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**SPECIAL FEATURE** — American TV personality Julia Child once said, "People who love to eat are always the best people." And those who love to eat and those who love life are always open to the joys and pleasures of the ever-changing food scene. While this remains a universal truth, the COVID-19 pandemic forced us to change our eating habits and routines, especially for those around the metro. Fortunately for us this year, the food industry seems to be recovering from its recent slump.

That's why this love month, the Philippine Primer gives you a tour around Little Tokyo, one of most popular food hubs this side of town, so you can experience the passion and love for food of the East Asian restaurateurs who withstood and triumphed over the difficulties of the current pandemic.

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# LittleTokyo

## with Love

Little Tokyo in Makati is a go-to place for getting some of the best Japanese cuisines around the metro. Many people visit this spot to have a bite of Japan. In this feature article, the Philippine Primer tours you around where you can get your next Japanese feast.



Dine in



Pickup

## Inside Little Tokyo

### Yakiniku A5 Toku

Gaining popularity as a high-end yakiniku restaurant that uses charcoal fire in Ginza, Yakiniku A5 Toku is now here to serve everyone with A5 rank high-class Japanese black beef. With its relaxing ambiance and open space, the place is ideal for any kind of event such as business meetings, gatherings, and drinking parties. Currently, they are temporarily closed. For more updates, please follow their official Facebook page.

Little Tokyo, 2277 Chino Roces Ave.,  
Amorsolo St, Legazpi Vill., Makati  
0999-438-5943 / 0977-435-3357  
11:30 am to 11:00 pm  
yakiniku-a5-toku-little-tokyo.business.site/  
YAKINIKUA5TOKU

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### Ramen Shimada

Famous for their traditional tonkotsu soy sauce, Ramen Shimada is home to authentic and well-crafted Japanese dishes. They serve delicious food at an affordable price. It starts at P250, which comes with unlimited white rice. Currently, they are closed until further notice. For more updates, please follow their official Facebook page.

Little Tokyo, 2277 Chino Roces Ave.,  
Amorsolo St, Legazpi Vill., Makati  
0956-041-7181 / 0929-613-1281  
ramen-shimada.business.site/  
ramenshimada



### Okonomiyaki Kagura

As an established store in Manila, Okonomiyaki Kagura is one of the best spots to dine in Little Tokyo. They serve Kansai- and Hiroshima-style okonomiyaki. Each month, the head of Kagura which came from Okayama and also a secretariat of the Manila Fierce Tigers Association holds a cheering party while watching the broadcast of the Tigers game.

Little Tokyo, 2277 Chino Roces Ave., Amorsolo St, L  
0912-858-1635 / 0915-773-9607  
12:30 pm to 9:00 pm (closed on Monday)  
kagura.ph-co.jp  
KaguraOkonomiyaki  
Card: Unavailable  
Cashless payment: Unavailable Smoking: Designated smoking area



primer.com.ph/feature



### Izakaya Oishinbo

Little Tokyo's Izakaya Oishinbo will remind you of downtown Japan. Once inside, you'll see lots of dishes that will practically make you feel that you're in Japan. They make their own yakitori sauce for their meats and their pickled Chinese cabbage and ginger for their sushi.

Little Tokyo, 2277 Chino Roces Ave.,  
Amorsolo St, Legazpi Vill., Makati  
0927-345-2154  
11:30 am to 2:30 pm, 5:00pm to 11:00 pm  
oishinbo.business.site/  
Honarijapaneserestaurant  
Card: Accepted  
Cashless payment: Accepted  
Smoking: Non-smoking



