



TANGO NO SEKKU / BOY'S DAY / MAY 5 - MAY 11

The day was originally called "Tango No Sekku" - one of the 5 annual ceremonies held at the imperial court - and was celebrated on the fifth day of the fifth moon in the Chinese calendar. The literal meaning of Tango No Sekku is "the start of the horse seasonal festival", corresponding to the Chinese Zodiacs' 5th month. After Japan switched to the Gregorian calendar, the date was moved to May 5. It was originally exclusively male celebrating boys and recognizing fathers. On this day, families raise the carp-shaped Koinobori flags (carp because of the Chinese legend that a carpe that swims upstream becomes a dragon and flies to Heaven, and the way the flags blow in the wind looks like they are swimming), with one carp for the father, one for the mother, and one carp for each child (traditionally each son).

CHIMAKI \$8

sticky rice dumpling with spicy pork (zongzi)

GRILLED SNAPPER \$19

myoga, yuzu

KASHIWAMOCCHI \$9

sweet red bean paste, mochi

