



FRANCE TRAVEL CENTER

**Farming experience and dinner at a farmstead in Shizuoka**  
**2 Days - Recommended from March to early October.**



Nihondaira, Shizuoka

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Located less than 2 hours from Tokyo, Shizuoka is a popular destination for its lush greenery and is renowned for its green tea, the fields of which stretch as far as the eye can see. Picking tea, bamboo shoots and various vegetables are popular agricultural activities.

**Shizuoka** Prefecture is located along the Pacific coast south of the Chubu region, a few hours' drive southwest of Tokyo. Shizuoka's best-known features are the iconic Mount Fuji and the Izu Peninsula with its many sea views. Shizuoka Prefecture is also Japan's largest tea supplier



**Day 1: Tokyo / Shizuoka**

Transportation from Tokyo to Shizuoka station by mid-morning.

Visit Suggestions:

- **Nihondaira**

A hill area that reaches a height of 307m in the center of the city of Shizuoka. Nihondaira is famous for the fantastic views it offers, including breathtaking views of Mount Fuji.

- **Kunozan Toshugu**

Connected to the Nihondaira via cable car, this shrine is the original burial place of Tokugawa Ieyasu, the first shogun of the Tokugawa shogunate. It is the oldest of all the Toshogu shrines in Japan (shrines dedicated to the Tokugawa shogunate).

Your host will pick you up at Kanaya station.

Check-in at the farm and free time.

Recommended walks: nearby village or local tea plantation

Around 5:30 p.m.: help prepare dinner made with local ingredients and lively meal with your host.  
Night at the farmstead.



Meal at the farmstead



**Day 2: Shizuoka / Kakegawa / Tokyo**

Breakfast at the farmstead and check-out.

Activity Suggestions:

- **Tea harvesting and tour of a tea factory with your host**

Duration: 2 hours

Seasons:

- Late April to early May
- June
- Mid-July to early August
- Late September to mid-October

※ Seasons may differ slightly depending yearly weather patterns. Not available when rainy.

- **Picking Bamboo shoots with a farmer**

Duration: 2-3 hours

Season: Late March to early May

Picking bamboo shoot in a Shizuoka bamboo grove. Searching around the grove for bamboo shoots poking out of the ground is a fun activity for children. After picking, visit an old folk house for a lunch made of local seasonal ingredients (bamboo shoots and mushrooms).

- **Harvesting seasonal vegetables and lunch**

Duration: 1 :30 to 2 hours

Season: All year round

Tending and harvesting of fresh seasonal vegetables with local farmers. Includes soil preparation, seed planting, weeding, watering and harvesting ripe vegetables. Lunch of tempura made with the vegetables picked from the fields

Before returning to Tokyo, you can also visit the historic town of Kakegawa, located 30 minutes away by train.

Visit Suggestions:

- **Kakegawa**

Historic town known for its abundant tea fields and castle, which is one of the few to have survived the Edo period.

- **Ninomaru Tea House**

The Ninomaru Tea House is a great place to relax and sample the famous Shizuoka teas.

- **Kakegawa Kachoen**

For bird lovers, the city of Kakegawa also has an ornithological park that is widely regarded as the best in the country.

We can shorten or extend your stay, or add other destinations.

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