

JAPAN

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Australia's Leading Specialist Touring Operator

Fully Inclusive Touring | Group, Solo & Private Touring | Authentic Experiences



WELCOME TO JAPAN!

Come and join us on an extraordinary adventure through this enchanting region on one of our experience-packed tours. As every traveller is different, we've developed a range of touring styles that will allow you to travel your way. Discover the best option for you here:

CLASSIC

See the classic sites in the company of an expert guide so that you can really understand the history and culture of the destination. On our Classic tours we take care of everything, leaving you to sit back and enjoy the experience to the full. These tours are fully inclusive of all meals and a comprehensive touring programme including authentic cultural experiences.

GO BEYOND

Venture off the beaten track to explore fascinating destinations away from the tourist trail. With smaller group sizes and greater flexibility, you will discover the local culture in depth and see sights rarely witnessed by other travellers. Our Go Beyond tours may take you away from the comforts of home but will reward you with the experiences of a lifetime.

SOLO DEPARTURES

We have reserved selected departures of some of our most popular tours exclusively for customers who prefer to share their wonderful holiday experiences with a readymade group of like-minded solo travellers. We provide a room of your own with no single supplement to pay, while our expert guides take care of you throughout the tour. Look out for the **S** symbol on the opposite page for tours with exclusive solo departures and see page 6 for more details.

CRUISE & TOUR

Combining an ocean cruise with a tour packed with top sights and unforgettable experiences, our 'Cruise & Tour' options offer the best of both worlds. Including flights, cruise, stopovers that include an expert guide, all meals and visas (where applicable), prepare for the adventure of a lifetime.

TAILORMADE

For the ultimate in bespoke touring, one of our expert consultants will help you in designing a tour to meet your exact requirements. Select your choice of destinations, accommodation, touring and experiences to create the perfect holiday for you.

SPECIAL GROUPS

If you're travelling in a group of ten or more, we can arrange your own, independent Special Group tour. Whether that's a group of friends and family, or even a club or association, we'll tailor any of our tours to suit your group's wishes so you can enjoy a unique, fully escorted holiday without the hassle of organising everything yourself. Please see page 63 for more details.

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THE WENDY WU TOURS DIFFERENCE

REPUTATION AND EXPERTISE

Wendy Wu Tours was established in 1998 and we have been operating tours to Asia and Beyond ever since. Our success and longevity speaks for itself.

We are passionate about delivering exceptional experiences to our customers that encompass a range of 'must sees' and 'off the beaten track' adventures. We have pioneered access to untapped regions of our world and showcased the amazing spirit in each local community. Our staff have travelled extensively throughout these regions and their knowledge is evident in every detail of your holiday.

We are proud of our awards and achievements but there is still so much to discover and develop!

We are forever inspired by our customers and the life-changing experiences we enable them to discover, so much so that we continue to welcome back customers.

EXCEPTIONAL VALUE

We aim to include as much as possible so you can enjoy every moment! Value for money has been our ethos from the very beginning; your flights, your accommodation, all or most meals, touring, visas, transport, and expert guides are all included and deliver exceptional value.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES

We've been blazing trails into Asia and Beyond for over a quarter of a century, building our local expertise and pioneering the roads less travelled so you can enjoy customs and authentic experiences, packed with local flavours.

Welcome to the 2025-2026 edition of our Japan brochure! As usual it is packed with an excellent selection of carefully crafted tours, each designed to take you on a wonderful adventure through this most enchanting destination.

Japan is a land for all seasons, so whether you'd love to revel in the beauty of the cherry blossoms, see the spectacular autumn leaves, enjoy the cultural festivals of the summer, or soak up the magic of a snowy winter, our tours depart throughout the year. And, as is only right in a land this rich in culture, every tour is full of activities and experiences that will help you get in touch with the authentic essence of Japan. These include the age-old rituals of the tea ceremony, the art of Zen meditation and a class on how to craft the perfect soba noodle as well as nights in a traditional ryokan and the chance to try out an onsen. It's these sorts of highlights that mean you can feel safe in the knowledge that whichever holiday you choose, you are sure to return home with a wealth of wonderful memories.

Among the pages of this brochure you'll find a brand new tour, Best of Japan. Including Tokyo, Fuji, the Japanese Alps, Kyoto, Hiroshima, and Osaka, it is a 18-day showcase of classic sights, key cultural activities, and beautiful landscapes. There are also four tours that are part of a whole new Wendy Wu Tours concept, 'Cruise & Tour', which allows you to combine a wonder-packed Japan tour with an ocean cruise. Everything – flights, cruise, and touring – is organised by us, so all you have to do is pick the right one for you.

A final mention must go to two of our most ambitious tours – Japan alone is an utterly fascinating nation, but what if you combine it with another equally ancient destination? Combining Japan with either China (page 38) or South Korea (page 40) means even more rich and age-old culture and an endlessly interesting exploration of the deep ties between nations.

We hope you enjoy discovering your perfect adventure in the pages of this brochure and look forward to welcoming you on a Wendy Wu tour soon!



吴玲 Wendy

Wendy Wu – Founder, Wendy Wu Tours

OUTSTANDING GUIDES

Our much-loved National Escorts, whose knowledge, passion, story and dedication to our customers have won us one of the best reputations in the industry, will make your holiday with us truly extraordinary. You will fall in love with them just as much as their homeland.

SAFE AND SECURE

We are ATAS accredited members of the Australian Travel Industry Association (ATIA), the International Air Transport Association (IATA), as well as foundation members of the Council of Australian Tour Operators (CATO). We have a wide network of travel agents working with us nationally, so you benefit from local knowledge combined with Australian understanding and support.

VISAS

One of our differentiating qualities is that each of our group tours include the cost of the visa for Australian passport holders for each destination (where required), creating a hassle-free process throughout. Our expert team will provide advice, coordinate your processing, and safely return your passports, leaving you to simply enjoy your holiday preparation.

TIPPING MADE EASY

We have perfected our tipping process to make it as simple as possible! Leave any concerns behind as we advise you how much and when to tip, and our National Escort will take care of the rest. Easy!





YOUR TOUR, YOUR WAY

We want everyone who travels with us to enjoy each extraordinary day of their Wendy Wu adventure, so we've made it easy for you to choose your perfect holiday. You can select based on Tour Style (which you'll find inside the front cover), by Physical Rating (see opposite page) and if you're travelling solo why not join one of our departures reserved exclusively for solo travellers?

ACCOMMODATION STYLES

You can be safe in the knowledge that your accommodation has been hand-picked to best suit the locations you'll visit. Our Classic tours feature comfortable, locally rated three-star plus to four-star properties, ranging from smart business hotels to family-run guesthouses. On Go Beyond tours you may find yourself in more unusual, characterful or more rustic accommodation which fits perfectly with these tours' adventurous spirit.

GETTING AROUND

The majority of your daily travels will be by air conditioned coach on our group tours for city sightseeing, short excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary. You'll also enjoy relaxing river cruises and fun local curios like cyclos and rickshaws.

For longer journeys you may find yourself flying or enjoying a relaxing rail journey. Tours that feature a significant amount of rail travel or an iconic train journey are highlighted with an **R** on the contents page.

Lastly why not combine your tour with an extended cruise on our Cruise & Tour Holidays? A seamless blend of our award-winning tours and carefully selected ocean journeys, this is a wonderful way to explore your chosen country from every perspective.

SOLO DEPARTURES

Solo travellers are more than welcome on any of our holidays, but we've reserved a few departures of our most popular tours exclusively for customers travelling on their own. These special departures feature smaller group sizes, free transfers to and from the airport*, free airport lounges and complimentary cocktails on arrival! See tours: Jewels of Japan (p.22), Discover Japan (p.24) and Japan Uncovered (p.30) in this brochure or check our website at wendywutours.com.au for more information.

*refer to our terms & conditions for details on airport transfers.

CUSTOMISE YOUR TRIP

If you'd like to explore your destination further or arrange a stopover on your flight all you have to do is ask! We have a fantastic range of extension and stopover packages (see page 64) or, if you're looking for something a bit different, our knowledgeable team of experts can help you customise your very own extension to any tour in this brochure.



PHYSICAL RATING

All our tours feature a physical rating to help you select the right holiday for you. Every tour requires the ability to walk around sights unaided, while tours with higher physical ratings may involve longer walks, cycling, or other physical activities. Tours that traverse rough terrain, visit remote areas, or go to high altitudes will also have higher physical ratings. For more information on why each tour has been rated the way it has, please refer to the Tour Dossier (or 'Detailed Itinerary') available for download on the tour pages of our website.



LEVEL 1

A reasonable level of fitness is required. Expect to be on your feet for most of the day walking around sights, often including steps and getting on and off coaches, trains, or boats. Occasional longer walks may be included.



LEVEL 2

A moderate level of fitness is required. You will be on your feet for most of the day, with longer walks that include ascents and descents on steps or uneven paths. Travelling conditions may be more challenging in some areas.



LEVEL 3

A good level of fitness is required. You need to be comfortable walking long distances and for extended durations. The tour may also include activities such as cycling and hiking and visit some remote areas with basic infrastructure.



LEVEL 4

A high level of fitness and a strong spirit of adventure are required. These tours are full of activity and often visit remote areas with basic infrastructure. Expect to be on your feet and active for much of the day, with some long travelling days.

As the physical demands of each tour are different, we recommend you check your Tour Dossier (or 'Detailed Itinerary') carefully before booking and contact us or your agent if you're unsure.

You're in safe hands

Our guides are the stars of the show; it is their unrivalled knowledge, passion and expertise that will transform your tour experience from good to truly extraordinary!



"The first thing to say is that our Japan tour ranks among the best we have ever been on, particular praise must however go to our tour guide, the best guide we have ever had the pleasure of leading a tour group. She was an absolute mine of information about all things Japanese, worked tirelessly to ensure that everything ran smoothly and had a great sense of humour that made every day an enjoyable experience. She should be declared a Japanese National Treasure!!"

Mr and Mrs Gilchrist

AWARD-WINNING GUIDING

On all of our group tours you will be accompanied by a dedicated guide, known as your 'National Escort'. Their dedication, personality and sense of fun will immediately put you at ease and make you feel part of the family.

You will be able to put your utmost trust in your guide who will navigate you through the eccentricities of the local way of life.

OUR NATIONAL ESCORTS

- ✓ Are experienced and qualified in guiding tours
- ✓ Are fluent in English
- ✓ Have expert knowledge of the country you are touring
- ✓ Benefit from rigorous training programmes
- ✓ Are on hand to look after you every step of the way



Our Expertise

We are very proud of the awards and the accomplishments we have received over the last quarter of a century that we have been in operation. The recognition from our customers, our industry peers and partners is rewarding, but our most meaningful rewards are when we continually hear the extraordinary tales of adventure from our customers.

Our passion and determination in delivering exceptional experiences to our customers is unwavering, and something we will continue to nurture and deliver. We want you to experience each region with the truest approach, delighting in the amazing spirit of each local community. Our staff have travelled extensively throughout our destinations, with their knowledge and experiences shaping every detail of your holiday.

Recommended by you

Awards are important, but what matters most are the experiences and feedback we receive from our customers. We're proud of our customer satisfaction ratings and the fact that so many of our customers would happily recommend us, this vote of confidence is all the accolade we need.



Book with Confidence

Our Book with Confidence guarantee has been introduced to provide you with peace of mind when booking with us so that you can enjoy every moment of your holiday. Our Book with Confidence guarantee applies to group tours.

1. LOW DEPOSIT OF \$300pp

Secure your spot with a deposit of \$300pp on every tour. A progress payment may be required with some tour departures. Our reservations team will advise at the time of enquiry.

2. YOUR SAFETY IS OUR PRIORITY

Our dedicated 24/7 emergency assistance line is available to all guests travelling with us. Connect with a Wendy Wu Tours expert at any time of day or night, no matter where you are in the world.

3. WE'VE GOT YOU

Our commitment is that we are here for you, always. Any disruption to your travel plans will be handled swiftly by our team of professional travel experts who will find the most appropriate solutions for you. Full details can be found in our terms and conditions.

4. AUSTRALIAN OWNED & ACCREDITED

We are an Australian owned business with offices in Sydney, London, Auckland and Xian. We are fully accredited members of ATAS (Australian Travel Accreditation Scheme), ATIA (Australian Travel Industry Association), CATO (Council of Australian Tour Operators) and IATA (International Air Transport Association).

Cultural encounters, every step of the way

To make sure you truly immerse yourself in your chosen destination we pack every single one of our tours with authentic cultural experiences. We've highlighted our favourite ones on each tour page in the 'Experiences You'll Love' box; but for now, here are just a few examples of what you can look forward to...

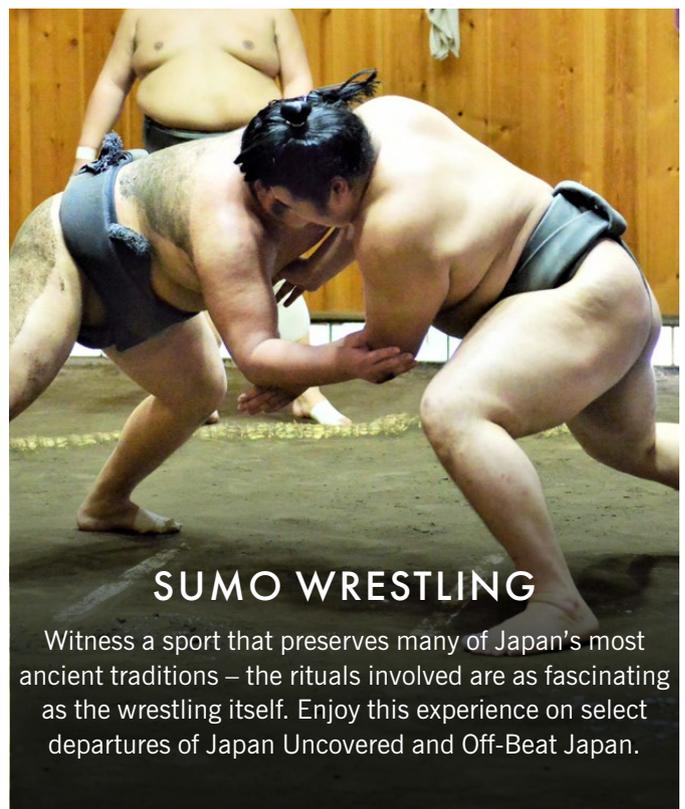
TEA CEREMONY

A perfect display of Japanese culture, witness the preparation and performance involved in the 'Way of Tea'. Enjoy this experience on almost all Japan tours.



