

Main street



Fish oil wholesaler "Tate-ya" including dried sardines & squeezed residue.

Large merchant house dealing in dried sardines (fertilizer) & fish oil (lamp oil).



Vegetable store "Yao-shin"

Besides seasonal vegetables, pickles, devil's tongues and eggs are on sale.



Rice Store "Kazusa-ya"

They mill brown rice by a machine mortar called "kara-usu" and sell it.



Boathouse tavern "Masuda-ya, & Sagami-ya"

Boat men carry men and goods in a so-called "Choki-bune". Boathouses double as an eatery and a place for a small get-together.

Canal



Fire watch tower

At the top layer of the fire watch tower, the fire bell is hung to protect the town from a fire. The bell is rung by a watchman to call people's attention when a flame blazes up.



Fire watch tower

Can you hear, from somewhere, singing of chickens and sparrows, voice of clam-peddler, sound of opening shutters and a temple bell?



This area is the public space for people living in this row house, including a well, toilets, garbage dump and an Inari Shrine.

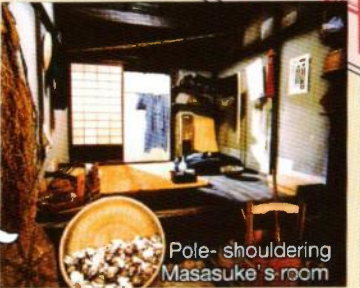
Let's enjoy a view of the townscape of Fukagawa from the stair! Be time-traveler in the downtown of Edo to experience an atmosphere of the streets, mew~.

I'm a kitty cat nick named "Mame-suke", hosting you in the streets in Edo, "mew~".

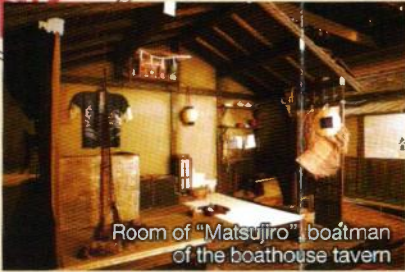
I wonder what is here, mew~.



Public space "toilets, garbage dump and Inari Shrine"



Pole-shouldering Masasuke's room



Room of "Matsujiro" boatman of the boathouse tavern

Open space is designed to prevent a fire from spreading to the neighboring houses in quick succession when the fire breaks out. Stalls for tea, tempura and soba noodle stand together.

A row house partitioned only by walls for common people to live in. Most of people in Edo, the ancient Tokyo, live in row houses. Five families live in this row house.

- A** Pole-shouldering "Masasuke" He goes around selling shelled clams.
- B** "Hideji", tradesman of Rice store He lives with his wife and two small children.
- C** Boathouse tavern's boatman "Matsujiro" Boatman operating a swine-lang-boat and barge.
- D** "Oshizu", a mistress "shamisen" teacher also teaches reading and writing with a brush as well as sewing.
- E** Daikichi, craftsman of lumber cutting, lives with his wife. A large saw, tool of his trade, is hung on the wall.

Edo Fukagawa Townscape Map

Row house