Chūō Line (Rapid Service)



Introducing

The Chuo Line Rapid Service one of the major commuter lines in the Tokyo metropolitan area, connecting the Tama area, a bedroom community spreading in the western part of Tokyo, with Shinjuku, the world's largest terminal station, and the office areas of central Tokyo.
The line runs east to west in a straight line for more than 20 km through the center of Tokyo between Tachikawa Station and Nakano Station.

The line between Yotsuya and Ochanomizu Stations is characterized by the fact that the tracks are laid along the remains of the outer moat of Edo Castle, and passengers can enjoy the varied scenery of the outer moat of Edo Castle and the Kanda River.

The first half of the line is a commuter line running through a bedroom town, while the second half runs through the Akihabara Electric Town and the office district of central Tokyo.

Key data

- Line length : 53.1 km

- Number of stations : 24
- Safety system : ATS-P
- Train model : E233-0 series (10 cars)
- Max speed : 100 km/h
- Max speed after signals :
  - Reduced speed (green/yellow) : 65 km/h
  - Caution (yellow) : 45 km/h
  - Speed restriction (yellow/yellow) : 25 km/h
- Routes :
  - Tachikawa ~ Tokyo (602H) : "Commuter Special Rapid" - 7 stations - 37.5 km
  - Takao ~ Tokyo (692T) : "Rapid" - 24 stations - 53.1 km
  - Takao ~ Tokyo (916H) : "Chuo Special Rapid" - 14 stations - 53.1 km
  - Tachikawa ~ Tokyo (1034T) : "Rapid" - 16 stations - 37.5 km
  - Takao ~ Tokyo (1654T) : "Rapid" - 24 stations - 53.1 km
- Automatic announcements: No
- Conductor announcements: Yes
- Driver announcement (pointing-and-calling): No

Stations list

Station name	Japanese name	Distance from Tokyo (km)	Services		
			Rapid	Rapid Spécial	Commuter Rapid Special
Takao	□□	53,1	●	●	
Nishi-Hachiōji	□□□	49,8	●	●	
Hachiōji	□□	47,4	●	●	
Toyoda	□□	43,1	●	●	
Hino	□□	40,8	●	●	
Tachikawa	□□	37,5	●	●	●
Kunitachi	□□	34,5	●	|	|
Nishi-Kokubunji	□□□	32,8	●	|	|
Kokubunji	□□	31,4	●	●	●

Musashi-Koganei	□□□□	29,1	●		
Higashi-Koganei	□□□□	27,4	●		
Musashi-Sakai	□□□	25,7	●		
Mitaka	□□	24,1	●	●	
Kichijōji	□□□	22,5	●		
Nishi-Ogikubo	□□□	20,6	●		
Ogikubo	□□	18,7	●		
Asagaya	□□□□	17,3	●		
Kōenji	□□□	16,1	●		
Nakano	□□	14,7	●	●	
Shinjuku	□□	10,3	●	●	●
Yotsuya	□□□	6,6	●	●	●
Ochanomizu	□□□□	2,6	●	●	●
Kanda	□□	1,3	●	●	●
Tokyo	□□	0	●	●	●

Movie

https://www.youtube.com/embed/u4G8zc8CGhQ?si=iSHEt1HbqM0qncOx

Useful links

Wikipedia : https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ch%C5%AB%C5%8D_Main_Line

Driver's guide and timetables:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15ipf5Csaq6tgzw9Y2Atap77WVuTPDs74pZM4uwsJ3-U/edit#gid=1430578599

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