

# PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

akino <i>ah-kee-noh</i>	yuuhini <i>yoo-oo-hee-nee</i>	teru <i>teh-roo*</i>	yama <i>yah-mah</i>	Momiji <i>moh-mee-jee</i>
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koimo <i>koh-ee-moh</i>	usuimo <i>oo-soo-ee-moh</i>	kazu <i>kah-dzoo</i>	aru <i>ah-roo</i>	nakani <i>nah-kah-nee</i>
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matsuwo <i>mah-tsoo-woh</i>	irodorū <i>ee-roh-doh-roo*</i>	kaedeya <i>kah-eh-deh-yah</i>	tsutawa <i>tsoo-tah-wah</i>
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yamano <i>yah-mah-noh</i>	fumotono <i>foo-moh-toh-noh</i>	susomoyoo <i>soo-soh-moh-yoh-oh</i>
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\* 'r' is pronounced halfway between 'r' and 'l' in English. Neither letter occurs purely in Japanese. To achieve this sound, the tip of the tongue should be placed at the gumline behind the upper teeth. All it takes is a quick, gentle flick of the tongue. One of the best ways to check if you're pronouncing it correctly is to listen online to native speakers.