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Announcement of  
**TAKANAWA HANAKOHRO and Small Luxury Hotels of the World™ (SLH)**  
formed partnership

We are proud to announce that in May 2025, TAKANAWA HANAKOHRO, luxury ryokan, an independent partner of Seibu Prince Hotels & Resorts and a part of Japanese Seibu Group, became a partner of Small Luxury Hotels of the World™ community with headquarters in London, England.

TAKANAWA HANAKOHRO awaits to welcome SLH community members from all around the World and opens a door to unforgettable experiences and remarkable Japanese culture.

#### About Small Luxury Hotels of the World™

Founded in 1992, Small Luxury Hotels of the World™ (SLH) is a community of independently minded guests and over 600 independently spirited hotels in over 90 countries, committed to promoting cultural and environmental sensitivity and encouraging travelers to explore the world with intention.

#### About TAKANAWA HANAKOHRO

Established in 2016, TAKANAWA HANAKOHRO, a 5-star ryokan surrounded by an extraordinary Japanese garden is a true sanctuary and an escapist experience, in the city center of Tokyo. Intimate interiors of 16 suites uniquely blend contemporary luxury, sustainability, and traditional Japan. Panoramic windows with Shoji sliding doors blur the line between the suites and the Japanese garden, offering immediate tranquility and relaxation. Personalized experiences at the guest-only OH-SAI lounge, such as Matcha grinding and Sake tasting, open the door to enchanting Japanese culture.

20,000 square meter Japanese garden is home to a vivid Koi pond, historical sites, such as Kannon-do, bell tower, temple gate, and over 210 Sakura trees of 17 varieties. Each season here has its charm, reflected indoors and celebrated with various festivals.



TAKANAWA HANAKOHRO entrance



Premier Japanese Garden Suite

For further information:



Being a part of Small Luxury Hotels of the World™ means a commitment to creating bespoke experiences and connections with a place and its people.

Every year only about 5% of applications to join the SLH community are accepted and later on, followed up with a detailed annual investigation of each standard. SLH properties offer secluded, discrete options with the highest standards of luxury and guest wellbeing.

Currently less than 2% of all SLH properties are located in Japan.

SLH official website: <https://slh.com/>

**TAKANAWA HANAKOHRO** is an intimate ryokan, where Japan's traditional values and Omotenashi (wholehearted hospitality) meet modern elegance and sustainability in the heart of Tokyo. Each of the 16 uniquely designed suites has a story to tell with original scent, Tatami flooring, and Shoji sliding doors (a traditional Japanese door made out of *washi* – Japanese Paper) that create a harmonious flow between inside and a majestic 20,000 square meters Japanese garden.

TAKANAWA HANAKOHRO opens a door into exquisite Japanese hospitality beyond just accommodation and is the first ryokan in the world to be awarded a 5-star Forbes Travel Guide recognition for five consecutive years.

**Opening date:** November 1, 2016

**Number of suites:** 16

**Address:** 3-13-1, Takanawa, Minato-ku, Tokyo 108-8612 Japan

**TAKANAWA HANAKOHRO official website:** <https://www.princehotels.com/hanakohro/>



OH-SAI Lounge



Matcha grinding experience



Sake tasting experience

## NIJYUROKUYA in TAKANAWA

Takanawa area was a famous place for viewing the moon and the sea. During the EDO period (1603-1868), on the 26th day of January and July, people gathered to wait for the moon and to pray. This event has been revived in the Takanawa area as Takanawa Nijurokuya.

Over 400 bamboo lanterns illuminate the Japanese garden every evening to promote relaxation and connection to nature.



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