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### Erratum

This is to inform you that there was a typographical error in "Hakodate, Japan" special feature of *Philippine Primer Magazine* January 2017 issue, page number 29. We misspelled the name of one of the hotels featured. The correct spelling is Yunokawa Prince Hotel Nagisatei, and not Negisetai as written in the story. The error has been corrected in the digital version of *Philippine Primer* issue 10. The publication apologizes to Yunokawa Prince Hotel Nagisatei for this mistake.



### Feature of the Issue

Complete your warm welcome to summer with *Philippine Primer's* April Issue!

**STREET** – Do you want to indulge in exquisite steaks made from Angus beef, Wagyu, and other high quality steaks? There are indeed a lot of steakhouses in Metro Manila; however, there are always those that stand out from the rest. This April, *Philippine Primer* selected the best steakhouses in terms of quality and taste, and even threw in a few reasonably priced (but still good) places for you (p4).

**TRAVEL** – Famous for its white sand beaches, Boracay Island has always been the top spot for the dream summer getaway in the Philippines. From dusk till dawn, you'll never run out of things to do in Boracay, as a multitude of restaurants, bars, and shops welcome you to a vacation you'll never forget. Let *Primer* guide you through what's up and coming in the island and see why it's really worth the visit. (p26).

**Special Features** – *Philippine Primer* is flying you out to Nagano, Japan. The 2nd part of discovering the dynamic prefecture of Nagano continues. *Philippine Primer* features the historical city of Matsumoto, the powdery snow of Hakuba and many more (p16). Plus! *Primer* features great staycation spots right here in the city that are perfect for celebrating summer, weekends, or a work week off (42).

Happy Reading!



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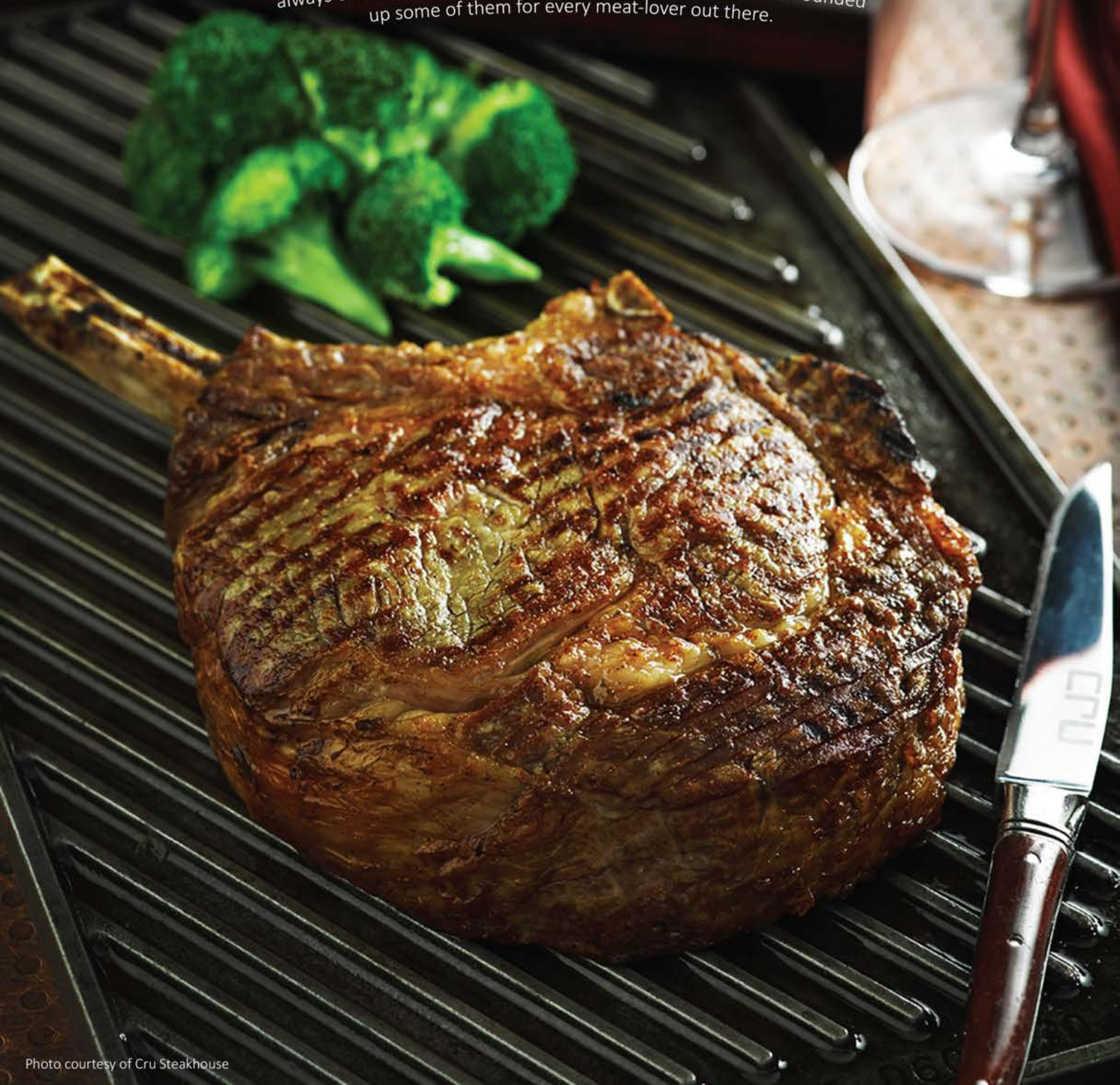
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# Steak!

## *Slabs, sides, and everything nice*

Whether it's the famous Wagyu or the Tomahawk, one thing is definitely for sure: saying no to a good slab of steak is impossible to do. If you're always on the search for the best steakhouses in town, we've rounded up some of them for every meat-lover out there.





John Dee Super Gold Black Angus T-bone (P4,000/800g)



## RUBY JACK'S

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Originally from Tokyo, Ruby Jack's Steakhouse & Bar opened their first branch at the City of Dreams Manila last August 2015. The restaurant prides itself in dry-aged steaks, as well as US, Australian and Wagyu varieties. They source their ingredients from all over the world, ensuring the quality and authenticity in every bite. It doesn't matter if you choose T-bone, Wagyu, or Australian Wagyu; the marbling and the balance of the fat and meat is so on point that your knife slices it like butter on a hot summer's day as it's very tender. If you are still in need to cap your night, Ruby Jack's has a Cigar Room, a wine cellar, and a bar which are available to you. If that's too much for you, you can just settle for desserts.

📍 UG/F, City of Dreams Manila, Aseana Ave. cor. Roxas Blvd., Entertainment City, Parañaque City  
 ☎ 02-801-8888 🌐 rubyjacks.ph/  
 ⌚ 10:00 am-12:00 mn 📱 Ruby Jack's Steakhouse & Bar- Manila

Porterhouse for Two (P5,408/1kg)



## WOLFGANG'S STEAKHOUSE

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A famous and high-class steakhouse in New York, Wolfgang's opened their Manila branch last February 2016. They use only the highest quality USDA Prime beef, aged for around 28 days. The Manila branch has its own aging room in which they age beef flown from the US, while carefully maintaining the right temperature. The beef is only sliced upon ordering, and then broiled at a high temperature. The result is nothing less than an exquisite steak. They also have a wine cellar which carries about 1,200 wines and was awarded the Wine Spectators Best Restaurant in 2016. Guests will enjoy the interiors as they were made to recreate the design of the original location in New York.

📍 Newport Mall, Resorts World, Newport Blvd., Pasay City  
 ☎ 02-511-7009/02-511-7019/02-511-7089/02-511-7034  
 ⌚ 12:00 nn-11:00 pm  
 📱 Wolfgang's Steakhouse PH

Chuleton Villagodio



## TAPELLA

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Experience a mouth-watering Spanish cuisine at Tapella Tapas Bar and Restaurant. Polish Chef and owner Robert Spakowski turned Tapas Bar and Restaurant into a go-to place to dine and hang-out for locals and for expats, majority of which are Japanese. The restaurant can hold up to 160 guests and houses in a casual and laid-back ambiance. Chef Robert shared that the interior of Tapella is simply designed with a hint of a modern Spanish vibe.

📍 1/F Greenbelt 5, Ayala Center, Makati City  
 ☎ 02-757-2710  
 ⌚ 11:30 am- 12:00 mn  
 📱 Tapellarestobar

Tomahawk Steak (P4,380+/30z)



## I'M ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

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Whichever way you want your steak to be cooked, it's always a good choice to have it at I'm Angus Steakhouse, the steak place under the Werdenberg Group, which is behind European favorites such as Carpaccio, Chesa Bianca, and Cave Werdenberg Wine Bar. Finest certified Angus steak is what they take pride for. With their open kitchen setup, you can see how the chefs cook your food using only the freshest and finest ingredients on their wood-fired grill. All the steaks served in I'm Angus are certified Angus Beef® brand, which is the "tastiest and juiciest beef available, grilled over Swiss beechwood or lava rock." These are flown from the US, and are ensured to be of fine quality for a pleasurable steak dining experience.

📍 7431 Yakal Street, San Antonio Village, Makati City  
 ☎ 02-843-7286  
 ⌚ 11:00 am-3:00 pm/6:00 pm-10:30 pm (Mon-Sat)  
 🌐 werdenberg.com/imangus/ 📱 I'm Angus Steakhouse

La Brochette Flambee (P3,300)



## L'ENTRECOTE CORNER BISTRO

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A French word which means "sirloin steak", L'entrecote offers a variety of European dishes presented in a simple way, coming from countries such as Switzerland and France. True to its name, L'Entrecote also serves delectable steaks which are all USDA certified. The restaurant chooses best cuts for its dishes so as to create the perfect steak that they serve to its customers. If you want something new, you should definitely try one of the main attractions on their menu, the La Brochette Flambee, a US certified black angus sirloin, marinated and flambeed with smoked Scottish whisky. This dish looks as gorgeous and appetizing as it tastes.

📍 Burgos Circle at Forbes Town Center Unit A Bellagio 2 Bonifacio Global City, Taguig  
 ☎ 02-856-4858  
 ⌚ 7:00 pm-11:00 pm (Sunday-Thursday)/7:00 pm-1:00 am (Friday-Saturday)  
 🌐 lentrecotemanila.com/  
 📱 L'entrecote Manila

Rib-eye (P1,540/100g)



## BUTA+WAGYU

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Buta+Wagyu prides itself in being the only authorized distributor of Japanese wagyu products in the country, thanks to their partnership with the Japanese government. The beef you will be eating or buying from them comes with the cattle's 10-digit serial number, so diners are ensured that what they're getting is nothing but of the best quality. Their pork comes from local organic farms to preserve its taste and flavor. What makes the meat from Buta+Wagyu different from the other steakhouses out there is that they do not freeze their meat, so diners are guaranteed of the freshness and flavor of what they will be having. Combined with a glass of Japanese whisky, you can officially call yourself "spoiled."

