



Kiminoi Brewery

KIMINOI “EMPEROR’S WELL”

Honjozo, Nama, Genshu

(Niigata, Japan)

Founded in 1842 by the Tanaka family, Kiminoi Shuzo is a mid-sized brewery that blends modern sake production techniques with traditional methods. The toji (master sake brewer), Hiroshi Hayatsu, has dedicated over 30 years at Kiminoi perfecting his craft, crafting sophisticated yet robust sake with distinct character. The name Kiminoi, translating to "Emperor's Well," originates from the 19th century. The renowned Meiji Emperor frequented the region from Tokyo and grew fond of the local sake. In honor of this connection, they rebranded themselves as "Well of the Emperor." The Honjozo, Nama, Genshu can allows you to expericen the fresh aroma and UMAMI of sake.

Basic Information

Brand: Kiminoi [keemi-noy]
Nickname: Emperor's Well
Type of sake: Honjozo
Style: Nama, Genshu
Seimai Buai: Rice milled to 62%
Alcohol: 19.0% by volume
Bottle size, Case pack, & UPC Code:
200ml/30-pk 844650015072



Producer

Name: Kiminoi [keemi-noy] Shuzo
Owned by: Tanaka Family
Owner: Tomohiro Tanaka
Founded: 1842
Location: 3-11, Shimomachi, Myokou-shi, Niigata 944-0048, JAPAN
Web sites: www.niigatasakeselections.com
www.kiminoi.co.jp

Toji (Master Brewer): Hiroshi Hayatsu. Has been working with the brewery for more than three decades.

Toji Guild: Echigo Toji, Certified Toji by Japan Toji Guild Association.

Ingredients & technical data

Rice: Miyama Nishiki (Nagano)
Water: Soft water
Yeast:
SMV: +2.0 **Acidity:** 1.9 **Amino acids:** 1.9
No sulfites, no preservatives.

Other information

Serving temp: Serve chilled (54-59 F /12-15°C).
Tasting note: This unpasteurized, undiluted Honjozo has a mild aroma and a bold palate, making it great sipping sake or paired with food.
Food paring: Tuna, yellowtail with wasabi and soy sauce, Yakitori (grilled chicken) with salt, Asari (clams) steamed with sake, light chicken dishes, and vegetable tempura. Kanzuri – local pepper paste from Myoko region where brewery is located is a great pairing with this sake!

Awards/Certificates:

Kiminoi Brewery has won gold awards at Japan National Sake Competition in 2015, 07, 06, 04, 03, etc.

Other: