

For the Area Around

Sakai Station Map

Something delicious and more >>>



Named by popular vote:
Porutonosuke Hashinoue

Sakai City has long been a town that traded with Portugal. The statue on the Nanban Bridge over the Uchikawa River, modeled after a Portuguese person from the past, was installed in 1987 but did not have a particular name. In 2023, a public naming contest was held, and it was named “Hashi-no-Ue Porutonosuke” (“Porutonosuke on the Bridge”). An episode related to the name, titled “The Promise Ribbon,” was also created and released on YouTube.



It's now available on YouTube! Please check it out!!

Promise Ribbon

Porutonosuke and Sayo are drawn to each other despite their different circumstances. Entrusting their feelings to a ribbon, it is a love story that transcends time.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nZ-mm8z_PTK



Write your wish on a ribbon and tie it to the railing of the bridge.
Porutonosuke just might make your wish come true!!

Ribbons are now on sale
at the Tourist Information Center (inside Sakai Station)!!

Sakai station Area Map



TIPS-1

Manners in Japanese Restaurants

Entering the Restaurant

◎Staff will often guide you to your seat, so please wait for assistance.

Ordering

◎Pointing at the menu helps communication go smoothly.
◎Water is usually provided for free.

Dining Manners

◎It is acceptable to make slurping sounds when eating ramen, soba, or udon.

Things to Note Inside the Restaurant

◎Avoid speaking loudly on your mobile phone.
◎Most restaurants are non-smoking. If smoking is allowed, there is usually a designated smoking room.
◎Bringing your own food or drinks is generally not allowed.

Payment

◎It is common to pay at the register. Paying at the table is less common.
◎When dining in a group, it is customary to pay together in one bill.
◎Many places accept cash only, so it's a good idea to carry small bills and coins.

Enjoy Japanese food culture and have a pleasant dining experience by following these manners.



TIPS-2

Sakai City has two Coordinators for International Relations: one from New Zealand and one from China.
We also asked for their insights.

◎In many countries, people are not accustomed to sitting on the floor, so some may feel a bit confused. However, in places like izakayas, there are sometimes seating areas where you take off your shoes and sit on tatami-style flooring.

◎After being seated, you may be served a small appetizer called *otoshi*. Even though you did not order it, you will be charged for it. This often surprises visitors from overseas who wonder, “Why am I paying for something I didn’t order?” *Otoshi* functions as a type of table charge.

◎In some countries—especially the United States—it is customary to leave a tip, but in Japan, tipping is generally not practiced.

◎Some restaurants only accept cash. It’s a good idea to check whether cashless payment is available beforehand.

They are posting information on Instagram



◀sakaicitycir_en

https://www.instagram.com/sakaicitycir_en/

sakaicitycir_chinese ▶

https://www.instagram.com/sakaicitycir_chinese/



TIPS-3

Osaka Metropolitan University has students from various countries.
We asked them the following question:

"If a friend of yours were coming to Japan, (as someone who has already experienced living in Japan) what advice or points of caution would you give them?"

Nigeria (28 years old)

◎ You should definitely install an app that can translate into your native language! To make sure you don’t break any laws!

China (23 years old)

◎ In China, it’s common, but in Japan, very few people eat while walking, and it’s better to avoid talking on the phone on the train.
◎ Both tax-included and tax-excluded prices are shown, so it’s easy to misunderstand the actual amount.

Vietnam (28 years old)

◎Rules and procedures, such as separating garbage and opening a bank account, are very strict.
◎In small shops or older areas, credit cards cannot be used, so you must always have cash on hand.

Brazil (28 years old)

◎Sometimes I feel that Japanese people are overly concerned about not causing trouble for others, which can feel a bit stifling.
Even so, in Osaka—specifically Sakai—strangers sometimes suddenly start a conversation with you. I was surprised, but I felt very happy about it.



Welcome to “SAKAI” ekimae

Sakai is a port town that prospered from the sea. The Old Sakai Lighthouse is a symbol of the city, once guiding ships entering the harbor. Built in 1877, it is designated as a National Historic Site as the oldest existing wooden Western-style lighthouse in Japan, and it remains beloved by local residents.

In fact, the town had requested that the national government build this lighthouse, but they never did. So the townspeople decided to construct it themselves through their own donations. This is the true spirit of the people of Sakai!!

During the Sengoku period, Sakai developed as an autonomous city governed by its townspeople, belonging to no feudal lord. The idea was that the people would take care of their own town themselves, without relying on the government.

We can feel the enduring spirit of the people of Sakai in this lighthouse. Although its light was extinguished in 1968, it will continue to illuminate the hearts of Sakai’s citizens.

Located very close to the harbor, the Sakai ekimae shotenkai has been dedicated to the development of this area since its founding in 1983. As merchants of Sakai, we hope to carry on this spirit and pass it on to the next generation.

Sakai has long been a port town that has interacted and built friendly relationships with people from overseas. Even now, we wish to continue connecting and fostering good relations with visitors from around the world. We sincerely look forward to welcoming you to our town and our shops.

Sakai ekimae shotenkai

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Tatsuzo

Yakiniku

TEL 072-226-4888

OPEN 11:00~14:00

17:00~22:00

Occasionally closed for maintenance

Open every day

¥ LUNCH ¥1,000~

DINNER ¥4,500~

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Fujiyoshi

Izakaya

TEL 072-224-0041

OPEN 11:30~14:00

16:00~22:30

Until 23:30 on Fri, Sat & Holiday Eve

Wed.