📍 5/F Skypark Dining SM Aura Premier, BGC, Taguig City  
 ☎ 02-946-7262/0977-820-7262  
 ⌚ 10:00 am-10:00 pm  
 📱 Buta+Wagyu





The Double Gold (P3,500/280g)

## ELBERT'S STEAK ROOM

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Marked by a red door at the third floor of Sagittarius III, Elbert's Steak Room has been one of Salcedo's most popular steakhouses that managed to keep their buzz under wraps for years. They specialize in prime-grade, USDA-certified premium meats which the owner loves. These steaks are cooked to a perfect medium rare, and served with some of the best side dishes and sauces you can find. Regulars, though, prefer not to touch the sauce as their steak is best enjoyed by itself. It's a casual yet elegant restaurant that's sure to make your dinner more interesting. If you have a group coming in for a big celebration or meeting, there's the 14-seater Riedel room, one of only two in the world.

📍 3/F, Sagittarius Building III, 111 H.V. dela Costa St., Salcedo Village, Makati City  
☎ 02-519-8665 / 0917-529-9392

🕒 Monday-Friday, 11:30 am-2:30 pm  
Monday-Saturday, 6:30 pm onwards

🌐 [steakroom.com/](http://steakroom.com/)  
📘 Elbert's Steak Room



US Certified Angus Beef Prime Rib Steak (P5,950/900g)

## CRU STEAKHOUSE FLAME

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Located at Marriott Hotel in Newport City, Cru Steakhouse serves both Australian and U.S. Super Prime Beef. This restaurant is known for its Super Prime Wisconsin US Beef where the beef is stored for 21 days, thoroughly managing temperature and humidity to draw the best taste and fragrance. The steaks are grilled at a temperature of 500 degrees to bring out its umami flavor.

📍 G/F Marriot Hotel, No.10 Newport Blvd. Newport City Complex, Pasay City  
☎ 02-988-9990

🕒 6:00 pm-10:30 pm (Mon-Thurs, Sun)/  
6:30 pm-11:30 pm (Fri-Sat)



Jospier Porterhouse Steak (P4,000)

## FLAME

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FLAME restaurant talks grand of its selection of luxurious Modern European cuisine and it will surely be justified in one sitting. FLAME just recently added more delectable items on their menu including the Chinese style flavored pork ribs (P1, 150), Flank Steak (P1, 500), Porterhouse Steak, and Striploin (P980). FLAME also boasts an astonishing and cozy interior that gives a very welcoming and satisfying feels of an exceptional dining experience.

📍 16/F Discovery Primea, 6749 Ayala Ave., Makati City  
☎ 02-955-8888 loc 71610

🕒 11:30 am- 2:00 pm / 6:00 pm- 10:00 pm

🌐 [www.discoveryprimea.com](http://www.discoveryprimea.com)

📘 Discovery Primea



Tomahawk Steak (P4,500/30z)

## 22 PRIME

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Opened in September 2008, 22 Prime is the flagship restaurant of Discovery Suites Ortigas which is known for its excellent selection of seafood and meat which are both sourced from international premier suppliers. One of their signature dishes is the 850g Tomahawk paired with grilled asparagus, parmesan, and potato gratin, and steak sauce. What makes the 22 Prime experience more enjoyable is the picturesque view of the Ortigas skyline.

📍 22/F Discovery Suites Ortigas 25 ADB Avenue, Ortigas Center, Pasig City  
☎ 02-719-8888

🕒 11:00 am-11:00 pm

🌐 [discoverysuites.com/bars-restaurants/22-prime/](http://discoverysuites.com/bars-restaurants/22-prime/)

📘 22 Prime, Discovery Suites



The Chopping Block

## RAGING BULL CHOPHOUSE AND BAR

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Located in Shangri-La at the Fort in Bonifacio Global City, Raging Bull Chophouse and Bar is a steakhouse which brings premium quality meat sourced from sustainable farms in Australia to the Philippines. Aside from the regular menu, the restaurant also offers Executive Lunch set menus starting from P980. At Raging Bull Chophouse & Bar, guests can choose their own 'weapon': a selection of knives that they can use to slice the meat. Its retro-classic interiors, designed by New York-based firm AvroKo Hospitality Group, evoke a nostalgic feel of a 1960s uptown Manhattan residential aesthetic through art of wood and metal craftsmanship.

📍 3/F Shangri-La at the Fort, Manila, 30th Street cor. 5th Ave, BGC, Taguig City  
☎ 02-820-0888

🕒 11:30 am-2:30 pm (Weekdays)/  
12:00 nn-3:00 pm (Weekends)/  
6:00 pm-10:30 pm

🌐 [ragingbullchophouse-fort.com/](http://ragingbullchophouse-fort.com/)  
📘 Raging Bull Chophouse & Bar



Australian Wagyu Prime Rib Eye (P2,200/250g)

## SAGE BESPOKE GRILL

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Sage Bespoke Grill takes grilling to a new level of charcoal-grilled perfection as a premium steakhouse. It offers superior grilled steak, fresh seafood, and other house specialties. Guests can take their pick from a wide variety of imported beef including the USDA Prime Beef, Cab Beef USA, Australian Angus, Omi Wagyu, and Matsusaka Wagyu. The chefs grill passionately using the Jospier Grill, which combines a grill and an oven in a single machine, ensuring that the meat is cooked to perfection.

📍 2/F Makati Shangri-La Hotel, Makati Ave. cor. Ayala Ave., Makati City  
☎ 02-814-2580

🕒 7:00 am-10:00 am, 11:30 am-2:30 pm, 6:00 pm-10:30 pm (Weekdays)/  
11:30 am-2:30 pm, 6:00 pm-10:30 pm (Saturday)/11:00 am-2:00 pm,  
6:00 pm-10:30 pm (Sunday)

🌐 [shangri-la.com/hotels/makati-shangri-la-manila/dining/](http://shangri-la.com/hotels/makati-shangri-la-manila/dining/)





Hida Beef Sirloin (P1,940/100g)

## WAGYU

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Serving only Japanese-made Wagyu with highest grade A5 ranking, everyone can splurge on each part at a reasonable price. Founded by Chef Seiji Kamura, Wagyu only uses organic "okra pig" carefully raised on pig farm. They use their own breeding method, meaning no chemical substances such as antibiotics and vitamins, to minimize the odor. Wagyu is also an eat-in space where you can enjoy your fresh meat on the spot with your cooking method. For an intimate and private dining area, head over at their second floor.

📍 G-20 Sunvar Plaza Bldg., Amorsolo St., cor. Arnaiz Ave., Makati

☎ 02-808-9508

🕒 10:00 am- 10:00 pm

🌐 Discovery Primea



28 Day Dry Aged USDA Prime Grade T-Bone Steak (P3,290/700g)

## MAMOU

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Mamou is a popular family-style restaurant which opened in 2011 at Serendra in Taguig City. Its menu is inspired by international cuisines made from homemade ingredients. Although they do not categorize themselves as a steakhouse, Mamou is famous for their steaks. One of their bestsellers is the USDA Prime Grade Porterhouse Steak, a dry and juicy aging beef produced in the U.S.A for 28 days. In addition to the steak, we recommend the Pia's Garlic Noodle, a large lobster sourced from US. It is seasoned with two types of vinegar, lemon butter, and garlic, and comes with noodles or rice as a side-dish.

📍 G/F Serendra Piazza, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

☎ 02-856-3569/02-909-5741/ 0917-816-2668

🕒 12:00 nn-3:00 pm, 6:00 pm-10:00 pm (Weekdays)/

11:00 am-3:00 pm, 6:00 pm-10:00 pm (Saturday)/

10:00 am-3:00 pm, 6pm-10pm(Sunday)

🌐 Mamou- A Home Kitchen



USA Prime Angus Rib Eye (P2,200)

## FOUNDRY BY SMITH BUTCHER

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FOUNDRY by Smith Butcher is the second restaurant of Smith Butcher and Grill Room, which is a popular steakhouse in Salcedo, Makati City. The grill room serves the largest selection of cuts of the finest steak from all over the world including the USA, Japan, France, Australia, and Ireland. If you want to have a taste of a variety of beef from different countries, try FOUNDRY by Smith Butcher's Around the World Platter for P 17,000 which is good for 4 people. FOUNDRY by Smith Butcher features a café on the first floor and a steak room and a lounge on the second floor. It has a great location for guests to enjoy the scenery outside either in daytime or nighttime.

📍 The Plaza, Arya Residences, McKinley Pkwy, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig

☎ 0995-782-1625

🕒 12:00 pm-3:00 pm, 6:00 pm-12:00 am (Weekdays)/6:00 pm-12:00 am (Weekends)

🌐 smithbutcherandgrillroom.com/

🌐 Foundry by smith the butcher



Rib Eye (Organic Large P890)

## THE FARM ORGANICS

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Steakhouses usually pride themselves on serving high-grade USDA beef or the more popular Japanese wagyu. It's understandable that when a steakhouse says they serve certified organic beef, they'll create quite a buzz in the world of steaks. This is what The Farm Organics has done. The Farm Organics is the first and only restaurant to offer local certified organic beef in the country. Their cattle come from a local farm in Masbate, where they are free to roam and graze on grass that hasn't been treated with any synthetic pesticides. The beef that comes from these cattle are said to be healthier compared to other varieties — something that should be a hit with the growing number of people trying to eat organic food. Their steaks may not sound luxurious, but they are delicious and reasonably priced.

📍 Forbeswood Heights, Burgos Circle, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig

☎ 02-852-8228

🕒 11:00 am-9:00 pm (Daily)

🌐 The Farm Organics



Jospier Porterhouse Steak (P4,000)

## CHOPS CHICAGO STEAKHOUSE

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Its finest USDA Prime Beef steaks offering has made this steakhouse a prime place for dining especially with its special menu, the Cab Rib Eye Steak. Head to Chops Chicago Steakhouse for a satisfying steak experience that's big on flavor and meaty goodness.