SOBA NOODLE MAKING

One of the many, many types of Japanese noodles, learn to craft, roll and slice soba noodle dough before cooking and devouring the delicious results! Enjoy this experience on Jewels of Japan.

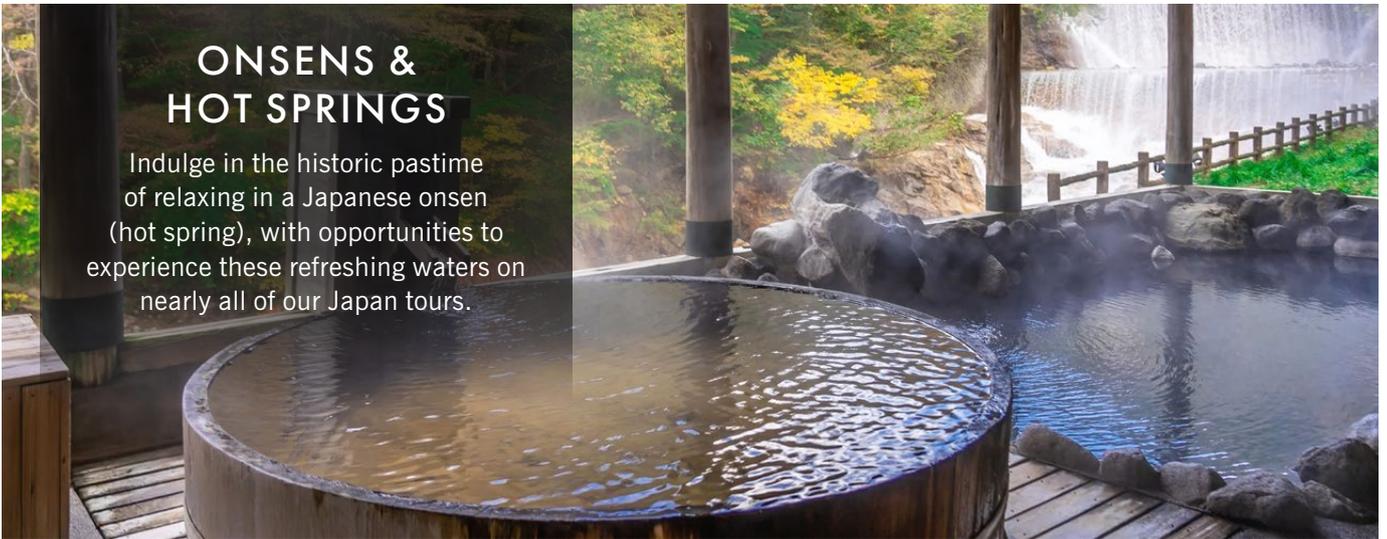


SUMO WRESTLING

Witness a sport that preserves many of Japan's most ancient traditions – the rituals involved are as fascinating as the wrestling itself. Enjoy this experience on select departures of Japan Uncovered and Off-Beat Japan.

ONSENS & HOT SPRINGS

Indulge in the historic pastime of relaxing in a Japanese onsen (hot spring), with opportunities to experience these refreshing waters on nearly all of our Japan tours.



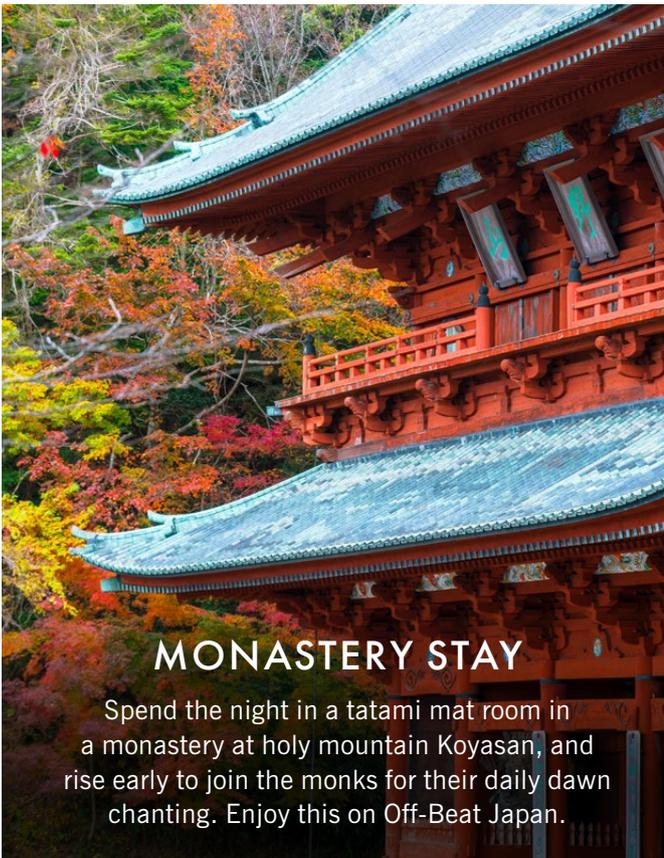
WASHI PAPER MAKING

Learn about this traditional process before getting your hands dirty making 'washi' (Japanese paper) the age-old way for yourself! Enjoy this experience on Discover Japan and Japan Uncovered.



MONASTERY STAY

Spend the night in a tatami mat room in a monastery at holy mountain Koyasan, and rise early to join the monks for their daily dawn chanting. Enjoy this on Off-Beat Japan.



ZEN MEDITATION

Begin your journey towards inner peace learning the basics of Zen meditation in Kyoto. Enjoy this experience on Japan by Rail.





Discover Japan with Wendy Wu Tours

Japan is an archipelago packed with futuristic cities, imperial heritage and unique culture. Add in epic natural beauty and phenomenal cuisine, and you have a dream destination just waiting to be explored.

WENDY'S TOP 8 JAPAN SIGHTS

1 MOUNT FUJI

With its perfectly proportioned cone, Mount Fuji is Japan's most iconic sight, so we include it on all of our Japan tours.



2 HIROSHIMA

The city of Hiroshima is a modern, vibrant place, despite the horrors of its past. Visit the moving Peace Memorial Park to reflect on past events on several of our Japan tours.



3 KYOTO

Kyoto is Japan's ancient capital and cultural hub, packed with enchanting sights, 17 of which are UNESCO World Heritage-listed. Kyoto features on all our Japan itineraries.



4 NARA

A city famous for its bowing deer and being the birthplace of Japanese culture, how could we leave that off the list? Visit Nara on several of our Japan tours.



5 KOYASAN

A holy mountain dotted with monasteries, the wonderfully atmospheric and tranquil Koyasan features on several of our Japan tours.



6 TOKYO

A big, bright and brash city, Japan's capital perfectly epitomises the clash of modern and traditional influences that is the Japan of today. Tokyo, of course, features on all Japan tours.



7 SNOW MONKEYS

The Japanese macaques are a delight to watch as they bathe in natural hot pools close to the alpine town of Yudanaka. Many of our tours now include a visit to see the snow monkeys.



8 HIMEJI CASTLE

Nicknamed the 'White Heron', striking Himeji Castle is Japan's largest and best preserved piece of feudal architecture, and is visited on many of our tours.



Seasons of Japan

Japan is a country that can be enjoyed year round; here is our guide to what is happening when, to help you decide what time of year you'd like to experience it.



CHERRY BLOSSOM SEASON

Spring – March to May – is a time of optimism and new beginnings; the warmer weather makes for the perfect excuse to get outside and enjoy the beauty of nature reawakening. Its arrival also awakens something else – cherry blossom (Sakura) fever! The highly anticipated bloom of the pastel-pink cherry blossoms brings a fun, festival-like atmosphere to the country, drawing visitors from around the world. From late March to mid April, shades of white and pink carpet the country, appearing for a week before the petals drift gracefully to the ground.

BLOOMING GUIDE:



Look for the cherry blossom symbol for departures that coincide at some point with the anticipated cherry blossom seasons in 2025/2026 (subject to local conditions)*

*Please note that cherry blossoms are weather dependent and it is not guaranteed that they will be in bloom at the time of your visit.



SUMMER

The summer months – June to August – are a blur of fireworks, centuries-old festivals (like the Kyoto Matsuri which dates back to the 9th century) and revelries galore, a real show of authentic Japanese culture. Hot and humid weather, with a rainy season called 'tsuyu' from June to mid-July, disperses the crowds of spring, leaving the cities and sights a bit quieter. Wherever you happen to be travelling, you're likely to stumble across a fascinating regional festival or custom; in August there are colourful parades of musicians and dancers for Obon, the festival of souls, a time when many locals will travel home to their families to celebrate. Later in summer the skies clear; this is the perfect time to tour traditional gardens and enjoy the myriad vibrant greens of the countryside.



AUTUMN

It would take a whole lot of spectacular to rival the spring's great show of natural beauty but the autumn months – September to November – do just that. With mild temperatures and lots of sunshine right into November, there is no better time to be outside, the leaves marking the passing of time with their gradual transformation from vivid greens to bright reds and yellows and rich browns in the months of October to November. At this time everywhere, from forests and parks to temple gardens, is awash in a breathtaking sea of fall colours and the celebration of the autumn leaves (koyo) is in full force. As it is also the harvest season, there are plenty of delicious seasonal dishes and tasty treats to try like chestnuts, pumpkin soup and sweet persimmons. Unlike the cherry blossom, the autumn colours are slightly more predictable in terms of timings, and they last longer, giving more people the opportunity to enjoy them.

BLOOMING GUIDE:



Look for the autumn leaves symbol for departures that coincide at some point with the anticipated autumn leaves seasons in 2025/2026 (subject to local conditions).

WINTER

For those who will happily embrace the cold in exchange for experiencing something truly magical, the winter months – December to February – are a fantastic time to explore Japan. The skies are usually sunny and clear, offering wonderful views of Mt Fuji, the popular sights are quieter, and in December, the festive illuminations come to life with the usual Japanese flair. The annual snowfall transforms the countryside with a dazzling winter makeover, blanketing the mountain villages in crisp white beauty. There's no better time to make the most of the traditions of onsen (hot springs) and the Japanese penchant for comfort foods – think rich hot pots, steaming chestnuts and delicious ramen. While Christmas is not a national holiday in Japan, there is still plenty of festive spirit to be found, with shopping malls, public spaces and restaurants festooned in decorations that will get you in a jolly mood.





CLASSIC TOURS

For those looking for a fully escorted, fully-inclusive group journey

WHAT'S INCLUDED?



International economy
airfares & taxes



3 – 4 star
accommodation



All meals



Flights, guides,
transportation
& sightseeing

Meticulously designed journeys perfect for those who want to see iconic sights and magnificent treasures on a fully-inclusive tour that is also fantastic value! With all your arrangements taken care of you can travel with the utmost ease and confidence, accompanied throughout by one of our fantastic National Escorts.

EVERYTHING TAKEN CARE OF

With a Classic tour all your arrangements are taken care of – your flights, all accommodation, transfers, touring, meals and, if you need them, your visas too! All you have to do is show up, explore and enjoy. You will be exploring with a group of maximum of 28 travellers. Solo departures have a maximum group size of 18 passengers.

ALL MEALS INCLUDED

Whilst breakfasts tend to be a mixture of local eats and familiar dishes from home, when it comes to lunch and dinner, you'll be dining mainly in local establishments.

We include a few 'feature meals', so you get to taste the signature dishes of the region, whilst the rest of the time you'll eat a whole, delicious range of your destination's best food.

NATIONAL ESCORTS

You can be safe in the knowledge that throughout your tour you'll be in the company of one of our award-winning National Escorts. With their unparalleled knowledge, charisma and talent, these wonderful people are what can push your holiday from fantastic into the realms of truly unforgettable.

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

Thanks to the extensive expertise of our team, we can make sure you get to see those rarely visited places that will give you a more authentic experience of the culture of the region and the chance to meet the friendly local people. Keep an eye out for the 'Experiences You'll Love' box on every tour page, for a taste of cultural encounters that you will enjoy.

A WEEK IN JAPAN

9 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON

\$8,640



FULLY INCLUSIVE FROM SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE & PERTH



ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

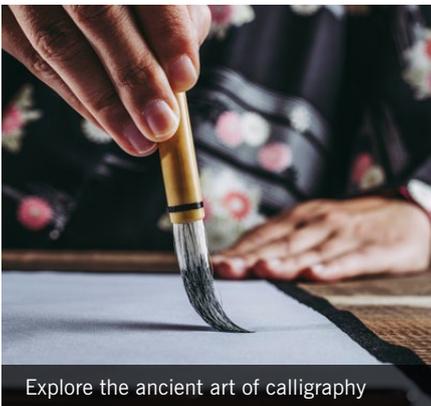
- ✓ Stroll through vibrant Tokyo
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ Discover Kyoto's temples
- ✓ Explore historic Nara
- ✓ Journey on the bullet train
- ✓ Experience a sacred tea ceremony



Admire majestic Mount Fuji

PRICE INCLUDES

- 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches & 6 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore the ancient art of calligraphy

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ With traditional brushes, ink and paper, try your hand at the beautiful art of calligraphy, an important aspect of Japanese culture since its introduction from China in the 6th century.
- ▶ Experience the perfect display of Japanese culture as you witness the preparation and performance involved in the 'Way of Tea', a traditional tea ceremony.
- ▶ Embark on a relaxed dinner cruise on the waters of Tokyo Bay, enabling you to look back and admire the bright, twinkling lights of the city by night.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO TOKYO

Fly overnight to the vibrant, neon-bright metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE TOKYO

Tokyo is a city that is always moving forward – from the ever-changing skyline to the fashions and trends of the people who call it home. As modern as it may appear, behind the neon façade is a traditional soul that is easy to find amongst the old alleyways, temples and shrines of the Edo era. Today you will experience both sides of the city, ascending the soaring Tokyo Skytree, the world's tallest tower, for panoramic views, before taking a wander through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to soak up the atmosphere at Sensoji, Tokyo's most famous

and beloved temple and browse the stalls of Nakamise shopping street. You will also drive by the Imperial Palace Plaza and take a stroll through Hamarikyu Gardens. This evening, cruise the waters of Tokyo Bay and enjoy dinner from the perfect vantage point to admire the supercharged lights of the city.