¥ LUNCH ¥900

DINNER ¥5,000

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DEVI

Indian cuisine

TEL 072-238-0526

OPEN 11:00~15:00

17:00~23:00

Irregular days

¥ ¥1,000~¥2,000

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Mechakucha

Izakaya

TEL 072-248-7873

OPEN 11:00~25:00

Open every day

¥ ¥1,000~¥2,000

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bar hitsuji

Dinning bar

TEL 070-1788-3290

OPEN Lunch 11:30~14:00 (Friday only)

Dinner 17:00~00:00

※Fri & Sat until 5:00

Sun.Mon.

¥ LUNCH ¥1,000~

DINNER ¥3,000~

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Kurayashiki

Izakaya

TEL 072-226-8489

OPEN 17:00~25:00

Sun,Public holidays

¥ ¥2,500~

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bar CLASSICAL

Bar

TEL 072-233-8787

OPEN 19:00~1:00

Sun,Public holidays

¥ ¥2,500

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Komachi

Bar & Cafe

TEL 090-8211-9585

OPEN [Thu,Fri,Sat] 18:30~24:00

Mon,Tue,Wed,Sun,Public holidays

¥ ¥2,000~

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Hinodeya

Supermarket

TEL 072-238-2323

OPEN 10:00~22:00

Sun.

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KAL

Korean Cuisine

TEL 072-228-2229

OPEN 17:00~22:00

Sun.

¥ ¥3,000

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Kutsurogi

Izakaya

TEL 072-225-1929

OPEN [Mon-Fri] 11:00~14:00

[Mon-Sat] 17:00~22:00

[Sun & Holidays] 17:00~21:00

Irregular days

¥ LUNCH ¥800~

DINNER ¥4,000~

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Le Ciel

Bistro Bar

TEL 072-238-2839

OPEN 17:30~23:00

(Lunch*12:00~14:00)※Reservation only

Sun (If a public holiday, closed on Monday)

¥ ¥4,000

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Gottyan

Izakaya

TEL 072-238-8339

OPEN 18:00~23:00*

※Open until 2:00AM on Fri & Sat.

Sun,Open irregularly on public holidays

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Zashohachi

Izakaya

TEL 072-223-0048

OPEN 17:00~23:00

Sun.

¥ ¥3,500

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Shohachi

Izakaya

TEL 072-223-0048

OPEN 16:00~

Sun,Public holidays

¥ ¥1,500~

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Yoshitsune

Izakaya

TEL 072-221-3633

OPEN [Mon-Fri] 15:00~23:00

[Sat,Sun,Public holidays] 13:00~23:00

Irregular days

¥ ¥4,000

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Miccya

Izakaya

TEL 072-222-6456

OPEN 17:00~23:00

Sun.

¥ ¥3,500

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Kokorojin

Izakaya

TEL 072-276-4971

OPEN 17:00~23:00

Sun.

¥ ¥4,000

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Tsutsuuraura

Izakaya

TEL 072-268-2781

OPEN 17:00~27:00

Irregular days

¥ ¥3,000~

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Tsuzumi

Izakaya

TEL 070-8566-6728

OPEN 17:00~25:00

Sun,Public holidays(Until 0:00)

¥ ¥3,500

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Gentile

Japanese & Western

TEL 072-260-4770

OPEN 18:00~24:00

Sun,1st & 3rd Mon.

¥ ¥3,500~

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Kaen

Chinese cuisine

TEL 072-230-4296

OPEN 11:00~14:00

17:00~23:00

Sun.

¥ LUNCH ~¥1,000

DINNER ¥1,000~

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M's Tea Cosy

Tea room

TEL 070-9089-0579

OPEN 10:00~17:00

Sun,1st & 3rd Sat , Public Holidays

¥ Drink ¥450~

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Koenyakuho

Herbal Shop

TEL 072-232-3357

OPEN [Tue,Fri]10:00~17:00

[Wed]11:00~17:00 [Thu]13:00~18:00

Closed when Friday is a public holidays.

Mon,Sat,Sun, Public holidays

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Mejirotei

Okonomiyaki

TEL 072-228-2810

OPEN 11:30~14:30

17:00~21:30

Tue,1st Mon.

¥ LUNCH ¥1,000

DINNER ¥2,000

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NANJIV

Italian Bistro

TEL 072-242-6366

OPEN 11:30~14:30

Sun.

¥ ¥1,200

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Yamatotakeru

Izakaya

TEL 072-200-2199

OPEN 13:00~23:00

Mon.

¥ ¥3,000~

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Katsura

Izakaya

TEL 072-247-9757

OPEN [Weekdays] 11:30~14:00

17:00~24:00

[Sat,Sun,Public holidays]13:00~24:00

Mon.

¥ ¥3,000~

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Daikatsu

Yakiniku

TEL 072-246-9029

OPEN 17:00~22:00

Irregular days

¥ ¥4,500

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About the mark

TEL :Telephone Number

OPEN :Opening hours

CLOSE :Closed

¥ :Average cost

CARD :O or X Credit card availability

LUNCH TIME

TAKEOUT OK

Lunchtime available

Take-out menu available

Click here for the Sakai Tourism Guide, packed with sightseeing information such as recommended spots, gourmet food, events, and model plan in Sakai City.
<https://www.sakai-tob.or.jp/>

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