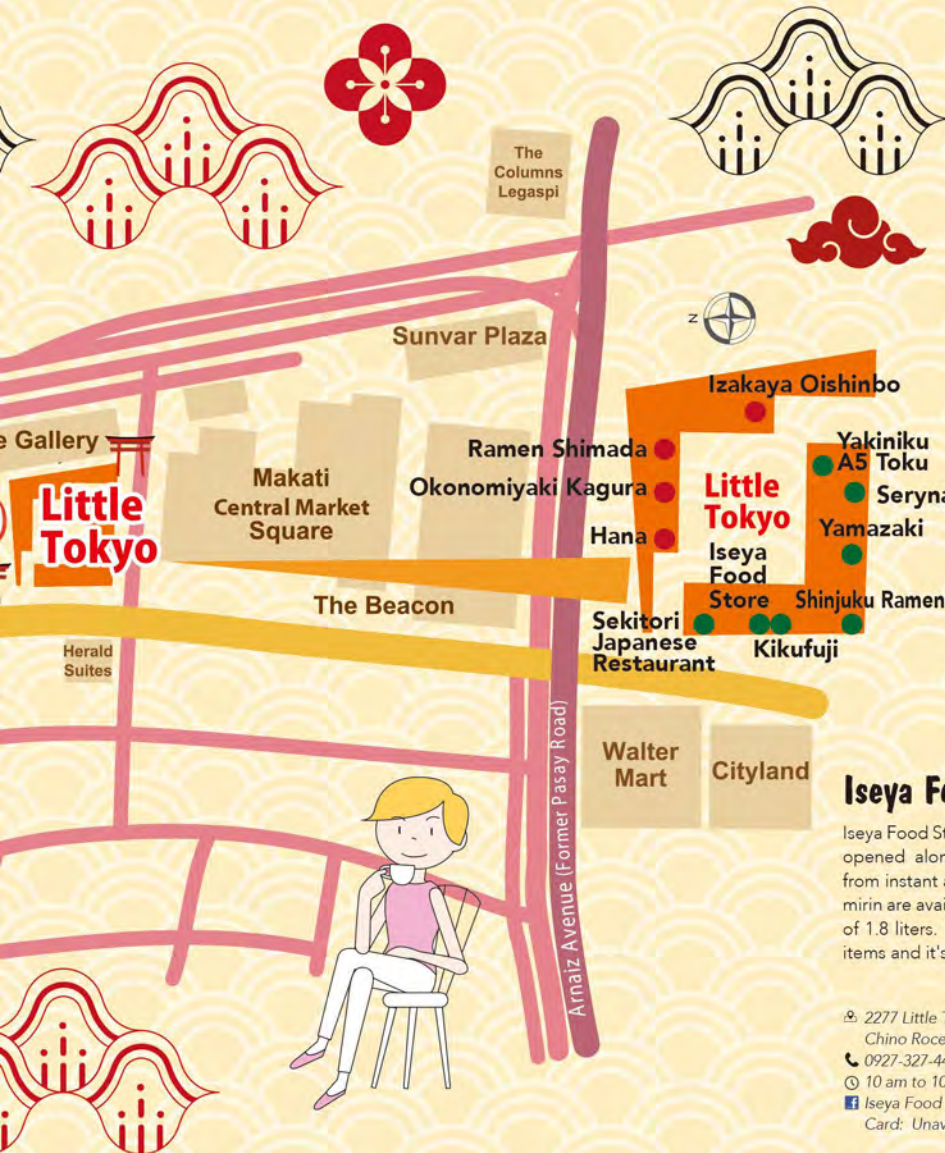
### Hana

Hana is a Japanese restaurant easily recognizable by the Takoyaki grill by the entrance. They serve a wide variety of Japanese food such as sushi, tempura, yakitori, noodles, snacks, and bento boxes. Takoyaki is highly recommended by customers. It became a popular item and now staple a food.

Little Tokyo, 2277 Chino Roces Ave.,  
Amorsolo St, Legazpi Vill., Makati  
0927-221-9711 / 0956-556-8501  
1:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Hana.Restaurant.Little.Tokyo.Makati  
Card: Unavailable  
Cashless payment: Unavailable  
Smoking: Smoking seat (up to 2 hours), smoking area designated







## Discover by walking! Local Market Pio del Pilar Public Market

Go straight on the street of Jukai (V.A. Rufino) in the opposite direction of Legazpi Village and turn right at the third corner to the local market. It's a small market with securities that sells fresh vegetables, fruits, seafood, and meat. Also take a walk on broad daylight

📍 7175 M. Ocampo, Makati

## Outside Little Tokyo

### Iseya Food Store

Iseya Food Store is a Japanese food store that opened along Chino Roces Avenue. Aside from instant and frozen foods, Soy sauce and mirin are available and sold in a large capacity of 1.8 liters. It has a good selection of other items and it's convenient for small purchases.

📍 2277 Little Tokyo Complex, Fernando St.  
Chino Roces Ave. Makati

☎ 0927-327-4475 / 0908 738 2554

🕒 10 am to 10 pm

📱 Iseya Food Store

Card: Unavailable

Cashless payment: Unavailable

Smoking: Non-smoking



### Yamazaki

Established in 1998, Yamazaki is a Japanese store and a restaurant. They offer affordable Japanese dishes like ramen and lunch boxes. Besides Japanese instant foods, seasonings, and frozen foods, the food store also sells fresh vegetables and fish fillets.

📍 2277 Fernando Street Corner

Pasong Tamo Street 1231 Makati, Philippines

☎ 02-8296-7798 / 02-8893-2163 / 0929-395 0512 /

0916-660-5324

🕒 9:00 am to 9:00 pm (food store) /

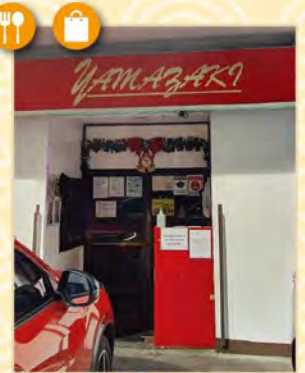
9:00 am to 8:30 pm (restaurant)

📱 YamazakiRamenHouse

Card: Unavailable

Cashless payment: Unavailable

Smoking: Non-smoking



### Sekitori Japanese Restaurant

Sekitori is an authentic nabe restaurant that is owned by a former sumo wrestler. They are known for serving hot pot with dozens of ingredients and freshly prepared every day. Aside from the hotpot, there are 150 dishes you can choose from. Nagasaki Cyanpon Udon (Php 330) is highly recommended. It has vegetables and chewy homemade udon noodles. Its broth is used for the hotpot. For dessert, try their Basque Cheesecake for Php 180.