DAY 4: MOUNT FUJI

Travel by road from Tokyo to the iconic Mount Fuji, where you will ascend 2,400 metres up its slopes to the 5th Station (weather permitting) for magnificent views of both Fuji's cone and the surrounding landscapes. Transfer to the spa region of Hakone. Embark on a cruise on the spectacular Lake Ashi, keeping an eye out for the vermilion torii gates that nestle on the surrounding hills and in the shallows of the lake itself. Next, fly high above the lake on the Komagatake Ropeway to the summit of Mount Komagatake for views of Mount Fuji. Stay overnight in Mishima and enjoy the public onsen facilities.

DAY 5: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Transfer to Odawara Station to jump onboard the Hikari bullet train and whizz your way to Kyoto. Capital for a millennium, Kyoto was also the heart of religion, philosophy, art and cuisine, making it a treasure trove of history and culture. It is here that all of the best-known cultural arts were born – the tea ceremony, Kabuki and geisha to name a few. This afternoon, visit the magnificent Fushimi Inari Shrine, the most important of several thousand shrines dedicated to the god Inari. Follow the pathway through thousands of vermilion torii gates that leads through a complex of shrines spread over a peaceful, forested hillside.



Experience Tokyo's Shibuya Crossing



CLASSIC
JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?
Limited for time? Discover Japan's most iconic highlights in one unforgettable week. Explore the historic cities of Kyoto and Nara, be awestruck by the beauty of Mount Fuji and see the bright lights of Tokyo and Osaka.



DAY 6: UNCOVER KYOTO

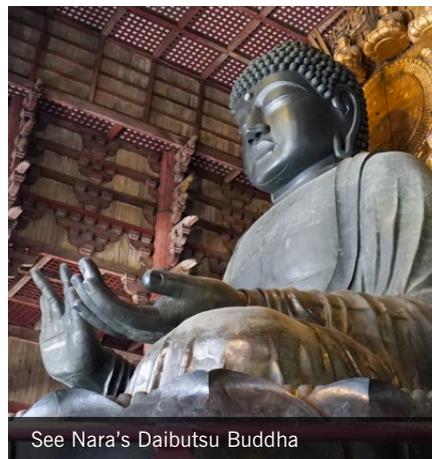
Begin the day with a visit to Ryoanji Temple, locally referred to as the 'temple of the peaceful dragon', and spend time enjoying the peaceful surroundings in its famous Zen garden. Next, continue to one of Japan's most photographed temples, Kinkakuji, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. Set amongst classical Japanese Zen gardens and on the edge of a reflecting pool, the temple's main hall is covered in gold leaf – a breathtaking sight no matter what season you visit in. After lunch, enjoy a taste of authentic Japanese culture, experiencing the elegant ritual of a tea ceremony with a tea master and learn the traditional art of calligraphy.

DAY 7: DISCOVER NARA & OSAKA

This morning, depart for Nara. Another former capital, Nara also has a huge cultural legacy, considered second only to Kyoto's. This picturesque, compact city is truly charming. Spend the morning discovering Todaiji Temple which houses the magnificent Daibutsu, a 15-metre-tall bronze statue of Buddha. Here, you will also meet Nara's famous sika deer, believed to be the messengers of the Shinto gods. Stroll around Isuien, a prime example of a Meiji-era (1868-1912) garden. Continue to Osaka, where you will have lunch at a local restaurant and explore the well-renowned Dotonbori district. End the day at the magnificent Osaka Castle, where you will have time to learn about its turbulent history.

DAYS 8-9: FLY OSAKA TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.



EXTEND YOUR STAY...

HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA
3 days from \$1,810pp twin share

NAOSHIMA EXTENSION
4 days from \$2,920pp twin share

SINGAPORE SHORT STAY
3 days from \$510pp twin share

Visit page 64 to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.

PRICES & DEPARTURES
Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES			
17 Mar - 25 Mar	\$8,880	08 Sep - 16 Sep	\$8,880
21 Mar - 29 Mar	\$8,880	15 Sep - 23 Sep	\$8,880
24 Mar - 01 Apr	\$8,880	06 Oct - 14 Oct	\$8,880
28 Mar - 05 Apr	\$8,880	10 Oct - 18 Oct	\$8,880
31 Mar - 08 Apr	\$8,880	13 Oct - 21 Oct	\$8,880
04 Apr - 12 Apr	\$8,880	17 Oct - 25 Oct	\$8,880
07 Apr - 15 Apr	\$8,880	20 Oct - 28 Oct	\$8,880
11 Apr - 19 Apr	\$8,880	07 Nov - 15 Nov	\$8,880
14 Apr - 22 Apr	\$8,880	10 Nov - 18 Nov	\$8,880
05 May - 13 May	\$8,880	14 Nov - 22 Nov	\$8,880
12 May - 20 May	\$8,640		
2026 DATES			
16 Mar - 24 Mar	\$9,280	07 Sep - 15 Sep	\$9,280
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- ✓ Discover delightful Nara
- ✓ Visit Matsumoto & Osaka castles
- ✓ Explore Arashiyama bamboo forest
- ✓ Watch snow monkeys play
- ✓ See Kamakura's Grand Buddha
- ✓ View the impressive Mount Fuji



Visit the beautiful Osaka Castle

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Try your hand at Japanese fan painting

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Visit a historic Kyoto fan house to try your hand at the art of Japanese fan painting, practised for over a thousand years.
- ▶ Discover a miso house during your time at Matsumoto, and learn how miso, one of Japan's five core ingredients is made. The history of miso can be traced back over 1,300 years.
- ▶ Explore the fascinating Tokyo National Museum, Japan's oldest museum. Here you will find the world's largest collection of Japanese art, including ancient pottery, Buddhist sculptures, samurai swords, colourful woodblock prints, elegant kimonos and much more.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO OSAKA

Fly overnight to the lively, fast-paced city of Osaka! Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: DISCOVER NARA

Visit the impressive Osaka Castle before cruising along the Yodogawa River. After lunch, continue to Nara and enjoy a leisurely walk through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple and admire the traditional Isuien Gardens before returning to Osaka.

DAY 4: HIGHLIGHTS OF KYOTO

Journey by road to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Start with a visit to Togetsukyo Bridge located in the heart of the vibrant district of Arashiyama and stroll through the bamboo forest with its towering thickets. Later, visit Ryoanji, the 'temple of the peaceful dragon', home to Japan's most famous Zen garden. Admire the famously beautiful 'Golden Pavilion' of Kinkakuji before some free time in Kyoto.

DAY 5: KYOTO'S CULTURAL ARTS

Begin the day with a visit to one of Kyoto's most famous sites – Fushimi Inari Shrine, renowned for its 10,000 vermilion torii gates, and follow a forested hillside pathway passing numerous shrines along the way. Later, enjoy the age-old rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master, and try your hand at origami. After lunch, your immersive experience continues with a fan painting class where you will learn the technique of this highly refined and sought-after visual art.

DAY 6: SNOW MONKEYS

Spend the morning travelling by bullet train to Nagoya and then journey on the limited express train to Nagano. Upon arrival, head to Jigokudani Yaen-Koen and walk through a picturesque, forested valley to the hot pools where you may see the famous Japanese macaques (snow monkeys) bathe and play. Also visit the 7th-century Zenkoji Temple, one of Japan's most popular Buddhist temples, before continuing by road to Matsumoto.

DAY 7: MISO & SAKE TASTING

Begin the day with a visit to the magnificent 16th-century Matsumoto Castle, also known as 'Crow Castle', due to its intense black exterior. Next, head to a miso house and learn about the process of making this famous Japanese seasoning. After lunch, visit a sake brewery and enjoy a tippie or two! There will be some free time this afternoon to further explore Matsumoto.



Enjoy sake tasting



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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?
 This tour not only visits the famous sights of Japan including Osaka, Nara, Kyoto, Mount Fuji and Tokyo, but is brimful of experiences allowing you to immerse yourself in the local culture, from traditional tea ceremonies to origami.



Discover Arashiyama bamboo forest

PRICES & DEPARTURES

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DAY 8: MOUNT FUJI

Today, head to the Fuji Five Lakes area, where you will ascend 2,400 meters by road to the 5th Station (weather permitting) for magnificent views of both Mount Fuji's cone and the surrounding landscape. Also, enjoy a short cruise on Lake Ashi before taking to the skies on the Komagatake Ropeway to enjoy the breathtaking scenery below. Stay overnight in Mishima and enjoy the public onsen facilities.



Admire Mount Fuji from Lake Ashi

DAY 9: KAMAKURA GRAND BUDDHA

Journey to Kamakura, a popular coastal city located south of Tokyo. Visit Kotokuin Temple, home to Japan's second tallest bronze Buddha, before strolling through Komachi Street, lined with pretty little shops. Stop to visit Tsurugaoka Hachimangu, Kamakura's most important shrine. After lunch, continue to Tokyo and enjoy a leisurely walk through Hamarikyū Gardens.



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DAY 10: DISCOVER TOKYO

Begin the day by ascending to the observation deck at the Tokyo Skytree for panoramic views over the city below. Next, head to the old district of Asakusa and soak up the atmosphere at Sensoji, Tokyo's oldest and most famous temple, before browsing the stalls on Nakamise shopping street. After lunch, explore the Tokyo National Museum to learn about Tokyo's past. End the day with a cruise on the waters of Tokyo Bay and enjoy dinner from the perfect vantage point to admire the supercharged lights of the city.

DAYS 11 -12: FLY TOKYO TO AUSTRALIA

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Try your hand at origami

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Take part in a handicraft experience – the traditions and techniques of the intricate art of origami. You'll learn to fold some of the simpler, but still impressive, shapes and designs.
- ▶ More than just a hot drink, the Japanese tea ceremony dates back to the 9th century and represents purity, tranquillity, respect and harmony. Experience the preparation and presentation that goes into this sacred ritual.
- ▶ The buckwheat soba noodle is one of Japan's most famous culinary exports – try your hand at making them from scratch, before feasting on the delicious results for lunch.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO TOKYO

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DAY 3: DISCOVER TOKYO

Head to the Tokyo National Museum in Ueno Park to uncover 2,000 years of Japanese heritage. After lunch, seek out the tranquillity at Sensoji Temple in Asakusa district, followed by a visit to the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree for panoramic views over the sprawling city below.

DAY 4: MEIJI SHRINE

Visit Meiji Jingu, a Shinto shrine dedicated to the deified spirit of Meiji, the 19th-century emperor who presided over Japan's radical modernisation. Nestled in peaceful urban woodland, this shrine feels a world away from the buzzing Shibuya Crossing which we will admire before lunch. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure to explore as you wish. End the day with a dinner cruise on Tokyo Bay and witness the city lit up at night.

DAY 5: MOUNT FUJI & FUJI FIVE LAKES

Journey through the foothills of the iconic Mount Fuji to its base where we find the Fuji Five Lakes. The region is spectacularly dotted by the calm waters of five lakes, formed by past volcanic eruptions, reflecting Mount Fuji's picture-perfect cone. Ascend 2,000 metres up to Mount Fuji's 5th Station by coach (weather permitting) and take in the breathtaking views over the landscapes below. Next, head to Lake Kawaguchi in search of more views of Mount Fuji. Drive along the edge of Lake Saiko to

reach Iyashi no Sato Historical Village, a former farming village on the shores of Lake Saiko. Destroyed by a landslide in 1966, the remaining thatch-roofed houses of this old village have been transformed into an open-air museum and craft village. Stay overnight in Mishima and enjoy the public onsen facilities.

DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Start the day with a visit to Oshino Hakkai village with its charming houses and deep pools. Later, learn how to make your very own traditional Japanese soba noodles, and enjoy your creations for lunch! Later, transfer to Mishima station and journey on the bullet train to Kyoto. An enchanting city, Kyoto was capital for 1,000 years; today it is the legacy of ancient Japan, full of tranquil temples, silk-clad geisha and sublime gardens.

DAY 7: EXPLORE KYOTO

Enjoy a full day tour of Kyoto starting with a visit to one of Kyoto's delightful temples – the 17th-century Buddhist Kiyomizu. Immerse yourself in the culture by experiencing the sacred rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master and try your hand at origami. Dating back to the 6th century, the art of 'folding paper' is a cultural symbol of simplicity, beauty and peace. Later, explore the impressive Fushimi Inari Shrine with its remarkable 10,000 red torii gates.

DAY 8: JOURNEY TO HIROSHIMA

Begin the day with a visit to Ryoanji Temple, referred to locally as the 'temple of the peaceful dragon', which is home to Japan's most famous Zen garden.



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PHYSICAL RATING

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?
See the classic sights of Japan, visiting modern Tokyo, iconic Mount Fuji and historic Kyoto. A visit to Hiroshima's Peace Memorial Park and Museum and the holy island of Miyajima complete this fascinating tour.