📍 5/F, East Wing, Shrangri-La Plaza Mall, Ortigas Center, Mandaluyong

☎ 02-477-3888

🕒 11:00 am - 11:00 pm

🌐 Chopsresto



Ojo de Bife (P2,680/500g; P4,480/800g)

## LA CABRERA

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The Buenos Aires-based steak restaurant is ranked 12th in Latin America's Best Restaurants of 2014. At La Cabrera, you can enjoy the same great taste of their famed Argentine steak right here in Manila. They serve only USDA certified beef which are cooked using custom-made grill. You can also enjoy 12 kinds of free delectable side dishes when you order from their steak menu. One of the most popular dishes is Ojo de Bife, a steak dish that oozes with savory goodness in every slice and bite. The restaurant also offers wines that go best with steaks. As you feast at La Cabrera, you can also feel a Latin vibe because of its interior.

📍 6750 Ayala Ave., Makati City

☎ 0905-290-0703

🕒 11:30 am-2:30 pm, 5:30 pm-9:30 pm (Sun-Thurs)/

11:30 am-2:30 pm, 5:30 pm-10:30 pm (Fri-Sat)

🌐 La Cabrera Manila





## PRIME 101

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Prime 101 is a restaurant hidden in Pasong Tamo. The place has an inviting atmosphere that makes one feel at home. With the concept of "freestyle dining," you may choose various ingredients from their menu and have it cooked the way you want. They also have a sample menu, in case you have no idea what to request or if you just want to dine like in a regular restaurant. They are also popular for the steaks. One of the most recommended dishes is the US Prime Steak. This may cost P2,300 per 500 grams, but that's a small price to pay considering you get the meat, the foie gras truffle sauce, and everything else you see here in the photo.

📍 2/F Ziebart Bldg. 2226 Chino Roces Ave., Makati City  
 ☎ 02-720-8674  
 ⌚ 11:00 am-2:00 pm, 5:00 pm-10:30 pm (Daily)  
 📱 Prime101



Prime Rib (P2,350/14oz)

## HIGHLANDS PRIME STEAKHOUSE

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Highlands Prime Steakhouse used to be a restaurant that you could only visit if you're a member of Tagaytay Highlands. They've since opened up to more people by opening branches at the Mall of Asia and Estancia Mall. This casual restaurant uses Angus beef with the highest rank, which will truly captivate your taste buds. Although classified as a casual restaurant, they do not skimp on quality. They dry-age these USDA-certified cuts for 28 days and cook them to perfection so that you don't even need any sauce to fully satisfy your palate. We highly recommend getting their Prime Rib. It's seasoned and slow-cooked at a low temperature before being grilled to perfection.

📍 2/F, North Wing, Entertainment Mall, SM Mall of Asia, Pasay City  
 ☎ 02-556-0768/0905-269-6513/0932-851-5737/0905-269-6513  
 ⌚ 10:00 am-10:00 pm (Sun-Thurs)/10:00 am-11:00 pm (Fri-Sat)  
 🌐 primesteaks.com.ph/ 📱 Highlands Prime Steakhouse MOA



Filetto Tartufato (P3,990/8 oz Grade 8)

## MELO'S

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Established by Carmelo Santiago in 1987, Melo's is the first restaurant that introduced Certified Angus Beef to the Philippines. Aside from being known as one of the best places in the country to serve authentic Wagyu beef, what's more exciting about this restaurant is the complete freedom they give to their customers. Guests get to choose their preferred cut and thickness of the meat from the steak cart that is presented to them before grilling. There is a variety of steak arrangements that the owner makes for the clients to choose from. There's a chef's monthly special, too.

📍 Fort Bonifacio Burgos Circle, Forbes Town Center, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City  
 ☎ 02-403-5968/02-403-5969  
 ⌚ 11:00am- 2:30 pm, 5:30pm- 10:30 pm (Daily)



Flatiron Steak (P1,250)

## FLATIRON

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Located at the posh Uptown Mall in BGC, Flatiron pertains to the lone cooking tool used in their dishes, as sous-chef Kirk Ngo explains. "The concept started with us pertaining to a single cooking tool to name our new restaurant after. It also gave birth to our signature dish, the Flatiron Brisket 6." You'll also find that their logo includes the numbers 1771 because it's under same group behind local favorites Chateau 1771, Sentro 1771, and Café 1771. Flatiron mainly offers comfort food but they also serve delicious steaks which are high quality and USDA certified.

📍 G/F, Uptown Mall, 9th Avenue Corner 36th St., Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City  
 ☎ 02-802-5461/02-802-5458/0917-854-4540  
 ⌚ 11:00 am-10:00 pm (Sun-Thurs)/  
 11:00 am-11:00 pm (Fri-Sat)  
 📱 Flatiron



Filetmignon (P645/9oz)

## DILLINGERS 1903 STEAKS AND BREW

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Craving for some American comfort food? Then hop over at Dillingers 1903 Steak and Brew for an unforgettable dining experience. Dillingers 1903 is a swanky steak-and-brew resto-bar in the far corner of Greenbelt 3's third floor that serves intercontinental dishes with a wide array of wine, liquor, and imported beer. They only serve U.S.D and Angus Beef, and steaks are grilled over lava rock. They also take pride on their very own Chef Fernando Denuyo which they describe as a quiet man with a loud taste. The restaurant's interior has an old world facade of bricks, black, and bronze, that belies the culinary creations within.

📍 3/F Greenbelt 3, Ayala Center, Makati City  
 ☎ 02-621-6790  
 ⌚ 11:00am-2:00am  
 📱 Dillingers 1903 steak & brew





Tomahawk (P625/250g plus P150 cooking fee)

## BRERA DELICATESSEN

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Brera Delicatessen is a popular store in Alabang that offers an extensive selection of premium and imported products like cheese, hams, sausages, wine, gourmet bread, and meat. It also features a spacious dining area for those who want to try their delicious offerings. They serve steaks of varying types, cuts, and weight. They cook their steak to perfection on their charcoal-fired grill, and diners may choose to add a side dish they'd like for an additional price. A cooking fee of P150 also applies when you want to have your choice of steak prepared there.

📍 Molito Lifestyle Bldg., Alabang, Muntinlupa City  
 ☎ 0917-817-9441  
 ⌚ 11:00 am-11:00 pm (Sun-Thurs)/11:00 am-2:00 am (Friday)  
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Sirloin (P595/170g)

## TEXAS ROADHOUSE

P P

Texas Roadhouse is a US-based Western steakhouse that serves delectable and must-try South American dishes to its guests. They opened its first Southeast Asian franchise in the Philippines at Uptown Mall in BGC. The restaurant interiors look like a roadhouse dining-inspired place with its picturesque bar and booth of woody textures. When it comes to their food, one should not miss their grilled meat, steak, and snacks. They prepare and cook their food so well that even their sides are must-tries. With their reasonable pricing, it's surely one of the restaurants you should go to if you're in for some steak madness.

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Tomahawk (P2,035/1kg)

## MEAT DEPOT

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Meat Depot is a neighborhood meat shop with a built-in restaurant located along the foodie destination that is Aguirre Avenue inside BF Homes, Paranaque. It is the go-to place for those who want to try quality and juicy steaks without hurting their budget. They have an extensive menu of meat, from pork ribs, lamb shoulders, prime tapa, and Wagyu beef to local corned beef and duck goose, all of which are displayed neatly in the freezer. Just choose your preferred cut and they will cook it for you. The prices of the meat vary in its type, weight, and cut. Their steak already comes with a side dish and your choice of sauce (mushroom gravy, cream sauce, or spicy pepper sauce). Cooking fee is P100.

📍 283 Aguirre Ave., BF Homes, Parañaque City  
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Sirloin Steak (P1,130/8oz)

## WOODEN HORSE STEAKHOUSE

P P P

Wooden Horse Steakhouse is a Texas-inspired restaurant serving Western cuisine and different types of imported steaks, from standard to high-quality. One of their popular dishes is the tender Rib-eye Steak, which is certified as USDA Prime Grade. It's best paired with a soy sauce based and can be served in a sizzling plate. The prices of their steak start from P380. Since it opened in 2010, it has been the go-to dining place for people from the South. It's also a great option for family dine-outs as they have a menu for kids. They also offer dishes which are off the menu and available upon request. The friendly servers, who are in cowboy costumes, are ready to accommodate you to make sure that you have a great dining experience every time you visit.

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## Chef Chin Gallegos- Bagis

Pio's Kitchen was born three years ago under the care of couple Chef Chin and Mon Bagis. The house, which now serves as a stronghold of many life's special occasions and celebrations, is originally owned by Chef Chin's grandfather. The place is bright, welcoming, and beyond doubt, beautiful – characteristics that can also apply to describe Chef Chin, the woman behind the famed Pio's paella. The former flight attendant-slash-chef-on-board, who is now a mother of two, started cooking at the early age of 13. Despite having a degree in Hotel and Restaurant Management in college, Chef Chin considers herself as a self-taught chef as she was able to open her palate to different cuisines from all over the world through her own family, as well as her work and travel experiences. Chef Chin learned a lot about Paella in Barcelona; she used to go to her friends' event and give her Paella for free. With the catchphrase "Making Families Happy One Paella at a Time," Chef Chin, indeed, has been living up to her passion's promise through Pio's Paella.

## Ingredients:

4 tbsp	Extra virgin olive oil	1 tbsp	Colorante or saffron	Salt to taste
2 pcs	White onions, small dice	500 gms	Short grain rice or Paella rice	Pinch of saffron
8 cloves	Garlic, minced			Seared prawns (garnish)
2 pcs	Bell pepper, small dice	1 L	Pork broth	Fried bagnet (garnish)
½ kg	Tomatoes, red plump, grated	3 pcs	Lemon	
1 tbsp	Smoked paprika	3 tbsp	Parsley, chopped	

## Procedure:

1. On a heated pan, pour the olive oil then cook the garlic, onions, bell pepper and tomatoes. Sauté the tomatoes until caramelized. Season it with salt, paprika, and saffron.
2. Add the raw rice and stir well with the sofrito. Add the stock and let it simmer.
3. When it simmers, add strands of saffron around the paella.
4. Cover the pan and let it cook for 15 minutes at a very low heat.
5. Close the fire and let the paella rest for about 5 minutes before serving.
6. Garnish the paella with seared prawns and fried bagnet.



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### Picture-taking with samurai guards

There are samurai warriors in costume walking around just outside the castle who would gladly pose for a photo. You can even take a picture with them while holding their *katana* (sword).



### Matsumoto Castle Gun Museum

Inside the castle is a vast collection of firearms donated by Mr. Michishige Akahane. The museum on the 2nd floor of the main tower has 141 guns, armors, and other related documents.



### Nawate Street

Nawate Street is one of the attractions in Matsumoto neighborhood which represents the focal point of the city's traditional culture and crafts. This alley is just minutes away from Matsumoto Castle.