📍 2277 Little Tokyo Complex, Chino Roces Ave., Makati

☎ 02-8816-7608 / 8894-3876

🕒 11:00 am to 2:30 pm / 5:00 pm to 9:30 pm

🌐 www.sekitori.asia/

📱 Japanese Restaurant Sekitori

Card: Accepted

Cashless payment: Unavailable

Smoking: Smoking seats available



### Seryna

Seryna is known for its freshly-made sashimi and sushi. They offer take-out, even on lockdowns. They offer takeouts, even though the lockdown is in place. Try their Sukiyaki Gozen (Php 480) or Chirashi Sushi (Php 720).

📍 2277 Little Tokyo Complex, Fernando St.

Chino Roces Ave. Makati

☎ 02-8894-3855 / 0916-514-2355

🕒 11:00 am to 2:00 pm: 12:00 am to 7:00 pm

(Mon to Thu)

11:00 am to 2:00 pm: 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm

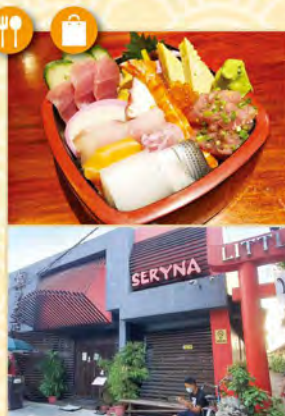
(Fri to Sat)

📱 SerynaPH

Card: Accepted

Cashless payment: Unavailable

Smoking: Non-smoking



### Kikufuji

Since 1995, Kikufuji has served countless customers and grown its reputation as one of the most popular restaurant in the neighborhood. The restaurant's interior is a tatami room with big tables. It's also a Japanese izakaya and has a capacity of 170-180 seats and has 5 private rooms with a maximum of 12 seats.

📍 2277 Little Tokyo Complex, Fernando St.

Chino Roces Ave. Makati

☎ 02-8893-7319 / 02-8893-6131

🕒 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

📱 Kikufuji Izakaya

Card: Unavailable

Cashless payment: Accepted

Smoking: Non-smoking



### Shinjuku Ramen

Shinjuku Ramen is famous for serving 50 kinds of noodles such as ramen, tsukemen, udon, and yakisoba.

📍 2277 Chino Roces Avenue 1230 Makati, Philippines

☎ 0999-968-1052 / 02-8935-9434

🕒 11:00 am to 9:00 pm

📱 Shinjukuramenhouse

Card: Accepted

Cashless payment: Unavailable

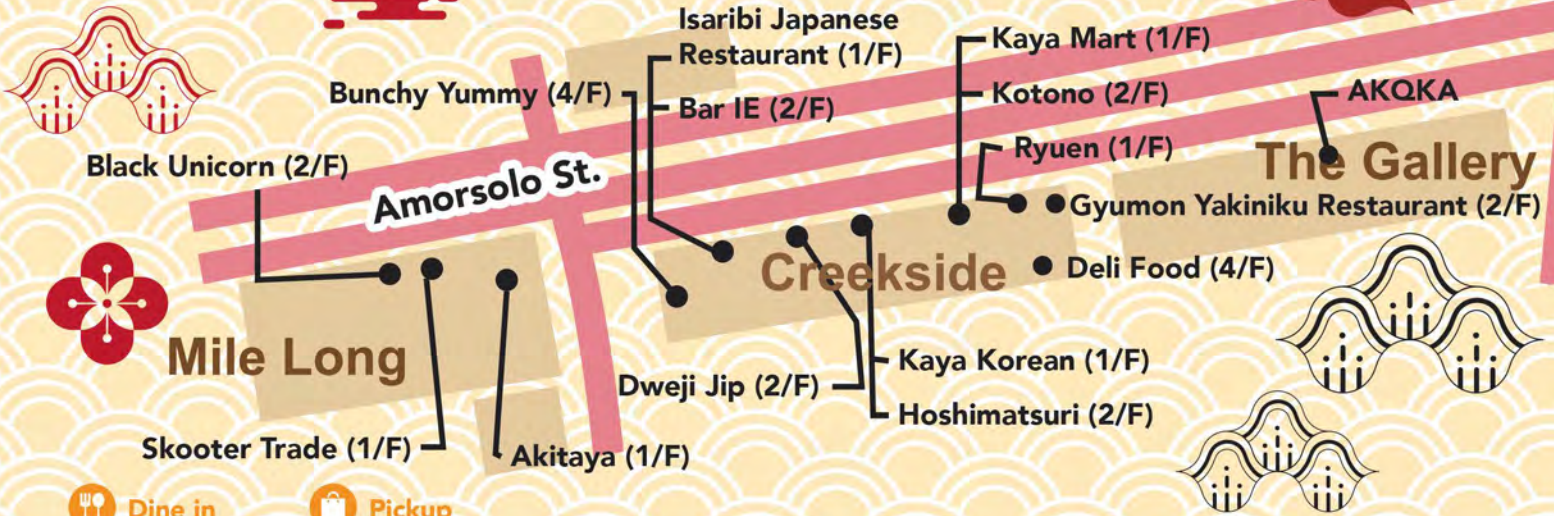
Smoking: Non-smoking





# Creekside, The Gallery, milelong

Found along Amorsolo Street, these three adjacent properties have witnessed their share of good and fun times in the wee hours of cold Makati nights. Here, you can find various crowd favorites such as Kotonno and Isaribi.



