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Kamakura Traditional Woodcarving Museum

Discover the 800-year-old art of Zen-inspired lacquered woodcarving and craftsmanship

Kamakura-bori is a traditional form of carved lacquerware that traces its origins back about 800 years to the Buddhist ritual implements used in Zen temples. This craft is deeply rooted in Kamakura's Zen heritage.At the Kamakurabori Museum, you can learn about the craft's history and techniques through a curator's guided explanation, observe artisans at work up close, and enjoy tea and sweets served in authentic Kamakura-bori tableware. Those who wish can also experience carving a small wooden coaster using traditional techniques that have been handed down for centuries, under the guidance of a skilled artisan.

Exclusive special offer

Enjoy an exclusive, curator-led private guided tour of the museum, reserved just for your group, offering an in-depth introduction to Kamakura-bori as you view a collection of masterpieces dating back to the Muromachi period (14th–16th century).

Experience a tea service using exquisite Kamakura-bori lacquerware masterpieces.
Optional programs also include a live demonstration by a master craftsman who carries on this centuries-old tradition, exclusive after-hours visits, souvenir Kamakura-bori pieces, and a hands-on workshop.

Information

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