



# Food and Agriculture Museum

## Tokyo University of Agriculture

- **Closed:** every Mondays, every last Tuesday of the month and other days designated by the University (if Monday is a national holiday, the museum is closed on the following day)  
\* Please note that there may be unannounced extra holidays.
- **Hours :** 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (April to November)  
10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (December to March)
- **Admission:** Free

### How to Get Us



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The Food and Agriculture Museum was opened on April 6, 2004, supported by the Tokyo University of Agriculture and the Research Institute of Evolutionary Biology affiliated with TUA. The museum utilizes the 115-year history of the university since its establishment in 1891. At the same time, the museum makes social contribution by showcasing the various academic results based on the founding spirit of the TUA first President Tokiyoshi Yokoi "practical science" and "returning human resources to the field". The museum aim to contribute to the conservation of the global environment and the social development in the 21st century through scientific studies of food and agriculture which are indispensable for human survival, and to promote waste recycling for agriculture and environment. We hope that this museum serves as a venue where local residents can meet various people including those in related academic associations and corporations.



Yaku Cedar

"Yaku-Sugi" cedar is a natural cedar of Yaku-shima Island with an elevation of 800 to 1,500 meters above sea level. The trees are distributed in 20,600 hectares, of which 2,900 hectares are primeval forest and designated as a special natural treasure. Generally, the trees are over 1,000 years old, while younger trees are called "Ko-sugi" cedars.



Shohjo Chabo Rooster

This rooster got its name because it was said to have come originally from Champa, Vietnam in the early part of the Edo Period. Its cute and graceful characteristics, such as its small body and short legs, make it a popular type of roosters around the world. It is the type of Japanese rooster with the most varieties – currently 25.



"Uguisu" Japanese Bird Tokkuri Sake Flask and Cup

When you pour the sake, you can hear a wind like sound coming from the flask. And when you drink the sake, the cup makes similar sound. You can enjoy the sound and taste of the sake.



Sake Warmer Set

Made in Manchuria of tin. Place Koryan-chu sake in the upper container and light the stand to heat the sake.



"Fumiguruma" Treadmill

A watermill to pump / drain water by stepping on the window spline to turn the boards. Invented by Kyoya Shichibei of Osaka during the Kanbun Era. The use of the treadmill became widespread across Japan during the Horeki / An'ei Era. It was used until the late 1960s



Foot Thresher

Stray seeds that were planted along farm roads were husked by the spokes of a passing bicycle. This inspired the invention of a revolving thresher in Japan during the Taisho Period. Today, the thresher revolves on electric power.

### The Architecture

Facing Keyaki Plaza of Baij Koen Mall, the museum was designed by architect Mr. Kengo Kuma. The exterior uses Ashino Stone from the Nasu Plateau, through the cooperation of Shirai Stone Ltd. The modern design amid genuine natural beauty seems to symbolize the hopeful future of campus life at Tokyo University of Agriculture.

### Why Not Participate in Events?

The Food and Agriculture Museum conducts various events announced on the bulletin board in the museum or by fliers.



Hands-on experience-type events from rice planting to threshing, rice-polishing and making "mochi" rice cakes.