The Kiba area developed as a timber town supplying lumber from the Edo period through the 20th century. It was designated as a disaster preparedness location in the Koto Redevelopment Plan in 1969, and timber business moved to what is now Shin-Kiba. With that relocation, the area was developed as a forest park brimming of water and greenery.

Kiba Park was also designated in 1977 as a special park commemorating the 50th year of the reign of the Showa Emperor. Kasaibashi street and Sendaiborigawa River divide the park into south, center, and north sections. Kiba Koen Ohashi bridge connects the various sections.

Entrance and fountain plazas

An event pond is situated near the entrance plaza. Traditional Kiba floating log riding and other events are held at the Koto Ward Citizens’ Festival in October. The fountain plaza is a raised plaza leading from the south section across the Kiba Koen Ohashi bridge to the north section event plaza. This bright open space with flowerbeds and a fountain is great for taking commemorative photos.

The wide field in the south section is used for a variety of purposes. Families have picnics and relax there, and small groups play sports, and others just sit and talk. There is also a barbeque field at the north end (reservations required, 40 sites for 20 people each).

This bridge in the center of Kiba Park is the symbol for the park. Its fine and dynamic structure blends in beautifully with the surrounding environment. The 250-meter long bridge with main column standing 60 meters high includes then latest engineering technology such as measures to prevent collapse of a bridge.
Event plaza Corresponding to the south section’s fountain plaza, this is a central facility for the north section. It has a semicircular outdoor stage, making it a venue for a range of outdoor cultural activities.

Urban greening botanical garden This exhibit garden is designed to introduce plants that you can enjoy in your own garden or balcony. It is maintained and administered by the Friends of Kiba Park and other volunteer groups. Features include corners on naturalized plants, western and Japanese style gardens, and gardening techniques. Open 9 am to 4:30 pm

South section adventure field The south section adventure field features a variety of wooden playground equipment to work up a sweat on. An adventure field in the north section has a big splashing pond for children to play in the water in the summer.

**Kiba Koen Ohashi bridge**

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