#### Travel to Kanazawa from major international airports:

The following are the possible routes for traveling to Kanazawa:

- 1. (Osaka-)Kansai International Airport Kanazawa
- Narita/Shanghai-Pudong/Seoul-Incheon Komatsu Airport Kanazawa
- 3. (Tokyo-)Narita International Airport Haneda Airport Komatsu Airport Kanazawa
- 4. (Osaka-)Kansai International Airport Haneda Airport Komatsu Airport Kanazawa

Route 1 is relatively the cheaper and more convenient way to travel to Kanazawa. You may come directly to Kanazawa from Kansai International Airport by "Jumbo Taxi" (airport shuttle). It takes approximately 5-6 hr by taxi, which directly takes you to your accommodation in Kanazawa. Alternatively, you may also use Japan Railways (JR) from the airport to JR Kanazawa station. It takes some 4 hr by train and costs almost the same as the airport shuttle, and could be challenging for a visitor from abroad.

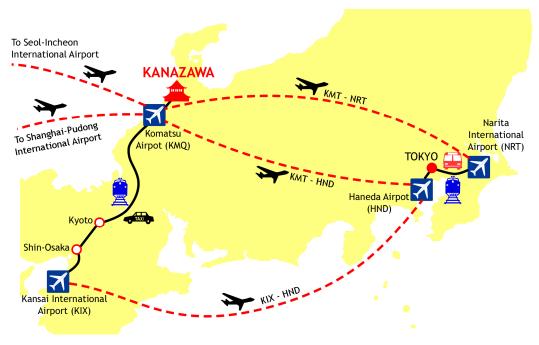
#### Komatsu Airport (KMQ) is the entrance to Kanazawa by air.

We have flights between Komatsu and Narita, Shanghai-Pudong, and Seoul-Incheon International Airports. However, the number of these flights is very limited.

Within Japan, the most common route to Komatsu is via Haneda (Tokyo) Airport (HND).

First, you need to fly to either (Tokyo-)Narita International Airport (NRT) or (Osaka-)Kansai International Airport (KIX) and then move to Haneda. From Narita to Haneda Airport, you have to take either bus or train. You may also fly from Kansai International Airport to Komatsu via Haneda Airport.

It takes 40-60 min by bus from Komatsu Airport to JR (Japan Railway) Kanazawa Station and to the city center. A one-way ticket is ¥1,040 (stopping every station) to ¥1,100 (Super express bus) for one way trip. The schedule for the Komatsu Airport Limousine Bus to and from the JR Kanazawa Station is available here (<a href="http://www.hokutetsu.co.jp/bus/airport/e-kanazawa02.html">http://www.hokutetsu.co.jp/bus/airport/e-kanazawa02.html</a>).



## Using Jumbo Taxi (airport shuttle) to Kanazawa from (Osaka-)Kansai International Airport:

If you can't find an appropriate flight which connects the above flight to Komatsu, you may fly to (Osaka-)Kansai International Airport (KIX) and take "Jumbo Taxi" airport shuttle (~5-6 hr). Ishikawa Chu-o Kohtsu, a transportation company, offers "Jumbo Taxi" service which costs about ¥10,700 one way per person. The Jumbo Taxi is actually a big and comfortable van which can accommodate at least 6~8 persons. Depending on the number of clients who have availed such service on the day of your trip, you may have to share the trip to Kanazawa with other people. The Jumbo Taxi will conveniently and safely take you from the airport directly to your accommodation in Kanazawa.

If you would like to avail of this service, reservations have to be made in advance. For the necessary arrangements, please send an email containing your name, name of institution, flight details (date, flight number, time of arrival) and your accommodations in Kanazawa to:

Name: Betchaida D. Payot

Email Address: bdpayot@earth.s.kanazawa-u.ac.jp

Phone No.: +81-76-264-6513

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Jumbo Taxi: Ishikawa Cyu-o Kohtsu Co. Ltd

Phone: +81-76-274-3975 Fax: +81-76-276-2341 http://chuokoutu.com/air.html (Japanese only)





Waiting area for Jumbo Taxi is at the North clock tower on the 1st floor of the terminal building. They will come to see you with a sign board (right).

#### Flights to and from Komatsu Airport (KMQ):

There are several ways from any domestic airport in Japan to Komatsu Airport, among which **Haneda** (**Tokyo**) **Airport** (**HND**) is the most convenient. We have frequent flights between Komatsu and Haneda almost at every hour. However, the number of international flights from and to Haneda Airport is very limited, so that you need to fly to either (**Osaka-)Kansai International Airport** (**KIX**) or (**Tokyo-)Narita International Airport** (**NRT**) and then move to Haneda. You can fly from Kansai International Airport to Komatsu via Haneda Airport. Japan Airline (JAL) operates 7 flights/day between KIX and Haneda. From Narita to Haneda Airport, you have to take either bus or train.

