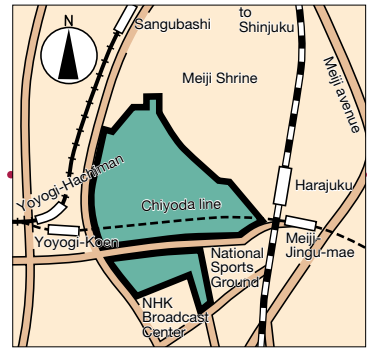


Forest park where the sky is broadest in Tokyo

# Yoyogi Park



- Location** ● Yoyogi-Kamizono-cho, Jinnan 2-chome, Shibuya Ward
- Contact Information** ● Yoyogi Park Administration Office tel: 03-3469-6081 (2-1 Yoyogi-Kamizono-cho, Shibuya-ku 151-0052)
- Transport** ● 3-minute walk from Harajuku (JR Yamanote line) or Yoyogi-Koen (Chiyoda line).  
3-minute walk from Meiji-Jingu-mae (Harajuku) (Chiyoda line or Fukutoshin line)  
6-minute walk from Yoyogi-Hachiman (Odakyu line). Toll parking facilities available (24 hours).



Yoyogi Park is the fifth largest urban park in Tokyo. It is separated by a road into two sections: the forest park A section and the contrasting B section with stadium, outdoor stage, and other facilities.

The site was once a military parade ground. After the war, it was used as the Washington Heights U.S. army barracks and the Olympic village for the 1964 Tokyo Olympics before being opened as a park. Trees that were still young when the park was opened have grown today to form a dense green forest along with those of Meiji Jingu Shrine.

Water scenery facilities composed of three large and small fountains 15 to 30 meters tall and a water circuit were completed in May 1990. Thus, the park was reborn, further blessed with water and greenery.

Opened	October 20, 1967
Area	540,529.00 m <sup>2</sup> (some areas are state-owned property provided under gratuitous loan)
Trees	Tall trees: 10,400, Shrubs: 12,200 m <sup>2</sup> Grass: 200,689 m <sup>2</sup>
Main plant	Acer palmatum, camphor, black pine, Japanese zelkova, cherry (someiyoshino), crape myrtle, dogwood, stone oak, lily magnolia, Japanese ternstroemia, wax myrtle, tulip tree, orange osmanthus, azalea, rose
Facilities	Stadium, soccer and hockey field, outdoor stage, cycling course, children's cycling plaza, dog run

**Central field** ● This broad grassy field encompasses a third of Section A. One can stretch out unhindered here under the broad sky.

The view of the sky from the field is encircled by greenery and unobstructed by tall buildings. This is one of the few places with such a view in central Tokyo

**Woods** ● One can commune with the trees of the park in the breezes of the four seasons. See ginkgos with their yellow leaves, scenery of Musashino, groves of varied

trees, unusual crape myrtle woods, large buttonballs, Japanese zelkovas with their widely spread branches, large soapberrys and Japanese honey locusts, fleetingly beautiful cherry trees, camphor trees that are green in winter, a forest of Japanese chinquapin, and more.



800 someiyoshino and other cherry trees in the park

**Sample garden** ● Of the countries that participated in the Tokyo Olympics, 22 brought with them typical species of their countries. Today, 51 plants of ten species remain, including Norway spruce, Bhutan pine, white birch, and European larch.

**Bird sanctuary** ● Trees with fruits that birds like are planted here and enclosed in a protective fence. While the sanctuary itself is off limits, birds can be observed throughout the park.

**First flight monument** ● This monument commemorates the flight of the first airplane in Japan in 1910.



A waltz of gorgeous roses



Autumn scenery of the fountain backed by colored leaf

### Other monuments

● Many monuments dot the park. Those include the Olympic monument, Olympic memorial hall, Empress Dowager Shoken monument, memorial to the 14 men who committed suicide to take responsibility for the war, Quetzalcoatl statue donated by Mexico, statue of happiness, and monument to greening of Japan.

### Observation deck

● This pedestrian bridge linking the forest and facilities sections of the park doubles as an observation deck. It spans 145 meters, is 6 meters wide and 6 meters high. The observation deck part is slightly wider, and provides a view of the entire forest section of the park.



Olympic memorial hall



### 10 most numerous trees

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| ① Japanese zelkova      | 990 |
| ② Japanese ternstroemia | 657 |
| ③ Sawara cypress        | 639 |
| ④ Camphor               | 600 |
| ⑤ Stone oak             | 579 |
| ⑥ Someiyoshino cherry   | 496 |
| ⑦ Black pine            | 459 |
| ⑧ Carpinus laxiflora    | 436 |
| ⑨ Castanopsis           | 416 |
| ⑩ Evergreen viburnum    | 327 |