Dine in



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## Kotono Japanese Restaurant

They are known for their grilled beef tongue (P480) and duck dishes. You can enjoy high-quality duck cooked in various ways such as boiled duck, a delicacy from Kanazawa City in Ishikawa Prefecture, and soba noodles with duck. They also offer more than 20 types of soba dishes.

📍 Rm 2 Mezzanine Flr. Creekside Bldg Amorsolo cor. V.A. Rufino St., Legaspi Village Makati

☎ 02-7211-5775 / 02-8255-1071 / 0917-170-7790 / 0925-215-0862

🕒 4:30 pm to 10:30 pm

📱 KotonoJapaneseRestaurant

Card: Accepted

Cashless payment: Unavailable

Smoking: Smoking seats available



## Isaribi Japanese Restaurant

Diners will be welcomed by a lively storefront decorated with lanterns and banners. They pride themselves in their grilled fresh seafood and meat using high-quality Japanese beef. They also offer a wide variety of Japanese dishes and alcoholic beverages. There are smoking seats separated by glass doors inside the establishment, which is great for smokers.

📍 RG-5 Creekside Mall Bldg. Amorsolo St. corner V.A. Rufino St. 1230 Makati

☎ 02-8801-1770

🕒 11:00 am to 2:00 pm / 5:00 pm to 12:00 am

📱 Isaribi Japanese Restaurant - Makati

Card: Accepted

Cashless payment: Accepted

Smoking: Smoking seats available



## Deli Food

Before moving to the Philippines, Mr. Thomas, the owner, lived in Hong Kong for 25 years. Deli Food offers authentic Hong Kong dishes via delivery service. It doesn't have a physical store where customers can dine in, but it does have a kitchen on the 4th floor of the Creekside Mall. There are 11 items in the menu, including Grilled Pork Chop Rice, Yeung Chow Chao Fan, and Shrimp Pan Fry Spaghetti. Priced at P180-280 per item, diners can enjoy affordable, but delicious Hong Kong delicacies.

📍 Unit 22 Penthouse Creekside Amorsolo, Brgy. Pio Del Pilar, Makati

☎ 0999-998-3333

🕒 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

📱 delifoodmakati

Card: Unavailable

Cashless payment: Unavailable



## Hoshimatsuri Japanese Restaurant

An izakaya run by a Filipina who loves Japanese food. Filipino chefs run the kitchen. Their specialty, Hakata chicken skin, is so tasty. It has been slow-grilled for three days until the fat drips off. Motsunabe is a popular choice among diners too.

📍 Mezzanine, Creekside Mall, Amorsolo St., cor. V.A. Rufino St., Legaspi Village, Makati

☎ 02-8893-3294

🕒 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm

📱 Hoshimatsuri

Card: Accepted

Cashless payment: Unavailable

Smoking: Smoking seats available



## Kaya Korean Restaurant

A Korean food chain founded in 1993. Customers often order yukhoe, yakiniku, stone-grilled bibimbap, japchae, pajeon, cold noodles, among others. Kaya Mart, a Korean chain of groceries, is also under the same management.

📍 Ground Floor, Creekside Mall, Amorsolo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City

☎ 0945-468-5363

🕒 10:00 am to 10:30 pm

📱 kayarest

Card: Accepted

Cashless payment: Accepted

Smoking: Non-smoking





## Gyumon Yakiniku Restaurant

A yakiniku restaurant that also has a branch at the Sheraton Hotel (formerly Pan Pacific Hotel) in Malate. They use high-quality US beef for their dishes. For those who want to enjoy yakiniku at the comforts of their homes, you can order some for take out.

📍 Unit M-VII Makati Creekside Mall Amorsolo St., Legaspi Vill. Makati 1229 Manila  
☎ 02-8567-5349 / 02-8819-0361 / 0917-895-7727  
🕒 11:30 am to 9:00 pm  
📱 GyumonPh  
Card: Accepted  
Cashless payment: Accepted  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Ryuen

Ryuen belongs to the same group of restaurants that manages Gyumon Yakiniku Restaurant that also serves delicious Japanese food. Located on the first floor of the popular shopping mall, Ryuen-Creekside Mall serves authentic yakiniku to its patrons. Beef stew (P250), liver skewers (P550), and beef tataki (P350) are some of their bestsellers. They also offer Japanese and Korean soju.

📍 1/F Creekside Mall, Amorsolo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City  
☎ 02-8567-5349 / 02-8819-0361 / 0917-895-7727  
🕒 10:30 am to 7:00 pm  
📱 RyuenPh  
Card: Accepted  
Cashless payment: Unavailable  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Bunchy Yummy

A hot pot restaurant being operated by a Chinese national that is located on the 4th floor of the Creekside Mall. Most of their patrons are Chinese. Their signature soups, which are a crowd favorite, are highly recommended.