# NAGANO

## ADVENTURE CONTINUES...

There are a lot of reasons why Nagano is becoming a popular destination in Japan. It's more than just a prefecture with an efficient transportation system, safe environment, and kind locals. With its remarkable cultural sites, fun outdoor activities, and delicious local food, Nagano can surely make any visitor fall in love with it the second time around.

Last issue, we introduced you to Nagano's snow monkeys, the best spots in Karuizawa, the temples in Nagano City, and the food stops in Matsumoto. In this second part of our Nagano special, get to know more about the southern part of Nagano — starting with Matsumoto, a modern city with a deep respect for tradition in a maze of contemporary structures and rich historic sites.

## Matsumoto Castle

"Outstanding" would be a word that would best describe Matsumoto Castle. One of Nagano's prominent tourist spots, it was built between 1593 and 1594. It was declared as a national treasure and was carefully restored and preserved for a long time. It's known as the "Crow Castle" because of its black structure, which is made of wood and plaster. It rests on top of a stone base and is surrounded by a crystal clear moat that, if you stand on the right spot outside, you can see the castle's reflection. During the cherry blossom season, the structure creates a beautiful contrast with pink hues. This 400-year-old fortress has stood the test of time. To get inside, we passed by two gates, with the second gate positioned on the right angle. The gates are enclosed by defense walls with tiny holes for shooting bullets and arrows. This type of gate is called *masugata*, a kind of trap entrance for intruders.

At the entrance of the main castle, we were asked to remove our shoes and wear the slippers provided. This is a common Japanese tradition.

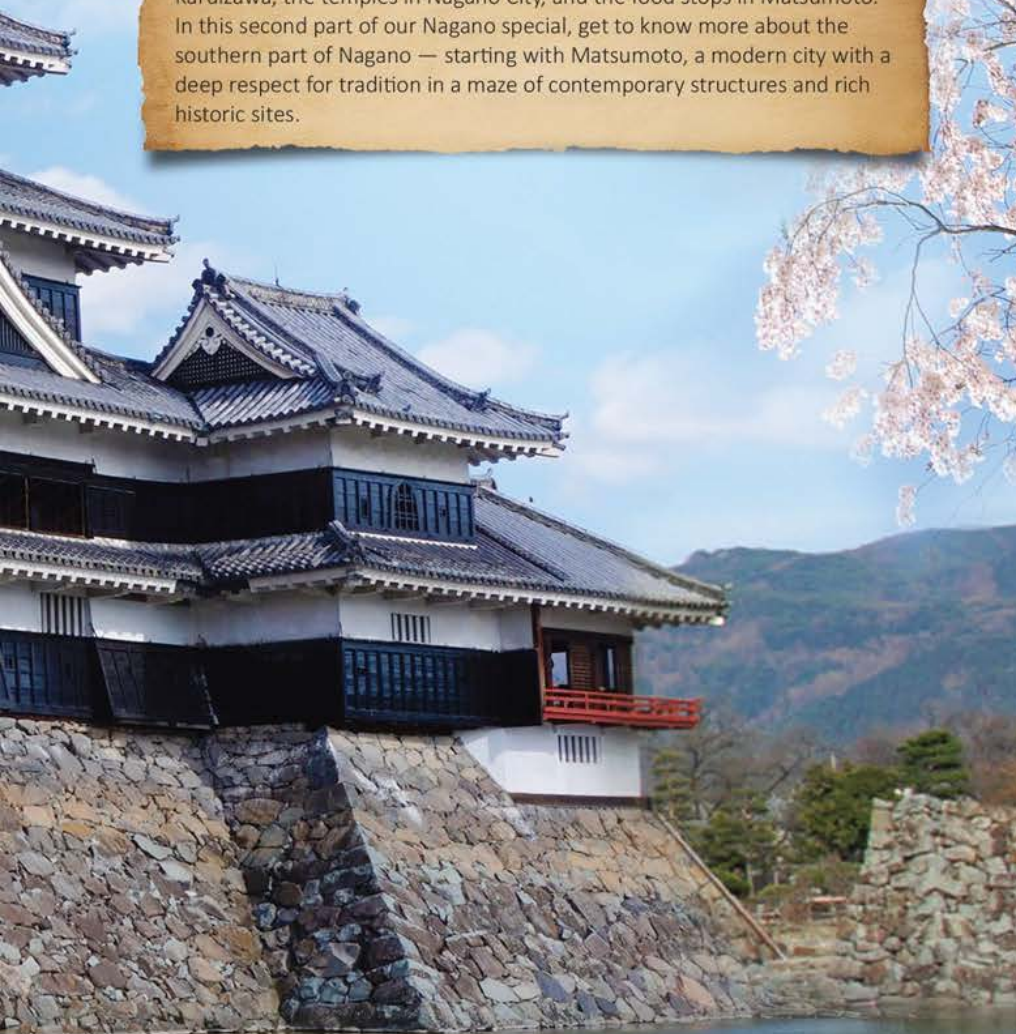
We started the tour by checking out the Gun Museum on the second floor. This is where all kinds of weaponry are displayed — from the smallest to the largest guns, to self-defense guns, matchlocks, and armors equipped with battle accessories.

The enormous castle appears to be five storeys high, when in fact, there are 6 floors inside. The actual third floor is not visible from the outside. This is called the "hidden floor" which served as the castle's safe room where there are no windows.

The stairs between the fourth and fifth floors are the steepest in the castle, with each step measuring about 40 centimeters, while the top floor was the castle's watch tower. This floor is covered with 16 pieces of *tatami* (woven floor). Climbing the steep stairs of Matsumoto castle is worth the trip because you get to see a magnificent view from the top floor: the entire city of Matsumoto.

Matsumoto Castle is open from 8:30 am – 5:00 pm. Entrance fee is ¥610.

📍 4-1 Marunouchi, Matsumoto, Nagano



### Street Food in Nawate Street

While walking in the street of Nawate, get some *taiyaki*, a fish-shaped pastry filled with red bean paste (¥230). You can also score some fresh fruits, traditional crafts, and pottery items here.



### Nakamachi Street

Nakamachi Street is the town center of Matsumoto City. Parallel to Nawate Street, it is also just a few minutes walk from the castle. Some of the houses used to be a warehouse and were designed to be fireproof as seen on the black and white checker layer on the bottom half part of the buildings.



### Matsumoto Catholic Church

If you are a Catholic and you see yourself in Matsumoto, stop by at Matsumoto Catholic Church in front of Matsumoto castle. Surprisingly, there's a number of Filipinos who attend mass here because some of the pamphlets written in Filipino language are available inside. The church holds mass from 7am and 10am every Sunday.





*Nature at full speed.* Hakuba's powdery snow makes its slopes great for advanced skiers and snowboarders in Japan. Home of the 1998 Winter Olympics, Hakuba is one of East Asia's largest ski resorts. It encompasses 10 ski resorts, comprising the Hakuba Valley. The village may only have 9,000 residents, but Hakuba attracts 3 million tourists every year because of its famous powdery snow. Hakuba is easy to get to from Tokyo and Osaka. If you are coming from Nagano City, you can take the bus at the back of Nagano Station for ¥1800 one way.



## Hakuba Lion Adventure

Hakuba Lion Adventure is an outdoor activity company in Hakuba that offers white water rafting, canoeing, hot air balloon rides, and snowmobiling. Hakuba Lion Adventure also operates a café and rental shop for those who need a complete set of gear during the tour. Our day in Hakuba started in Lion Café, where we met the Hakuba Lion Adventure team who guided us through the day. We were given information about Hakuba and discussed safety precautions during the tour. After the introduction, we headed to the Rainbow Rental shop to dress ourselves with snow gear and collected our snowmobile equipment.

The guides made sure we felt safe and had a good time during the snow mobile activity. Our team navigated our *Ski-doo* at the riverside of Hakuba 47 Winter Sports Park. Our tour guide, Yu, was very patient and really paid attention to us. Together with his co-instructor, Shelley, they made sure to stay close in case we got stuck in the snow. The snowmobiles are easy to master as long as you are careful. Flying through fluffy powder snow with the Northern Alps as background was an exhilarating experience.

The snow mobile tour can run from 30 minutes to 1 hour. Make sure you check the weather and reserve in advance since the snow mobile tour can be cancelled due to lack of snow. If snow mobile is not available, tourists can experience other activities, such as a hot air balloon ride, mountain bike tour, paragliding, or white water rafting. The company is composed of different nationalities to make each tour as comfortable as possible to non-Japanese guests. Hakuba Lion Adventure can also pick you up from your hotel to the ski resorts.

☎ 5746-3, Hokujo, Hakuba-mura,  
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Trying the snow mobile



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# Hakuba 47

One of the most popular ski resorts in the area is Hakuba 47. The name comes from the idea of "4 seasons, 7 days a week." The resort offers a variety of terrain for different types of skiers. This, along with the quality of their snow, sets Hakuba 47 apart from other resorts in Hakuba Valley.



There are plenty of lifts to take you on top of the mountain. You get excellent views of Hakuba once you go up the gondola. The lift will take five minutes to reach the top of the mountain. There's also an available restaurant, toilet, and souvenir shops for people who would like to take a break from the cold.



For beginners, the resort offers ski and snowboard lessons in English which is quite convenient. It's a great place for a beginner to experience the slopes. Don't worry if you are not good on your first try. Remember: we were all beginners to the sport once, so go ahead and ski away! Like majority of Filipinos, we are not used to the cold weather, so to be setting off in a ski board at below zero temperature was not something we expected to particularly enjoy. Wrapped up in a gear we can barely walk in, we went out of our comfort zone and learned how to ski.

Learning how to ski takes patience and dedication. Luckily, our guide has the patience of a great teacher. We were really glad we tried it in Hakuba, and while it was as much of a mental challenge as it was a physical one, I'm sure I'll give it another go when I go back to Hakuba.



Hakuba 47 is a few kilometers by road from the Hakuba train station and 5 kilometers from Happo, the main tourist hub of Hakuba Valley. It is open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

📍 24196-47 Kamishiro, Hakuba, Kitaazumi District, Nagano



## Brownie Cottages & Condominiums

Conveniently located at the center of Hakuba Village, Brownie Cottages & Condominiums is the perfect accommodation whilst skiing in Hakuba. Owned by a Japanese man and his Filipina wife, Brownie is like your home away from home. The cottages are just a short stroll from Echoland Main Street where the bars and shops are located. The rooms inside are spacious and the beds are very comfortable. The kitchen is well-equipped with dishes and cutlery. Other amenities like drying storage and Wi-Fi are also available inside the cottage.

Guests can choose to stay in a cozy wooden cottage or a Japanese-style apartment which both offer nature and mountain views. We recommend booking a transfer from the train or bus station to the resort. They also provide shuttle to and from the slopes. Mr. Shinji Wada, the owner, went above and beyond and was very accommodating to show us around town.

