# SOUVENIRS OF KYOTO

## BRING HOME A PIECE OF KYOTO

The women who sing and dance in traditional *tatami* mat rooms wearing beautiful kimonos with their faces painted white and who are easily recognizable by their distinctive hairstyles are called *"Geiko"* or *"Maiko."* *"Maiko"* are young girls who are apprentices and have not yet become *"Geiko."* They are a symbolic presence in Kyoto. Possessing merchandise with a *Maiko* motif can make any woman feel the essence of Kyoto as represented by the elegance and refinement of the beloved figure of these women.

All prices include tax (as of May 2017)

(A) This hot spice is enough to make even the graceful *Maikos* to cry, "Hii, hii." A blend of several types of spices, including *sansho* or Japanese pepper, golden sesame, and *shiso*, called *"Shichimi* (Seven Spices)" is added to habanero spice. Even in the midst of the hotness, the scent of the *sansho* is present for an authentic Kyoto taste. Recommended for people who love hot and spicy food or for those who want to add a little spice to their everyday meals. MAIKO-HAN HII HII (¥702 for one can)

(B) Fragrant sesame oil and high-quality salt are added to *nori* seaweed. Great for beauty and health, it pairs equally well with white rice or wine. The pouch sports a cute drawing of a *Maiko* and can be used as a small purse. The work of painter Shinji Osugi, who specializes in painting *Maiko*, it makes a great gift that is sure to please. *Maiko Nori* Seaweed 3 bags x 9 pcs, with pouch 25 cm x 24 cm (¥600)

(C) Accessorize with it, write with it — either way, it is an adorable Click-type, ballpoint pen. The pen tip appears at the feet. There is a large variety of characters, including samurai warriors, sumo wrestlers, and geisha, but the *"Maiko"* is the must-have Kyoto souvenir. The pouting lips on the cute face and the figure bedecked in a bright kimono will cheer up anyone. It is sure to be a welcome present. JaPENs, 12.5 x 2.2 cm (¥648 each)

(D) Sold at post offices throughout Japan. Postcards resembling the typical food or famous sites of each of the prefectures in Japan are being sold in each prefecture for a limited time. These postcards are popular as souvenirs and a reminder of your trip. One of the cards representing Kyoto is the "Kyoto *Maiko*." It pictures the endearing Maiko from behind. "Kyoto Regional Form Card Maiko" 100 x 170 mm (¥185 per card)

*A ¥120 stamp is required when mailing within Japan.
*Please put in an envelope when mailing outside of Japan. (The postage varies depending on the region.)

### (A)

**おちゃのこさいさい 産寧坂本店**
**OCHANOKO SAISAI SANNEIZAKA MAIN LOCATION**

HIGASHIYAMA
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ENGLISH SPOKEN

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316-4 Kiyomizu 3-chome, Higashiyama-ku, Kyoto
OPEN 9am-6pm
CLOSED Open every day
SMOKING No
WEB http://www.ochanokosaisai.com

### (B)

**スーベニアショップ レックコート**
**SOUVENIR SHOP LEC COURT**

DOWNTOWN KYOTO
MAP P28 C-4 (60)

ENGLISH SPOKEN Wi-Fi

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KARASUMA KYOTO HOTEL 1F,
Karasuma Shijo, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto
OPEN 8am-9pm CLOSED Open every day
SMOKING No
(Smoking room available in 2nd Floor lobby)
WEB http://karasuma.kyotohotel.co.jp/index.html

### (C)

**のレン 祇園本店**
**NOREN GION MAIN LOCATION**

HIGASHIYAMA
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ENGLISH SPOKEN

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582 Gionmachi south side, Higashiyama-ku, Kyoto
OPEN 10:30am-10pm
CLOSED Open every day
SMOKING No
WEB http://noren-japan.jp/en/

### (D)

**京都中央郵便局**
**KYOTO CENTRAL POST OFFICE**

KYOTO STATION AREA
MAP P30 (62)

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OPEN Weekdays 9am-9pm
Sat., Sun., and public holidays 9am-7pm
CLOSED Open every day SMOKING No
*Electronic Customer Service Kiosk (available in English, Korean, and Chinese)
*Also sold at other post offices in the prefecture.