

TODO HYOU RIKYUU

IN Toyooka City Hyogo

(JAPANESE TRADITIONAL KAISEKI RESTAURANT)



History of Todo Hyou Rikyuu

Year of Establishment 1847 In Toyooka City, Tajima originally Todo Hyou Rikyuu was known as the Japanese sweet shop SYOUWATEI.

In the early days of the Meiji era, along the San-in coast a fish called todo that was over 3 meters long could be caught. Mr Heisuke the head of the establishment at that time used to display his catch in front of his shop, which attracted a lot of curious spectators. In due course the shop came to be known as Todohyo. It is also said that, the wife RIKYUU of Oouchi Kuranosuke who was famous for making attacks on the enemies was born here and her house was in front of this shop. The head of the family of the shop of that time, had great respect for Oishi Kuranosuke, his son and retainers; because of the fact that they gave great importance to "Giri" or social obligations as part of "Bushido" the "code of spirit of Japanese samurai" and added the name of TODO HYOU which is currently known as TODOHYOU-RIKYU.

The building that houses the establishment

The building is 100 years old. The excellent workmanship of that time with which this building has been constructed can be seen very rarely now days in Hyogo prefecture. The corridors of the building, make a creaking noise that resembles the chirping of a nightingale when one walks on it. The only other place where one can experience this is in "CHION INN" located in Kyoto". Especially the ceiling and the lighting etc seen here are very rarely seen in these modern times.

The Rooms

There are various big and small rooms in the building. The 3rd Floor is a wedding hall.

The spirit of the deity of Izumo-Taisha is shared here for which a festival is also celebrated.

On the 2nd floor is a hall, which can seat 70 people. This hall houses the painting of HASHIMOTOKANKAI who is one of the famous artists listed in the fine art directory of Japan. When HASHIMOTOKANKAI was staying here, he painted this piece which reminds one of the Noh stage. In addition to this painting we also have two pieces of peacock and 5 or 6 pieces of Koi fish painted by HASHIMOTOKANKAI .

The rooms also house various art and artifacts created by famous craftsmen and artists. One is the famous painting that reflects Japanese culture is of TAKAO SAITO who hailed from IZUISHI in TAJIMA giving a speech in the parliament of Emperor Showa about peace. Another one is of two pages of writing, hand written by KAWAHIGASHIHEKIGOUTOU, who was a leading disciple of the Haiku poet KATAOKA KYOSI. Then there is a folding screen, which is dyed in the famous style of the Okinawan Bingata art of dyeing, etc. The establishment also has a rare collection of scrolls. In the alcove in each room these scrolls are hung in accordance to the season. These scrolls are masterpieces and cannot be seen anywhere else.



Tableware

The ancestor of the owner of the present establishment had also carried on a business of whole sale in port from here and so the establishment also has some very valuable masterpieces in crockery like "Wajima Lacquerware", and ceramic pottery from Edo Period, Meiji Period and Taisho Era, like the "Kutani chinaware" and "Nabeshima china ware etc".

Garden

From the first floor of the building one can see "pine" and "maple" trees, which has the effect of calming down a person. From the second floor, the cherry blossoms can be enjoyed in the spring and in summer the Yanagi festival and the firework display.

Food

In our establishment it is the custom for our hostess to offer green tea at the beginning of the kaiseki course, which will be followed by a seasonal dish. Toyooka is famous for the quality of fish found here in the Sea of Japan; especially the seaweed and shellfish. The kimono clad hostess will politely serve your food in a private room one course after another.

TAMAGO ZAKE is a drink made with our own secret recipe. This is available only in our establishment and has gained a good reputation with everyone.

Kaiseki Course and Cost (Lunch and Dinner)

(Tax is appreciable on this cost)

- 10000Yen course
- 8000 Yen course
- 7000Yen course
- 6000Yen course
- 5000 Yen course (Lunch Only)

(Includes service tax and service charge
Drinks will be charged separately)

Reservation

Reservations can be made by phone or by email till 2 days before the date for which reservation is made.

Phone 0796 23 2135

Email address

contact@yoshida-en.com

Information to be given at the time of reservation

- Name of person making reservation
- No of people the reservation is made for
- The Date and time for which the reservation is made
- The time when reservation is to be made
- Kaiseki course and cost
- Food restrictions etc if any

● Reservation by phone will be accepted in Japanese language only

Kaiseki MENU(Sample Menu)

1. Snack and powdered green tea
2. Aperitif (homemade plum wine)
3. Appetizer
4. Seasonal sashimi
5. Broiled fish
6. Soup
7. Steamed dish
8. Meat dish
9. Tempura
10. Rice
11. Pickled vegetable
12. Soup
13. Seasonal dessert
14. Coffee

Some of the items will not be served in the lunch course

●Non Japanese speakers please send an email.

Cancellation

No cancellation charges will be applicable if cancelled by the first half of the previous day.

From 1 PM of the previous day, 50% cancellation charges will be applicable

Cancellation on the same day will incur 100% cancellation charges.

Payment

Payment shall be accepted in cash only.

Free pick up

Free pick up is available from Toyooka station even for one person.

From Kinosaki station free pick up is available from 3 persons onwards

Open Hours

From 8 30 AM to the finish of the Kaiseki course of the last guest of the day.

No holidays

We sell Traditional Japanese sweets too

From the Hotei Kian corner in our establishment and from our sister concern Chikara Mochi we sell Japanese traditional sweets. Our sweet called KYODO MEIKA "YANAGI GOORI MONAKA" famous as the local sweet is a big favorite and has many patrons who come just to buy them.

How to come to our establishment

Address : Toyooka shi, Chuo machi, 18-1

By train : 15 minutes by walk .after alighting at JR Toyooka station.

Walk on the Taikaidori street up to Kaban street.

