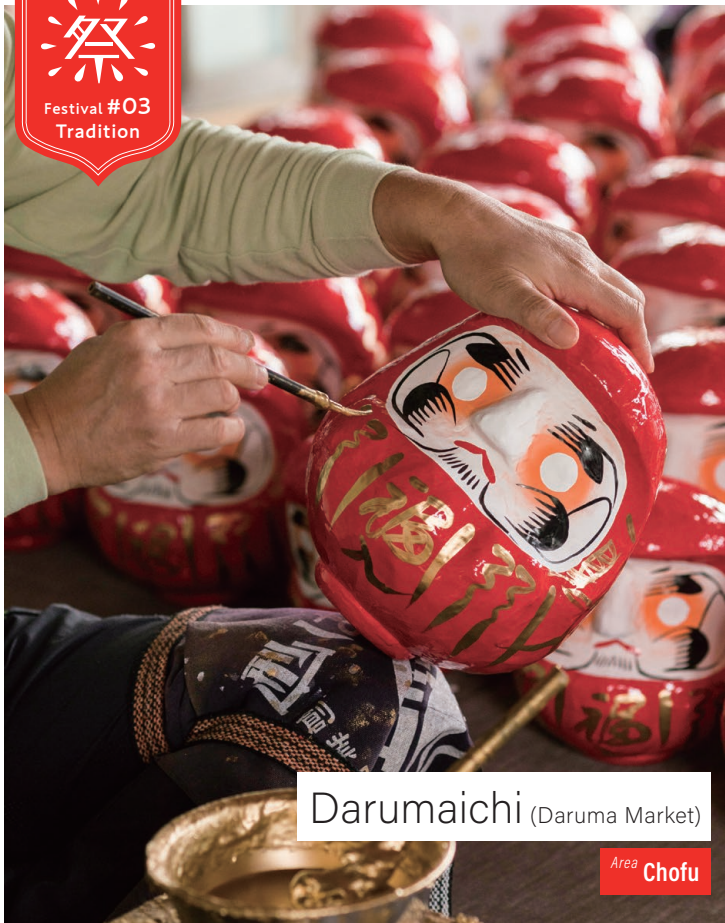




Festival #03
Tradition



Darumaichi (Daruma Market)

Area **Chofu**

Expressive pupil-less eyes gaze at the passersby in hope of being chosen. There is a Daruma made just for you at the Daruma market. Luck starts there. Your chosen wish will be met by years end. Be sure of that.



Efficacious charm
of charms



Tama Daruma Encyclopedia



Just as us, Daruma differ.
Differ not, the perfect one was
individualized in Daruma Market
ready to be discovered by you.



Kunugi Daruma
Mr Kunugi



Crafted with considerable care, the Tama Daruma have been conduits of our dreams for many a year. These expressive rotund charms are our shared cultural inheritance. Daruma Market is to be found here.

由来と 風習

Provenance and Practice

Originating with farmers praying for abundance. The custom is to paint in the left eye with a wish. Upon fulfillment, place the right eye in observance.

真っ赤な カラダ

Body of Bold Red

The robe of Bodhidharma Daishi (high priest) was scarlet. Since times of yore, red has been regarded as the best way to ward away all manner of evils.



独特な 顔つき

The Unmistakable Visage

The eyebrows are hand-painted by brush. The beard is the image of a turtle. The individuality of the craftsman comes through in the facial expression.

七転八起 のカタチ

7 Falls and 8 Rises, Symbols of Endurance

The motif is of contemplation and constancy. Weighted by the bottom of the torso, one will be able to get up unattended even if knocked down.

Dye the Town in Vermilion

To Daruma Market, Tama, Tokyo



Chofu

Jindaiji Temple

In the ranks of the three major Daruma Market. It is characterized by placing "阿" as the right eye representing the beginning of the wish, and then "咩" as the left representing fulfillment.

📅 March 3rd・4th 9:00-17:00
☎ 042-486-5511
📍 5-15-1 Motomachi, Jindaiji, Chofu



Aki shima

Haijima Daishi

This is the earliest Daruma Market of them all. Hundreds of stalls stand having a continuance since the Edo period, in connection with the passing of Daishi.

📅 January 2nd・3rd
☎ 042-541-1142
📍 1-6-15 Haijima, Akishima



Ome

Ome Daruma Market

A 700m stretch of the old Ome highway in front of the station becomes a pedestrian paradise. Stalls line the way each and every day.

📅 January 12th 13:30-20:00
☎ 0428-20-0011
(Ome Tourism Association)
📍 Around 374 Kamicho, Ome

Bring about something original in Chofu!



Daruchan no Ouchi

How does a workshop on using scraps of kimono to make a Daruma sound? Charming? You bet. So, come on in.

🕒 11:00-16:00/Closed
Mondays and Tuesdays
☎ 042-444-7880
📍 5-5-1 Motomachi, Jindaiji, Chofu