Visit the village of Oshino Hakkai in Fuji Five Lakes

Afterwards, enjoy a photo opportunity at the renowned Kinkakuji Temple, known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. Travel by bullet train to Hiroshima; a bustling coastal city with a famously tragic history.

DAY 9: HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA

Hop on the ferry to the holy island of Miyajima and visit the Itsukushima Shrine, one of Japan's most recognisable UNESCO World Heritage sites, located on the edge of the Seto Inland Sea. Take an optional ride on the cable car up Mount Misen to enjoy the panoramic views. Return to Hiroshima and take a moment to reflect at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, which pays homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Visit the Orizuru Tower for breathtaking views over the city.

DAY 10: HIMEJI CASTLE

Travel to Himeji to visit its famous castle. The feudal era fort, one of the most impressive in Japan, towers over the city and is recognisable as the backdrop to several major films. Admire its well-preserved architecture before strolling around Koko-en, the Edo-style gardens just across the castle moat. Continue to vibrant Osaka, one of the most cosmopolitan cities in Japan. Later, meet your group in the hotel lobby and head into the city for this evening's farewell dinner.

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Experience a traditional tea ceremony

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- ✓ Admire majestic Mount Fuji
- ✓ Be charmed by Kyoto
- ✓ Visit Buddhist Koyasan
- ✓ See ancient Nara
- ✓ Explore the Japanese Alps



Admire the traditional architecture of UNESCO-listed Shirakawago

PRICE INCLUDES

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- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Learn about miso seasoning

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Learn all about the traditional production of an essential element of Japanese cooking, the fermented soybean paste 'miso', at an old wooden miso house.
- ▶ Join a dedicated craftsman in a small workshop to hear about the delicate and intricate art of gold leaf making, discovering what gold leaf is and how it is used before having a go yourself.
- ▶ Discover the traditional process of paper making before getting your hands dirty making 'washi' (Japanese paper) the age-old way.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO TOKYO

Fly overnight to the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: TOKYO CITY TOUR

Tokyo is the ultimate 24-hour city, but look behind its frantic, high-tech frontage and you will find plenty of tranquil backstreets and old temples to explore. Begin at the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree, before wandering through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to seek out the tranquillity of the ancient Buddhist Sensoji Temple, Tokyo's oldest. Discover Tokyo's royal heritage with a drive past the Imperial Palace Plaza. This evening, take a relaxed dinner cruise on Tokyo Bay for some excellent city vistas.

DAY 4: MOUNT FUJI

Take the super-fast bullet train to Odawara. Enjoy a boat trip on Lake Ashi for spectacular panoramas of this beautiful area before venturing up the Komagatake Ropeway. Next, ascend over 2,000 metres up Mount Fuji to the 5th Station (weather permitting) and take in the breathtaking views over the Fuji Five Lakes area below.

DAY 5: MATSUMOTO CASTLE

Transfer to Matsumoto and explore the formidable 16th-century Matsumoto Castle. Stop at a Miso House to learn about the process of making this famous Japanese seasoning. Travel on to Takayama, nestled high in the mountainous Hida region, also known as the Japanese Alps.

DAY 6: EXPLORE TAKAYAMA

Browse the local handicrafts and fresh produce at the Miyagawa morning market and wander past some of the lovely traditional houses. Visit several of the excellent local museums – including the Festival Floats Museum, Kusakabe Folk Crafts Museum and Takayama Jinya. Enjoy some free time in Kamisannomachi Street and make use of the onsen facilities at your overnight hotel.

DAY 7: SHIRAKAWAGO & KANAZAWA

Get a glimpse of rural Japan at the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago, famed for its gassho-style farmhouses with their steep thatched roofs. Try your hand at washi paper making in nearby Gokayama before continuing to Kanazawa. Here, meander through beautiful Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan.

DAY 8: GOLD LEAF MAKING

Begin the day learning the process of making gold leaf. Next, stroll through traditional Higashi Chaya (the Eastern Teahouse District), and visit Ochaya Shima, a historic geisha house. Later, journey to Kyoto. Japan's capital from 794 to 1868, Kyoto is a window into a bygone era: think tranquil temples, silk-clad geisha and sublime gardens.

DAY 9: EXPLORE KYOTO

Start the day with a visit to Ryoanji, the 'temple of the peaceful dragon' and the famous Kinkakuji, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. In the afternoon, head to a restored Japanese wooden town house to try your hand at origami and enjoy the age-old rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master.

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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

See the classic sights of Japan including Tokyo, Mount Fuji and the historic capitals of Kyoto and Nara. Plus, journey through the Japanese Alps to uncover the cultural centres of Takayama, rural Shirakawago and laidback Kanazawa.



Visit Koyasan's Okunoin cemetery

DAY 10: DISCOVER NARA

Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, remarkable for its 10,000 vermilion torii gates. Continue to Nara, a relaxed and charming town virtually untouched by the ravages of modernity. Another former capital, Nara also has a huge cultural legacy, considered second only to Kyoto, and is home to many archetypal pieces of early art and architecture. Stroll through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple, meeting the resident sika deer en route, before exploring Isuien Garden.

DAY 11: KOYASAN

The holy mountain of Koyasan is home to a cluster of over 100 monasteries, nestled in a valley enclosed by peaks said to resemble a lotus flower. Arguably the most sacred mountain in all of Japan, Koyasan is the heart of Shingon Buddhism and is the resting place of Japan's best known Buddhist, known as both Kukai and Kobo Daishi. Wander around Okunoin – a vast cemetery of 200,000 stupas. Enjoy the tranquillity and spectacular views as you discover Kongobuji Temple and the Garan Temple Complex. Later, continue to Osaka.

DAY 12: EXPLORE OSAKA

Begin the day exploring Osaka Castle, which is one of Japan's most famous. Next, take a short cruise along the Yodogawa River and stroll through Dotonbori, a restaurant mecca, where you can sample the local delicacies for lunch. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore this fascinating city.

DAYS 13-14: FLY OSAKA TO AUSTRALIA

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- ✓ Discover Kumamoto
- ✓ See the impressive Mount Aso
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima
- ✓ Admire Kyoto's past
- ✓ Gaze at Mount Fuji



Admire centuries-old Kintai-kyo Bridge

PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches & 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Relax at a Beppu hot spring resort

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Visit one of Japan's most famous hot spring resorts, Beppu, and soak away any aches, pains and tiredness in the mineral rich waters of your hotel's onsen pools.
- ▶ Cruise the picturesque Yanagawa River on a 'donkobune', a poled riverboat. It's a perfect and peaceful way to enjoy sights such as Yanagawa Castle and the traditional architecture of Yanagawa's canals.
- ▶ Gaze over Mount Aso, Japan's largest volcano, and the smaller volcanoes within its huge crater (one of which is active), and admire the incredible scenery that surrounds it.

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DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO FUKUOKA

Fly overnight to the charming city of Fukuoka, the gateway to the island of Kyushu. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE FUKUOKA

The lovely Fukuoka is at the heart of an area considered a cradle of culture – the city's position facing Korea and China across the sea means it's long been a channel of outside influence. This morning take a stroll through the traditional Rakusuien Garden and visit the famous Dazaifu Tenmangu Shrine, dedicated to the god of academic achievement. Later, enjoy a relaxing cruise on the Yanagawa River, passing through a National Site of Scenic Beauty on a small 'donkobune'.

DAY 4: DISCOVER KUMAMOTO

Transfer to Kumamoto, a city famous for its majestic castle, one of Japan's largest and most complete. Stop by the castle which is currently under renovation and take a photo, before heading to Suizenji Garden. A traditional-style garden built in the 17th century, the garden recreates in miniature the important road that linked Edo (Tokyo) and Kyoto, including a mini Mount Fuji.

DAY 5: VISIT MOUNT ASO & BEPPU

Travel from Kumamoto to Mount Aso, an active volcano at the centre of Kyushu island. Aso's crater is one of the world's largest; with a circumference of over 100km it encompasses a number of other active peaks, which you'll be able to see (weather dependent). Continue to Beppu, one of

Japan's most famous hot spring resorts – your hotel for the night has onsen facilities for you to make the most of the steamy waters.

DAY 6: EXPLORE BEPPU

Venture out into Beppu, starting the day with a jigoku meguri, a hell tour! Here you'll find all sorts of volcanic features, including thermal mud and hot springs that have bubbled from the ground for a millennium. Pop over to Yufuin, another hot spring resort that is home to a wealth of art museums, cafes and boutiques and is a delight to explore. This afternoon transfer back to Fukuoka.

DAY 7: TRAVEL TO HIROSHIMA

Depart Fukuoka for Hiroshima. Stop at the city of Yamaguchi, where you can enjoy the views over the Kanmon Strait from Yume Tower. Stop for lunch in Iwakuni and admire the Kintai-kyo Bridge. With five wooden arches, this centuries-old wooden bridge over the Nishiki River was a favourite subject of ukiyo-e woodblock artists like Hiroshige. Continue to Hiroshima.



Discover Kumamoto Castle

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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Uncover the beauty of the lesser-known island of Kyushu, renowned for its active volcanoes, hot springs and stunning beaches, before exploring the must-see sights of Hiroshima, Kyoto and Tokyo on the largest island of Honshu.



Explore Mount Aso



Visit the Dazaifu Tenmangu Shrine

DAY 8: DISCOVER HIROSHIMA

Hiroshima is a vibrant, forward-thinking city that is a pleasure to explore. Take a ferry across the Seto Inland Sea to the holy island of Miyajima and visit the Itsukushima Shrine before enjoying some time at leisure. Back in the city, reflect on Hiroshima's tragic past at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum paying homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb.

DAY 9: ADMIRE HIMEJI CASTLE

Depart Hiroshima for Kyoto, stopping en route to visit the magnificent Himeji Castle, one of Japan's most impressive feudal era forts, and stroll through Koko-en, an Edo-style garden just across the castle moat. Drop in at a sake brewery to learn about the process of this traditional Japanese spirit before arriving in Kyoto.

DAY 10: EXPLORE KYOTO

Capital for 1,000 years, Kyoto is the legacy of ancient Japan, full of tranquil temples, silk-clad geisha and sublime gardens. Start the day with a visit to the Fushimi Inari Shrine, remarkable for its 10,000 vermilion torii gate-lined pathways, and impressive Nijo Castle. This afternoon gaze on the famous Kinkakuji, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion' before a stroll around Gion, Kyoto's famous geisha district and centre of the city's traditional arts.

DAY 11: VISIT HAKONE

Transfer to Kyoto station and board a bullet train to Atami to transfer to the onsen resort of Hakone by road. Discover the mountainous beauty and rich culture of the Hakone area, before travelling to Lake Ashi for a cruise to take in the spectacular panoramas of the area, including the iconic, snow-capped

silhouette of Mount Fuji (weather permitting). Next, fly high over the thick forest on the Hakone Ropeway cable car, passing the volcanic Owakudani Valley with its hot springs and steam vents. Continue to Tokyo.

DAY 12: TOUR TOKYO

Tokyo is a city that is always moving forward – from the ever-changing skyline to the fashions and trends of the people who call it home. As modern as it may appear, behind the neon façade is a traditional soul that is easy to find amongst the old alleyways, temples and shrines of the Edo era. Today you will experience both sides of the city, ascending the soaring Tokyo Skytree, for panoramic views, and wandering through the old district of Asakusa. Stop at Sensoji, Tokyo's most famous and beloved temple. You will also drive by the Imperial Palace Plaza, soak up the atmosphere at the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine and see the world's most famous road crossing at Shibuya.

DAYS 13 -14: FLY TOKYO TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.



See Miyajima's floating torii gate

PRICES & DEPARTURES

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- Single Supplement from \$1,900

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- ✓ Discover Hokkaido's nature
- ✓ Explore vibrant Sapporo
- ✓ Spend time in Hakodate
- ✓ See Tokyo's bright lights
- ✓ Gaze at Mount Fuji
- ✓ Uncover Kyoto's past



View the magnificent Kegon Waterfall

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Try your hand at handkerchief dyeing

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Try your hand at the traditional art of handkerchief dyeing in a workshop of a handicraft village – you'll get to create beautiful colours and patterns working with the dyes.
- ▶ Spend the night in a ryokan, a centuries-old style of guesthouse that offers the ultimate Japanese experience! Sleep on a futon on a tatami mat, dine on traditional food and bathe in the relaxing warm waters of an onsen.
- ▶ Embark on a tour of a sake brewery, where you'll see first hand the traditional process used to brew the rice wine that is Japan's national beverage and have a few cheeky tasters.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SAPPORO

Fly overnight to the vibrant city of Sapporo, capital of the northern Japanese island of Hokkaido. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: ASCEND OKURAYAMA

This morning, ascend to the Okurayama viewing point, soaring up to the summit of the Sapporo Winter Olympics ski jump by chair lift – the views over the surrounding mountains are breathtaking. Continue to the pretty port town of Otaru and take some time to walk along the streets of the village and stroll along the picturesque canal. This evening visit a local beer museum and sample some of the beer on offer before heading to a nearby restaurant to dine on a Genghis Khan dinner – barbecue lamb, a Sapporo special!

DAY 4: TRAVEL TO HAKODATE

Depart Sapporo and travel to a lovely lakeside spot to visit a museum of Ainu culture, an indigenous people of the area. Continue to Noboribetsu Jigokudani (Hell Valley) and walk through a volcanic caldera where you can see steam jets, vents and hot springs. After lunch, hop on a train to the harbour city of Hakodate, set on Hokkaido's southern tip, where you'll embark on a night tour with time to ascend the Mount Hakodate cable car, for magnificent views over the illuminated city.

DAY 5: EXPLORE HAKODATE ASAICHI

Start the day wandering Hakodate's bustling asaiichi (morning market), where hundreds of stores and stalls sell fresh local produce, seafood and the odd souvenir. Next, ascend

Goryokaku Tower for views over Goryokaku Fort and Mount Hakodate before boarding the bullet train to the lovely city of Aomori in the north of Honshu, Japan's largest island. Visit the Nebuta Warasse, a museum dedicated to Aomori's famous 300-year-old Nebuta Matsuri, a lively summer festival.

