



# Gion District

Gion is the entertainment district in Kyoto, with a rich history of traditional arts and architecture, art and antique shops, traditional crafts, teahouses, and Kabuki theater. If you hope to see Geisha (called Geiko in Kyoto), or Maiko (apprentice Geisha) then you need to visit this area, especially towards the evening, as they are on their way to appointments. Geisha are considered highly trained entertainers, specializing in music, dance, and the arts. There are daily performances at Hanami-Koji's Gion Kobu Kaburenjo theater, or Gion Corner. As you enjoy this popular area, there are rules to follow. Never touch the Geisha, and photography is not allowed unless you ask permission.



From JR Kyoto Station, take bus number 100 or 206 to the Gion bus stop (about 300 yen).



Gionmachi Minamigawa, Higashiyama Ward, Kyoto, 600-8340, Japan



**Things to Do (with Map):** <https://www.insidekyoto.com/walking-in-gion>  
**Gion Highlights:** <https://japanobjects.com/features/gion-kyoto>