Our team had dinner at a private *teppanyaki* restaurant called Sarugaku. The *teppanyaki* room can only hold up to 6 people, hence their priority on those with reservations. If you are looking for a fun dinner, then Sarugaku is the best choice. We enjoyed the high quality Japanese-style fresh beef and fried rice risotto prepared at our table by the expert chef.



Brownie Cottages during winter



Inside the cottage



Fluffy & comfortable beds inside the cottage



Preparing teppanyaki for guests



Appetizer (sweet potato, tuna, prawn and peach)

## Daio Wasabi Farm

Immerse yourself by learning how wasabi is cultivated, from planting to harvesting. Wasabi is a very important product of Japan, whose demand has increased significantly throughout the years. The lovely early autumn morning had us making our way to visit Daio Wasabi Farm that is located in the outskirts of Matsumoto.

Daio Wasabi Farm is one of the largest wasabi farms in Japan. Here, we were welcomed by the wasabi master himself, Mr. Hama. Daio Wasabi Farm is like a park complete with restaurants, shrines, and souvenir shops that sell wasabi-related products.

We first explored Daio Shrine where the ancient local hero, Hachimen Daio is revered. We also visited the location of the Hollywood movie "Dreams", directed by Akira Kurosawa.

Watermill by the river at Daio Wasabi Farm



Wasabi Ice cream



The very entertaining wasabi master, Mr. Shigetoshi Hama

Buy wasabi from ¥500 to ¥1500



The majestic view of the two lakes and watermill only added to the beauty of the place. Our team headed to the farm proper to observe the process of growing wasabi. We learned that there are two different kinds of wasabi: the horse radish and the hon wasabi, which are mainly grown here in Daio Wasabi Farm. It is also considered as the 'real' wasabi. Mr. Hama told us that wasabi can only be grown in clean running water and will take one and a half years to grow. The root and rhizomes of wasabi contains the most flavor and nutrients. The rhizomes should be grinded to extract wasabi's fresh, sharp, and sweet flavor.

The trip to Daio Wasabi Farm not only helped us educate ourselves with the origin of wasabi, but also appreciate and respect the people who painstakingly grow the product.

To go there, take the JR train from Matsumoto station to Hotaka station (about 30 minutes), then grab a taxi to the wasabi farm (about 10 minutes). To go back, ask the staff to hail a taxi. Entrance is free of charge.



## Norikura Kogen

Our team dropped by Gurinderu Restaurant to have lunch on the way to our next destination. Here, we had one of the famous dishes of Nagano – soba noodles! Gurinderu is only open 4 hours a day, and they only make limited amounts of their handmade noodles. We sampled their Kamo Nanban (¥1480), a buckwheat hot noodle served with duck meat. We and our Japanese friends definitely gave this dish a thumbs up. We also recommend you to try the Zaru Soba, a cold noodle served with homemade dipping sauce.



Kamo Nanban at Gurinderu Restaurant

After a very healthy lunch, we headed for Norikura Kogen to try snowshoe hiking. We changed into our snow gear at Sanoya where we met our guide Mr. Sasaki, the owner of Sanoya Hotel in Norikura. Getting to and from the slopes in Norikura was a breeze, as it is not that hard for beginners. It's a 30-minute zigzag ascent to get to our destination, the frozen Zengorou falls. The frozen waterfall glistens to a stunning blue color when hit by sunlight. On our way up, we took a break at the observation platform and had cheese fondue in the midst of snow. It is a must to try snowshoe hiking at Norikura Kogen. It will complete your winter experience.

Our day ended at the ALPS Azumino National Government Park to watch the illumination display. It is a popular destination for amazing illumination displays during winter with over 70,000 light bulbs that flicker in time with music. Luckily, our team had the chance to watch the installation last January. The park's theme then was the four seasons of Japan. Each area had its own design: cherry blossom lights for spring; Christmas tree lights for winter; and flowers for summer. If you want to see this sparkling creation, make sure to include Azumino's illumination park in your Nagano itinerary. The illumination display is available from November to early January. The park opens at 9:30 am and closes at 9:00 pm (illumination begins from 4:00 pm).



Frozen Zengorou Falls



Snow shoeing to Zengorou Falls



Cheese Fondue



Tulips exhibit inside Alps Azumino National Government Park (schedule of the exhibit may vary)



Illumination display at Alps Azumino National Government Park

## GISHODO SUWAKO WATCH & CLOCK MUSEUM

Suwa is known as the origin of watch-making in Japan. On our first day in Suwa, we visited Gishodo, a unique museum for clocks. The museum features a novelty shop and a fascinating exhibit room filled with old wall clocks. The museum also offers clock-making lessons. Our clock-making prowess was tested when they asked us to make one for ourselves, with the help of the staff, of course. It was a fun experience that you wouldn't want to miss. Outside the museum is the water-operated astronomical clock tower known as Suiun-Gishodai. The big clock is a replica of the one constructed in China.



Handmade watch



Staff patiently teaching us how to make a watch

3289 Shimosuwa Town, Nagano



# Suwa Taisha (Grand Shrine)



Harumiya's Torii  
(Traditional Shinto Shrine)



Log used in Onbashira Festival is  
displayed in the Suwa Shrine



Top view: largest crystal ball w/  
its beautiful hue reflection

*Amaze yourself in Suwa!* Our next stop was one of the oldest shrines in Japan. Suwa is home to four shrine complexes namely Maemiya, Honmiya, Harumiya, and Akimiya. Two of them, Maemiya and Honmiya, make up the Kamisha (upper shrines) and are located southeast of Lake Suwa. Harumiya and Akimiya make up the Shimosha (lower shrines) and are located northwest of Lake Suwa.

We enjoyed the peaceful atmosphere of each shrine and saw the lumber being used for the Onbashira festival, a ritual held every six years wherein Japanese people ride tree logs which slide down the slope. Make your visit in Suwa a memorable one by paying respect in one of these shrines.

We made our way to the Suwa Garasunosato Museum on our last day in Suwa. Garasunosato is a glass museum that displays glass pieces by famous glasswork artists of Suwa. The museum showcases 20,000 pieces of glass products. Some of the pieces here change with the seasons but there are permanent displays as well. Guests can experience making glass candles, seals, beads, and paperweights. A few minutes away from the glass museum is the strawberry farm where we had the sweetest strawberries we've ever tasted. The farm offers a 30-minute strawberry picking experience in which visitors may pick and eat as many strawberries as they like.



Manji stone buddha at Shimosuwa



Washing of hands  
before entering the shrines



Strawberry picking activity

## DIRECTORY

### GO! NAGANO

(Nagano Prefecture Official Tourism Guide)  
[www.go-nagano.net](http://www.go-nagano.net)

### The Official Tourism Site of Matsumoto

[welcome.city.matsumoto.nagano.jp/](http://welcome.city.matsumoto.nagano.jp/)

### ALPICO GROUP

[www.alpico.co.jp/en/](http://www.alpico.co.jp/en/)

### Daio Wasabi Farm

☎ 1692 Hotaka, Azumino City, Nagano

### Soba Café Gurinderu Restaurant

☎ 3365-1 Azumi, Matsumoto City, Nagano

### Sanoya Hotel

☎ 4085-56 Azumi, Matsumoto City, Nagano

### ALPS Azumino National Government Park

☎ 33-4 Horigane Karasugawa, Azumino City, Nagano

### Hakuba Valley

🌐 [www.hakubavalley.jp/english/](http://www.hakubavalley.jp/english/)

### Hakuba Lion Adventure

🌐 [hakuba.lion-adventure.com/](http://hakuba.lion-adventure.com/)

### Hakuba47 Winter Sports Park

🌐 [www.hakuba47.co.jp/en/](http://www.hakuba47.co.jp/en/)

### Hakuba Brownie Cottages & Condominiums

☎ 2937 Misorano Hokujo, Hakuba Village, Nagano

### Sarugaku Restaurant

☎ 3020-957 Hokujo, Hakuba Village, Nagano

### Suwa Tourist Information

🌐 [suwakanko.jp/en/](http://suwakanko.jp/en/)

### SUWA Garasu-no-sato Museum (Glass Museum)

☎ 2400-7 Toyoda, Suwa City, Nagano

### Shimosuwa Travel Guide

🌐 [shimosuwaonsen.jp/travel/](http://shimosuwaonsen.jp/travel/)

### Gishodo (Suwako Watch & Clock Museum)

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# ALPICO GROUP

Founded in 1920, the ALPICO Group has been providing comfortable and convenient stays in Nagano. This comprehensive company manages transportation (bus and taxi), hotels, and Japanese-style ryokan. The ALPICO Group operates 5 hotels around Matsumoto and Suwa. Each accommodation maximizes the features of its location and offers a one of a kind experience to its guests. The sights of Nagano Prefecture can be enjoyed all throughout the year, and ALPICO Group is your reliable friend in this trip.



## Hotel Buena Vista

Hotel Buena Vista is a city hotel located near the Matsumoto Castle. Its convenience and accessibility made it the top choice for tourists in Matsumoto. The staff can speak English and were very knowledgeable, not only about the hotel's amenities, but also about the sightseeing spots in Matsumoto.

The interior is modern and the rooms are well-equipped and clean. The hotel offers standard rooms, executive rooms, and luxury suites. We particularly enjoyed breakfast at the hall that was located on the top floor. Witnessing the city come to life was truly unforgettable, especially from Hotel Buenavista's 360-degree viewing platform. You can also enjoy majestic views of the Northern Japan Alps and Utsugushigahara plateau when you stay at Hotel Buena Vista.



## Sousen-no-yado Suhaku

Sousen-no-yado Suhaku is one of the most beautiful *ryokans* or Japanese-style hotels in Suwa. Located along Lake Suwa, the hotel is a good starting point when you want to visit other tourist destinations in the area. Aside from the traditional Japanese rooms, the highlight of this accommodation is the hot spring located at the top floor. Guests can use the public *onsen* for free but will have to pay extra to use the private *onsen*. Since this is Japan, observing the bathing etiquette and manners throughout the relaxing experience is very important. Sousen-no-yado Suhaku also has souvenir shop located at the ground floor and a restaurant on the 2nd floor that serves mainly Japanese cuisine.

During August, Suwa celebrates one of Japan's largest fireworks festivals. Guests can enjoy this sparkling view from the hotel's public *onsen* or from the 12 hotel rooms facing Lake Suwa.

