## izanami sake

## namazake: unpasteurized, alive, extra bright, bold & complex

glass 12.50 / 300 ml carafe 29. / 720 ml bottle 69. first wave "arabashiri"

tokubetsu junmai shiboritate nama genshu. yamagata, +0, arabashiri is the first third of sake from the tank with little pressing, shiboritate = "to squeeze" & this sake is indeed freshly squeezed! alive with flavor & bursting with a yeasty robustness!

wind of the woods "kaze no mori black label"

glass 12.75 / 300 ml carafe 30. / 720 ml bottle 70.

junmai muroka nama genshu. nara, ±0, made with a rice only found in nara (tsuyuhakaze): mellow umami with a little spritz!

amabuki "banana"

glass 13.75 / 300 ml carafe 32. / 720 ml bottle 75.

junmai daiginjo shiboritate nama. saga, ±0. made using yeasts derived from bananas! expressive, not too sweet.

wind of the woods "yamadanishiki 807"

glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33. / 720 ml bottle 77.

junmai muroka nama genshu. nara, ±0. technically a brown rice sake, minimal polishing adds to great depth of flavor.

wind of the woods "kaze no mori 507"

glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33. / 720 ml bottle 77.

junmai daiginjo. nara. made with local tsuyuhakaze rice, harmonious taste, clean and balanced with depth and personality.

sublime beauty "tae no hana"

glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33. / 720 ml bottle 77.

arabashiri kimoto muroka nama genshu. mie, +5, a sublime brown rice sake made by japan's first female toji. smooth & soft. fragrant jewel "hakugyokko"

glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33. / 720 ml bottle 96. / 1.8 liter bottle 195.

junmai yamahai muroka nama genshu. chiba, -5, super fragrant, big, bold, fruity, complex. magical paired with pork!

mt. chokai "chokaisan" nama

glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33. / 720 ml bottle 108. / 1.8 liter bottle 195.

junmai daiginjo muroka nama genshu. akita, ±0, classic akita style: elegant, flowery, fruity. yeasts made from nadeshiko flowers!

bouquet "hanabusa"

glass 15.50 / 300 ml carafe 36. / 720 ml bottle 85.

junmai yamahai muroka nama genshu. mie, +7, made by japan's first female toji. complex, yet fresh with high acidity.

forest spirit "soma no tengu"

glass 17. / 300 ml carafe 41. / 720 ml bottle 96. / 1.8 liter bottle 192.

junmai muroka nama genshu. shiga, +6. close to drinking straight from the tank: alive, bright, earthy & complex.

super dry "akishika okarakuchi"

glass 17. / 300 ml carafe 41. / 720 ml bottle 96. / 1.8 liter bottle 192.

junmai ginjo nama genshu. osaka, +17, biodynamically grown rice, one of driest sakes in the US. complex & rich, yet dry.

heavenly grace "tenko nama"

glass 19. / 300 ml carafe 47.50. / 720 ml bottle 102.

 $junmai\ muroka\ nama\ genshu.\ akita,\ \pm0.\ elegant\ aroma\ of\ pear,\ mango,\ citrus\ with\ velvety\ layers\ and\ full\ bodied\ umami\ rich\ taste.$ 

AFS "quintessence"

glass 22. / 500 ml bottle 87.50

junmai yamahai nama. chiba, -33. made with a rare "one phase fermentation" and hot yamahai production, this sake is powerful and complex. high acidity to match the sweetness, lemon, green apple, sourdough and umami harmony.

## daiginjo sake: elegant, most refined, sake for savoring

tenkyu suiu "green rain"

glass 13. / 300 ml carafe 32. / 720 ml bottle 72.

junmai daiginjo. yamagata, +1, perfect in every way: clean elegant sweetness, ripe fruit aromas, clean rich finish.

ohmine 3grain

glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33. / 720 ml bottle 77.

daiginjo. yamaguchi. don't overthink it, this sake is gentle, crisp and light with elegant asian pear, muscat grape, nuanced umami. mt. chokai "chokaisan" glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33. / 720 ml bottle 108. / 1.8 liter 195.

