JR Nara or Kitashin Nara Station.

* No parking available in the museum. Please use parking facilities nearby.

Nara National Museum

HP: https://www.nara-museum.go.jp/

Nara National Museum is nestled in a leafy corner of Nara National Park near Todai-ji Temple, Kotoku-ji Temple, Kasuga Shrine and other ancient temples and shrines.

Visitors will have great experiences in a relaxing atmosphere, coming into contact with the beauty of Buddhist art as well as its history and culture which exist in the background. We hope you will enjoy your visit.
Nara Buddhist Sculpture Hall (nationally designated important Cultural Property)

It was a main building of the former Imperial Nara Museum (a photo shown on the front page) completed in 1894, which houses masterpieces as a general exhibition “Masterpieces of Buddhist Sculpture”. The hall features a large number of exceptional Buddhist statues that trace the history of Japanese sculpture from the Asuka period (538–790) through the Kamakura period (1185–1333).

Museum Map

Buddhist Art Library (nationally designated important Cultural Property)

houses mainly the references related to Buddhist art. Open to the public on Wednesdays and Fridays (from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM; excluding holidays). Seikyo Hall located centrally in the building hosts various events.

East Wing

serves as a venue for special exhibitions and feature exhibitions.

*Closed occasionally, for example when changing exhibits.

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Serves as a venue for the general exhibition “Masterpieces of Buddhist Art” (paintings, calligraphy, decorative arts, and archeological artifacts) as well as special exhibits and other displays.

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Hassho Teahouse

The teahouse and garden are not open to the public.

Ritual Bronze Gallery (Sakamoto Collection)

features exceptional Chinese bronze vessels dating from the Shang (Yi) Dynasty to the Han Dynasty, which were donated by Mr. Goro Sakamoto.

Access to the underground passageway is free of charge.

Free Wi-Fi is available for the Resting Area located in the Underground Passageway.