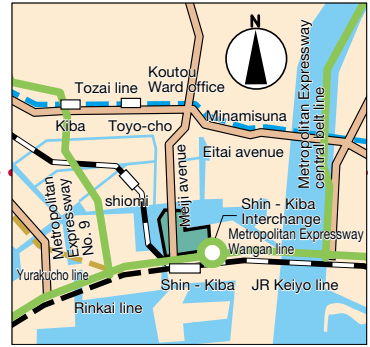


A Tokyo jungle surrounded by the bay area

# Yumenoshima Tropical Greenhouse Dome



Location ●	Yumenoshima 2-1-2, Koto Ward (in Yumenoshima Park)
Contact information ●	Yumenoshima Tropical Greenhouse Dome Administration Office tel: 03-3522-0281,2 (2-1-2 Yumenoshima, Koto-ku 136-0081)
Transport ●	15-minute walk from Shin-Kiba (JR Keiyo line, Yurakucho line, Rinkai line). 7-minute walk from Yumenoshima bus station on Toei bus for Shin-Kiba from Toyo-cho (Tozai line). Toll parking facilities available (only in Yumenoshima Park).
Closed ●	Mondays (following day if Monday is a holiday) and New Year's (December 29 to January 3)
Open ●	9:30 am to 5 pm (Entry until 4 pm)
Admission ●	General: 250 yen, Jr. high school students: 100 yen, Seniors 65 and older: 120 yen (Primary school and younger children / Jr. high school students living or studying in Tokyo: Free)
Free days ●	Greenery Day (May 4), Tokyo Citizens' Day (October 1)



Established in November 1988, Yumenoshima Tropical Greenhouse Dome is a place where Tokyo residents can learn about and become more familiar with tropical and subtropical plants in a fun environment. It is situated on a corner of 43-hectare Yumenoshima Park, and features a domed giant greenhouse along with a video hall, information gallery, event hall, and other facilities.

The dome holds about 1,000 varieties of tropical and subtropical plants. Throughout the year, colorful flowers and fruit create unique scenery for the enjoyment of visitors.

Boats floating at a yacht harbor can also be seen from the north side of the dome.

Opened	November 19, 1988
Area	20,000.00 m <sup>2</sup>
Plant varieties	Approx. 1,000
Main plants	Hibiscus, orchids, giant water lily, tropical water lily, heliconias, jade vine, Chinese banyan, giant bamboo, tiger's claw, olive, flying spider monkey tree fern, palms, banana, cacao, pandanaceae, melastoma tetramerum, traveler's palm, insect-eating plants, 800-year-old lauan buttress root (specimen)
Facilities	Video hall, large greenhouse, insect-eating plant greenhouse, information gallery, event hall, cafeteria, shop, herb garden, tropical field, wall-mounted flower, flower bed

**Large greenhouse** ● This greenhouse is made up of three domes linked together. From the outside, they look like the sails of a sailboat.

The total area of the greenhouse is 1,500 m<sup>2</sup>, and it is 28 meters at its tallest point. Temperature is computer controlled to keep it at a constant 15°C even during winter. The source of that heat is waste heat from trash burning at the adjacent Shin-Koto incineration plant.

Here, one can take in the atmosphere of tropical and subtropical plants with all five senses while taking a stroll through the facility.

## A Dome: Tree fern and waterside plants

Mangroves thrive at the shore of a pond into which a waterfall flows, and tropical water lilies float bloom in the pond. Tree ferns spread their large leaves, and plants such as barringtonia and black mangrove recreate a tropical shoreline environment.



## B Dome: Palms and domestic plants

Royal palms and Alexander palms stretching almost to the ceiling were planted when the greenhouse was first opened, eventually growing to this height. Around houses roofed with mangrove palms are crops such as bananas, star fruits, and cacaos, as well as colorfully flowering torch ginger, barbadospride, and other plants.



## C Dome: Traveler's palm and plants of Ogasawara

Here a collection of precious plants indigenous to Tokyo's subtropical Ogasawara islands such as pandanaceae, Pacific beauty palm and schima mertensiana can be found. And the large leaves of traveler's palms native to Madagascar grow thickly to finish off creating a tropical scenery.

## Insect-eating plants greenhouse ●

Various carnivorous plants from around the world are on display. Explanations are given to help understand how they catch bugs.

## Yume-no-heya (Room of dreams) ●

This room complements enrichment programs by offering intellectually stimulating toys for children to play with.

**Video hall ●** Original movies are presented here. The mascot characters Konomi-chan and Konoha-kun guide you through tropical scenery and local customs of the film locations.



Traveler's palm

## Information gallery ●

A corner where green pepes are on display and you can also interact with plants and experience the fun of woodwork. It also provides living information through displays of bioecology such as those of catfish, special photo exhibits, and special exhibits.



Eye-catching glass domes

**Event hall ●** Plants have been closely connected to people's lives and culture from long ago.

This exhibition corner introduces the connection between tropical plants and humans in an easy-to-understand way.

**Herb garden / tropical field ●** This herb garden is one of the oldest in Japan, and it holds about 100 varieties of herbs. It is also used for a variety of events.

### Large greenhouse guided tours

Volunteers provide visitors with information on tropical plants in the greenhouse. Tours are held at 1 pm on Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, and during summer vacation. (Free)