KID iunmai daiginio glass 14.25 / 300 ml carafe 33.50 / 720 ml bottle 98.25

junmai daiginjo. akita, ±0, classic akita style: elegant, flowery, fruity. yeasts made from local mountain nadeshiko flowers!

junmai daiginjo. wakayama, +2, refreshing fruity aroma, elegant rich taste, balanced acidity all leads to a clean finish.

kuheiji "eau de désir" junmai daiginjo. aichi, ±0, elegant and harmonious, deep profound flavors of the yamada nishiki rice.

glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33.5 / 720 ml bottle  $98.25\,$ 

wind of the woods "alpha 3"

glass 15. / 300 ml carafe 36. / 720 ml bottle 84.

junmai daiginjo. nara, +3. rich in fruity flavor with a sweet nose. fresh & lively, bright & elegant. lower in alcohol.

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glass 16. / 300 ml carafe 38. / 720 ml bottle 89.

junmai daiginjo. mie. luscious aroma falls into a bright, citrus acidity. rich & sweet in the best steamed rice way.

dassai 39

glass 18. / 300 ml carafe 45. / 720 ml bottle 99.

junmai daiginjo. yamaguchi, +3. skillfully balanced, chewy & bright, fruity nose, higher acidity & a plush, creamy texture.

heavenly grace "tenko 40"

glass 22.50 / 300 ml carafe 54.00 / 720 ml bottle 126.

junmai daiginjo. akita, +2. fragrant, smooth & full-bodied---quite robust for a daiginjo. dry, with some light fruit + earthiness.

kurozaemon 3 year aged koshu

720 ml bottle 126.

junmai daiginjo koshu. yamagata, ±0. polished to 35%. aged for 3 years at cool temperatures for a rounder rich feel.

kurozaemon vamadanishiki junmai daiginjo. yamagata, +1. gentle and juicy, but elegant with soft minerality. ripe peach, bitter melon and cherry.

glass 26. / 300 ml carafe 65. / 720 ml bottle 144.

kurozaemon forever "mirokuenju"

720 ml bottle 135.

junmai daiginjo genshu. yamagata, ±0. undiluted & full of rich flavor. fresh & green with subtle fruitiness, crisp clean finish.

heavenly grace "tenko 35"

720 ml bottle 192.

junmai daiginjo. akita, -2.3, well balanced complexity with long smooth finish. extremely silky, with fruity aromas. heavenly grace "tenko 20" 720 ml bottle 299.

junmai daiginjo. akita, ±0, milled to 20%! full bodied despite the low milling. exquisite aroma, silky texture.

ginjo sake: bright, clean, aromatic, pairs with everything

clear moon "chogetsu"

glass 10. / 300 ml carafe 23. / 720 ml bottle 70. / 1.8 liter 135.

junmai ginjo. akita, +1. aroma of white spring flowers, round & creamy mouthfeel, fresh long flavorful finish.

JOTO "the pink one"

glass 12. / 300 ml carafe 28. / 720 ml bottle 66.

junmai ginjo. ibaraki, +2, aromatic, fruity, light + floral, made with two kinds of "modern" yeast. lively + bright. KID hiyaoroshi fall limited seasonal sake

glass 13.50 / 300 ml carafe 31.50 / 720 ml bottle 74.

junmai ginjo. wakayama, +1.5. soft notes of banana, well balanced, gentle umami to match the autumn harvest season. seikvo omachi

glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33. / 720 ml bottle 77.50

junmai ginjo, hiroshima +3. brewed with one of the oldest sake rices in japan. herbal & bright, clean clear finish.

