

The National Cherry Blossom Festival

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Lots of people visit Washington, D.C. to tour the capital of the United States. But when spring is in the air, Washington, D.C. becomes an even more popular place to visit. Every year in late March, more than one and a half million people visit Washington, D.C.



Cherry Blossom Festival.

More than three million people see the display in the capital every year. It is stunning! They are colorful and beautiful. They also hold a special meaning. In 1912, Japan, given to the United States as a symbol of the close bond between the two countries. Many of those planted by former presidents.

The National Cherry Blossom Festival changes from year to year. It starts in mid-March and ends in mid-April. The festival

is a celebration of the beauty of the beautiful blossoms. They can learn about the history of the trees, and the friendship between the countries of Japan and the United States. But they can also enjoy many other events, such as fireworks, music, dancing, and artistic performances by American and Japanese artists. There is also a Blossom Kite Festival and a Cherry Blossom Parade. There is so much to celebrate and enjoy at the National Cherry Blossom Festival!

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an amazing natural display. When they bloom, the trees are a feast for the eyes. But they are also a gift from the past. Cherry blossoms are a symbol of a friendship between the two countries. Some of the trees include the ones planted by Michelle Obama.

celebration. The date of the festival is in March and ends in April. Everyone can come to take

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- 1) Which countries are associated with the National Cherry Blossom Festival?
- a) Japan and America
 - b) Japan only
 - c) America only
 - d) None of the above

- 2) What do you mean by _____ here?

- 3) What is the history of _____

- 4) What do the cherries _____

- 5) Underline the adverbs in the following sentences.

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2) What do you mean by 'A feast for the eyes' in the context of cherry trees in Japan? Refer to here?

'A feast for the eyes'
cherry trees in

refers to the

3) What is the historical significance of cherry trees in the United States?

The trees were
1912.

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States, in the year

4) What do the cherry trees represent in Japanese and American culture?

The cherry trees
American culture

Japanese and

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