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2022 Cherry Blossom Forecast (Part 5): Widely in Full Bloom from Kyushu to Kanto

On Thursday, March 31st, 2022, Japan Weather Association (JWA) announced the forecast of the dates when cherry blossoms will bloom at 89 locations throughout Japan.

Blossom Forecast Map







Forecasted Blossom Date (Main Locations)

Prefecture	City	Forecasted Bloom Date	Trend of Forecasted Bloom Date
Kagoshima	Kagoshima	20-Mar*	Early
Fukuoka	Fukuoka	17-Mar*	Early
Kochi	Kochi	19-Mar*	Early
Hiroshima	Hiroshima	21-Mar*	Early
Osaka	Osaka	23-Mar*	Early
Aichi	Nagoya	22-Mar*	Normal
Tokyo	Chiyoda-ku	20-Mar*	Early
Nagano	Nagano	9-Apr	Normal
Niigata	Niigata	7-Apr	Normal
Ishikawa	Kanazawa	30-Mar*	Early
Miyagi	Sendai	5-Apr	Early
Akita	Akita	13-Apr	Early
Aomori	Aomori	17-Apr	Early
Hokkaido	Sapporo	25-Apr	Early
	Kushiro	9-May	Fairly Early

 $^{*\}mbox{Locations}$ which has already bloomed.



Forecasted Full Bloom Date (Main Locations)

Prefecture	City	Forecasted Full Bloom Date	Trend of Forecasted Full Bloom Date
Kagoshima	Kagoshima	1-Apr	Early
Fukuoka	Fukuoka	27-Mar*	Early
Kochi	Kochi	27-Mar*	Early
Hiroshima	Hiroshima	29-Mar*	Early
Osaka	Osaka	30-Mar*	Early
Aichi	Nagoya	30-Mar*	Early
Tokyo	Chiyoda-ku	27-Mar*	Early
Nagano	Nagano	14-Apr	Normal
Niigata	Niigata	11-Apr	Normal
Ishikawa	Kanazawa	5-Apr	Early
Miyagi	Sendai	8-Apr	Early
Akita	Akita	18-Apr	Early
Aomori	Aomori	20-Apr	Early
Hokkaido	Sapporo	28-Apr	Fairly Early
	Kushiro	10-May	Fairly Early

^{*}Locations which has already full bloomed.

[Explanation of Terms]

Normal : The average for 1991–2020
Fairly early : At least 7 days earlier than normal
Early : 3 to 6 days earlier than normal
Nearly Normal : Within 2 days of normal
Late : 3 to 6 days later than normal
Fairly late : At least 7 days later than normal

Blossom Trends

It is in full bloom at many locations from Kyushu to Kanto. With the full bloom of Takamatsu on March 30th, Shikoku region is in full bloom at all areas.

Looking at the number of days between flowering and full bloom in the average year, many locations are in full bloom 1 to 3 days earlier than normal. For example, Wakayama usually takes about 10 days to full bloom in a normal year, but it was in full bloom 5 days after bloom in this year. It is said that cherry blossoms are in peak bloom about 1 week to 10 days after they are in full bloom, but due to the warmth of the past few days, many cherry blossoms have already been seen in their peak in Kyushu, Tokyo, Yokohama.

The cherry blossom front has reached Hokuriku. In April, blossoms will occur in south part of Tohoku. In mid-April, blossoms will be seen in north part of Tohoku and high-altitude area in Nagano and eventually in Hokkaido after late April.



The forecasted blossom dates for cherry trees in all 89 locations are available on the cherry blossom forecast page (https://tenki.jp/sakura/expectation/) of "tenki.jp," the weather forecast media operated by Japan Weather Association (Japanese only).

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