cabin in the snow "yuki no bosha" glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 33. / 720 ml 79.50/ 1.8 liter 132. junmai ginjo. akita, +1.5, bright, great aromatics, finishes with a clear, dry almost peppery kick! glass 15. / 300 ml carafe 35. / 720 ml bottle 83. happy owl "fuku chitose" yamahai junmai ginjo. fukui, +3. earthy, yeasty classic yamahai "dirty" nose, smoky, roasted, smooth & round. glass 16. / 300 ml carafe 38. / 720 ml bottle 89. mutsu hassen "pink label" junmai ginjo. aomori, -2. made with local yeast & rice + white koji (adds a little higher acidity). white flowers & cotton candy. junmai sake: full, rich, earthy, great match to things from the grill glass 9.00 / 300 ml carafe 22.50. / 300 ml bottle 26. / 1.8 liter 120. great peaceful mountain "taiheizan" kimoto junmai. akita, +3, earthy aroma, full-bodied & umami rich, with perfect bright acidity to pair with all food. glass 8.50 / 300 ml carafe 20. / 720 ml bottle 50. / 1.8 liter 113. snow shadow "yukikage" tokubetsu junmai. niigata, +4, soft like skin, light as a feather, fresh as snow, with a clean and dry finish. glass 9. / 300 ml carafe 20. / 720 ml bottle 63. / 1.8 liter 120. blue spirit "tamashii" junmai. yamagata, +1, bright, notes of green apple & herbs. lush + juicy, finishes clean. can be enjoyed at any temperature. glass 9. / 300 ml carafe 21. / 720 ml bottle 63. / 1.8 liter bottle 124. junmai. wakayama, +4, brewed with soft spring water, acidity is balanced with the gentle umami of the sake rice. ♦JOTO junmai "the green one" glass 10. / 300 ml carafe 22. / 720 ml bottle 53. / 1.8 liter bottle 108. junmai. yamagata, +7.5, rich, versatile & solid. clean, with hints of fruit. high crisp acidity in the finish. glass 10. / 300 ml carafe 23.50 / 720 ml bottle 79. junmai. aomori, +8. "chokara" means super dry & this one fits that name. dry stones, clean & fresh. wolf "chichibu nishiki" glass 10. / 300 ml carafe 22. / 720 ml bottle 53. tokubetsu junmai. saitama, +2.5, semi-dry, rich full mouth, crisp cool flavor: can you hear the wolf howl? ♦hitakami chokarakuchi glass 11. / 300 ml carafe 25.50 / 720 ml bottle 60. junmai. miyagi, +11, restrained aromas of mushroom, honey, pineapple. bright acidity, ample umami, finishes vibrant and crisp. glass 12. / 300 ml carafe 30. / 720 ml bottle 60. ♦old mountain "jikomi" yamahai tokubetsu junmai. tokushima, +3, slightly aged, full bodied, with a razor-smooth dryness. glass 11.50 / 300 ml carafe 27. / 720 ml bottle 63. junmai. niigata, +12, one of our driest sakes, with umami from the rice that expands on your palate. excellent warmed. glass 10.50 / 300 ml carafe 24.25 / 720 ml bottle 66. / 1.8 liter 141. éseven spearsmen "shichi hon yari" junmai. shiga, +4.5, complex with layers of mushroom and earth, yet a long, clean finish. classic junmai, staff favorite. takacho "regal hawk" glass 13. / 300 ml carafe 32.50 / 720 ml bottle 71. bodaimoto junmai muroka genshu. nara, -25, cream and melon flavors with a bright, lactic acid herbal finish. high acidity! ♦cabin in the snow "yuki no bosha" yamahai glass 14. / 300 ml carafe 32. / 720 ml bottle 75.75 junmai. akita, +1, mellow, well-balanced, low in acidity, made with old-school yeast starter. staff favorite. tenbi tokubetsu glass 15. / 300 ml carafe 34. / 720 ml can 81. tokubetsu junmai. yamaguchi. multi-layered umami flavors with golden kiwi aroma, this sake mellows as it opens up. honjozo /futsuushu sake: lighter yet still earthy, slightly aromatic, smooth glass 7. / 300 ml carafe 17. / 1.8 liter 99. beautiful lily "yuri masamune" honjozo. akita, +2.5, both mellow & rustic, slightly fruity---all smoothly balanced with nuttiness. earthy. glass 7.50 / 300 ml carafe 18. / 720 ml bottle 50. / 1.8 liter 104. 