

How to use the service

This database can be searched via one of three methods: "Search with specified search conditions," "Search by map," and "Search by category".

Name	Search by the name given for the cultural property at the time that it was designated as a cultural property. Also, search by using a partial character string.
Category	Search by the category of the cultural property. Select from the category list.
Location	Search by the location of the cultural property.
Keywords	Search by the names of relevant individuals or specific keywords that appear in the explanatory text for the cultural properties.
Era / Year	Search by the era or year in which the target cultural property was build or created.

Category List

Tangible Cultural Property (building, painting, sculpture, craft, archaeological material, book, old document, historical material, and etc.)	Structures, paintings, sculptures, crafts, writings, books, old documents, and other tangible cultural products that have a high historical or artistic value to Japan (this category includes the land and articles that created this value together with the aforementioned objects), as well as archaeological materials and other historical materials with high academic value.
Intangible Cultural Properties	Plays, music, craftsmanship, and other intangible cultural products that have a high historical or artistic value to Japan.
Tangible Folk Cultural Properties	Clothing, tools, furniture, and other articles once used for daily necessities, occupations, religious purposes, and seasonal events, and things that are crucial to understanding changes in the lifestyle of the Japanese people.
Intangible Folk Cultural Properties	Manners, customs, folk entertainment, and other intangible folk products related to daily necessities, occupations, religious purposes, and seasonal events, and which are crucial to understanding changes in the lifestyle of the Japanese people.
Historic Sites	Shell mounds, ancient tombs, sites of palaces, sites of forts or castles, monumental dwelling houses, and other ruins that are indispensable for the proper understanding of history with remains that have maintained their original forms relatively intact or maintained enough to be deduced their original forms. Historical sites have high historical or academic value to Japan.
Historic Places	Historic Places that are important to the correct understanding of history, and have considerably deteriorated from the original forms, or the remains of which have completely disappeared, in addition to famous places of legend and regions with a long and distinguished history.
Places of Scenic	Gardens, bridges, valleys, ravines, seaside areas, mountains, and other sites of exceptional scenic beauty that have been famous since ancient times or are of high cultural or aesthetic value.
Natural Monuments	Animals (including natural habitats, breeding grounds, and migration areas), plants (including natural habitats), geographical, and minerals (including land in which unique natural phenomena have occurred) that have high academic value to Japan.