



## KYOHIME SHUZO (KYOTO)

Optimum purity and natural architecture, where reverence and patience meet.

From Fushimi district, just 5.7 km south of bustling Kyoto central, KyoHime emerged onto the international stage in 2018, quietly yet confidently claiming a series of gold and platinum medals at the international sake competition 'Kura Master' in France. It was here that they left an indelible impression on the entire judging panel made up of local French wine sommeliers and gastronomic professionals who applauded their sake making prowess, expression and refinement.

Established in 1918, the brewery (that once proudly etched its name on Japan's most prestigious dining experience, Kaiseki cuisine) has been a landmark of the city that beholds and blends a rich heritage of ancient traditions with an incredible, cosmopolitan, almost futuristic social fabric.

### Current List of Awards

Gold medal winner of the Fine Sake Award (Japan): 2009, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 Gold medal winner of the Kura Master (France) 2018, 2019, 2021



### TAKUMI JUNMAI DAI GINJO

Light & Fresh 720mL/300mL

Kyoto's Princess' is the direct translation of the name of this brewery, KyoHime. The feminine feel of sake saturates the mid-palate with freshness, lifting the mouthfeel experience with a hint of dried fruits and nuts, accentuated by flickers of herb; beguiling, delicious and surprisingly light.

#### SakeCellars Tasting Score

FRAGRANCE	NONE	●●●●●●●●	FRAGRANT
IMPACT	QUIET	●●●●●●●●	EXPLOSIVE
SWEETNESS	SWEET	●●●●●●●●	DRY
ACIDITY	SOFT	●●●●●●●●	PUCKERING
PRESENCE	UNASSUMING	●●●●●●●●	FULL
COMPLEXITY	SIMPLE	●●●●●●●●	COMPLEX
EARTHNESS	DELICATE	●●●●●●●●	DANK
TAIL	SHORT	●●●●●●●●	PERVASIVE



### TAKUMI DAI GINJO

Botanical & Slick 720mL/300mL

A sparkle of botanical notes dances over the mid-palate with an undertone of ripe fruit sweetness. Nothing but seductive, this is a powerful Dai Ginjo; a slick texture that compels groans of amazement, surprise and delight.

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### TAKUMI JUNMAI GINJO

Fresh & Lively 720mL

Both light and tense in texture on the sip, experience even more wow factor as the contrast of chestnut, banana and a hint of melon bring the incredible balance of fresh and lively to this absolutely delicious sake.

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### MURASAKI JUNMAI DAI GINJO

Sweet & Clean 720mL/300mL

With an expansive, subtle and clean nose, walk through the flavour combination of banana and melon. This slightly bittersweet spiritedness, along with a light sweetness in the finish, brings home a wholly satisfying experience..

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At SakeCellars, we immerse ourselves in discovering exceptional, untapped talent in the boutique sake making circuit. The premium bottles we offer are directly and exclusively sourced from some of the finest microbreweries in Japan with limited distribution volume.

With the indisputable reputation of our suppliers as the leading Japanese boutique sake breweries of our modern time, they command top place on the international stage from three core criteria: striking clarity in the artistic vision and craftsmanship, unparalleled commitment to quality, and a depth of knowledge and experience that spans centuries.

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## KUBIKI SHUZO (NIIGATA)

### Ruled by nature, defined by community.

Darkness descends onto a horizon over the East Sea that separates Japan from the Asian continent. Every winter, moisture laden winds from Siberia dump their icy load in 500cm of snowfall, only after being denied passing by the Japanese alps, peaking above 3000m.

Where every layer of experience is overcome by the power of snowflakes, this place is Kakizaki, standing on a narrow 240km long northwest coastal stretch, home to Kubiki, a 360-year-old brewery. Ruled by nature, defined by its geography, life passes at a gentle pace, however unremarkable and inconsequential, calling sea changers and returning locals into its heart where community and relationships are intrinsic to self-identity.

Renowned for their humility, work ethic, skills, tenacity, and commitment to their local customers, their brewing management focuses on two simple aspects; fermentation temperature and minerals in the water, producing an extensive range of premium and coastal affair focused, cool-climate sake.

Locals exchange their own honest critique over the current year's release. Their influence is palpable as Kubiki brewery and its customers share and grow together and it is from this social fabric that the brewery became a 2021 gold medal winner in the French Kura master competition.

**Current List of Awards** Gold medal winner of the Kura Master (France) 2021

### WAKIMIZU JUNMAI

Concentrated & Rich

720mL

With deep, concentrated richness, this sake delivers a mix of melon, banana and mango while twitching on the nose from cherry and maple trees. Medium-bodied intensity is met with an accentuated note of vanilla and chestnut that you have to experience to believe.



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### DAICHI JUNMAI

Elegant & Complex

720mL

This begins with a light and delicate palate followed by an elegantly delivered, complex, long finish, made possible by a rich, complex nose full of peach, steamed rice and banana with a hint of floral to round out the note.



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### JUNMAI DAI GINJO KAZE

Crisp & Elegant

720mL

Reimagining a summer breeze blown down from the Japanese alpine range, this one-of-a-kind sake cleanses and tightens the senses with crisp, clear air on a briny note. Followed by a whiff of vanilla, the mouthfeel teeters along the melon line into a compelling mango character, weaving through hazelnut twists. Supremely gracious, this succulent and clear finish is elegantly restrained, manifesting Kubiki's brewing foundation upon which its reputation is built.



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### JUNMAI WAKIMIZU NAMA

Velvety & Sweet

720mL

Tuned to the point of friskiness, this utterly charming, unpasteurised sake lives in the fabric of Kubiki's DNA. Compressed within is the zesty spring and concentrated flavour of peach and melon that opens up the palate, coiled inside the velvety coat of a sweet, rich, syrupy texture.



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### KOSHIJI KOBAI JUNMAI GINJO

Silky & Soft

720mL

Driven by minerals, roasted chestnut with a hint of citrus apple weave seamlessly into a clean, soft, yet focused flavour structure. The textures are silky and delicate, allowing the snowmelt spring water from the Japanese alpine to shine through.



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### KOSHIJI KOBAI JUNMAI

Delicate & Bright

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Another excellent brew from this boutique producer in Niigata. After a few swirls, you'll follow peach and mango to the front palate and a delicate vanilla nuance that weaves in and out of the bright fruit tones.



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### DAI GINJO SORA

Juicy & Fruity

720mL

A juicy, jolly rendition of cantaloupe melon is immersed within warm nutty characters to deliver a romp of rich fruity sensations, all conspiring in this decidedly medium weight Dai Ginjo. Kick up your heels and dance in the mineral abundance; textural and tight, it springboards into fruit blossom ending in a light milky finish - a sumptuous, layered and intensely savouring experience.



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### HONJOZO NAKABENI

Bold & Earthy

720mL

Bold, muscular Honjozo is a lick of earthiness that boasts a savoury Umami note upfront. Weaving through a wide spectrum of nutty flavours, this bottle kicks up a fog, its grassy scent moving to the palate, drawing on mushroom flavours topped with a faint sprinkle of chalky yeast over an undercurrent of dark, sweet earthiness, coming to the end with a sustained finish.



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### GINJO KOSHIJI KOBAI

Focused & Balanced

720mL

Merging both tension and release, this mineral-driven Junmai delivers a focused palate with notes of steamed rice, roasted chestnut and a hint of mango before vanilla comes in to close. It's loaded with finesse and bright acidity that keeps a perfect balance.



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