We also have flights between Komatsu and Narita, Shanghai-Pudong, and Seoul-Incheon International Airports, but these are less frequent. You may be able to find a flight to Narita, Shanghai-Pudong and Seoul-Incheon from major airports in Europe and US. Time schedule for the flights between Komatsu and Narita, Shanghai-Pudong, and Seoul-Incheon are as follows (as of Jan 2010):

#### **Narita International Airport:**

ANA 3119 Narita to Komatsu: 1930-2045
ANA 3118 Komatsu to Narita: 0830-0945

#### **Shanghai-Pudong International Airport:**

CES/JAL 557/5290 Pudong 09:25 12:30 Komatsu
CES/JAL 558/5291 Komatsu 13:30 15:00 Pudong

#### **Seoul-Incheon International Airport:**

KAL/JAL 775/5228 Incheon 09:15 10:50 Komatsu
KAL/JAL 776/5229 Komatsu 12:00 14:00 Incheon

#### From Narita International Airport to Haneda Airport:

Haneda Airport is located close to the center of Tokyo, and is the major hub terminal to domestic airports. From Narita to Haneda Airport, it takes approximately 90 min either by train or by bus (depending on the traffic).

- Limousine bus The limousine bus is convenient and recommended for those who are not familiar with railway traffics in Tokyo and its suburbs. A ticket for the limousine bus is ¥3,000 (one way) and can be purchased on the arrival floor at Narita Airport.
- Train There are two railway companies connecting Narita Airport and the city center: JR Narita Express and Keisei Narita Line. However, the JR Narita Express is more convenient to access some major stations such as Tokyo, Shinjuku and Shinagawa Stations. It is an hour ride from Narita Airport to JR Tokyo Station. At JR Tokyo Station, you need to transfer to JR Yamanote Line and move to JR Hamamatsucyo Station, which is the third station from JR Tokyo. At JR Hamamatsucyo Station, you have to go upstairs to take the Tokyo Monorail which will take you to Haneda Airport. It takes some 30 min from Hamamatsucyo to Haneda Airport. It costs ¥3,580 from Narita to Haneda Airport by JR and Tokyo Monorail.

There are two terminals in Haneda, from which your flight to Komatsu Airport departs, depending on your airlines. JAL departs from Terminal 1, and ANA departs from Terminal 2. Please make sure from which terminal your flight departs.

#### Using railways to Kanazawa from (Osaka-)Kansai International Airport:

One possible travel option from (Osaka-)Kansai International Airport (KIX) to Kanazawa is by JR (Japan Railway) to Kanazawa. It costs ¥10,150 and takes 4 hr by a limited express train from the airport to JR Kanazawa Station. You need to transfer at either Shin-Osaka or Kyoto Station on the way.

You may use the cards shown in the last two pages when you purchase train tickets. Print out these cards and show them at a ticket booth of JR. You should be careful about the time when you transfer trains. You would have enough time to transfer trains when you come to Kanazawa, but you may have very short transfer time at Kyoto Station on the way back to Kansai International Airport from Kanazawa. When you purchase a ticket, be sure to check the time you have at the transfer station. If you have only several minutes for transferring trains, it is better to change your seat to the next train (but it would come an hour later). For more information, please consult at a ticket booth (Look for the green sign) in a JR station.

Ticket booth of JR express trains has a green sign as shown below:



You will get three tickets: a ticket for the train pass from JR Kansai Airport to Kanazawa and tickets for the seats of the limited express (as shown below). Please remember that automatic ticket gates will only accept the train ticket. Do not insert tickets for the limited express to the automatic ticket gate.



Tickets for the limited express

### From Kansai International Airport to JR Kanazawa Station

日本に不慣れなので、関西国際空港から金沢駅までの行き方を教えてください。

I want to get a ticket to JR Kanazawa Station by the next express train and reserve a seat for the train.

次の金沢行きの乗車券と特急の指定席をください。

Please write down the train car number and seat number of my train from this station.
この駅で乗る列車の車両番号と座席番号を書いてください。
Car number 車両番号: Seat number 座席番号:
From which platform and what time the train departs?
発車ホームの番号,発車時刻を教えてください。
Platform number 出発するホームの番号:
Departure time 発車時刻:
Please let me know the station I should transfer trains and what time the train arrives at
the transfer station.
途中の乗換駅の名前とそこへの到着時刻をローマ字で書いてください。
Transfer station 乗り換え駅:
Arrival time 到着時刻:
From which platform and what time the connecting train departs?
乗り継ぎ列車の発車ホームの番号,発車時刻を教えてください。
Platform number 出発するホームの番号:
Departure time 発車時刻:
Please write down the train car number and seat number of the connecting train.
乗り継ぎ列車の車両番号と座席番号を書いてください。
Car number 車両番号: Seat number <u>座席番号:</u>
Please write down the arrival time at JR Kanazawa Station
金沢駅の到着時刻を教えてください。
Arrival time 金沢駅の到着時刻:

# From JR Kanazawa Station to Kansai International Airport 日本に不慣れなので、金沢駅から関西国際空港までの行き方を教えてください。

I want to get a ticket to JR Kanazawa Station by the next express train and reserve a seat for the train.

次の関西国際空港行きの乗車券と特急の指定席をください。

Please write down the train car number and seat number of my train from this station.
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