Discover the Hidden Gems of Little Japan: A Comprehensive Guide

Little Japan is a vibrant and diverse neighborhood located in the heart of Los Angeles. Home to a large Japanese-American community, the area is known for its authentic Japanese restaurants, shops, and cultural attractions.



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Whether you're a local looking to explore a new part of your city or a tourist looking for a unique cultural experience, Little Japan is worth a visit. Here's a comprehensive guide to help you make the most of your time in this vibrant neighborhood:

Things to Do

Visit the Japanese American National Museum: This museum tells the story of Japanese Americans in the United States, from their early immigration to their internment during World War II and their subsequent contributions to American society.

- Shop for Japanese goods: Little Japan is home to a variety of Japanese shops, where you can find everything from traditional kimonos to anime figurines.
- Eat at a Japanese restaurant: There are dozens of Japanese restaurants in Little Japan, serving everything from sushi to ramen to tempura.
- Attend a cultural event: Little Japan hosts a variety of cultural events throughout the year, including festivals, concerts, and art exhibitions.

Where to Eat

- Daikokuya: This popular ramen shop is known for its long lines, but the wait is worth it for a bowl of their delicious ramen.
- Marugame Monzo: This udon shop is a great place to get a quick and affordable meal.
- Sushi Gen: This sushi restaurant is known for its fresh and highquality fish.
- Tofuya Izakaya: This izakaya is a great place to try a variety of Japanese dishes, including tofu, sashimi, and tempura.

Where to Shop

- Kinokuniya Bookstore: This bookstore is the largest Japanese bookstore in the United States, and it stocks a wide variety of books, magazines, and DVDs.
- Mitsuwa Marketplace: This Japanese grocery store is a great place to buy Japanese food and household goods.

Nijiya Market: This Japanese grocery store is another great option for

Japanese food and goods.

Daiso Japan: This Japanese dollar store is a great place to find a

variety of Japanese goods, from snacks to stationery.

Getting There

Little Japan is located in the Sawtelle neighborhood of Los Angeles. The easiest way to get there is by car, but you can also take the Expo Line to the Expo/Sepulveda Station and then take the 720 bus to Little Japan.

Quick Facts

Population: 20,000

Median home price: \$1.2 million

Median income: \$80,000

Crime rate: Low

School district: Los Angeles Unified School District

Map of Little Japan



Neighborhood News

- New Japanese restaurant opens in Little Japan
- Little Japan hosts annual festival
- Japanese American National Museum receives grant



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