DAY 6: TSUNAGI ONSEN

Depart Hirosaki for Kakunodate, an old samurai stronghold still known for its samurai traditions. Visit the Aoyagi Samurai Manor Museum for a fascinating look at samurai culture and stroll around Ishiguro House, a traditional samurai residence. Continue to the hot spring resort of Tsunagi. Stay overnight in a traditional ryokan with onsen facilities and experience sleeping on a futon on a tatami mat.

DAY 7: CRUISE MATSUSHIMA BAY

Travel to Hiraizumi, where you'll explore the peaceful Chusonji Temple with its beautiful old gold leaf-covered hall. Continue to the charming town of Matsushima to enjoy a relaxed cruise on Matsushima Bay, passing amongst the small pine tree-covered islands of this picturesque seascape.

DAY 8: SENDAI TO NIKKO

Walk to Sendai station and take the bullet train to the culture-filled town of Nikko. Start your explorations in the beautiful surroundings of Nikko National Park, where you'll visit Toshogu shrine. Built in the 1600s, this is Japan's most lavish shrine, built as the final resting place of shogun Tokugawa Ieyasu. Continue to the magnificent Kegon Waterfall, taking a 100-metre-tall elevator up to the perfect viewing spot. Transfer to Tokyo.



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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Journey south from Sapporo to Osaka, exploring the diverse islands of Hokkaido and Honshu. From volcanic landscapes to the glittering Matsushima Bay, go beyond the big cities to see another side of Japan.



Admire illuminated views of Hakodate



Walk amongst the steam vents in Noboribetsu Jigokudani (Hell Valley)

DAY 9: EXPLORE TOKYO

Tokyo, Japan's capital, is the ultimate 24-hour city, but look behind its frantic, high-tech frontage and you'll find plenty of tranquil backstreets and old temples to explore. Start the day in the vibrant district of Asakusa, where you will visit Sensoji, Tokyo's oldest temple, and wander down Nakamise shopping street before a visit to Tokyo National Museum. After lunch, stroll through the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine complex, before ascending to the observatory deck of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government building for exceptional views over the city.

DAY 10: ADMIRE MOUNT FUJI

Travel by road from Tokyo to Mount Fuji, where you'll ascend 2,400 metres up Japan's most iconic sight to the 5th Station (weather permitting). Transfer to the Hakone area and enjoy a cruise on the spectacular Lake Ashi before flying high above the lake on the Komagatake Ropeway cable car. Return to Tokyo.

DAY 11: TRAVEL TO KYOTO

Take a bullet train to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, the city today is full of the legacy of ancient Japan and home to tranquil temples, silk-clad geisha and sublime gardens. This afternoon, visit Togetsukyo Bridge in the heart of the vibrant Arashiyama district and enjoy a leisurely walk through the bamboo forest, with its towering bamboo thickets.

DAY 12: EXPLORE KYOTO

This morning, visit one of Japan's most famous temples, Kinkakuji, the 'Golden Pavilion'. Set amongst classical Japanese Zen gardens and on the edge of a reflecting pool,

the temple's main hall is covered in gold leaf. Also, stroll through Nishiki Market, dubbed 'Kyoto's kitchen', where there are many interesting food and sake stores to explore before a free afternoon to spend as you wish.

DAY 13: SAKE TASTING

Today, get to know the local culture. Try your hand at handkerchief dyeing, then learn about the rituals of an authentic Japanese tea ceremony. After lunch, walk the vermilion, torii gate-lined pathways of the Fushimi Inari Shrine and tour a traditional sake brewery, where you can have a few cheeky tasters. Continue to the booming city of Osaka.

DAYS 14-15: FLY OSAKA TO AUSTRALIA

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- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima & Miyajima
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ See the snow monkeys
- ✓ Feel the rush of Tokyo & Osaka
- ✓ Explore Kanazawa & Takayama



Witness the bloom of the cherry blossom at Himeji Castle

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Visit a wasabi farm

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ One of Japan's most famous condiments, wasabi is an essential element in Japanese cuisine. Learn about its cultivation on a traditional farm and admire the landscapes.
- ▶ Admire the elaborately dyed silk creations of artist Kubota Itchiku at his eponymous art museum. Itchiku single-handedly revived the traditional and beautiful technique of 'tsujigahana'.
- ▶ Arguably the world's most famous pedestrian crossing, seen in many a film and television show, witness the organised chaos and bright lights of Tokyo's Shibuya Crossing for yourself.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO OSAKA

Fly overnight to the lively, fast-paced city of Osaka! Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: DISCOVER NARA

Spend the morning in Nara, the small, history-filled city that was Japan's first capital. Stroll through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple and admire the traditional Isuien Garden. Return to Osaka and visit the impressive Osaka Castle.

DAY 4: HIMEJI CASTLE

Depart Osaka for Hiroshima, stopping en route to explore the magnificent 17th-century Himeji Castle and the neighbouring Kokoan, a traditional-style garden.

DAY 5: EXPLORE HIROSHIMA

Hiroshima is a vibrant, forward-thinking city that is a pleasure to explore. Reflect on the city's tragic past at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, paying homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Next, take the ferry to the holy island of Miyajima to visit the Itsukushima Shrine and enjoy some time at leisure.

DAY 6: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Start the day with a journey by bullet train to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's most famous Zen garden and Kinkakuji Temple, also known as 'Golden Pavilion'.

DAY 7: JAPANESE TEA CEREMONY

Enjoy one of Kyoto's most delightful spots, Kiyomizu, a 17th-century Buddhist temple, before experiencing the age-old rituals of

a traditional tea ceremony with a tea master. After lunch, visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, renowned for its 10,000 vermilion torii gates.

DAY 8: TRAVEL TO KANAZAWA

Travel by road to Kanazawa. Meander through Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan.

DAY 9: WASHI PAPER MAKING

Visit the Nomura Samurai House and Garden before departing Kanazawa. Stop in Gokayama for lunch and a hands-on washi paper making workshop. Continue to Shirakawago, where you will explore the 300-year-old Gassho-style Wada House, before continuing to Takayama.

DAY 10: EXPLORE TAKAYAMA

Browse the local handicrafts and fresh produce at the Miyagawa morning market and wander past some of the lovely traditional houses. Also visit several of the excellent local museums, including the Festival Floats Museum, Kusakabe Folk Crafts Museum and Takayama Jinya followed by a stroll down Kamisannomachi Street. Enjoy the onsen facilities at your overnight hotel.

DAY 11: TRAVEL TO NAGANO

Travel to Matsumoto and explore the formidable 16th-century Matsumoto Castle. Visit a miso house and learn about this famous Japanese seasoning. Also spend some time at a wasabi farm to learn about its cultivation before continuing to Nagano.

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Our most comprehensive tour of Japan includes all the classic sights and key cultural activities. Featuring modern cities, historical sights and beautiful landscapes it ensures you'll get the most from this fascinating land.



Search for the snow monkeys

DAY 12: SNOW MONKEYS

Don your walking boots and walk 40-60 minutes through the sloping Jigokudani Valley to reach the hot springs, where you may see the Japanese snow monkeys bathe and play. Enjoy some time for photos before the return walk. Return to Nagano to visit Zenkoji, a 7th-century Buddhist temple.

DAY 13: MOUNT FUJI

The sacred peak of Mount Fuji has inspired artists, poets and pilgrims for centuries. Drive from Nagano to reach the Fuji Five Lakes region, where, weather permitting, you can enjoy dramatic views of Fuji and ascend by road to the 5th Station. Overnight in the wider Fuji area.

DAY 14: EXPLORE HAKONE

Begin the day with a short cruise on the peaceful waters of Lake Ashi. Next, soar high on the Hakone cable car to reach the volcanic Owakudani Valley and discover Mount Hakone's dramatic natural hot springs, which often offer good views of Mount Fuji. Later, continue to Tokyo.

DAY 15: DISCOVER TOKYO

A dazzling, high-tech metropolis, Japan's capital has wonderfully traditional roots. Start your explorations at one of the city's lovely gardens, visit Meiji Shrine and stop by the famous Shibuya Crossing.

DAY 16: MORE TOKYO

Stroll the vibrant Asakusa district and soak up the ambiance of Sensoji, Tokyo's oldest Buddhist temple. Ascend to the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree before lunch. The afternoon is free until this evening's farewell dinner cruise.

DAYS 17-18: FLY TOKYO TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

SEE SUMO WRESTLING



On some May and September departures*, there is an extra special addition to day 15: a sumo tournament. Many of Japan's most ancient traditions are preserved in the sport, and the rituals involved in its performance are as fascinating to watch as the wrestling itself. Subject to availability.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

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Experience a traditional tea ceremony

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Embrace the ancient rituals of a traditional tea ceremony, a practice that dates back to the 9th century and represents purity, respect and harmony.
- ▶ Enjoy a hands-on experience crafting washi paper, made from the fibers of various plants and commonly used for books, paintings and even for architectural purposes.
- ▶ Learn about the cultivation of Japan's most famous condiment, wasabi. Visit the Daio Wasabi Farm and discover the intricate technique of making this iconic green paste.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO TOKYO

Fly overnight to Tokyo, Japan's incomparable capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: WONDERS OF TOKYO

Begin your discovery of Japan with a visit to the serene Imperial Palace East Garden, followed by the majestic Meiji Shrine. Later, experience the buzz and energy of the world-famous Shibuya Crossing. This evening, relax with a dinner cruise aboard a traditional yakata boat on Tokyo Bay, with views of the city's iconic skyline.

DAY 4: TOKYO

Soak up the timeless charm of Sensoji, Tokyo's oldest Buddhist temple, before exploring the bustling Nakamise Street, brimming with souvenir treasures. Ascend to the lofty heights of the Tokyo Skytree for panoramic views over this sprawling metropolis.

DAY 5: FUJI FIVE LAKES

Embark on a scenic journey through the captivating Fuji Five Lakes region. Take a short cruise on the idyllic waters of Lake Ashi, before enjoying a panoramic cable car ride on the Hakone Ropeway to reach Owakudani, the Great Boiling Valley with its impressive volcanic hot springs. Spend a night in Mishima or the wider Fuji area.

DAY 6: MOUNT FUJI'S SPLENDOR

Ascend by road to Mount Fuji's 5th Station, weather permitting, to behold breathtaking panoramas of the Fuji Five Lakes below. Admire the intricate silk kimonos at the Itchiku Kubota Art Museum before continuing your journey to Nagano.

DAY 7: JIGOKUDANI MONKEY PARK

Discover the natural beauty of the Japanese Alps. Don your walking boots and hike 40-60 minutes through Jigokudani Valley to reach the park's hot springs, in which the local snow monkeys love to bathe. Enjoy watching them splash and play before the return hike. After lunch, return to Nagano to explore the spiritual sanctuary of Zenkoji, a 7th-century Buddhist temple.

DAY 8: CHARMS OF MATSUMOTO

Begin your day with a visit to the Daio Wasabi Farm, where you'll learn about wasabi cultivation. Delve into the world of miso seasoning at Ishii Miso House before exploring the historic Matsumoto Castle. Nicknamed Black Crow Castle, this is one of only twelve original castles in Japan. Its authentic wooden interiors offer a wonderful glimpse of the feudal period. Later, drive through the Japanese Alps to reach Takayama.



Gaze on the beauty of Mount Fuji



CLASSIC
JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?
One of our most extensive tours in Japan, you will experience classic sites, experience key cultural activities and admire beautiful landscapes in a country like no other.



DAY 9: TAKAYAMA

Explore Takayama's markets before visiting the Yatai Kaikan, which displays Takayama's famous traditional parade floats, and visit a typical Edo-period merchant house, now home to the Kusakabe Folk Crafts Museum. Finally, stop by the old provincial magistrate office of Takayama Jinya.

DAY 10: SHIRAKAWAGO & KANAZAWA

Drive through the picturesque Alpine countryside to reach the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago, renowned for its steep thatched roof houses. Visit Wada House, the largest traditional gassho-style house in the area, and learn about rural life. Later, head to Gokayama village for a hands-on experience crafting washi paper before continuing to Kanazawa, where you'll visit the house of a Nomura samurai before checking in at your hotel.

DAY 11: TREASURES OF KANAZAWA

Stroll through the exquisite Kenrokuen Gardens and admire the waterfalls, ponds, and charming teahouses before journeying to Kyoto, a city steeped in tradition and elegance.

DAY 12: KYOTO

Ascend Otowayama Hill to visit the serene Kiyomizu Temple, with its stunning views over Kyoto. Delight in the ancient rituals of a traditional tea ceremony before exploring Fushimi Inari Shrine and its thousands of vermilion torii gates.

DAY 13: THE GOLDEN TEMPLE

Head to the Golden Pavilion of Kinkakuji Temple; its gold-covered facade is considered one of the most breathtaking sights in Kyoto. Later, visit the Zen temple of Ryoanji, renowned for its tranquil rock garden. Finally, hop on the bullet train for a high-speed ride to Hiroshima.

DAY 14: HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA

Pay homage to Hiroshima's poignant history at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum before taking a ferry to the sacred shores of Miyajima, where you'll visit the vibrant Itsukushima Shrine and its 'floating' torii gate.

DAY 15: HIMEJI CASTLE

Drive to Himeji, another of Japan's original, and one of its most magnificent, castles. Explore the majestic 17th-century keep before taking a stroll through the enchanting Koko-en Garden. Later, continue to the vibrant city of Osaka.

DAY 16: NARA & OSAKA

Head to Nara, Japan's first capital. Visit its UNESCO-listed Todaiji Temple, one of the Seven Great Temples of Japan. Stroll through the grounds and look out for the famously friendly bowing deer who roam here at leisure. Stop by Isuien Garden before returning to Osaka for a culinary adventure on Dotonburi Street. Finally, end your explorations with a visit to Osaka Castle.

