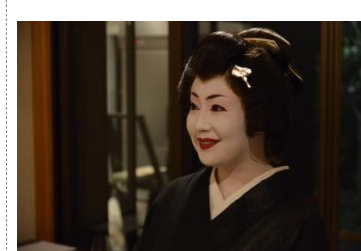
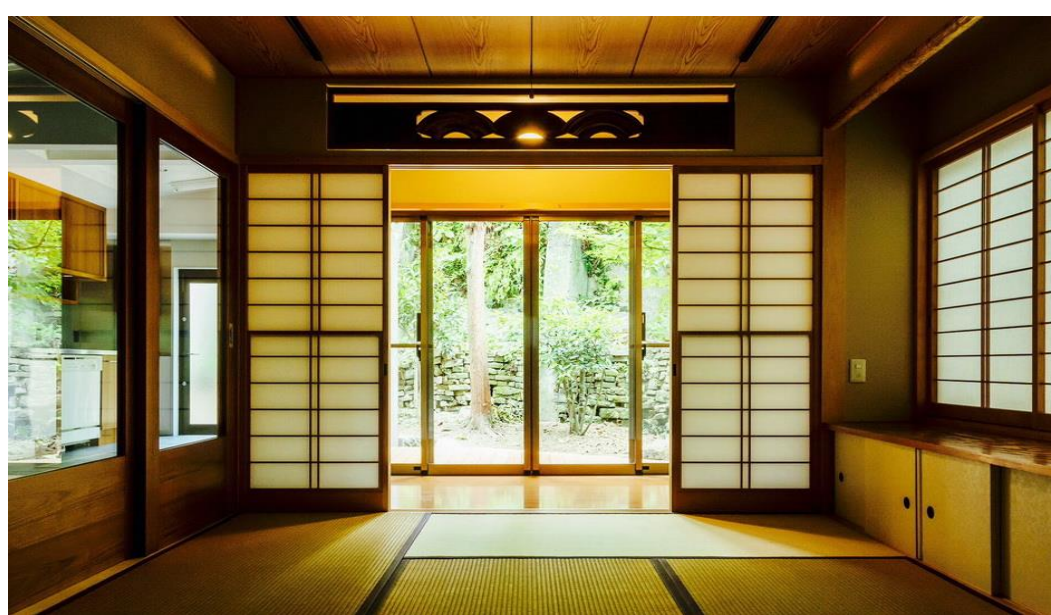


A Private Restaurant in Kagurazaka, Tokyo

# MAISON DE TSUYUKI

*Kagurazaka*



In the unique central Tokyo neighborhood of Kagurazaka, the sweep of 21<sup>st</sup> century Japan blends with whispers of the nation's past. Visitors here can sometimes catch a glimpse of geisha along cobblestone streets that still stretch through the area nearly 100 years after they were built.

About 70 years ago, there was a *ryōtei* here in Kagurazaka that was frequented by government officials and financiers. It was called Tsuyuki. This restaurant was also an *okiya*, a geisha house. Tsuyuki, an ex-geisha, said that she wanted to preserve Japan's geisha culture for later generations and this comment is in a literature that survives today.

More than seven decades later, in September 2014, Tsuyuki reopened as a private restaurant. True to its new name, the Maison de Tsuyuki is a house of the old architectural style which has been turned into a restaurant. With its stunning ceilings, gorgeous rooms and lovely garden, the building stands as a virtual museum of Japanese architecture.

In terms of its culinary theme, the private restaurant is a Franco-Japonais venue. Two female chefs – one returned from France and the other a master of Asian cuisine – together orchestrate a delightful table for their guests. The menu consists mainly of French fare, in harmony with traditional Japanese and Asian cuisine, each with French accents of its own. The innovative and aesthetically pleasing courses the chefs compose on the plates of Maison de Tsuyuki attract many diners, yet the restaurant is not open for business every day. Rather, we seek to preserve this art museum-like house as a legacy for 100 years – or even 200 years – hence. Meanwhile, we would like to treat as very precious, the traditions and culture that we as Japanese have preserved while at the same time letting as many people as possible experience this beautiful space.

A guest here can expect to enjoy memories of Tokyo, served very rare.

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