## Onna Joshu







#### A well-balanced and full-bodied sake

#### Tasting comment

Rich aromas of apple and banana. A balance appears between a moderate and pleasant sweetness and acidity, followed by bitterness. The sake is full-bodied, and the finish does not linger on the tongue.

#### Pairing

This distinctive full-body and sweet sake is a good match for ingredients or dishes with a slightly unique taste.

Chicken offal stewed in ginger, chicken Gero-style (Keichan), deer and dried kaki terrine, galette

### A nature-born chemistry, a sake to drink until the last drop

The city under the ruins of the former castle of Iwamura seems to be straight of Edo period (1603-1868). This is where Iwamura Jozo was founded in 1787. Its main brand, "Onna Joshu" (the lady of the castle), is named after the ancient lady castle owner who marked the local history during the Sengoku period at the end of the 16th century.

The master brewers of the region who have learnt from the Nanbu school, that gives a delicate taste. The brewery uses a local rice, which is also irrigated with the same water that is used for the sake. This water that lends its strength to the cereal is from a very pure underground branch of the Kiso River. It is drawn from a well that was opened since the foundation of Iwamura Jozo.

The owner makes his sake with particular focus on its balance, "a sake that would make you think 'one more glass'", from his own words. The main brand "Junmai Ginjo Onna Joshu" is well-known for the balance of its aromas and its taste. The color reminds one of the young foliage and the green hues that embellish the Japanese spring. It gives off a fresh and feminine impression, but as the tasting goes its natural suppleness is highlighted.





### Hida Homare Alcohol 15-16% Acidic concentration Nihonshudo Amino-acidic concentration 1.3

At room temperature Storage

#### Recommended cups temperature

Big wine glass Shallow sake cup

Slightly cold or at room temperature(12°C-20°C)

# Taste balance



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