

HOW TO GET TO KYOTO OBUBU TEA FARMS

Getting to Kyoto Obubu Tea Farms, located in the town of Wazuka, requires a little bit of effort, but is well worth the journey. Once you arrive, you will see why Wazuka is considered one of the most beautiful villages in Japan.

Wazuka is easily accessible from Nara (1 hour away), Kyoto (1.5 hours away) and Osaka (2 hours away). We also operate a shuttle bus service that makes a return trip from Kyoto Station and a return trip from Kizu Station, both of which will get you to Wazuka in time for your tea tour.

KYOTO OBUBU TEA FARMS SHUTTLE BUS INFORMATION

Our shuttle bus takes two different routes everyday, once in the morning and then again in the afternoon. Route One is Kyoto Station to Obubu, and Route Two is Kizu JR Station to Obubu. The location for pick up and drop off for Route One: Kyoto to Obubu is the [Hachijouguchi Exit of Kyoto Station](#) (Kyoto Hachijouguchi no Shōkō basho/京都八条口の昇降場所) and the location for Route Two: Kizu JR Station to Obubu is the [East Exit](#) (Higashiguchi/JR木津駅の昇降場所).

OBUBU SHUTTLE BUS BOOKING & BOARDING STEPS:

Reservations for the direct shuttle bus can be made up until 7 a.m. on the day of your trip. However, please note that the shuttle bus may be canceled depending on low or lack of reservation status or bad weather, so please be sure to check our operating schedule in advance.

To reserve a direct shuttle bus, please access the form [here](#) or in the *Services* dropdown on our website to make a booking and make payment. After submitting the reservation form, you will be directed to the payment page, where your reservation will be completed once payment is complete (you will not be able to return to the payment page afterwards). *Your boarding ticket will be confirmed once your payment has been confirmed.* The reply email from Stripe confirming payment completion will be your boarding ticket. When boarding, please present the ticket on your smartphone or printed page to the driver.



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OBUBU SHUTTLE BUS TIMETABLE 2025:

Timetable and Route Number	Route One: <i>Obubu to Kyoto</i>	Route One: <i>Kyoto to Obubu</i>	Route Two: <i>Obubu to Kizu Station</i>	Route Two: <i>Kizu Station to Obubu</i>
Departure (AM)	07:00	08:30	10:00	10:30
Arrival (AM)	08:20	09:50	10:25	10:55
Departure (PM)	16:10	17:40	15:10	15:40
Arrival (AM)	17:30	19:10	15:35	16:05

You can find walkthrough directions [here](#) for Route One: Kyoto to Obubu. Or, you can find walkthrough directions [here](#) for Route Two: Kizu JR Station to Obubu.

PUBLIC TRANSIT INFORMATION:

KYOTO TO OBUBU TEA FARMS

If your departure city is Kyoto, please plan around 90 to 120 minutes travel time. Your tea journey begins at Kyoto's main station, the transport hub for Kyoto.

- Please follow the signs for the JR Lines and buy a ticket from the ticket machine for Kamo Station (加茂). Refer to our "[Ticket Machine & Ticket Gate](#)" guide for machine assistance. You can also tap on using your transport pass.
- After you have purchased your ticket, enter through the ticket gates and look at the electric display boards for trains to "Uji, Nara" to see when the next trains are and which track you will be departing from. Your train will be either on tracks 8, 9 or 10. Please note that there are local trains and rapid or limited service trains and we advise taking a rapid service!
- Your train will be leaving Kyoto on the JR Nara Line for Kizu Station. Please note that you will need to make a transfer at Kizu Station to the JR Yamatoji Line (Platform 2). The transfer will be included in your fare and once you've made this transfer, you are one station away from Kamo, your final train destination.

PUBLIC TRANSIT INFORMATION:

OSAKA TO OBUBU TEA FARMS

If your departure city is Osaka, please plan for around 120 to 180 minutes of travel time.

- Your tea journey begins at Tennoji Station, a main subway/rail hub, easily accessible by many lines.
- Buy a ticket to Kamo Station (Refer to our "[Ticket Machine & Ticket Gate](#)" guide for machine assistance.) You can also tap on using your transport pass.
- Enter through the main JR Lines (Central Gate) and look at the display boards for trains to: *Oji, Nara, Takada*, to see when the next trains are, and which track you will be departing from. Your train will be either on track 15 or 16. There are local trains and rapid trains. We advise you to take a rapid service!
- Go to the train track. Make sure your train's destination is Nara (奈良), Kamo (加茂), or both (奈良方面加茂). If you take the Nara-bound train, you will have to get out at Nara station and wait on the same platform for the next train to Kamo. You can check if you are on the right track by consulting the display boards. If you take a Kamo-bound train or a Nara/Kamo train, simply stay in your seat and enjoy the scenery!

Public Transit Instructions:

Nara to Kyoto Obubu Tea Farms

If your departure city is Nara, please plan around 40 to 50 minutes of travel time.

- Your tea journey begins at the Nara JR Line train station.
- Buy a train ticket to Kamo station or tap on using your transport pass.
- Check the electric display boards to see when the next Kamo-bound train is and which track you will be departing from.
- Your train will be on track 4 or 5.
- Get on the train, sit down and relax. You will be at Kamo before you know it!
- See below for details once you arrive at Kamo Station.

