Fun City Nihonmatsu!

\$

Flower arrangement, tea ceremony, and *yukata*. Immerse yourself in Japanese culture at a hot spring inn!



During your stay at this hot spring inn, the proprietress will show you the basics of traditional Japanese culture — and hospitality!



Dake Onsen's famous beautifying hot springs

Yui no Sato Azumakan

Established in 1934, Azumakan is Dake Onsen's most frequented inn. Enjoy hot springs, Japanese cuisine, and warm hospitality.

1-5 Dakeonsen, Nihonmatsu, Fukushima Prefecture 964-0074 Approx. 20 min. by taxi from JR Nihonmatsu Station (pick-up and drop-off service available with advance reservation)

http://www.azumakan.com

Reservations and Information

Nihonmatsu Tourism Association
Yui no Sato Azumakan

€0243-24-5085 Open 9:00-17:00 **€**0243-24-2211

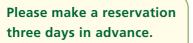
Learn traditional culture from the inn's proprietress





Flower Arranging

Japanese flower arranging, called both ikebana and kado, differs somewhat from Western techniques. You'll learn the basics, and if you like, you can bring your arrangement home with you.



Lesson length: Approx. 30 minutes (depending on number of participants) Age: Upper elementary and older

¥800 per person *Price may vary depending on types of flowers.



Tea Ceremony

When you arrive at the inn, you can enjoy a cup of matcha green tea in your room along with a lesson in the etiquette of drinking tea at a tea ceremony.

Please make a reservation three days in advance.

Lesson length: Approx. 30 minutes (depending on number of participants) Age: Junior high and older





Putting on a yukata

Many international visitors enjoy wearing kimono. Trying on a *yukata*, or light cotton kimono, is an easy way to start! You'll get advice on choosing a color and pattern, and tips on how to wear it elegantly.

/		
	Please ask a staff member in	
	the lobby if you'd like a lesson.	
	*A limited number of yukata are available.	
	Lesson length:	
	Approx. 10 minutes	
	Age: 3 years and up	
	FREE	

Instructor Misako Suzuki, Proprietress, Yui no Sato Azumakan *All lessons are for inn guests only. Available for parties of one or more. Flower arranging is not available when the proprietress is out.

Does the quality of piped-in water measure up? See for yourself!

The acidic (pH 2.48) hot spring water mellows as it flows through long pipes to reach the inn. The result is a uniquely refreshing bath that will leave your skin feeling smooth and soft. Water flows from a natural spring down a single pipe to 16 locations in the Dake Onsen district. This 8-km pipe, which starts at an elevation of 1450 m and drops 950 m on its way from source to baths, is what makes Dake Onsen unique. Originally a hot spring village was located near the springs, but it moved in 1824 due to a landslide. Since then, the entire village has moved three more times. On some days the water is milky, while on others it is a clear green color. This unusual feature is the result of weather conditions at the source, or the saturation of the wooden channel with mineral deposits from the water.



Features	Drawn by pipe from a natural spring. Clear green in color, but depending on weather conditions at the source, may become milky white.
Water type	Acidic spring (sanseisen), pH 2.48
Benefits	Alleviates skin disorders, gastrointestinal problems, neuralgia, muscle pain, joint pain, stiff shoulders, female disorders, rheumatoid arthritis, sensitivity to cold, and exhaustion, and generally promotes good health.

Nihonmatsu Tourism Association

Fun City Nihonmatsu