

Ninja Chef Plot Outline (One Page)

Ninja Chef is set in a modern day world, originating on the fictional island of Tetsunabe off the coast of Japan. The player character is Tetsu, who is learning to become a ninja chef under the tutelage of Masuta. Unfortunately one day Tetsu returns home to find Masuta has been kidnapped by his former student Buta, leader of a group known as the Odotai Shinobi Shefu. Vowing to rescue his master, Tetsu gathers what equipment and food he can before leaving the island to hunt to the Odotai.

Tetsu first encounters Ratto, a rat Odotai, on the nearby island of Tsuru, where Tetsu demonstrates his skill at creating stunning riceballs and wasabi-coated nunchucks to best Ondori. With Ratto's defeat Tetsu gains a boat and the ability to sail to various locations throughout Japan in search of Masuta and Buta. In Tokyo Tetsu must battle across rooftops to face Saru, the monkey Odotai, who upon defeat gives Tetsu the ability to create banana blasters, effectively steamed bananas that shoot out of their peels and create slippery surfaces. Another location is Mt. Fuji, where atop of it awaits Doragon, the dragon Odotai, who upon defeat gives Tetsu the ability to throw flaming dragon roll sushi, which explodes upon impact. In Osaka Tetsu, the snake Odotai, hides underneath the city, and upon defeat gives Tetsu the ability to perform the hypnotic chopstick twirl, which can hypnotize enemies into temporarily being friendly. Once all three Japan regions are cleared Tetsu learns Buta has fled through a special portal created by Inu, the dog Odotai. Tetsu fights Inu in a bamboo forest near Turtle Mountain, and upon being defeated Tetsu learns Inu's trick for creating Miso Soup portals that can transcend time and space. The Miso portals not only let Tetsu teleport but allow him to travel into the past.

In the prehistoric past Tetsu must explore a volcano, a vast jungle and a small series of islands, each being the home to another Odotai. Up on the volcano Tetsu encounters Usagi, the rabbit Odotai, who upon defeat lets Tetsu create Rabbit Tempura that increases his speed. In the jungle Tetsu encounters Yagi, the goat Odotai, who upon defeat lets Tetsu create Goat Sushimi that increases his jumping ability. Among the islands is Tora, the tiger Odotai, who upon defeat grants Tetsu the ability to create Machine Gun Netto, a rapid-fire stream of beans. The final Odotai defeated reveals Buta, the pig Odotai, is seeking a dinosaur egg. At a tyrannosaurus nest Tetsu faces Ondori, the Rooster Odotai, but fails to stop Buta from escaping through another Miso Soup portal. Tetsu does learn how to create a Flying Dorayaki, a winged pancake, from Ondori, which Tetsu then rides to follow Buta through his portal before it closes.

Tetsu finds himself on a flying fortress above Japan. A new breed of dinosaur ninja chefs are being prepared to invade Japan, also armed with powerful new dinosaur-based recipes that are capable of devastating the city. Tetsu quickly faces Uma, the horse Odotai, and Osuushi, the ox Odotai, getting to choose which one to fight first. Uma, upon defeat, teaches Tetsu to create Leather Udon, powerful whip weapons, while Osuushi teaches Tetsu the secret to the Curry Bread shield, a shield that burns whoever strikes it. Tetsu then must clear his way through the fortress to finally face Buta, who demonstrates he knows the same techniques as Tetsu. Buta can be defeated by either burning him so much with heat-based weapons that he ends catching fire or by knocking him off of his fortress, with burning him simply causing him to jump off in a panic. Tetsu manages to land the fortress outside of Tokyo and turns it into a grand restaurant to call his own, Masuta declaring he has nothing left to teach Tetsu. Buta emerges from the ocean on Tetsunabe, vowing revenge, but his dinosaur army shows up, angry that he made them cook their fellow dinosaurs for his invasion plan. As the scene fades out the sounds of Buta being beaten up are heard.