DAYS 17-18: FLY OSAKA TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or the following day.

PRICES & DEPARTURES
Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Reflect in Nagasaki & Hiroshima
- ✓ Admire Kyoto's temples
- ✓ See the snow monkeys
- ✓ Explore bustling Tokyo
- ✓ Discover Sendai & Hakodate
- ✓ Spend time in Sapporo

PRICE INCLUDES

- 19 breakfasts, 18 lunches & 19 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy a momiji manju cooking experience

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Under the guidance of a skilled instructor, try your hand at making momiji manju (maple leaf bean buns), Miyajima's most famous confectionery for over a hundred years.
- ▶ Learn about the role of the masu sake cup in Japan's culture before stepping into the studio to make your very own cup with an original design, which you can then take home as a souvenir.
- ▶ Discover the history and etiquette of making and appreciating sushi with a hands-on lesson before sitting down with your instructing chef to enjoy Japan's most famous cuisine. It's the taking part that counts!



Journey through Japan by rail

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO FUKUOKA

Fly overnight to the charming city of Fukuoka, the gateway to the island of Kyushu. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE NAGASAKI

Begin the day by travelling on the limited express train to Nagasaki. Upon arrival, enjoy a stroll through the Glover Garden, an open-air museum that exhibits mansions attributed to the Scottish merchant who contributed to the modernisation of Japan. Also, visit the Oura Catholic Church and Atomic Bomb Museum before returning to Fukuoka.

DAY 4: MIYAJIMA ISLAND

Board the bullet train to Hiroshima, located on Japan's largest island, Honshu. Upon arrival in Hiroshima, take the ferry across the Seto Inland Sea to the holy island of Miyajima. Here, visit the Itsukushima Shrine and enjoy a momiji manju cooking experience. Later, return to Hiroshima.

DAY 5: HIROSHIMA HIGHLIGHTS

Spend the day in Hiroshima starting with a visit to the Peace Memorial Park and Museum where you will have the opportunity to pay homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Enjoy okonomiyaki for lunch before ascending Orizuru Tower to view the city from above, followed by a stroll through the historical Shukkeien Garden.

DAY 6: ADMIRE HIMEJI CASTLE

Depart Hiroshima by bullet train, stopping at Himeji to visit the magnificent Himeji Castle, followed by a walk through the traditional Kokoen Garden. Continue by limited express to Osaka.

DAY 7: OSAKA & NARA DAY TRIP

Begin the day with a visit to the Umeda Sky Building, followed by lunch in the famous Dotonburi district. Later, head to Nara and explore Todaiji, a temple which houses the impressive Daibutsu, a 15-metre-tall bronze statue of Buddha. Enjoy an ink making and calligraphy class before returning to Osaka.

DAY 8: KYOTO'S TEMPLES

Journey by road to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Upon arrival, stroll through the Arashiyama bamboo forest and admire the towering thickets. Also visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's best-known Zen garden, and the famous 'Golden Pavilion' Kinkakuji.

DAY 9: TEA CEREMONY & FAN PAINTING

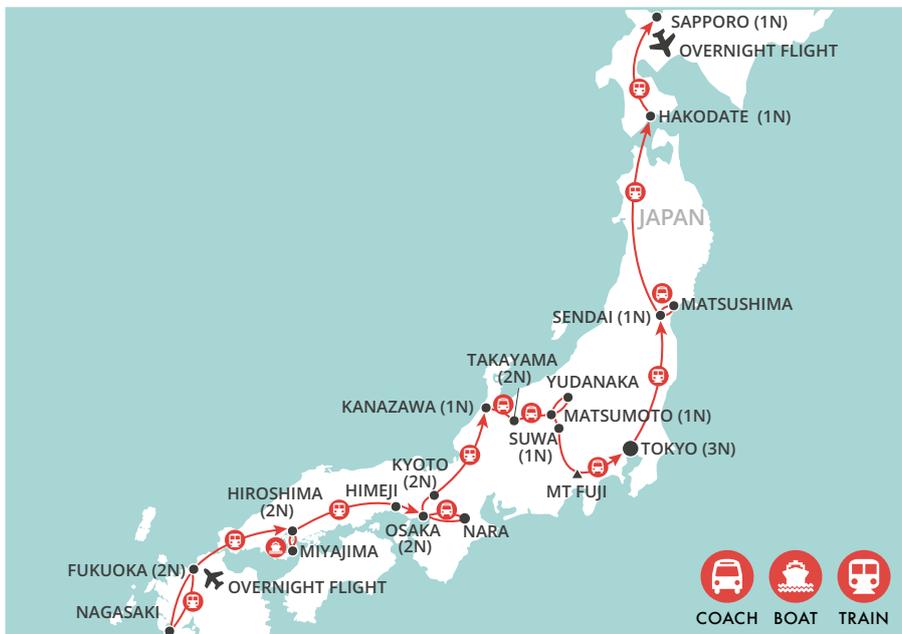
The day begins with a visit to Kiyomizu-dera temple in Kyoto. Next, immerse yourself in the culture and enjoy the age-old rituals of a sacred tea ceremony, Zen mediation, and try your hand at fan painting. Also explore Gion – Kyoto's famous geisha district.

DAY 10: EXPLORE KANAZAWA

Take the limited express train to Kanazawa and upon arrival, meander your way through Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan. Also visit the Nomura Samurai House and Kunani Pottery Factory.

DAY 11: SHIRAKAWAGO VILLAGE

Drive south towards the Alps, stopping at Inami for a sake tasting and wooden cup making. Later, admire the gassho-style farmhouses at the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago, famous for their steep thatched roofs that resemble 'hands in prayer'. Continue to Takayama.



Cruise Matsushima Bay in Sendai



Explore spectacular views of Hakodate

DAY 12: DISCOVER TAKAYAMA

Spend the morning at the Miyagawa market. Also visit the Takayama Floats Museum and Takayama Jinya. Enjoy the onsen facilities at your overnight hotel.

DAY 13: SNOW MONKEYS

Travel to Matsumoto and spend time at the Daio Wasabi Farm to see the plantations and learn about its cultivation. Continue to the town of Yudanaka and head to Jigokudani Yaen-Koen. Hike through a picturesque forested valley to the hot pools where you may see the famous Japanese macaques (snow monkeys) bathe and play before returning to Matsumoto.

DAY 14: MATSUMOTO CASTLE

Begin the day with a visit to the magnificent 16th-century Matsumoto Castle, also known as 'Crow Castle', due to its intense black exterior. Next, head to a miso house and learn about the process of making this famous Japanese seasoning. Also visit the former post town of Naraijuku. Continue to Suwa and enjoy the onsen facilities at your hotel.

DAY 15: MOUNT FUJI

Travel to Hakone and ascend 2,400 metres to Fuji's 5th Station (weather permitting). Also, enjoy a peaceful cruise on Lake Ashi before taking to the skies on the Komagatake Ropeway. Next, continue to Tokyo by road.

DAY 16: TOUR TOKYO

Begin the day with a stroll through Hamarikyu Gardens. Next, take part in a sushi making class, and enjoy your own creations for lunch! Later, soak up the atmosphere at Sensoji, browse the stalls on Nakamise shopping street and drive by the Imperial Palace Plaza.

DAY 17: TOKYO HIGHLIGHTS

Begin the day at the Tokyo Metropolitan Building and ascend to the observation deck for breathtaking views over the sprawling city. Next, soak up the atmosphere at the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine and drive by the world-famous Shibuya crossing. End the day with a relaxing yakata boat dinner cruise on the waters of Tokyo Bay; the perfect vantage point from which to admire the city lights.

DAY 18: SIP WHISKY IN SENDAI

Let the bullet train whisk you north to Sendai, the largest city in Tohoku. Transfer to the coast and enjoy a relaxing cruise on Matsushima Bay. Also, visit the famous Nikka Whisky factory in Sendai.

DAY 19: EXPLORE HAKODATE

Say goodbye to Honshu Island as you board the bullet train to Hakodate located on Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost island. Visit the Goryokaku Tower, a star shaped fortress, followed by some time at leisure. This evening, journey on the Mt Hakodate Ropeway and enjoy the fabulous views of the city below. Enjoy the onsen facilities at your hotel.

DAY 20: SAPPORO SIGHTSEEING

Board the bullet train to Sapporo, the final stop on this three-week adventure. Admire the Clock Tower and Odori Park, then stop by the Sapporo Beer Museum and enjoy a tasting or two before this evening's farewell dinner.

DAYS 21-22: FLY SAPPORO TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

CLASSIC
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PHYSICAL RATING 1

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?
An all-encompassing journey through Japan, travelling chiefly by bullet train and taking in the highlights of all three main islands: Kyushu, Honshu and Hokkaido.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

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CHRISTMAS IN JAPAN

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Spend Christmas in charming Kyoto
- ✓ Explore the bright lights of Tokyo
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ Relax in a rejuvenating onsen
- ✓ Discover traditional Shirakawago
- ✓ Uncover Nara's long history

PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches & 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy a wagashi-making class

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Wagashi are a traditional sweet treat made of fruit, anko and rice flour. Come Christmas morning, sit down with a teacher and learn how to create these beautiful confections from scratch before a traditional tea ceremony demonstration.
- ▶ Under a white, snowy blanket, the landscapes of the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago are particularly enchanting in the winter. Soak up its peaceful rural scenery and visit one of its famous gassho houses, the steep roofs of which are said to resemble hands in prayer.
- ▶ Gazing upon Mount Fuji's beauty, it's easy to see why it has long been held sacred by the Japanese people. In the winter, often backed by crisp blue skies and blanketed in snow, it is even more magical.



Visit the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO TOKYO

Fly overnight to Tokyo. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: WONDERS OF TOKYO

Discover Tokyo's most famous highlights, from the lively Shibuya Crossing to explorations of well-known neighbourhoods like Shinjuku. Visit Meiji Jingu, a Shinto shrine surrounded by a small forest within the city, and learn about the emperor who presided over the Meiji Restoration – Japan's transition from feudal state to world power.

DAY 4: TOKYO

Begin with a visit to the historic Asakusa district to see Sensoji, the city's oldest Buddhist temple, then visit the National Museum in Ueno Park for an insight into the art and archaeology of centuries gone by. Ascend to the viewing deck at the Skytree for a bird's eye view of the city. Later, get in the festive spirit with some time to admire Tokyo's Christmas illuminations.

DAY 5: HAKONE

Today, head west to Hakone. Around here, winter is considered the best time of year for viewing Mount Fuji, when the skies are often cool and clear, and the mountain is usually wearing its famously beautiful snowcap. Take a cruise across Lake Ashi, then ride a cable car along the Hakone Ropeway to reach Owakudani, known for its volcanic hot springs and steaming vents. The wider Fuji area is your home for the next two nights.

DAY 6: FUJI FIVE LAKES

Continue your Fuji adventure with a visit to Oshino Hakkai, a charming village filled with mineral-rich ponds and slowly spinning water wheels, before continuing to Kawaguchiko, a town famous for its Fuji views. Visit Fujisan World Heritage Centre, where you can learn about the mountain's significance, and perhaps enjoy a photo opportunity on the viewing deck.

DAY 7: MATSUMOTO & TAKAYAMA

Head into the foothills of the Japanese Alps, stopping first at Matsumoto to admire its iconic black castle. Its main tower, built in the late 16th century, is the oldest surviving castle tower in Japan. Continue to Takayama, a small city nestled in the mountains of Gifu province.

DAY 8: TAKAYAMA

Discover this charming alpine city, considered the crown jewel of Gifu province. Explore the traditional streets of the well-preserved old town and visit the excellent Festival Floats Museum before lunch. This afternoon, enjoy some free time to explore, or make use of the onsen facilities at your hotel.

DAY 9: SHIRAKAWAGO & KANAZAWA

Drive north to the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawago, famous for its traditional wooden gassho houses. With their steep thatched roofs, often laden in snow, these houses are one of the most iconic winter views in Japan. Visit the largest – Wada House – and learn about life in this remote rural area. Continue to Kanazawa, a serene city known for its samurai history, and check in at your hotel.

CLASSIC
JAPAN



PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Discover winter's charms in Japan with this immersive mix of cultural exploration and festive cheer. From snow-capped Mount Fuji, to picturesque villages and hands-on experiences in Kyoto, enjoy a Christmas like no other.



See the beautiful Kinkakuji Temple



Discover Oshini Hakkai

DAY 10: KANAZAWA TO KYOTO

Visit beautiful Kenrokuen, one of Japan's Three Great Gardens. Here, admire the yukitsuri, a technique using ropes to support the pine trees and their heavy blankets of snow. Later, stroll the Edo-period Nagamachi District and visit one of its old samurai houses. This afternoon, board the Thunderbird train to Kyoto, Japan's cultural heart.

DAY 11: CHRISTMAS EVE IN KYOTO

Discover the highlights of Kyoto. Once the capital of Japan, this former seat of power wears its history proudly on its sleeve. Begin at Kiyomizu Temple, with its views over Kyoto. Later, admire the vermilion torii gates at Fushimi Inari Shrine and the Golden Pavilion of Kinkaku-ji.

DAY 12: CHRISTMAS DAY IN KYOTO

Wake to a Christmas day like no other. Spend the morning at a traditional tea house, where you'll don a kimono (optional) and enjoy a tea ceremony and wagashi sweet-making experience. Later, indulge in a special Christmas lunch before an afternoon at leisure to explore Kyoto, call loved ones or simply relax until dinner.

DAY 13: BOXING DAY IN NARA

Bid farewell to Kyoto and drive to Nara, another former capital. Visit the UNESCO-listed Todaiji Temple, and meet its sacred deer, who roam here at leisure and enjoy bowing to visitors. Stop by a traditional Japanese garden, then continue to Osaka for a culinary adventure in the Dotonburi area.