## Other Hotels

Other hotels that ALPICO group manages are Ace Inn in Matsumoto, a small to medium sized-hotel ready to accommodate guests for a reasonable price; Hotel Shoho, a luxury hotel located at the mountainous area of Nagano; and Kamikochi Lameista Hotel, where you can have a quiet retreat and commune with nature in the quieter part of Kamikochi.



Hotel Shoho



Ace Inn



Kamikochi Lameista Hotel

## Transportation

ALPICO Group is also a Japanese bus operator that provides highway transportation services. The main goal of the company is to give passengers a safe and comfortable trip to and within Nagano. ALPICO Highway Bus can accommodate groups coming from Shinjuku or Nagoya and take you around Matsumoto City. Tourists can also use the ALPICO taxi or local bus to visit destinations like Wasabi Farm, Hakuba, Norikura, or the shrines in Suwa. ALPICO also offers transfers to Nagano City and Hakuba.





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### Day 2

• Karuizawa: stroll around town  
• Karuizawa Prince Shopping Plaza  
Karuizawa → Nagano → Yamanouchi  
Stay: Yamanouchi Town

### Day 3

• Yamanouchi: Jigokudani Monkey Park  
• Lunch at Obuse  
• Nagano City: Zenkoji Temple (Sakura)  
Stay: Nagano City

### Day 4

• Tateyama Kurobe Alpine Route  
(Snow walls)  
Stay: Nagano City

### Day 5

Nagano Matsumoto  
• Daio Wasabi Farm  
• Matsumoto Castle (Sakura)  
Stay: Matsumoto City

### Day 6

Matsumoto & Suwa  
• Suwa Grand Shrine  
• Watch & Clock Museum  
• Suwa Lake and Onsen  
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### Day 7

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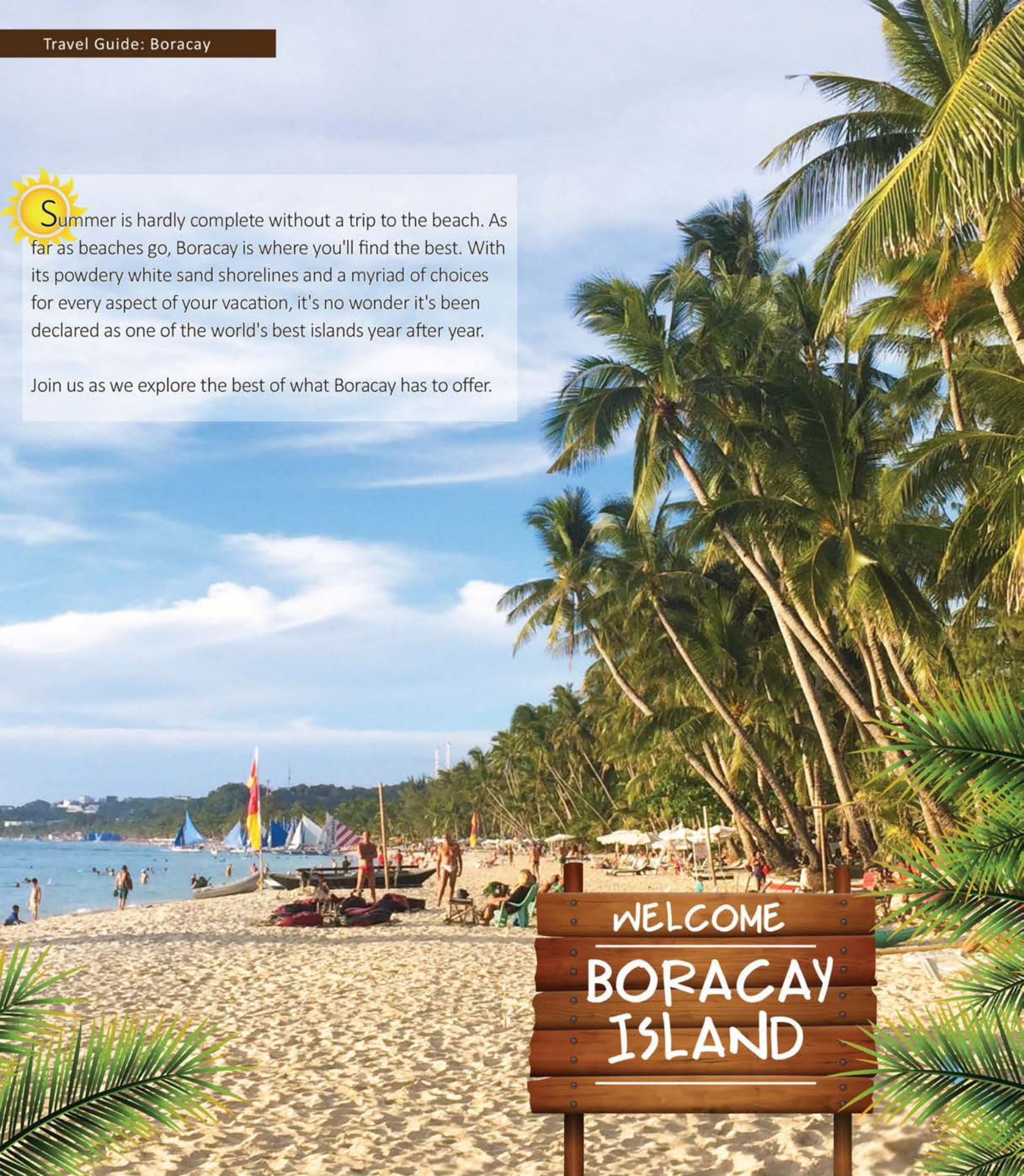
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## HOW TO GO ✈️

There are two airports that serve Boracay Island: Caticlan Airport and Kalibo International Airport.

### ✈️ CATICLAN

A direct flight from Manila to Caticlan will cost a bit more, but it will put you within a 20-30 minute boat ride from the Caticlan Jetty Port to Boracay Island.

### ✈️ KALIBO

Flights into Kalibo are more affordable; however, you will need to take a bus from Kalibo to Caticlan Jetty Port, a 2-3 hour ride depending on traffic conditions, before getting to Boracay.





## 1 CHRISTINA'S

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Christina's is one of Henann Regency's in-house restaurants located right on the beach. It completes the Regency Food Plaza by offering some of the best international cuisine you'll get. International fusion is at the heart of Christina's dishes, though they focus more on Italian cuisine. Two of their best dishes are the Salmon con pepe, and Surf and Turf, their prime beef tenderloin.

📍 1/L, North Beach Wing, Henann Regency Resort and Spa, Beachfront, Station 2, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-611 loc. 458  
🕒 Buffet breakfast: 6:00 am-10:00 am /All-day dining: 10:00 am-10:30 pm

## 2 LOS INDIOS BRAVOS

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From the outside, Los Indios is a delight for the eyes. The wood finish of the façade coupled with bamboo shoots on planter's boxes make it a perfect fit for laid-back Bulabog Beach, one of Boracay's lesser-known beaches. It's also a haven for tourists. Westerners have taken a liking to Los Indios Bravos since they serve international cuisine that you can't find anywhere else on the island.

📍 Road 1-A, Bulabog Beach, Boracay  
☎ 036-288-2803  
🕒 10:00 am-12:00 am  
🌐 indiosbravosboracay.com/

## 3 GASTHOF CAFE LEI

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Gasthof is a German word which means "guest house." At Gasthof Café Lei, you'll definitely feel like a guest in someone's house. Gasthof, being a German restaurant, serves classic German dishes such as pork knuckles, schnitzels, and bratwurst. Their baby back ribs are a certified house specialty, and will keep you coming back for more.

📍 Beachfront, Station 2, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-6473  
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🌐 kasbahrestaurantboracay.com/  
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## 5 SPICEBIRD

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In an island full of competing restaurants that serve grilled foods, Spicebird wanted to stand out. They spiced up their own take on this kind of cooking and eventually came to offer piri-piri grill (pepper-pepper in English).

📍 Unit 108 D'Mall Plaza, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-4023 or 1002  
🕒 11:00 am-11:00 pm  
🌐 spicebirdgrill.com/  
📌 Spicebird

## 6 CYMA GREEK TAVERN

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The name CYMA might be familiar to most people: it's one of the country's most popular Greek restaurants, with branches in Mandaluyong, Makati, Manila, and Quezon City. What most people don't know, however, is that their first branch opened in Boracay. CYMA Boracay stands to this day as a testament to their goal of giving people good Greek food and a dining experience which they will remember for a long time.

📍 D'Mall, Station 2, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-4283  
🕒 10:00 am-11:00 pm (last order is 10:45 pm)  
🌐 cymarestaurants.com/  
📌 Cyma Restaurants



## 7 REAL COFFEE

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OMELET WITH TOAST

VARIETY OF MUFFINS

Real Coffee is a Nipa hut-style restaurant that easily suggests it's the place where you would just want to relax for a quick coffee break. What they offer here are mostly Filipino products, with American-style home cooking like all-day breakfast food.

2/F Sea World, Station 2, Boracay Island  
036-288-5340

7:00 am-7:00 pm  
Real Coffee Boracay

## 8 STEAKHOUSE BORACAY

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TENDERLOIN WITH VEGETABLE STIR-FRY

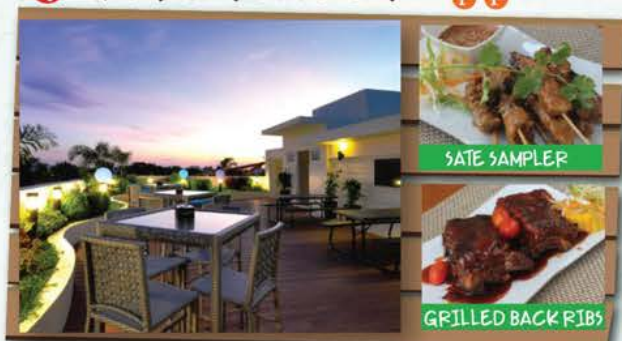
BEEF CARPACCIO

A restaurant that has been a staple of Station 1 since 1998, Steakhouse Boracay is the place to be if you want to meet your need to feast on meat. Their dishes are all made to order, meaning the only time they cook your food is when you place your order.

Station 1, Boracay Island 036-288-6102 / 0910-571-1274  
kiteboracay.com/ Steakhouse Boracay

## 9 THE RUF RESTO BAR

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SATE SAMPLER

GRILLED BACK RIBS

As one of Ferra Hotel's in-house restaurants, The Ruf Resto Bar became known to tourists for its great ambience perfectly capturing the chill vibe by the island kind of nights. This rooftop bar becomes a haven at night for those who would like to witness the Boracay sunset.