📍 Creekside Mall, Penthouse Unit 29, Amorsolo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati, Metro Manila  
☎ 0956-825-2599  
🕒 4:00 pm to 3:00 am  
🌐 chinese-restaurant-2151.business.site/  
Card: Unavailable  
Cashless payment: Unavailable  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Bar IE

Bar IE is a hidden gem located on the 2nd floor of the Creekside Mall. Master IE used to run a bar in Amagasaki for 38 years before literally bringing the bar itself straight from Japan when he moved here. Their signature curry is very popular among its customers.

📍 Rm. 5A, Mezzanine, Creekside Mall, Amorsolo St., Makati City  
☎ 0927-426-0311  
🕒 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm (Closed on Mondays)  
📱 Bar IE  
Card: Unavailable  
Cashless payment: Unavailable  
Smoking: Smoking seats available



## AKQKA

AKQKA serves affordable Indian and Asian food. You can also do karaoke in their small and cozy interior. They also allow customers to smoke shisha or hooka.

📍 Unit S-7 The Gallery, Amorsolo St., Makati  
☎ 0966-943-8018 / 0977-617-1602  
🕒 9:00 am to 10:00 pm  
🌐 www.akqka.com  
📱 AKQKA  
Card: Unavailable  
Cashless payment: Unavailable  
Smoking: Unavailable



## Dweji Jip Korean Grill

A Korean yakiniku restaurant located on the 2nd floor of the Creekside Mall. They offer eat-all-you-can samgyeopsal and pork for P399 per person between 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. They also offer eat-all-you-can pork and beef for P499 per person anytime.

📍 Creekside Mall, 2/F, Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village, Makati, Metro Manila  
☎ 0928-663-8868  
🕒 9:30 am to 3:30 pm  
📱 DwejiJipPH  
Card: Unavailable  
Cashless payment: Accepted  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Black Unicorn Gym

The gym belongs to a former Muay Thai coach, in which they offer full-scale boxing and one-on-one Muay Thai training. From simple to advanced workouts.

📍 2/F Mile Long Bldg. Amorsolo St. Cor. V.A. Rufino St. Legaspi Vill. Makati  
☎ 0927-128-7094 / 0961-750-4947 / 02-8925-5513  
🕒 7:00 am to 10:00 pm  
📱 BlackUnicornGym  
Card: Unavailable  
Cashless payment: Unavailable  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Skooter Trade

Skooter Trade is a showroom for electric scooters and all four types of scooters are currently on sale. The cheapest is "X4" with the price of P32,999, while "L27" is the most expensive with the price tag of P159,000

📍 2/F Mile Long Bldg. Amorsolo St. Cor. V.A. Rufino St. Legaspi Vill. Makati  
☎ 0917-311-4038 / 0945-982-1058  
🕒 7:00 am to 10:00 pm  
📱 skootertrade  
Card: Accepted  
Cashless payment: Unavailable





# Makati Central Square

Makati Central Square is one of the oldest and pioneer malls in the city of Makati, it is also a place for Japanese food adventure. You can explore numerous restaurants that offer different authentic Japanese cuisine such as Manmaru, Yakiniku, Akitaya, and more.

 **Dine in**

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## Kenshin Japanese Izakaya Restaurant

It is a popular Japanese restaurant that serves a quality yet affordable menu. You can try their Wagyu Takiniku Nabe (P2,899) with Omi beef that is good for 3 to 4 pax, and it's limited to this branch. It is a specialty dish of Hakata made of cabbage, green onions, and thin meat placed in a donut-shaped pot. The center of the pot is filled with beef tail soup. You can also order a more affordable US Takiniku Nabe (P769) that uses US Beef (this one is available at all the branches).

📍 1/F  
☎ 0917-535-1046  
🕒 11:00 am to 9:00 pm (Sun-Thu), 11:00 am to 11:00 pm (Fri to Sat)  
📱 kenshinmakatisquare  
Card: Accepted Cashless payment: Accepted  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Yakiniku Kenshin

Yakiniku Kenshin is an affordable yakiniku restaurant that opened in January 2019. They offer a wide range of delicious, yet affordable Japanese dishes. They also have a sauce bar where you can freely douse your meat with their delectable in-house sauces.

📍 1/F  
☎ 0917-103-5727  
🕒 11:00 am to 4:00 pm  
📱 yakinikukenshin  
Card: Unavailable  
Cashless payment: Accepted  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Unakichi

If you're looking for a restaurant specializing in eel dishes in Makati, Unakichi is the place to go to. They serve authentic, yet affordable eel dishes such as Unadon (P590), Unajyu Jo (P980), and Unajyu Gokujo (P1,580). Aside from their eel dishes, they also serve a wide variety of Japanese favorites, including tempura.

📍 1/F  
☎ 02-7728-2072  
🕒 11:00 to 2:00 pm / 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm  
📱 unakichimakati.wixsite.com/unakichi  
📱 UNAKICHIMAKATI  
Card: Accepted Cashless payment: Accepted  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Sakura Yakiniku

Opened in September 2020, Sakura Yakiniku serves US beef and Japanese beef. There are a plethora of Japanese dishes to enjoy aside from yakiniku and it's affordable. Prices start around P300.

📍 G14  
☎ 02-8844-4427  
🕒 11:00 am to 2:00 pm / 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Card: Accepted  
Cashless payment: Unavailable  
Smoking: Non-smoking



Amorsolo St.

