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## News From Japan

**Kochi Prefecture – Sake Heritage Reborn**

In 2023, the historic Fumimoto Brewery, after 120 years, reopened with renovations, continuing its legacy of sake-making with water from the pristine Shimanto River. The brewery features a pairing bar in its main building, where visitors can savor top-tier Daiginjo-Sake made with local Niida Rice, enjoy outdoor BBQ, and other local dishes. Preserving its quaint exterior, the interior fuses traditional with modern designs. Committing to environmental sustainability, it uses reusable spouted bottles. From spring 2024, Fumimoto Shuzo will introduce a brewery tour including a temple stay at Iwamotoji Temple.

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Making a Sake based cocktail  
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## Osaka City – Donkey Kong Country Debuts



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In Spring 2024, Universal Studio Japan's Super Nintendo World™ expands with Donkey Kong Country. This lush new area offers a jungle-themed roller coaster, interactive attractions linked to smartphones, themed food, and special merchandise. Visitors can immerse in the Donkey Kong adventure, navigating minecarts and broken tracks in a thrilling ride through the Golden Temple mines.

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## Oita Prefecture – 5-Day Diverse Expedition Unveiled

Explore dynamic landscapes on a 5-day expedition from Beppu to the Kunisaki Peninsula. Engage in trekking, cycling, and marine activities, and experience the area's unique Rokugo Manzan culture. Enjoy historic walks along the Minemichi Long Trail, relax in traditional gardens, savor local cuisine, and participate in morning Zazen at Fukiji Temple.

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**Hoshino Resorts KAI Akiu in Miyagi  
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**Royal Park Hotel Ginza 6-chome in  
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