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**Yokohama City**

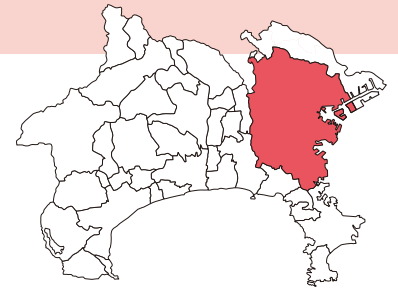
Tourist Attraction No.

**83**

## <History>

Yokohama Three Towers (The King)

# Kanagawa Prefectural Office



### Explanation of Tourist Attraction

The fourth Kanagawa Prefectural Office, built in October 1928 following the Great Kanto Earthquake, it is a registered tangible cultural property. It is an emblematic example of modern architecture in Yokohama. An original geometrical style was used for the detailing; the building pioneered the Imperial Crown style. It is characterized by its exterior scratch tiles and central tower. It is nicknamed "The King". Along with "The Queen" (Yokohama Customs building) and "The Jack" (Yokohama Port Opening Memorial Hall), the tower has been a beloved feature of Yokohama's townscape for many years. It is said that the nickname originates with a foreign sailor who named them after the figures from a deck of playing cards. While praying for a safe voyage, the sailors would use the towers as a landmark when entering the port. Legend has it that if you visit each of the towers in one day, your wish will be granted. This is the legend of the Yokohama Three Towers. There is also a rumor that if a couple visits the towers, they will be married.

Address	1 Nihon-Odori, Naka-ku, Yokohama, Kanagawa
Opening Hours	8:30 am to 5:15 pm(However, Prefectural Office tours are only held on days when the Prefectural Office is open.)
Availability of Parking	Available
URL	<a href="http://www.pref.kanagawa.jp/">http://www.pref.kanagawa.jp/</a>

### Recommended Season

All year

### Group/Individual Mark



Group



Individual

### Target Regions

Europe, North America, Oceania, Asia

### Access

From Kannai Station (JR Keihin-Tohoku·Negishi Line / Yokohama Municipal Subway Line), walk about 10 minutes to Nihon-odori Station (Minatomirai Line), and take the Kenchoguchi exit. Car: 5 minute drive from the Shuto Expressway Yokohane Route Yokohama Park Ramp.

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### Specific Model Route Details

#### Individual

Tokyo (various areas) === Kanagawa Prefectural Office (tour / 60 min) === (3 min) === Yokohama Customs (60 min) === (3 min) === Yokohama Port Opening Memorial Hall (tour / 30 min) === (5 min) === Yokohama Sakuragicho Washington Hotel (lunch / 60 min) === (10 min) === Yokohama Red Brick Warehouse (shopping, walking / 60 min) === Tokyo (various areas)

#### Start

Tokyo Station, Shinjuku Station, Shinagawa Station, Shibuya Station, Yokohama Station, Haneda Airport, Narita Airport

#### Goal

Tokyo (various areas)

#### Time Required

8 hours, 30 minutes



### Nearby Sightseeing Spot

## Yokohama Customs



This tower, nicknamed "The Queen", is a symbol of Yokohama Port. Fitting for a customs building, the front faces the port. The tower's unusual dome-shaped roof, reminiscent of a mosque, is one of its defining features.

## Yokohama Port Opening Memorial Hall



This brick and granite building has a clock tower at its south-eastern corner and octagonal dome at its south-western corner. The clock tower is affectionately known as "The Jack". (National Important Cultural Property)