Unakichi

Sakura Yakiniku

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● Makati Central Square  
Akitaya Japanese Restaurant

● Manpuku Steak House

● Ikigai/Wabisabi

Chino Roces Avenue

Makati Central Square Chino Roces Ave., Makati

## Japanese Izakaya Restaurant Manmaru

Manmaru offers more than 200 kinds of items with the concept of stop, eat, and drink quickly! It has an izakaya area and a VIP area and boasts a spacious interior with a total of 170 seats.

📍 1/F  
☎ Phone: 02-8254-3170 / 0917-624-9988  
🕒 11:00 am to 11:00 pm  
📱 www.eat-factory.com  
📱 Manmaru Japanese Restaurant-Philippines  
Card: Accepted  
Cashless payment: Unavailable  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Akitaya Japanese Restaurant

This establishment in Mile Long offers Akita staples to its customers. Kiritanpo Nabe, a hot pot originally from Akita made with chicken and vegetables, is highly-recommended. Karashina Chirashi Maki (P550), a maki rolled with mustard greens instead of nori, is also worth trying. Its interior has a calm atmosphere.

📍 Mezzanine 1  
☎ 02-8247-1591  
🕒 11:00 am to 2:00 pm / 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm  
📱 akitaya18  
Card: Accepted Cashless payment: Accepted  
Smoking: Designated smoking available



## Manpuku Steak House

Manpuku Steakhouse serves delicious Angus beef and Japanese beef steak. They serve their dishes on hot iron plate, making it sizzle and more appetizing. They also sell meat.

📍 LG Floor  
☎ 0929-247-2934  
🕒 11:00 am to 8:00 pm  
📱 Manpuku Steakhouse and Japanese restaurant  
Card: Accepted  
Cashless payment: Accepted  
Smoking: Non-smoking



## Ikigai/Wabisabi

Ikigai, a dessert shop, and Wabi-Sabi, a noodle house, are sister companies sharing the same restaurant space. The store serves shaved ice topped with fresh fruits and homemade syrup, and there are about 13 flavors to choose from. On the other hand, Wabi-Sabi is a vegetarian ramen shop that specializes in Japanese ramen and Vietnamese pho.

📍 UG-4  
☎ 0949-993-4240  
🕒 11:00 am to 7:00 pm  
📱 wabisabi-ikigai.com/  
📱 wabisabi.makati  
Card: Unavailable Cashless payment: Accepted  
Smoking: Non-smoking





# Exploring Makati Central Square Shops

Maybe we can find something interesting here? So without further ado, let's take a look around the Makati Central Square shops!

At first glance, you'll only find fast food restaurants and smartphone shops around the area, giving Makati Central Square a quaint mall vibe. But you'll eventually find yourself surrounded by specialty stores that are not usually found in most shopping centers or malls.



## First floor

Here, you'll find lots of fast food restaurants and smartphone stores. Occupying its narrow aisles are various specialty shops selling model guns, radio-controlled cars, Tamiya spare parts, among other trinkets. There are also a leather goods shop that also repairs shoes and bags, a security equipment shop that sells products like security cameras near the entrance on the Amorsolo side, and a highly recommended silver accessories shop.



### Hobbies & Comics

Aside from Tamiya spare parts, they also sell plastic scale models and action figures.



### Euphony Music Center

They offer music lessons mainly for children and sell musical instruments.



### Jancorda

A leather goods shop. They also repair shoes and bags.



### Silver Win

A silver accessories shop. The fancier ones cost around P4,000.

## Second floor

There are plenty of vacant spaces on the second floor, giving it a sombre and cold atmosphere. Among the few occupants of this area is an art shop that sells different kinds of oil paints and other art materials and a picture frame shop. There's also a printing shop offering customization services, a repair shop specializing in Swiss watches, and a supplements store. Uryu Theater is also located on this floor.



### Audiophile

A musical instruments shop. They also sell unusual instruments such as the bongo.



### The Oil Paint Store

The Oil Paint Store sells a wide variety of paints and other art tools and materials.



### Fitzgerald's Frame Shop

They sell picture frames for paintings and photographs, which are available in different designs and sizes.



### TIU Theater

Various shows are being held here, supporting young promising artists who might set trends in the film industry in the future.

## 1st basement floor

After getting off the elevator, you'll find various stalls selling toys, clothes, shoes, and other stuff. You'll also find kiosks selling Japanese food such as takoyaki and tempura. Lastly, if you were to exit the area, you'll find shops selling baby apparel and smartphones as well as two restaurants.



### Tiangge

On the first basement floor, you'll find a bunch of stalls affectionately called tiangges by locals occupying most of the commercial space.



### Nit Wears

A charming baby apparel shop.

## 2nd basement floor

Aside from Super 8, a local grocery chain, there are shooting ranges and stores selling guns and pocket knives on this floor. Exploring further, you'll find a music store selling vinyl records and other essentials that music lovers will surely love. Manpuku Steak House, which is popular among the Japanese, is also here.



### Super 8 Grocery Warehouse

A wholesale supermarket right next to the escalator. It's popular among the locals because of its affordable goods.



