Motion and Stillness of Winter in Japan

The Japanese archipelago, which offers a rich kaleidoscope of scenery over the changing seasons, takes on a variety of appearances across its various regions even in wintertime. World-famous virgin snow or a sacred mountain revered since ages past—the choice is yours.

Beguiled by the fragrance of plum blossoms

Tsukuba City in Ibaraki Prefecture, where the Ministerial Meeting on Trade and Digital Economy will be held as part of G20 2019 JAPAN on June 8 and 9, 2019, lies about 50 km northeast of Tokyo. The plum groves that grace the mid-reaches of Mt. Tsukuba feature white, red, and green flowering plum trees that bloom in succession from the end of January to the end of March, filling the slopes with the delicate fragrance of plum blossoms. In fine weather, one can see all the way to TOKYO SKYTREE and Mt. Fuji from the observation deck.

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Ensconced in powder snow

The town of Kutchan, located in the southwest of Hokkaido, is the core town of the Niseko Kutchan Resort, a particularly popular winter resort area in Asia. Between December and February, ever-fluffy “virgin snow” falls on the city, which welcomes ski fans from all over the world. This town, inhabited by people of 47 different nationalities, will be the venue of the Tourism Ministers' Meeting as Japan hosts its first-ever G20 Summit on October 25 and 26, 2019.

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