Ferra Hotel Boracay, Bolabog-Balabag, Boracay Island  
036-288-1177 to 79

ferrahotel.com/  
5:30 pm-11:30 pm

## 10 TITOS BORACAY

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SUGPO SA ALIGUE

ADOBO W/ WHITE CHEESE

Titos serves classic and modern Filipino food with a twist. With their chefs coming from celebrated restaurants in Manila, you can see that Titos has a great regard for their dishes. Ranging from their main courses up to their desserts, Titos carefully makes everything as a treat to their guests.

Station 2, Beachfront, Boracay Island 11:00 am-12:00 am (Bar closes at 1:00 am)  
036-288-2369 TITOS Boracay

## Boracay Beach MAP

ZOOM IN

BULABOG BEACH



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## 11 PUKA BEACH



Puka Beach is named after the Puka shells which you can find scattered along the powdery sands of the beach. This beach, in comparison to White Beach, is less popular as it does not have the booming restaurants, clubs, and shopping areas you'd certainly see in the latter.

📍 Brgy. Yapac, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan

## 12 SPIDER HOUSE



A true, "off the beaten path" resort and restaurant, people go to Spider House for more than just its great food. The views you get from the restaurant are stunning; so stunning that you might just forget you're here for the food or the rooms.

📍 Diniwid Beach, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-2350

## 13 CRYSTAL COVE ISLAND RESORT



Crystal Cove is a privately-owned island resort situated in the southeastern part of Boracay. In this two-hectare land, you can explore the caves and terraces or enjoy an afternoon picnic.

📍 Crystal Cove Island Resort, Laurel Island, Boracay  
☎ 036-272-2709 ☎ 8:00 am-5:00 pm  
🌐 boracaycrystalcove.com/ 📧 Crystal Cove Island Resort

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D' Talipapa is the area where fresh and live seafood are sold.

D'Talipapa

Boracay Hwy Central

WHITE BEACH

Boat Station 3

Boat Station 2



## SPA

Boracay's nightlife is legendary. All-nighters in Boracay will leave you with little energy the following day, so make sure you book a trip to one of Boracay's world-class spas to relax and restore that lost energy.



## MANDALA SPA & RESORT



Mandala Spa and Resort is a multi-awarded destination spa and resort nestled in the hills of Station 3. It's rare for anyone to see resorts in Boracay that aren't beachfront property yet still manage to attract a lot of people. The Spa has seven spa packages to choose from. For those new to spa treatments, the hour-and-a-half Mandala Signature Massage is perfect for relieving tension and helping you relax from a long day's worth of activities.

📍 Station 3, Boracay Island 📞 036-288-5857 to 58/0917-634-8430  
 ⌚ 10:00 am-10:00 pm 📘 Mandala Spa and Villas  
 🌐 mandalaspaandresortvillas.com/

## 15 TIRTA SPA

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The word tirta is Hindu for "Holy Water." Tirta Spa takes you to a place where high-quality treatments and facilities meet serenity. Their focus on making each treatment special for each client means you won't go wrong with any of their packages.

📍 Sitio Malabunot, Boracay Island  
 📞 036-288-6841 / 0920-918-4857 / 0922-892-8696  
 ⌚ 9:00 am-12:00 am  
 📘 Tirta Spa Boracay  
 🌐 tirtaspa.com/



## 16 POSEIDON SPA

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Guests at Poseidon are treated like royalty from the get-go. The spa has Filipino-inspired design with its emphasis on using bamboo. It's also the only spa on the entire island with personal pools, making it one of the most luxurious spas you'll ever see. Treatments at Poseidon are at par with the best spas in Boracay.

📍 Mt. Luho, Brgy. Balabag, Boracay Island  
 📞 036-288-3616/0917-327-4848  
 🌐 spaboracay.com/english.main.htm

## 17 BELLA ISA SALON & SPA

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Bella Isa Salon & Spa is a full-service spa that's located right on the beach in Station 3. Step into a serene environment where you'll be greeted with sweet scents, exotic music, and a sense of relaxation even before you've sat down.

📍 Casa Camilla, Angol, Boat Station 3, White Beach Path, Boracay Island  
 📞 036-288-1381  
 ⌚ 10:30 am-9:00 pm  
 🌐 bellaisaboracay.com/  
 📘 Bella Isa

## 18 FRIDAYS SPA

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Just along the beachfront of Station 1 is where Fridays Spa is located. Adorned with a native style concept, Fridays Spa offers a massage hut where you can relax and enjoy a nice beachfront view. Each of the masseuses here in the spa is trained to offer different massages which will make the customer as relaxed as ever.

📍 Station 1, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan  
 📞 036-288-6200  
 📘 Fridays Boracay Beach Resort  
 🌐 fridaysboracay.com/



# RESORTS

Boracay's resorts are, without question, some of the best you'll find in the Philippines. Some offer fantastic views of the beach, while others are a hop, skip, and a jump away from Boracay's world-famous white sand beaches. Boracay's resorts also cater to all types of travelers and all sorts of budgets. Let's look at some of the best on the island.

## 19 TWO SEASONS BORACAY RESORT

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Two Seasons is named after wet and dry, the two seasons in the Philippines. The resort is strategically located at Station 1, which is the quieter and less crowded part of the island. This modern boutique hotel houses 34 rooms all in all, with room types Standard, Deluxe, Seaview, Junior Suite, Suite Heaven, Deluxe Grand, Family Suites, and Family Grand Suites.

Station 1, Boracay Island  
02-410-2075  
twoseasonsresorts.com/



## 20 THE LIND BORACAY

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The Lind offers something new to those who would like to have a well-spent and memorable trip to one of the most coveted islands in the Philippines. With its 119 rooms including suites, The Lind offers four types of rooms all with balconies, which gives its guests the refreshing feeling brought by the surrounding trees and the crashing of waves at the beach.

Station 1, Balabag, Boracay Island  
02-835-8888 / 0998-847-9465

## 21 HENANN GARDEN RESORT

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Henann Garden Resort used to be the Boracay Garden Resort, usually catering to Koreans and Chinese tourists that often flock to Boracay around May.

Station 2, Boracay Island  
02-353-1111  
henann.com/







## 22 SHANGRI-LA BORACAY RESORT AND SPA

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Shangri-La Boracay Resort and Spa still as the island's lone 5-star property. Guests of this luxury resort are treated like royalty on the northern tip of Boracay. The resort spans 12 hectares and has 219 rooms, 36 of which are either villas or suites.

📍 Brgy. Yapak, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-4988 / 02-395-3356  
🌐 shangri-la.com/boracay/boracayresort  
📘 Shangri-La's Boracay Resort and Spa

## 23 SURFSIDE BORACAY RESORT SPA

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When you get to Boracay, you would usually need to look for a room to stay in, a place where you can eat, activities to enjoy, and a spa to get you relaxed and ready for the next day. Most people go to four places just to do this, but at Surfside, you'll get access to all of these.

📍 Station 3, White Beach, Angol, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-5039  
🌐 boracaysurfside.com/osi/index.html  
📘 Surfside Boracay Resort and Spa



## 24 COAST BORACAY

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Strategically located at the beachfront in Station 2, Coast Boracay will make you feel like you are in your youth again, alluring you with its charming outlook that stands out among other hotel as it speaks of three words: fun, vibrant, and quirky. Coast also takes pride of their friendly and accommodating staff.

📍 Station 2, Beachfront, Boracay Island 📘 Coast Boracay  
☎ 036-288-2634 🌐 coastboracay.com/

## 25 FRIDAYS BORACAY BEACH RESORT

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Established in 1982, Fridays Boracay has become a staple name as one of the best resorts to stay in for a tranquil and comfortable accommodation. It has a different vibe than the hotels near it, as it has this tropical island paradise kind of scene going on around. It has a native-style kind of accommodation, making it an interesting attraction as well.

📍 Station 1, Boracay Island, Malay, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-6200  
📘 Fridays Boracay Beach Resort  
🌐 fridaysboracay.com/





## 26 MONACO SUITES DE BORACAY

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Monaco Suites de Boracay is a 16,000-square-meter all-suite resort perched on the sides of Boracay Hills. The resort boasts some of the best views you'll get on the island—thank to its secluded setting. Monaco Suites also has access to its own private beach, further cementing their place as one of the best resorts on the island.

📍 Tulubhan, Manoc-Manoc, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-4800/0917-498-9775  
🌐 [monacosuitesboracay.com/](http://monacosuitesboracay.com/)  
📱 Monaco Suites de Boracay



MONACO SUITES  
DE BORACAY

## 27 VILLA CAEMILLA

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Villa Caemilla is the perfect place for anyone looking to stay just a few minutes away from all the revelry of Station 2, yet still enjoy a peaceful view of the beach at the end of their action-packed day. It's a boutique hotel with roughly 30 or 40 rooms, making your experience as personalized as it gets.

📍 Station 3, Angol, Brgy. Manoc-Manoc, Boracay Island  
☎ 036-288-3354 / 036-288-3106 / 0917-526-9449  
🌐 [villacaemilla.com/](http://villacaemilla.com/)  
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# RESORTS LIST

### ★ ASTORIA BORACAY

📍 Station 1, Brgy. Balabag, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan  
☎ 036-288-1111  
🌐 <http://www.astoriaboracay.com/>

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📍 Station 1, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan  
☎ 038-288-3091  
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### ★ BORACAY MANDARIN ISLAND HOTEL

📍 Beachfront, Station 2, Boracay Island, Aklan  
☎ 036-288-3444, 036-288-4999  
🌐 <http://www.boracaymandarin.com/>

### ★ THE DISTRICT

📍 Station 2, Brgy. Balabag, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan  
☎ 036-288-2324 to 27, 036-288-1448  
🌐 <http://www.thedistrictboracay.com/>

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📍 Station 2, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan  
☎ 036-288-3507  
🌐 <http://www.redcoconut.com.ph/>

### ★ LESOLEIL DE BORACAY

📍 Station 2, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan  
☎ 036-288-6209 to 12  
🌐 <http://www.lesoleil.com.ph/>

### ★ ECLIPSE RESORT BORACAY

📍 Station 2, Balabag, Boracay, Aklan  
☎ 036-288-3024  
🌐 <http://www.eclipseresortboracay.com.ph/>

### ★ ASYA PREMIER SUITES

📍 Sitio Cagban, Brgy. Manoc-Manoc, Boracay Island Malay, Aklan  
☎ 036-288-1790  
🌐 <http://www.asyapremier-boracay.com/>

### ★ GOLDEN PHOENIX BORACAY

📍 Station 3, Manoc-Manoc, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan  
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🌐 <http://www.goldenphoenixhotelboracay.com/>





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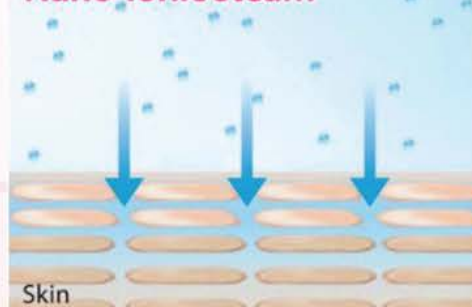


Figure 1: Nano-sized particle steam penetrates the skin, leaving it feeling refreshed and renewed.