DAY 14: KOYASAN

Experience the tranquil winter beauty of Mount Koya, the heart of Shingon Buddhism. As the

year draws to a close, wander through the vast, otherworldly Okunoin Cemetery, with its centuries-old gravestones, softly-glowing lanterns and towering cedars glittering with frost. Return to Osaka.

DAY 15: HIMEJI CASTLE

Drive to Himeji, one of Japan's most magnificent castles. Explore the majestic 17th-century keep before lunch. Drive to Kobe, where you'll visit a small sake brewery museum and a Christmas market before indulging in a farewell dinner. Try Kobe's famous Wagyu beef or an alternative vegetarian dish. Return to Osaka.

DAYS 16-17: FLY OSAKA TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or the following day.



See Kenroku-en's unique winter installations

PRICES & DEPARTURES

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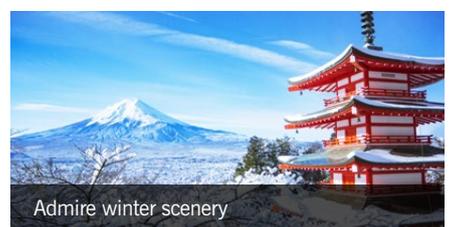
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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Discover historic Beijing
- ✓ See the Terracotta Warriors
- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima
- ✓ Admire Kyoto's temples
- ✓ Explore bustling Tokyo



Walk along the Great Wall

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See the historic hutongs of Beijing

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Explore the narrow, atmospheric alleyways of Beijing's old hutongs. Visit a family in their home, a traditional courtyard residence, to get a better idea of the culture and history of these neighbourhoods.
- ▶ Wander through the delightful Bikan Historical Quarter, stretched along Kurashiki's Edo Period canals, taking in the picturesque scenes of weeping willows, old stone bridges and lovely, traditional architecture.
- ▶ Ascend to the observation deck of the new Orizuru Tower. Rising high above Hiroshima it offers beautiful views over the Peace Memorial Park, the A-Bomb Dome and the city as a whole.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly to China's historical capital, Beijing. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: WALK ON THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. In the afternoon, enjoy the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace. End the day enjoying a traditional Peking Duck dinner.

DAY 3: EXPLORE THE FORBIDDEN CITY

Begin the day soaking up the harmonious ambience of the glorious Temple of Heaven, a series of imperial religious buildings, renowned for its intricate carvings, colourful patterns, complex designs and architectural styles. Next, take a leisurely stroll through a traditional hutong neighbourhood and visit a family at home to learn about life living in the hutongs. Later, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, before entering the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to explore this complex full of imperial riches.

DAY 4: TRAVEL TO XIAN

Board the bullet train to Xian. Visit the bustling Muslim Quarter before feasting on a traditional Shui Jiao dumpling dinner and a lively Tang Dynasty dance show.

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors

ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors, followed by a visit to the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate them. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

DAY 6: FLY TO GUILIN

Fly to the beautiful city of Guilin.

DAY 7: VISIT REED FLUTE CAVE

Begin today at the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave and visit the South China Pearl Factory. Later, stroll around Ronghu Lake and admire the Sun and Moon Pagodas – two towering examples of traditional Chinese Buddhist architecture.

DAY 8: CRUISE THE LI RIVER

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks tower over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. Here, enjoy some time strolling along West Street and visit the local markets.

DAY 9: FLY TO SHANGHAI

Return to Guilin by road, then fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai.

DAY 10: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Today's explorations include the traditional Yu Garden, a stroll through the old town and learning about the age-old silk production process at a silk factory. Enjoy time at leisure to explore the Bund and Nanjing Road. This evening view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise.



CLASSIC
CHINA & JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?
The ultimate tour for those wishing to combine the very best of two ancient nations. Join us on an incredible journey from Beijing to Tokyo by road, boat, rail and air on this epic three-week tour!



Discover the majestic landscapes of Guilin



Visit the manicured gardens of Korakuen

DAY 11: GOODBYE CHINA, HELLO JAPAN

It's time to say goodbye to China and hello to Japan! Fly to the vibrant city of Osaka.

DAY 12: OSAKA CASTLE

Explore Osaka Castle, take a short cruise along the Yodogawa River and stroll through vibrant Dotonbori, a restaurant mecca, where you can sample local delicacies for lunch. The remainder of the day is free for you to explore this fascinating city.

DAY 13: DISCOVER OKAYAMA & KURASHIKI

Transfer by bullet train to Okayama and visit Korakuen Garden, one of the 'Three Great Gardens of Japan'. Continue to Kurashiki to explore the beautifully-preserved Bikan Historical Quarter, where the streets along the banks of the Kurashiki River are lined with white-walled kominka (traditional houses). Continue to Hiroshima, a vibrant and forward-thinking city.

DAY 14: EXPLORE HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA

Hop on a ferry to the holy island of Miyajima and visit Itsukushima Shrine. Return to Hiroshima and find a moment to reflect at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, which pays homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb. Later, ascend to the observation deck of Orizuru Tower and enjoy the panoramic views.

DAY 15: TRAVEL TO KYOTO

Transfer by bullet train to Kyoto. Capital for 1,000 years, this enchanting city is the epitome of traditional Japan. Visit Ryoanji Temple, home to Japan's most famous Zen garden and Kinkakuji Temple, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'.

DAY 16: EXPLORE KYOTO

Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, remarkable for its 10,000 torii gates and then head to Nishiki Market, also known as 'Kyoto's Kitchen' with its lively open-air market specialising in all things food! Also visit a restored wooden Japanese townhouse to experience the rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master and try your hand at the traditional art of origami.

DAY 17: BULLET TRAIN TO HAKONE

Transfer by bullet train to Hakone. Upon arrival, enjoy a boat trip on Lake Ashi before riding the Komagatake Ropeway cable car. Savour views of the surrounding landscape and, weather permitting, the breathtaking cone of Mount Fuji. Later, continue to Tokyo, Japan's iconic capital.

DAY 18: CONTRASTS OF TOKYO

Tokyo is the ultimate 24-hour city, but look behind its frantic, high-tech frontage and you will find plenty of tranquil backstreets and old temples to explore. Begin at the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree, before wandering through the old district of Asakusa. Stop to explore the ancient Buddhist Sensoji Temple and drive past the Imperial Palace Plaza. Later, soak up the atmosphere at the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine. End your tour with a dinner cruise on the Tokyo Bay.

DAYS 19-20: FLY TOKYO TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

PRICES & DEPARTURES
Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES			
18 Mar - 06 Apr	✳ \$13,890	07 Oct - 26 Oct	✳ \$13,890
25 Mar - 13 Apr	✳ \$13,890	14 Oct - 02 Nov	✳ \$13,890
06 May - 25 May	✳ \$13,480	21 Oct - 09 Nov	✳ \$13,890
09 Sep - 28 Sep	✳ \$13,480	28 Oct - 16 Nov	✳ \$14,490
2026 DATES			
10 Mar - 29 Mar	✳ \$14,480	12 May - 31 May	\$14,180
17 Mar - 05 Apr	✳ \$14,480	08 Sep - 27 Sep	\$14,180
24 Mar - 12 Apr	✳ \$14,480	15 Sep - 04 Oct	\$14,180
31 Mar - 19 Apr	✳ \$14,480	06 Oct - 25 Oct	✳ \$14,480
07 Apr - 26 Apr	✳ \$14,480	13 Oct - 01 Nov	✳ \$14,480
05 May - 24 May	\$14,180	03 Nov - 22 Nov	✳ \$14,480

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available on request
- Land only (Beijing - Tokyo) 19 days from \$12,280 per person, twin share
- Single Supplement from \$2,480

Important note

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Tippling is generally not part of the culture in Japan; however, you may wish to tip your National Escort at your discretion. For guidelines on tipping in China see below.

Customary tipping amount of approximately RMB520 per person (AU\$113) is paid locally in China.

ESSENCE OF SOUTH KOREA & JAPAN

17 DAYS FROM

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore bustling Seoul
- ✓ Visit historic Gyeongju
- ✓ Discover picturesque Busan
- ✓ Reflect in Hiroshima
- ✓ Be charmed by Kyoto
- ✓ Feel the rush of Tokyo



Experience the Royal Guard Changing Ceremony at Gyeongbok Palace

PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches & 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
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- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Cultivate a bonsai tree

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Visit the Shunkaen Bonsai Museum in Tokyo and see a demonstration before trying your hand at the art of cultivating these miniaturised trees and shrubs that sit within a pot.
- ▶ Embark on an informative and unique adventure to the DMZ, the buffer zone between the Koreas. Your visit will include the DMZ Theatre & Exhibition Hall, the 3rd Infiltration Tunnel and Unification Village.
- ▶ The Seto Inland Sea provides most of Japan's kaki (oysters) – visit an oyster farm to learn first hand from fishermen about the cultivation of these beloved delicacy.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SEOUL

Fly overnight to Seoul, the dazzling capital city of South Korea. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. This evening meet your National Escort and fellow travellers to enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

DAY 3: EXPLORE SEOUL

Amongst the skyscrapers, nightlife districts and colossal shopping malls of Seoul, there is an exceptional amount of culture and tradition, from busy teahouses to magnificent palaces just waiting to be explored. Enjoy a full day tour of Seoul starting at Gyeongbok Palace to watch the 'Changing of the Guards' ceremony, and then visit the palace itself. Next, attend a Korean cooking class – making traditional bibimbap before tucking into your creations for lunch. Enjoy the panoramic city views at N Seoul Tower and also visit Insadong Antique Alley, renowned for its art products and traditional Korean antiques.

DAY 4: VISIT THE DMZ

Created as a buffer zone between North Korea and South Korea at the end of the Korean War, the DMZ is part of the most heavily militarised border in the world. An early start is needed today as tickets to the DMZ are limited*. Explore the DMZ Theatre & Exhibition Hall, walk along the 3rd Infiltration Tunnel, visit Dora Observatory & Station and see the Bridge of Freedom. Return to Seoul to explore Gwangjang Market.

*While every effort will be made to get the tickets, should this not be possible, you will instead take a ride on the DMZ gondola and visit the Odusan Unification Observatory.

DAY 5: TRAIN TO GYEONGJU

Take a train from Seoul to Gyeongju – a city of cultural and historical relics, Gyeongju is called 'the museum without walls'. Capital of the Silla Kingdom for over 1,000 years, the city is home to a staggering number of tombs, temples, statues and ruins, some of which you'll explore today. In the afternoon, begin at the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage listed Bulguksa Temple, considered the pinnacle of Silla architecture, and Seokguram Grotto. Later, take a stroll at Anapji Pond.

DAY 6: EXPLORE BUSAN

Begin the day with a visit to Gyeongju National Museum, and then explore Tumuli Park, a collection of royal tombs. Continue by road to Busan. Laidback compared to Seoul's bustle, Busan is a city full of character and traditional features as well as mountains, beaches, temples and exquisite seafood. In the afternoon, visit the Jagalchi Fish Market and browse the wares at Gukje Market. Next, head over to Dongbaekseom Island and soak up the peaceful nature, before feeling the sand between your toes on Haeundae Beach.

DAY 7: GOODBYE SOUTH KOREA, HELLO JAPAN

It's time to say goodbye to South Korea and hello to Japan! Board the ferry to Fukuoka.

DAY 8: FROM FUKUOKA TO HIROSHIMA

Located on the northern shores of Japan's Kyushu Island - Fukuoka is also the island's largest city. Begin the day with a visit to the Dazaifu Tenmangu Shinto Shrine before exploring the National Museum to learn about the city's colourful past. After lunch, board the bullet train to Hiroshima, a city that needs no introduction.



CLASSIC
SOUTH KOREA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This two-week South Korea and Japan adventure gives a fascinating insight into two of Asia's most intriguing countries. Close in proximity yet culturally distinct, this tour offers the perfect way to experience the diversity of the Far East.



Ascend N Seoul Tower



Stroll through the historic quarter of Kurashiki

DAY 9: HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA

Start the day at the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, which pays homage to the victims of the 1945 atomic bomb, followed by a visit to an oyster farm by boat. In the afternoon, hop on the ferry to the holy island of Miyajima and visit the Itsukushima Shrine, a UNESCO World Heritage listed site, located on the edge of the waters of the Seto Inland Sea.

DAY 10: DISCOVER ANCIENT KURASHIKI & OKAYAMA

Transfer by bullet train to Kurashiki to explore the beautifully-preserved Bikan Historical Quarter, where the streets along the banks of the Kurashiki River are lined with white-walled kominka (traditional houses). Next, head to Okayama and visit Korakuen Garden, one of the 'Three Great Gardens of Japan'. Later, board the bullet train to the vibrant city of Osaka.

DAY 11: EXPLORE NARA & OSAKA

Travel to Nara and enjoy a leisurely walk through Nara Park to Todaiji Temple before returning to Osaka. Enjoy lunch at Dotonbori Street, famous for its eye-catching signage and billboards and then visit the impressive Osaka Castle.

DAY 12: TRAVEL TO KYOTO

Journey by road to Kyoto. An enchanting city, Kyoto was Japan's capital city for 1,000 years; today it is a testament to ancient Japan, packed with tranquil temples, silk-clad geisha and sublime gardens. Visit Ryoanji, the 'temple of the peaceful dragon' and the famous Kinkakuji Temple, also known as the 'Golden Pavilion'. Later immerse yourself in the culture by experiencing the sacred rituals of a tea ceremony with a tea master.

DAY 13: EXPLORE KYOTO

Visit the vibrant district of Arashiyama and stroll through the bamboo forest with its towering thickets before trying your hand at the art of fan painting. Next you'll have the opportunity to have lunch with a maiko – an apprentice geisha. In the afternoon, visit to one of Kyoto's most famous sites – Fushimi Inari Shrine, renowned for its 10,000 vermilion torii gates, and follow a forested hillside pathway passing numerous shrines along the way.

