

Experienced Kitchen Staff Wanted

SAKIMOTO Japanese Bistro – Christchurch

SAKIMOTO Japanese Bistro is strengthening its kitchen team for 2026.

We are looking for **experienced kitchen professionals** who can work responsibly, independently, and as part of a team — even when the owner or manager is not present.

This is **not** a role for junior staff, nor for short-term workers.

We are looking for people who want to **take ownership of their work and stay long-term**.

About the Role

This role is suited to experienced chefs who understand that working in a professional kitchen involves more than just cooking.

In addition to solid technical skills, you are expected to contribute to:

- Maintaining a clean and organised kitchen
- Stock awareness and basic inventory control
- Smooth teamwork across stations
- Calm and professional communication during service

You should be comfortable working in a kitchen where **standards are clear and consistency matters**.

Required Experience & Capability

Applicants should be able to handle at least two of the following kitchen positions competently:

- Fry section (including tempura)
- Stove / hot section
- Sushi & sashimi section

Who We Are Looking For

This position is ideal for someone who:

- Can work confidently **without constant supervision**
- Can identify problems, **report them clearly**, take action, and follow through
- Maintains stable performance during busy services
- Understands the importance of cleaning, organisation, and stock management
- Communicates respectfully with colleagues and does not create conflict
- Is looking for a **long-term position (1 year or more)**

Our Kitchen Environment

- Professional, calm, and friendly
- Clear expectations and consistent standards
- Team-focused, not ego-driven
- A workplace where **reliable chefs are trusted and valued**

If you are looking for a kitchen where you can simply *“do your own job and go home,”* this may not be the right fit.

However, if you take pride in being a **balanced, dependable professional** and want to work in a kitchen where your responsibility and judgement are respected, we would be happy to hear from you.

**All applications are handled via our website:
www.sakimotojapanesebistro.com**