### Review

"The best things are those that are compact and convenient. Make your skin firm enough for well absorption of lotion!"

It can easily be operated by just filling it with the right amount of water and then pressing the button. I can't get enough of using this facial steam spa. It is really portable unlike other steamers, making it easy to bring anywhere. When I used it, it only took a few minutes for me to soak my skin. Before, I thought steaming is just used as a skin moisturizer, but surprisingly, Panasonic Facial Ionic Steamer also improves skin absorption for my skin care products and helps in better blood circulation as well. In addition to that, nano-moisture does not only hydrate the skin surface, but also soaks on

deeper part of the skin that improves dehydrated skin in a way that makes my pores clean and relaxed. I recommend two ways on how to use the Facial Ionic Steamer. First would be cleansing and steaming. If you do cleansing while steaming for 1-2 minutes, you can feel the dirt from your pores smoothly going away. If you wash your face after steaming, you'll notice that dirt are coming off too. Please take note that is not recommendable to use the steam before cleansing. The second way is to wash and steam before putting on facial lotion. If you apply skin care products while steaming, it makes your skin absorb the lotion easily. Some of you may not have enough time to do this in the morning, but it works just as good at night. You can do this for 6 minutes while watching TV!

..... Voice .....



Yuka Shimodaira

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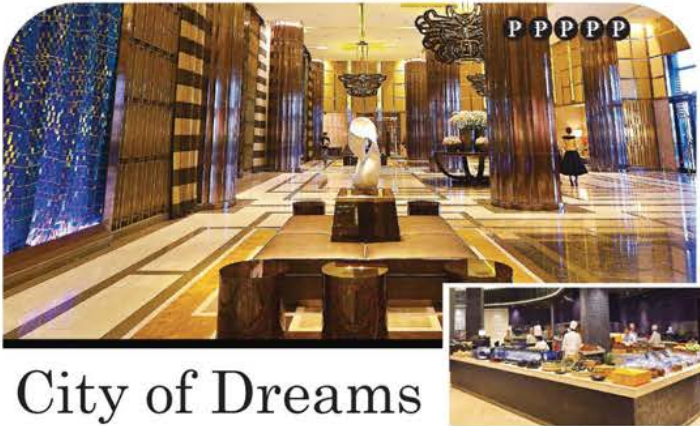
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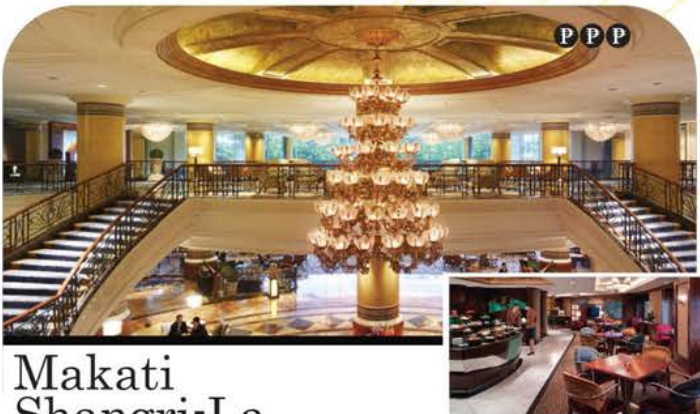
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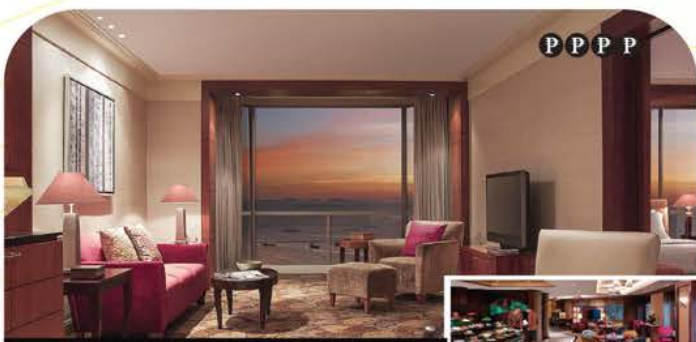
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## Kazuhiro Ishida

General Manager of Japan Airlines (JAL) in the Philippines

*Kazuhiro Ishida is the General Manager of Japan Airlines (JAL) in the Philippines. Before being assigned to the country, he worked in China as part of JAL's marketing team for four years.*

### How long have you been the General Manager for JAL Philippines?

I've been General Manager for JAL for three years and 6 months. I was transferred from Tokyo after being a temporary member of the Olympic Bid Committee. An interesting thing happened while I was part of the bid committee. During the ceremony in Buenos Aires, the person who delivered the envelope to the International Olympic Committee chairperson was a Filipino, [Francisco] Elizalde. Perhaps it was a sign for me to go to the Philippines.

### How has JAL done in the Philippines in terms of passenger departures? Do Filipinos choose JAL to fly to Japan?

Our main customers right now are Filipinos. A few years ago, however, we catered more to Japanese businessmen and Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) flying between Manila and Tokyo. We also have the Filipino leisure market flying to America, especially to the West Coast. However, we shifted to catering more to tourists after the significant increase of Filipino tourists [who fly to Japan].

### What has been the biggest hurdle JAL has faced in the Philippines?

We have had problems with infrastructure, but the situation has greatly improved compared to previous years. The completion of the Skyway (NAIAX) and renovations to NAIA Terminal 1 have helped out a lot. Transportation Secretary [Arthur] Tugade knows the situation of the airline industry, and his efforts have helped improve it.

### What has been some of the biggest contributions of JAL to the Philippines?

US occupied Japan back in 1951. JAL was not given a permit to self-operate by the US, but Philippine Airlines (PAL) was kind enough to loan their aircraft to JAL under the condition that they keep an image of the Philippine flag on the plane. In many aspects, PAL taught JAL how to operate as an airline.

1967 saw the maiden voyage of our Japan-Manila flights, so we have a lot of shared history. JAL has helped the country since then.

When Super Typhoon Yolanda hit the Philippines in 2013, the Japanese Government dispatched the Japan Disaster Relief (JDR) Medical team with the help of chartered flights

from JAL, all within of 24 hours. In total, the JDR took two JAL charter flights and a regular flight to help in the relief efforts for Typhoon Yolanda.

JAL also sends one Filipino each year to Japan via the JAL Scholarship Program. A total of 1,471 students have participated in the program since it was launched in 1975, with many of the alumni now playing an active role in the international community.

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### How has it working with the Filipino staff here at JAL?

It's enjoyable for me [to work with Filipino staff]. You see, 70 percent of seamen employed by Japanese-owned shipping companies are Filipino because they are adaptable and generous wherever they are. My Filipino staff share the same talent, and I appreciate their adaptability.

### How many flights do JAL operate in the Philippines? Does JAL plan to fly out of Clark or Cebu?

JAL currently operates two flights between Narita Airport and NAIA. Right now, we do not have any plans of expanding our flights to Clark or Cebu, but we do plan to add more flights due to an increase in tourists.

We do, however, provide other options for those who want to fly to Japan. Jetstar Japan, our subsidiary low-cost carrier, operates daily flights from Narita, three flights a week from Osaka (Kansai), and four flights a week from Nagoya. The casual service they provide cater more to the younger generation, while JAL's full-service flights cater more to businessmen and those passengers who prefer flying with a full-service airline.

## "If they focus their energies and concentrate on one thing, they can win."

### How would you describe the way you manage JAL?

It's very difficult, but I would like to use the Rio Olympics as a comparison, in particular the 400-meter men's relay. Japan came in second that time, with Jamaica winning gold and the US winning bronze. Some of our athletes were talented, but they were not as strong compared to those from the US or Jamaica individually. However, if they focus their energies and cooperate together as a team, they can beat the US.

The Filipino staff here already have a good relationship with each other, and I would like to strengthen that bond through teamwork.

### Who is the person you look up to in JAL?

I look up to Dr. Kazuo Inamori, the former chairman of JAL and the founder of Kyocera and KDDI. He became JAL's chairman after the company filed for bankruptcy.

He made dramatic changes as JAL's chairman [to improve the company]. He was a very modest man who refused the salary he was being given. He essentially worked as a volunteer for JAL.

He was a rich yet modest man, often making reservations in small hotels. Everyone in JAL looks up to Dr. Inamori because of this.

### Describe your typical day at work.

Every week I attend to the airport. I greet VIP passengers at the check-in counter. It's fun to talk to the customers. That's why I work even during weekends. In the office, I usually talk to our Passenger Sales Manager about sales planning and our target market.

We do not have private rooms here at JAL, same as the JAL headquarters. If you want to talk to the president, you can do so without having to schedule a meeting with a secretary. I'm also active with promoting Japan to Filipino tourists by talking to tourism organizations in Japan.

### What quote or phrase motivates you to do well in your job?

The enterprise is a difficult one, but 'when there is a will there is a way,' and what colonization needs most is a hearty will. — Abraham Lincoln, 1857.

When I was a part of the Olympic Bid Committee, everyone did not think that Tokyo will get to host the 2022 Games. There's the radiation issue, the competition like Turkey and Spain, and the fact that Tokyo is quite far from Europe and the United States.

Japan, however, has experience in hosting the Games since we have hosted the [Summer and Winter] Olympics a total of four times. We had to resolve the radiation concerns and have the entire team be in one mind in wanting to host the Games.

### What are your plans for JAL in the Philippines?

I would like to increase our number of flights. The number of Filipino tourists flying to Japan has steadily increased over the years, and I would like to take advantage of that by adding more flights.

As you know, JAL is a very modest organization. We mostly employ Japanese staff, but now we've changed our strategy. We would now like to send foreign staff to other areas. Filipinos are the best candidate because they can speak English fluently and are very adaptable.

The airport staff you see in Dubai and Singapore are mostly Filipinos, that's why I would like to send Filipino staff to our offices in other countries.



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## Inflatable Island

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**Venue:** Subic Bay waters, Olongapo City, Zambales

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April 6-8

Car Show

MANILA INTERNATIONAL AUTO SHOW

April 7

Festival

April 10

Expo

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April 21-23

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**Venue:** SMX Convention Center, Pasay City

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## Moriones Festival

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**Venue:** Marinduque, Philippines

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