### Bebop Records

A music store packed with vinyl records. If you're a collector, you should visit this place at least once.



### JETHRO INTERNATIONAL, INC. WESTPOINT GUN CLUB

One of the two shooting ranges in the mall, where foreign nationals are permitted (ID required such as passport upon entry). Pistol rental (50 shots) is P2,000 per person.



# Around Beacon

The Beacon, an upscale condominium complex in Legaspi Village, is home to a number of great restaurants to go to if you're in the mood for some Asian food such as Izakaya Kenshin and 101 Hawker Food House.

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## Yakiniku Sandaya

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📍 1/F Sunvar Plaza Bldg. Amorsolo Street Brgy. Pio Del Pilar  
☎ 0918-292-1006 / 02-8838-5497  
🕒 12:00 nn to 11:00 pm  
🌐 sandayayakiniku.com  
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🚭 Smoking: Non-smoking



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🚭 Smoking: Non-smoking



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Cashless payment: Accepted  
🚭 Smoking: Non-smoking



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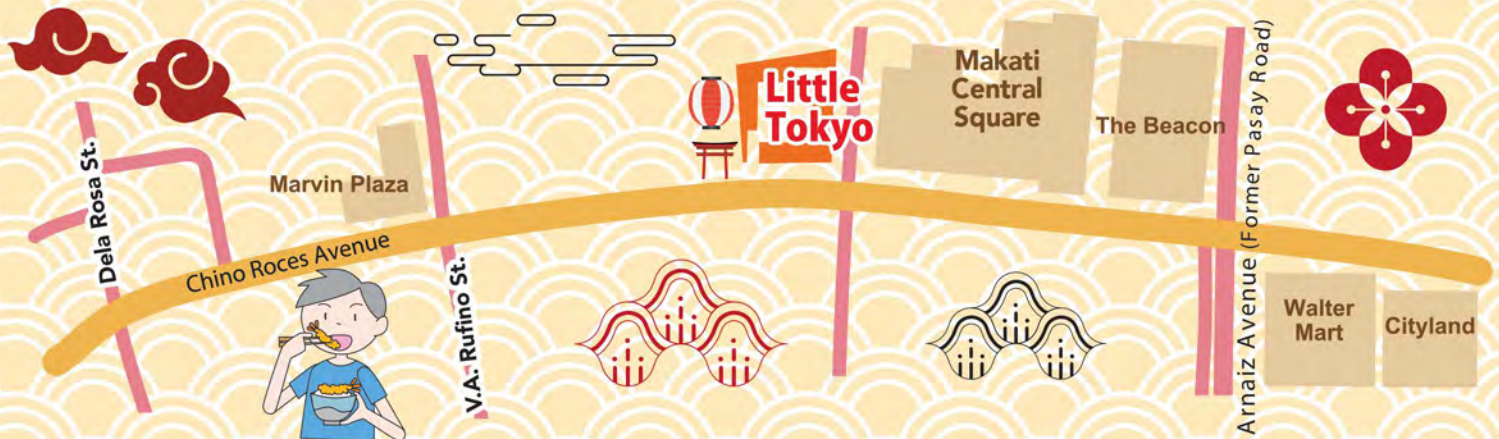
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# Chino Roces Ave. + Other Areas

Chino Roces Avenue, formerly known as Pasong Tamo, is one the busiest thoroughfares on this side of the town. It is also home to some of the most popular Japanese restaurants in Makati such as Hatsu Hana Tei, Jyukai, and Izakaya Kawasaki.



## Izakaya Kawasaki

It is an izakaya store near Pasong Tamo. Aside from its handwritten art wall, and nostalgic smell, it also offers delicious food. It is famous for Japanese people living in Makati that want to squeeze a drink after work.

- 📍 7563 Santillan st. Pio del Pilar, Makati
- ☎ 0917-872-1022 / 0917-185-1022
- 🕒 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm (Last order 10:00 pm)
- 🍷 Kawasaki Restaurant
- Card: Unavailable
- Cashless payment: Unavailable
- Smoking: Unavailable



## Teppen

A 3-minute walk away from Little Tokyo, this Japanese/Korean grocery store has an eye-catching green signage. Aside from Korean foodstuffs, Teppen also offers Japanese seasonings and sweets, fresh vegetables, and tofu, all at a reasonable price. You can also buy Kefseft products here.

- 📍 Unit GG Marvin Plaza Bldg. 2153
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- ☎ 0917-514-6814/0917-514-8078/02-8808-1140
- 🕒 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
- 🍷 JapaneseAndKoreanGroceryStore
- Card: Available
- Cashless payment: Accepted
- Smoking: Non-smoking



## Jyukai

A hideaway Japanese restaurant right next to the top of the Japanese food store. They offer warm Japanese food at a reasonable price. Highly recommended is Jyukai Mori (Php 1,100) and Chirashi Sushi (Php 480). Lunch set meals from P270 to 280 are also excellent.

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- 🍷 JyukaiJapaneseRestaurant
- Card: Available
- Cashless payment: Available
- Smoking: Unavailable



## TPE Marketplace

A Taiwanese grocery that's 2 minutes away from Makati Medical Center. They have a great selection of products that the Japanese customers love. Their take-out bento boxes are highly recommended.

