



Great Buddha of Kamakura

The Great Buddha of Kamakura (鎌倉大仏, Kamakura Daibutsu) is a bronze statue standing almost 44 feet tall including its base, located on the grounds of Kotoku-in Temple. It was built in 1252, and is the second largest Buddha in Japan, second to the Nara Daibutsu. It has endured typhoons and earthquakes, and is unique in that it sits in the open air. Visitors can even go inside the body of the Buddha, and see the construction from the inside. It is one of the most iconic symbols of Kamakura, and a popular spot for photos. While most of the population of Japan do not adhere to any religious beliefs, Buddhism is second to Shinto beliefs in Japan.



Get off at JR Yokosuka Line Kamakura Station. Change to the Enoshima Electric Railway (bound for Fujisawa) and get off at Hase Station, the third stop (approx. seven minutes from Kamakura). Kotoku-in is a seven-minute walk North from the station.



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