Consult the electric display boards located throughout the station to see when and where your train is departing from. The information on the display boards alternates between Japanese and English every few seconds.



The above display board indicates several things:

- Type: whether the train is local or rapid (local means stopping all stations and rapid means that it will skip some of the stations on the route).
- Train Name/Boarding Position: look to the edge of the train platforms and you will notice various numbers and symbols on the platform. These inform you where the train doors are and how many cars the train has. Check on the information board to know where your train will stop and to line up at a corresponding number.
- Departure Time
- Destination: if this is in Japanese, wait a few seconds and it will switch to English.
- Arrows: this will inform you as to which side of the platform your train is arriving on.

PUBLIC TRANSIT INSTRUCTIONS:

Kamo Station to Obubu Tea Farms

Whichever city is your starting location, we advise taking the JR train to Kamo Station (the closest train station to Obubu). From Kamo Station, you can either take a taxi or the #65 Bus to Wazuka.

Taxi Instructions

- Kyoto Obubu Tea Farms Address: 619-1201 京都府相楽郡和束町園大塚2 京都おぶぶ茶苑 or you can tell the taxi driver: "Obubu Cha En ni onegaishimasu - おぶぶ茶絵をお願いします."
- Taxi Drivers automatically open and close the doors to the car and will assist in loading your luggage. No tips required.
- The cost by taxi to Obubu is approximately ¥3000-4000.

Bus #65 Instructions

- The #65 bus is the only bus departing from the West exit of the train station.
- Once you arrive at Kamo, head out the ticket gates and make a right turn toward the West Gate (西口), where both the bus and taxis to Wazuka can be found. If you are taking the bus, the latest bus information is accessible at <https://rb.gy/ouehy>.
- Our tea tour begins at 11:00 AM so you will need to take the bus that leaves the train station at 10:10 AM. The next bus is more than an hour

later. (If you miss this bus, it's alright but you will probably want to take a taxi so you can be on time for the start of the tour.)

- The bus stop nearest to Obubu is Higashi-wazuka. The 10:10 AM bus arrives there at 10:32 AM and Obubu is located a short two minute walk away!
- When you are getting on the bus, please enter through the doors towards the back and take a little ticket from the orange machine. You could also pay with a transport card. If you do not have enough money on the card, you can pay the difference when you exit the bus.



Image 1: Bus #65 Ticket Machine – Image 2: Payment and Exchange Slots

- You pay for the bus ticket when exiting the bus. The price will be ¥620. If you don't have exact change, the machine can also exchange bills and coins for smaller coins. After exchanging money, you will then need to put the coins into the slot.
- Obubu is a two minute walk away from the Higashi-Wazuka Bus Stop.

Using the #65 Bus

Boarding:

Please board at the doors towards the back of the bus. You will see the ticket machine and panel to tap on your transport card.

Priority Seats:

You may sit in these seats, but if an elderly or handicapped person boards the bus, it is proper manners in Japan to let them have your seat if there are no others available.

Alighting:

At the front of the bus, the display shows the name of the next stop. When the panel displays Higashi-Wazuka (this is the first stop after the fare changes to 620), please press one of the buttons on the walls or seats to indicate that you would like to get off. The button will light up once someone on the bus has pressed it.



Image: Display showing the kanji for Higashi-Wazuka

Using the #65 Bus (cont.)

Paying for your ticket:

The little terminal next to the driver is where you both pay and get change to pay. The clear box toward the front is where you deposit your money when exiting the bus. If you have exact change, please place your money and your ticket stub inside. If you don't have exact change:

- To get change from larger coins, use the slot closer towards you and smaller coins will come out at the bottom.
- To get change from bills, use the slot on the side just below and to the right of the coin slot. Please don't use a bill larger than ¥1000 for this.

The exchange machine will not have kept payment for your ride. After you receive your change in coins, please pay the ¥620 fare.

Weekday Kamo Station Departure Times	Weekday Higashi-wazuka to Kamo Station Returning Times
7:50 AM (8:10 AM on weekends)	6:36 AM (Not on weekends)
9:05 AM (9:11 AM on weekends)	6:57 AM
10:10 AM	7:41 AM
11:40 AM	8:41 AM
1:40 PM	9:41 AM
2:40 PM	10:39 PM
3:40 PM	12:09 PM
4:40 PM	2:09 PM
5:50 PM	3:09 PM
7:20 PM	4:11 PM
8:20 PM	5:11 PM
	6:21 PM
	7:51 PM
Note: Bus times are the same on weekends otherwise stated.	

Image: #65 Bus Timetable

When you exit the bus, take in the view! Tea fields, rice fields, the fresh country air! If you look in the direction the bus is travelling, to your left you will see a large shop and a bridge. Please head in this direction and make a right at the zebra crossing. There is a sign pointing to Obubu. This road will take you through the forest and past a shrine entrance. Follow the road as it turns left and slopes downward. At the bottom is a 3-way intersection. Obubu is to the left at the bottom of the hill! You've reached Obubu!



Image 1: Google Maps directions – Image 2: View of office from road – Image 3: Front view of office