- 📍 1/F Jaka Center 2111, Chino Roces Ave., Makati
- ☎ 02-8551-7522
- 🕒 9:00 am to 8:00 pm
- 🍷 TPEMarketPlace
- Card: Accepted
- Cashless payment: Unavailable
- Smoking: Non-smoking



## Hatsu Hana Tei

An authentic Japanese restaurant located on the 2nd floor of Herald Suites, a hotel located across from Little Tokyo. Many regulars love the many dishes created by Chef Kondo, who has been a lecturer at a cooking school in Quezon City for many years.

- 📍 2/F Herald Suites, 2168 Chino Roces Ave. 1231 Makati
- ☎ 02-7759-6388 / 0917-316-9250 / 0939-938-3718
- 🕒 11:00 am to 2:00 pm / 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- 🌐 www.hatsuhanatei.com/
- 🍷 HatsuHanaTei
- Card: Accepted
- Cashless payment: Accepted
- Smoking: Non-smoking



## Kitayama Meat Shop

Kitayama Meat Shop offers high-quality beef cuts such as sirloin, tenderloin, and T-bone steak, all of which can be selected based on their quality grade. It also distributes meat products to local restaurant chains around the area. Interestingly, its name is reminiscent of the famous Mt. Kitanglad in Mindanao.

- 📍 2292 Chino Roces Avenue 1700 Makati
- ☎ 02-887-5848
- 🕒 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
- 🍷 KitayamaMeatshop
- Card: Unavailable
- Cashless payment: Accepted
- Smoking: Non-smoking



## Junca Beauty Label

- 📍 Cityland Pasong Tamo Tower, 2210 Chino Roces Ave. Makati
- ☎ 02-8810-3314
- 🕒 11:00 am to 8:00 pm (closed on Mondays)
- 🌐 www.junca-beauty.com
- 🍷 juncabeachlabel
- Card: Unavailable
- Cashless payment: Unavailable
- Smoking: Non-smoking



## Coca Cafe

- 📍 1/F Herald Suites, 2168 Chino Roces Ave. 1231 Makati
- ☎ 02-7759-6270 to 81 local 2126
- 🕒 6:00 am to 7:00 pm
- 🌐 www.heraldsuites.com
- 🍷 heraldsuiteshotel
- Card: Available
- Cashless payment: Available
- Smoking: Non-smoking



## Feel Young Foot Reflexology

- 📍 U-106 Santillan Bldg. J. Victor cor. Fernando st. Pio del Pilar, Makati City
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## PLASMACLUSTER AIR PURIFIER

DEACTIVATES AIRBORNE VIRUSES AND BACTERIA BY UP TO 99.9%



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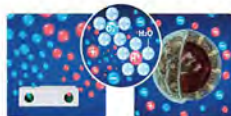
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KC-WS65P-W  
Air Purifier with Humidifier

HIGH-DENSITY 7000  
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## HOW DOES PLASMACLUSTER ION TECHNOLOGY WORK?



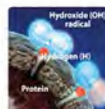
### 1 Plasmacluster Ions are released

Plasmacluster Ions are positive and negative ions-similar to the ones found in nature. The ions are surrounded by water molecules when they are released into air.



### 2 Plasmacluster Ions attach airborne threats

The ions form highly oxidizing hydroxide radicals when they adhere to the surface of molds and viruses. They physically break down and remove the proteins from suspended microbe surfaces.



### 3 Ions return to air as water

The hydroxide radicals combine with hydrogen (H) to form water (H<sub>2</sub>O) and return to the air, providing moisture.



**\*EFFECTIVE IN REDUCING AIRBORNE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE BY UP TO 91.3% IN JUST 30 SECONDS**

Based on the study conducted by the National Research Center for the Control & Prevention of Infectious Diseases



### AIR PURIFIER WITH IoT



**FP-J80EP-H 62 sq.m**

- IoT (Internet of Things) Operation
- Coanda Airflow
- 3-Step Filtration
  - New Pre-Filter
  - Deodorizing Filter
  - Electrostatic HEPA Filter

HIGH-DENSITY 25000

### AIR PURIFIER WITH MOSQUITO CATCHER



**FP-JM40P-B 30 sq.m**

- 5-Step Mosquito-Catching Mechanism
- Glue Sheet
- UV Light
- HEPA Filter
- Deodorizing Filter

HIGH-DENSITY 7000

### AIR PURIFIER WITH HUMIDIFIER



**KC-WS65P-W 50 sq.m**

- Humidifying Function
- Coanda Airflow
- Plasmacluster Spot Mode
- 3-Step Filtration
  - New Pre-Filter
  - Deodorizing Filter
  - Electrostatic HEPA Filter

HIGH-DENSITY 7000

### AIR PURIFIER WITH DEHUMIDIFIER



**DW-E16FP-W 24 sq.m**

- Auto Dehumidifying Function
- Laundry Deodorizing
- Laundry Dehumidifying
- Mold Proof Virus Inactivated
- 3-Step Filter System
  - Pre-Filter
  - Active Carbon Deodorizing Filter
  - HEPA Filter

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