

# 雪月花～Snow, Moon, and Flowers～

## What is 雪月花?

雪 means snow, 月 means moon, and 花 means flower (especially Cherry blossoms). Olden days, Japanese people thought 雪, 月, and 花 are the most important elements to enjoy the change of the four seasons.

In Japan, there is habit that people enjoy to see snow in winter, see moonlight in fall, and see cherry blossoms in spring, with beer or Sake.

Therefore, Japanese people think 雪月花 are really important, just like ancient Japanese people. These days, the word, 雪月花 means the famous Japanese view.



## The origin of 雪月花

雪月花 appear in the Chinese poem that is written by 白居易 (Haku-kyoi).

“雪月花時最憶君” (I remember you especially when snow, the moon or flowers are beautiful.), that is part of the phrase from the poem, and he made the poem for his subordinate.