

SYNOPSIS



The Imperial City of Kyoto - The Gion Matsuri Festival

Kaiserstadt Kyoto - Das Gion Matsuri Fest

It is one of the most famous and spectacular festivals in Japan: Gion Matsuri, the festival of cherry blossoms. The hectic, modern life of Japan fades into the background as, once a year, this unusual drama unfolds - a kind of parable, shedding insight on how we should conduct our lives. The festival floats, with their secular and spiritual themes, and the portable shrines have captivated the Japanese public since 1140. Indeed Kyoto has a kind of magnetic attraction for many Japanese, as there is no better place to experience «hanami»- the awe-inspiring viewing of the blossoming trees. A festival full of symbolic significance, Gion Matsuri includes both traditional and modern elements, moving between chaos and contemplation.

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Run-Time: 1 x 43 min.

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