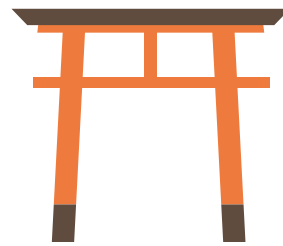


How to Pray at Japanese Shinto Shrines



You Can buy:



wishes on Ema
(only in the shrine)



lucky charm
Omamori



tells your fortune
Omikuji

>How to purify yourself

1



Take the ladle with your
right hand.

2



Fill it from the running
water and pour it over
your left hand.

3



Wash the other hand.

4



Take the ladle with your
right hand again and
pour the water over
your left hand.

5



don't directly
touch your mouth
to the ladle!

Cup your left hand and
pour the water and wash
your mouth lightly, it's
more like touching the
water with your mouth.

6



With the remained
water, water the ladle to
purify.

>How to pray

1



Toss a coin into an
offering box called
Saisen-bako.

2



Shake a rope to ring a
bell. (If there is no bell,
you can skip this step)

3



Bow deeply twice.

4



Clap your hands twice.

5



Put your hands together
in front of your body
Pray and make a wish.

6



Bow deeply once again.