

PREMIUM JAPANESE SAKE FACTS

700 A.D.

YEAR SAKE IS BELIEVED TO HAVE ORIGINATED IN JAPAN

1,000

NUMBER OF SAKE BREWERIES IN JAPAN TODAY



55%

OF JAPAN'S FARMLAND IS RICE PADDIES

15%-17%

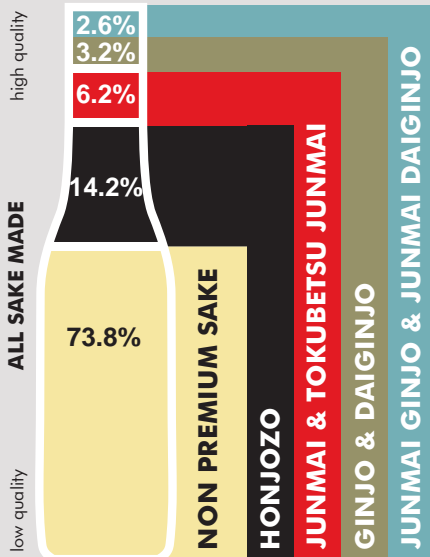
AVERAGE ALCOHOL BY VOLUME IN SAKE

LESS THAN 6%

OF ALL JAPANESE SAKE IS CONSIDERED SUPER PREMIUM

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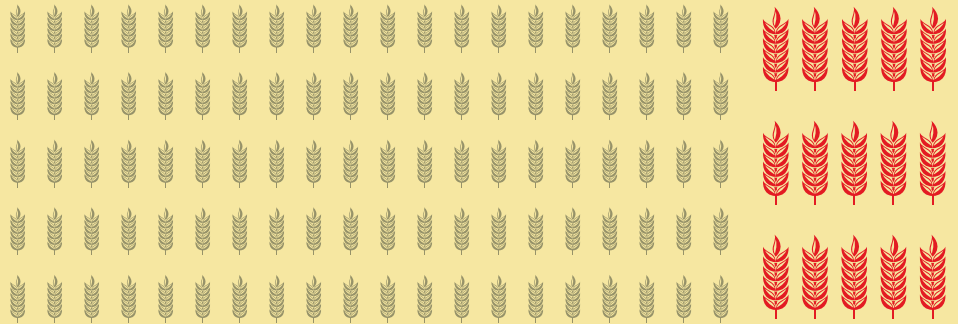
NUMBER OF PREMIUM SAKE IMPORTED BY VINE CONNECTIONS



SAKE RICE VARIETIES IN JAPAN

TOTAL ~ **100**

USED IN VINE CONNECTIONS SAKE = **15**



SAKE RICE VS. TABLE RICE



HEIGHT:

sake rice is at least 25% taller than table rice



WEIGHT:

sake rice is heavier (weighs 25-30 grams)



WIDTH:

a grain of sake rice is 20% larger than table rice



CONTENT:

sake rice has more starch, less fat, & less protein

SAKE GRADE LEVELS

Increasing quality, price, fragrance, complexity

↑ SUPER PREMIUM

PREMIUM

↓ LOW GRADE

NON JUNMAI	JUNMAI	RICE MILLED TO:
Brewed using Rice, Water, Koji Mold, & Distilled Alcohol	Brewed using Rice, Water, & Koji Mold only (NO Distilled Alcohol)	
DAIGINJO	JUNMAI DAIGINJO	AT LEAST 50% (50% or more milled away)
GINJO	JUNMAI GINJO	AT LEAST 60% (40% or more milled away)
HONJOZO	JUNMAI	AT LEAST 70% (30% or more milled away)
FUTSU "TABLE SAKE" Table sake often uses automated brewing processes and high amounts of distilled alcohol.		FUTSU "TABLE SAKE" NO MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS Futsu represents about 75% of the entire sake market.



PREMIUM JAPANESE SAKE



TOZAI
Living Jewel
junmai



TOZAI
Well of Wisdom
ginjo



TOZAI
Snow Maiden
nigori



TOZAI
Blossom of Peace
plum sake



TOZAI
Typhoon
futsu



AMA NO TO
Heaven's Door
junmai



BUSHIDO
Way of the Warrior
ginjo genshu



CHIYONOSONO
Shared Promise
junmai



FUKUCHO
Moon on the Water
junmai ginjo



KANBARA
Bride of the Fox
junmai ginjo



KONTEKI
Pearls of Simplicity
junmai daiginjo



MANTENSEI
Star-Filled Sky
junmai ginjo



RIHAKU
Dreamy Clouds
nigori junmai



SATO NO HOMARE
Pride of the Village
junmai ginjo



TAKA
Noble Arrow
tokubetsu junmai



TAKATENJIN
Soul of the Sensei
junmai daiginjo



TENSEI
Song of the Sea
junmai ginjo



TENTAKA KUNI
Hawk in the Heavens
junmai



YAMADA SHOTEN
Everlasting Roots
tokubetsu junmai



YUHO
Rhythm of the Centuries
junmai

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