10.000 wavs "ban rvu" honjozo. yamagata, +1, called "10,000 ways" because it pairs with everything. light & fruity, crisp refreshing finish. glass 8. / 300 ml carafe 18. / 720 ml bottle 50. futsu-shu. niigata, +6, dry, clean, well-balanced, great minerality & intensity. slight aroma of hazelnut & melon. green spirit "tamashii" glass 9. / 300 ml carafe 20. / 720 ml bottle 63. / 1.8 liter 120. honjozo. yamagata, +3, notes of green grapes, bamboo & crisp orchard fruit. soft minerality + a long, clean finish. dry mountain "eiko fuji honkara" glass 10. / 300 ml carafe 24. / 720 ml bottle 55. honjozo. yamagata, +10, light & dry with a fruity bouquet, silky mouthfeel, slight marshmallow with a crisp, dry finish. nigori: coarsely (un)filtered "cloudy" sake, rounder textured experience great peaceful mountain "taiheizan" nigori glass 10. / 300 ml bottle 24. / 720 ml bottle 56. honjozo. akita, +2, aroma of distinct floral notes combined with tropical fruit. rich, chewy texture, dry & light. glass 10. / 300 ml carafe 23.50 / 720 ml bottle 55.50 JOTO "the blue one" junmai. hiroshima, -3. not super sweet, with depth & earthy notes. dry balanced with coconutty fruit notes. food friendly. glass 12. / 300 ml carafe 27.75 / 720 ml bottle 65. heiwa shuzo nigori junmai. wakayama, -8.5. smooth texture: the rice feels like powdery snow on your tongue. soft, clean, not too sweet. before or after: from tart to sweet, aperitif to dessert kagatsuru "kaga's cranes" ume-shu glass 15. / 300 ml carafe 34. / 720 ml bottle 81. junmai. kaga, 400-year old yachicha brewery makes this ume-shu with local plums + real rice sake. refreshing! glass 15. / 300 ml carafe 34. / 720 ml bottle 81. kakurei ume shu junmai ginjo. niigata, made by soaking local plums in real sake for 3 months, tart not cloyingly sweet. great on ice! JOTO ume shu glass 16. / 300 ml carafe 38. / 720 ml bottle 89. junmai. shimane, local, hand-harvested ume plums bring bright, rich notes, deep sweetness and powerful acidity. glass 12. / 300 ml carafe 28. / 720 ml bottle 67.00 taiheizan yuzushu yuzu fruit liqueur. akita. made from yuzu sourced from farmer's cooperative in kochi. juicy, refreshing, beautifully aromatic. glass 13. / 300 ml carafe 30. / 1.8 liter bottle 174. junmai. shimane, yuzu = lemony, with a tart sweetness. we call it "adult lemonade" with lower alcohol. great on the rocks! hou hou shu sparkling "blue clouds" 300 ml bottle 39. junmai. okayama, -40. made like prosecco, this sake undergoes a secondary fermentation in the tank to produce fine bubbles. tsuru-ume "ichigo" glass 16. / 300 ml carafe 40. / 720 ml bottle 86. junmai. wakayama. ume-shu base with macerated local strawberries. juicy but tangy, not overly sweet. glass 16. / 300 ml carafe 40. / 720 ml bottle 86. tsuru-ume "orange"

junmai. wakayama. ume-shu base is fortified with fresh natsu mikan, amanatsu and lemon for zesty, lightly bitter fruit sake.