

International Airports in Tokyo  
Area (Narita, Haneda)



Tsukuba Center

### General

We recommend you to use limousine bus services for the transportation between Tsukuba Center and International Airports in Tokyo area (Narita and Haneda), except for the case from Tsukuba Center to Haneda airport. Since there may be serious traffic jams from Tsukuba to downtown Tokyo, we recommend you the train system from Tsukuba to Haneda airport.

### Limousine bus

When you arrive at the airports in Tokyo (Narita or Haneda), the bus ticket to Tsukuba Center is available at the ticket sales counter in the arrival lobby.

Time table: Narita Airport – Tsukuba Center (about 1 hour ride)

[http://kantetsu.co.jp/img/bus/highway/tsuchiura\\_narita/timetable\\_.pdf](http://kantetsu.co.jp/img/bus/highway/tsuchiura_narita/timetable_.pdf)

Note that Tsukuba Center is not the final bus stop. The bus goes to the further destination. There are two ticket counters at Narita arrival lobby. Keisei counter sells ticket to Tsukuba.

Time table (Japanese): Haneda Airport – Tsukuba Center (1.5 – 2 hours ride)

[https://kantetsu.co.jp/img/bus/highway/tsukuba\\_haneda/timetable.pdf](https://kantetsu.co.jp/img/bus/highway/tsukuba_haneda/timetable.pdf)

From Haneda Int. Terminal to Tsukuba Center, bus leaves at 9:20, 11:10, 14:45, 15:55, 17:45, 19:05, 20:45, 21:55. Tsukuba Center is the final bus stop.

The last bus to Tsukuba Center leaves 20:30 from Narita airport and 21:55 from Haneda airport. If your flight arrives at the airport later than that time, you need to use train service.

From Tsukuba Center to airports (Narita, Haneda), you are required to buy the bus ticket in advance, by 7pm of one day before the boarding. You can buy the ticket at the ticket office at Tsukuba Center bus terminal (Open 7:30am – 8pm [Mon-Fri], 8:00am – 7pm [Sat.-Sun]).

## Train

To find a route and time, the webpage below will be useful.

<http://www.hyperdia.com/en/>

Between Tsukuba Center and Haneda airport (following is the case from Tsukuba to Haneda).

- (1) Take a train from “Tsukuba” to “Akihabara” (1190 yen, Tsukuba Express line). Rapid or Semi-rapid trains are recommended.
- (2) Take a train from “Akihabara” to “Hamamatsu-cho” (170 yen, JR Yamanote-line outer loop or JR Keihin-Tohoku line south bound).
- (3) Take a monorail from “Hamamatsu-cho” to “Haneda Airport International Terminal”.  
(410 yen)

Since the three lines (Tsukuba Express, JR=Japan Railways, Haneda Monorail) are operated by different companies, you need to buy tickets for each ride. If you have IC traffic card (SUICA or PASMO), you can use them for all the lines. Note that you need to move vertically at Akihabara station: Tsukuba Express platform locates very deep underground and JR Yamanote or JR Keihin-Tohoku line is in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor above ground.

Between Tsukuba Center and Narita Airport (following is the case from Narita to Tsukuba).

- (1) Take Narita Sky Access line from “Narita Airport” station (Terminal 1 or 2) to “Higashi-Matsudo” (940 yen). Keisei railway company operates Skyliner and Sky Access between Narita airport and central Tokyo. Get on Sky Access, NOT get on the Skyliner.
- (2) Take a train from “Higashi-Matsudo” to “Minami-Nagareyama” (170 yen, JR Musashino line).
- (3) Take a train from “Minami-Nagareyama” to “Tsukuba” (830 yen, Tsukuba Express line).

Since three lines (Keisei Sky Access, JR Musashino line, Tsukuba Express line) are operated by different companies, you need to buy tickets for each ride.

List of some train connections at night time.

from “Narita Airport” station to “Higashi-Matsudo” (Keisei Sky Access)	from “Higashi-Matsudo” to “Minami-Nagareyama” (JR Musashino line, bound for “Fuchuhommachi”)	from “Minami-Nagareyama” to “Tsukuba” (Tsukuba Express)
19:49 – 20:27	20:35 – 20:44	20:51 – 21:15
20:32 – 21:11	21:11 – 21:30	21:37 – 22:06
21:13 – 21:48	22:08 – 22:17	22:22 – 22:45
22:03 – 22:39	22:45 – 22:54	23:08 – 23:38

After the last train (22:03) in the above table, you can still reach Tsukuba by the train below:

from “Narita Airport Station” to “Nippori” (Keisei Skyliner)	from “Nippori” to “Kitasenju” (JR Jyoban line)	from “Kitasenju” to “Tsukuba” (Tsukuba Express)
22:30 – 23:09	23:23 – 23:31	23:41 – 0:24

### **Prepaid IC traffic card (SUICA, PASMO)**

For transportations by train and by local bus, prepaid IC traffic card is convenient. SUICA is operated by JR East, PASMO by other railway companies in Tokyo area. SUICA and PASMO are compatible with each other, so you can use them in almost all trains, subways, and buses. You can purchase the cards at ticket machines. The initial cost consists of a refundable deposit of 500 yen plus an initial amount to be charged on the card. You can recharge them at ticket machines in railway stations. When you no longer need your prepaid card, bring your card to the ticket counter of the railway company that issued the card. See the web site for detail.

<https://www.japanstation.com/japans-prepaid-transportation-cards-ic-cards/>