Osaka's Gay Scene

Osaka has the largest gay scene in the region. The city's main gay bars and nightlife are located in Doyama district, near Umeda Station. Some venues limit access to Japanese only; others have policies based on specific themes. This is not an exhaustive list, nor have we personally verified these listings. For more complete information visit: www.travelgayasia.com/destination/gay-japan/

Bars

Eagle Osaka https://www.eagleosaka.com/

12-8 Doyamacho, Kita-ku, Osaka-Shi, Osaka

EAGLE OSAKA spread its wings in March 2024, marking the vibrant addition of the third venue to the esteemed EAGLE TOKYO GROUP. Nestled in Doyama-cho, Osaka, it proudly stands as one of western Japan's premier gay bars, offering a dynamic experience for its patrons. Boasting expansive spaces, the first floor hosts exhilarating DJ parties on weekends, while the second floor invites guests to unwind in a Yokocho-style bar, open daily. Complementing the ambiance is Nippondanji, our exclusive gay apparel shop. True to our brand, the second-floor bar features an original Jiraiya mural, echoing the distinctive charm of our Eagle establishments.

weekday: 18:00 - 04:00 weekend: 18:00 - 04:00

venue: bar | customers: mostly gay

FrenZ FrenZY Rainbow Haven https://www.frenz-frenzy.website/

8-14 Kamiyamacho, Kita, Osaka

Long-standing and popular Osaka gay bar. It truly is the gayest, most colourful place in Osaka! Located underneath MenZ-MenZY the sexy men's underwear shop. The first shop in Japan specializing in the Andrew Christian brand. Hold on to your breath, you might get hot flashes. Lady GaGa once held an impromptu performance on the bar; a night here is guaranteed to be a fun and memorable evening!

weekday: 20:00 - 01:00 / 03:00 weekend: 20:00 - 05:00 / 01:00

venue: bar | customers: mostly gay

Grand Slam http://www.grandslam-osaka.com/eng.php

1F Dai-Ni Shoei Bldg, 6-14 Doyama, Kita, Osaka

Foreigner-friendly gay bar that hosts regular dance parties and events. Grand Slam is now in its 7th year. Located in the heart of Doyama gay scene. Open 7 nights a week.

weekday: 21:00 - 05:00 weekend: 21:00 - 05:00

venue: bar | features: bar, music, dancing

J's Osaka http://www.cafe-jj.com/osaka/top.php

B1F Pearl Leisure Bldg, 16-4 Doyama, Kita, Osaka

Well-established gay bar that has been in business for 17 years. Formerly "Cafe de Jumpin' Jumpin", J's Osaka has a welcoming atmosphere, good-looking staff and hosts regular special events. Drinks start from ¥800, and there is no cover charge. Open every night from 7pm.

weekday: from 19:00 weekend: from 19:00

venue: bar | features: bar, music, cafe | customers: LGBT mixed

Kuro https://rainbowindex.com/venue/kuro

OK Bldg, 16-6 Doyama, Kita, Osaka

The oldest gay bar in Osaka. Kuro is a traditional Japanese-style bar that attracts mostly mature Japanese men, although foreigners are welcome. Located off the main street near the entrance of Doyama gay district, on the inner righthand side of a small hallway – a bit difficult to find as the blue sign is written in Japanese.

weekday: 19:00 - 02:00 weekend: Sat 19:00 - 02:00 venue: bar | features: bar, music | attracts: all types