

Group excursion For NII Shonan meeting

Itinerary
May 17th, 2019

- 13:30 Depart at the Village Center by bus
- 14:10 Arrive at Kotokuin Temple
 - Meet the Great Buddha Statue
- 14:40 Leave the temple by walk
- 14:55 Visit Hase temple
 - Meet the Statue of Goddess of mercy
- 16:00 Leave the temple by bus
- 16:20 Arrive at the Hachiman-gu Shrine
 - Visit Shrine and shopping
- 18:00 Leave for the restaurant by bus
- 18:15 Banquet at Japanese style restaurant “Minemoto”
- 20:15 Leave for the Village Center by bus
- 20:45 Arrive at Hotel

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Kamakura History

—The Samurai Capital—

Yoritomo Minamoto, the warlord who prevailed in the (mass) civil war at the end of the Heian period, destroyed the power of the Hei family, the ruling dynastic power of the day.

He became the Seiitai shogun and initiated the Kamakura Shogunate. The Samurai administration strengthened its foundations from those years onward and stayed in control until the middle of the 19th century. Minamoto organized the Shogunate institutions and started Kamakura’s town planning and construction was mostly complete, the Shogunate entered its golden age.

Kamakura became the capital in every respect-politically, militarily, diplomatically, and culturally. Trade with ancient China became active and Zen Buddhism, statues of Buddha, lacquerware, etc. were assimilated. Today still, after long centuries, Kamakura retains the prosperity and brilliance of its of culture in the golden age.



Hasedera Temple



Great Buddha