Walking Guide for Yanesen



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Yanesen is the collective name for the Yanaka, Nezu, and Sendagi neighborhoods. It's a great area to explore on foot and see the remnants of the *shitamachi* atmosphere of good old Tokyo—the traditional Japanese townscape and the friendliness and hospitality of the residents living there—all in the heart of the metropolis.

Yanesen Tourist Info Grab a map at the information center for foreign tourists. It offers sightseeing tips and also helps with traditionalculture experiences (in the English language only).

Nezu-jinja Shrine The shrine is celebrated for the sublimity of its main building, and for the 3,000 shrubs of azaleas in spring.

Kyu-Iwasaki-tei Gardens

the residence of Hisava Iwasaki, the third president of the Mitsubishi group from the late Edo to Meiji periods. The entire premises, including the house built in 1896, are designated an important cultural property. This house was designed by British architect Josiah Condor, who studied Japanese painting in Japan, took a Japanese wife, and remained a dedicated lover of Japan until his death in 1920.

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