

COMPANY SPOTLIGHT



Founded in 1971, Nihon Shokken Group has 170,000 customers and 2,000 employees in 215

locations in Japan and 25 overseas. In 2013, Nippon Shokken U.S.A. opened their first U.S. production plant and U.S. headquarters in West Sacramento. The West Sacramento plant produces liquid and powder-blended seasonings, sauces and tempura and karaage batter mixes.

www.nipponshokken.com and
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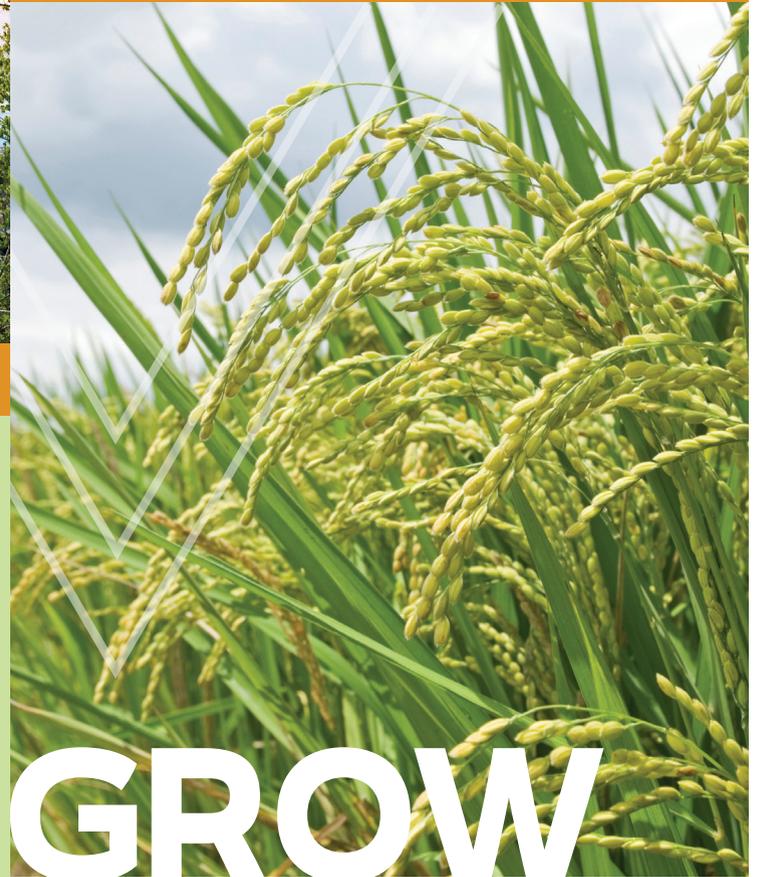
Shinmei Co. Ltd., established in Kobe, Japan for over 112 years, is one of the largest rice

millers and distributors in Japan. In 2014, Shinmei Co. Ltd. established Shinmei U.S.A.'s first U.S. production facility and office in West Sacramento to produce "rice buns", for the U.S. market. The Shinmei rice bun is a gluten-free, healthy alternative to the traditional burger bun, made with locally-sourced, organic white and brown rice in a variety of flavors.

www.shinmeiusa.com and
www.akafuji.co.jp/export/



Growing
West Sacramento's
Global
FOOD INDUSTRY HUB



GROW

West Sacramento is located minutes from the State Capitol, midway between San Francisco and Lake Tahoe, in the heart of California's Great Central Valley. Abundant land, quality water, with access to major highways, Ports and airports, and proximity to U.C. Davis, have attracted over 55 companies involved in food and beverage research, production and distribution, establishing West Sacramento as the Global Food Hub of the Sacramento region.

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EXPLORE THE WEST SACRAMENTO GLOBAL FOOD INDUSTRY HUB

West Sacramento is located along the banks of the Sacramento and American Rivers, near the fertile agricultural land of Yolo County and California's Great Central Valley. The rivers provide a reliable source of quality water to feed Yolo County's agricultural bounty of wine grapes, rice, walnuts, almonds, fruits and vegetables. Yolo County's agricultural production exceeded \$721 million in 2013, an increase of over 12% over 2012.

DOMESTIC AND PACIFIC RIM MARKET ACCESS

West Sacramento is located at the hub of all major California highways, the Sacramento International Airport, and the Port of West Sacramento, offering easy access to the \$7 billion California market, the western United States and the Pacific Rim. Twenty-five hundred family farms and 25,000 workers produce 5 billion pounds of rice on 550,000 acres in California each year. Over 94% of the rice is grown in the Sacramento Valley. California farmers specialize in medium and



Capay Valley Almond Trees

short-grain Japonica rice, the "sticky rice" used for sushi, for export to Japan, Taiwan, Korea and the Middle East. Rice is the leading export for the Port of West Sacramento, which ships 300,000 tons each year, primarily to Japan and Korea.

UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND RESOURCES

West Sacramento is just 12 miles and a 15-minute drive from the research and talent of the University of California, Davis. Renowned for its world-class College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, Department of Food Science and Technology, and the Robert Mondavi Institute for Wine and Food Science, U.C. Davis has embarked on development of the World Food Center, with the mission of building solutions for nourishing and feeding the world for decades to come.



Robert Mondavi Institute for Wine and Food Science

GLOBAL RESEARCH, PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION

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"We conducted research all around the state of California for constructing our first seasoning plant in the U.S. The City of West Sacramento was proved to have the bounty of quality water, which is essential for production of seasonings, and to be the utmost land of well-built infrastructure."

- Chairman Kazuhiko Ozawa and President Tetsuya Ozawa, Nihon Shokken Holdings Co., Ltd.



West Sacramento River Walk