DAY 14: VISIT HAKONE

Take the bullet train to Odawara. Upon arrival, visit the Hakone shrine, situated on the shores of Lake Ashi and enjoy the breathtaking views of Mount Fuji in the background. After lunch, take part in a Yosegi marquetry craft experience, before continuing by road to Tokyo – Japan's capital city.

DAY 15: EXPLORE TOKYO

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DAYS 16-17: FLY TOKYO TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES

08 Mar - 24 Mar	\$15,490	20 Sep - 06 Oct	\$15,490
12 Apr - 28 Apr	\$15,490	08 Nov - 24 Nov	\$15,490
10 May - 26 May	\$15,490		

2026 DATES

28 Mar - 13 Apr	\$16,690	12 Sep - 28 Sep	\$16,690
04 Apr - 20 Apr	\$16,690	10 Oct - 26 Oct	\$16,690
09 May - 25 May	\$16,690	07 Nov - 23 Nov	\$16,690

Flight and supplement information

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore bustling Seoul
- ✓ Enjoy tea tasting in Boseong
- ✓ Discover picturesque Busan
- ✓ Take a ride on a cable car
- ✓ Visit Mt Seorak National Park
- ✓ Spend time in Gyeongju, 'the museum without walls'



Visit the magnificent Gyeongbok Palace

PRICE INCLUDES

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- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ)

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Embark on an informative and unique adventure to the DMZ, the buffer zone between the Koreas. Your visit will include the DMZ Theatre & Exhibition Hall and the 3rd Infiltration Tunnel and Unification Village.
- ▶ As part of discovering traditional Korean lifestyle at Naganeupseong Fortress Village, you can try your hand at one of Korea's oldest cultural arts – handkerchief dyeing.
- ▶ Experience NANTA, the beloved Korean comedy show. Acrobatics and pantomime tell the story of three cooks frantically preparing a wedding banquet, their kitchen gear doubling as improvised instruments to beat out irresistibly fun folk rhythms.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SEOUL

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DAY 3: EXPLORE SEOUL

Amongst the skyscrapers, nightlife districts and colossal shopping malls of Seoul, there is an exceptional amount of culture and tradition, from busy teahouses to magnificent palaces. Begin your Seoul adventure at Gyeongbok Palace to watch the 'Changing of the Guards' ceremony, and then visit the palace itself. Next, attend a Korean cooking class and make traditional bibimbap which you'll then enjoy for lunch. Also visit the UNESCO World Heritage listed Jongmyo Royal Shrine and enjoy the panoramic city views at N Seoul Tower. Tonight, be treated to a performance of Nanta – an award-winning non-verbal comedy and the longest running show in Korean history.

DAY 4: VISIT SOSWAEWON GARDEN

Depart Seoul and travel to the bamboo forest of Juknokwon. Next, head to Damyang where you'll discover the beauty of Soswaewon. This private garden built in the 16th century in the traditional style features essential elements to bring harmony, such as flowing water, trees and grasses. Continue to Gwangju, where you'll spend some time discovering this artistic hub full of fascinating history.

DAY 5: EXPLORE SEONAMSA TEMPLE

Head to Boseong, considered the best place in Korea to grow tea, and visit a green tea plantation, learning all about its production and enjoying a tasting. Continue to Suncheon for a stop at the 6th-century Seonamsa Temple. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the temple complex is also home to a beautiful arched stone bridge. Also visit Naganeupseong Fortress Village for a glimpse at a more traditional Korean lifestyle and a chance to take part in a handkerchief dyeing experience.



Explore the grounds of Seonamsa Temple



Explore the bamboo forests of Juknokwon

DAY 6: TRAVEL TO BUSAN

Head to Yeosu and ride the cable car over beautiful scenery and open water to Dolsan Island. Continue to Odongdo Island for more spectacular landscapes and take some time to appreciate the array of wild flowers that flourish here before travelling to the port city of Busan.

DAY 7: DISCOVER BUSAN

The laidback to Seoul's bustle, Busan is a city full of character and traditional features as well as mountains, beaches, temples and exquisite seafood. Start the day at the Jagalchi Fish Market, and then see the city from above at Busan Tower. Also browse the wares at Gukje Market. After lunch, walk over the Oryukdo Skywalk, a glass bridge set on a seaside cliff, soak up the peaceful nature of Dongbaekseom Island, and feel the sand between your toes on Haeundae Beach. Continue by road to Gyeongju.

DAY 8: EXPLORE GYEONGJU

A city of cultural and historical relics, Gyeongju is called 'the museum without walls'. Capital of the Silla Kingdom for over 1,000 years, the city is home to a staggering number of tombs, temples, statues and ruins, some of which you'll explore today. Begin at the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage listed site – Bulguksa Temple and Seokguram Grotto. After lunch, visit Gyeongju National Museum, explore Tumuli Park's, a collection of royal tombs, and take a stroll at Anapji Pond.

DAY 9: VISIT NAKSANSAN TEMPLE

Travel to Sokcho, stopping en route to explore the 1,300-year history of the Naksansa Temple, a seven-storey stone building complex overlooking the East Sea.

DAY 10: EXPLORE MOUNT SEORAK

Mount Seorak National Park is a spectacularly scenic area of high, cloudy peaks, craggy bluffs and fragrant pine forest. Designated a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve as a habitat for many rare species of plants and animals, it is one of South Korea's most dramatic natural treasures. Take the cable car to the mountaintop and then hike to Gwongeumseong Fortress. After lunch, take a hike along the beautiful valley floor as well as an optional visit to the temple.

DAY 11: RETURN TO SEOUL

Transfer to Gangneung and board the train bound for Seoul. On arrival, after lunch, there will be free time for those who wish to shop or further explore Seoul at leisure.

DAY 12: VISIT THE DMZ

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DAYS 13-14: FLY SEOUL TO AUSTRALIA

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CLASSIC
SOUTH KOREA

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**

With its complex history, skyscrapers and centuries-old temples, this tour has something for everyone – from bustling cities and stunning countryside to UNESCO World Heritage listed national forests. It is a tour full of contrast.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES

31 Mar - 13 Apr	★ \$11,890	13 Oct - 26 Oct	★ \$11,890
07 Apr - 20 Apr	\$11,890	20 Oct - 02 Nov	★ \$11,890
14 Apr - 27 Apr	\$11,890	27 Oct - 09 Nov	★ \$11,890
19 May - 01 Jun	\$11,890	03 Nov - 16 Nov	★ \$11,890

2026 DATES

30 Mar - 12 Apr	★ \$12,480	12 Oct - 25 Oct	★ \$12,480
06 Apr - 19 Apr	\$12,480	19 Oct - 01 Nov	★ \$12,480
13 Apr - 26 Apr	\$12,480	26 Oct - 08 Nov	★ \$12,480
11 May - 24 May	\$12,480	02 Nov - 15 Nov	★ \$12,480

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available on request
- Land only (Seoul - Seoul) 12 days from \$10,790 per person, twin share
- Single Supplement from \$2,400

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**CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL****

During the months of March and April, we may include a stop at the delightful Jinhae Cherry Blossom Festival on day 6. This annual event is Korea's biggest spring festival and gives you the chance to wander among the spectacular pink blossom, where there are 340,000 cherry trees!

**Please note that the cherry blossoms are weather dependent and it is not guaranteed that they will be in bloom at the time of your visit.

TREASURES OF TAIWAN

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PER PERSON **\$7,690**

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ALL MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore bustling Taipei
- ✓ Unwind at Sun Moon Lake
- ✓ Visit the Foguangshan Monastery
- ✓ Relax on the beach at Kenting
- ✓ Discover the Taroko Gorge
- ✓ Bathe in Taitung's hot springs



Visit Lotus Pond's colourful Dragon and Tiger Pagodas

PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Relax in Taitung's hot springs

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Relax and unwind in the warm, mineral-rich volcanic waters of Taitung – you'll have plenty of time to make the most of them as your hotel has hot spring pools for you to enjoy!
- ▶ Indulge in the traditional street foods of Taipei's vibrant night markets, with an array of sizzling meats, spicy noodles and all sorts of tasty snacks.
- ▶ Make a stop at the Kavalan Whisky Distillery, one of Taiwan's most famous, where you can learn all about the process of creating Taiwanese whisky.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO TAIPEI

Fly overnight to Taipei, Taiwan's buzzing capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. This evening meet with your National Escort and fellow travellers to enjoy a welcome dinner at the hotel.

DAY 3: A DAY IN TAIPEI

Nestled in a basin surrounded by mountains, Taipei is a laidback and vibrant city that, as well as being packed with the upmarket and ultramodern, is a bastion of Taiwan's wonderfully rich heritage. Begin your explorations of Taipei at the Martyrs' Shrine, CKS Memorial Hall, and Longshan Temple. Later, ascend the world-famous Taipei 101 for breathtaking city views. As evening falls, immerse yourself in local life with a street food tour at the bustling night markets.

DAY 4: SCENIC SUN MOON LAKE

Explore the National Palace Museum, then journey towards the heart of the island to what is arguably Taiwan's most scenic spot – Sun Moon Lake. Visit the Wen Wu Temple before embarking on a motorboat cruise around the lake for picture perfect views of the area's beautiful landscapes. You'll also visit the Holy Monk Shrine, Cien Pagoda and the aboriginal village of Tehua.

DAY 5: TEA PLANTATION

Begin today with a visit to a famous tea farm to discover all about the process of tea growth and production before taking the cable car to Formosan Cultural Village. There will also be some time at leisure, with the option of biking on trails around Sun Moon Lake, listed as one of the 10 most beautiful places to cycle in the world.



Explore the dramatic Taroko Gorge



CLASSIC
TAIWAN

PHYSICAL RATING 

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?
Explore the cities of Taipei and Tainan, where ancient and modern sit side by side, and lose yourself in the natural beauty of Sun Moon Lake and Taroko National Park. Magical Taiwan has so much to offer!



Spend time at scenic Sun Moon Lake



Discover the vibrant city of Taipei

DAY 6: DISCOVER TAINAN

Depart Sun Moon Lake and travel to Tainan. Taiwan's oldest city and capital until 1887 when Taipei took over. Tainan was originally established as a trading port by the Dutch East India Company, renowned for its preservation of traditions and rich folk culture. You will start by exploring the Chihkan Tower and Confucius Temple. In the afternoon, wander the old streets of the Anping district and view the sunset from Anping Harbour.

DAY 7: EXPLORE KAOHSIUNG

Head south to the port city of Kaohsiung where you'll admire the Dragon and Tiger Pagodas and the Spring and Autumn Pavilions before paying a visit to Taiwan's largest monastery, Foguanshan. Lunch here will be a vegetarian feast, before you stroll over to the main shrine, the Buddhist Museum and Great Buddha Land, where you'll find a 36-metre Buddha watching over a garden of many smaller Buddhas. Finally, see the Martyrs' Shrine at Shoushan.

DAY 8: VISIT KENTING NATIONAL PARK

Travel over to the beach resort of Kenting, gateway to the beautiful Kenting National Park. Consisting of a range of landscapes – low mountains, rolling hills, cliffs and deserts, all fringed by excellent beaches and helped along by a balmy tropical climate, Kenting is home to a diverse range of flora and fauna.

DAY 9: DISCOVER SHEDING NATURE PARK

Spend the morning amongst the rock formations and lush greenery of Shedding Nature Park with a pause to take in the ocean views at Oluanpi Lighthouse. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 10: OCEAN DRIVE TO CHIHHPEN

Depart Kenting and drive along the beautiful east coast to Taitung, admiring the ocean views throughout the journey. Continue to Chihpen, famous for its hot springs. On arrival, your afternoon will be free to relax and bathe in the thermal waters at your hotel. Tonight's dinner will be accompanied by a performance of traditional music and dance.

DAY 11: HEAD TO TAROKO

Travel northwards to Hualien, the gateway to the magnificent Taroko National Park. En route there will be a series of stops including Donghe, where you may spot wild monkeys, and the scenic Cisingtan Lake, where you can head out on an optional bike ride on the lakeshore.

DAY 12: EXPLORE TAROKO NATIONAL PARK

Encompassing sea cliffs, soaring peaks and a famously picturesque gorge, Taroko National Park is home to a huge diversity of features and habitats, and shelters a great range of plant and animal species. Today your visit will include the Gorge Gateway and the Eternal Spring Shrine, where you can enjoy a leisurely walk through the beautiful landscapes.

DAY 13: RETURN TO TAIPEI

Take a photo stop at Cingshuei Cliff for beautiful views and visit the Kavalan Whisky Distillery, where a few tastings will be in order. Return to Taipei and enjoy a farewell dinner, the perfect opportunity to reflect on your adventures with your fellow passengers

DAYS 14-15: FLY TAIPEI TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day.

PRICES & DEPARTURES
Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES			
12 Apr - 26 Apr	\$7,690	13 Sep - 27 Sep	\$7,690
10 May - 24 May	\$7,690	11 Oct - 25 Oct	\$7,690
2026 DATES			
11 Apr - 25 Apr	\$8,580	12 Sep - 26 Sep	\$8,580
09 May - 23 May	\$8,580	10 Oct - 24 Oct	\$8,580

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth
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- Single Supplement from \$2,200

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We're proud of the fact that we really know our destinations, allowing us to offer tours that feature excursions to hidden gems and secret corners. If you're looking for a holiday that features places that you thought were too hard to reach, or maybe haven't even heard of, these are the tours for you!

SMALLER GROUPS

Exploring in smaller and more flexible groups with no more than 18 fellow travellers, we often step off the beaten track and experience the authentic ways of life in the places you're exploring. We make that even easier for you by including cultural visits and local encounters that will put you right in the heart of the destination. In a smaller group you can interact more easily with local communities and discover fascinating cultures so different from our own.

EXPERT GUIDING

Your National Escort is born and bred in your destination, and is an endless source of information about the local history, heritage and culture. Of course, they are more than willing to share that wealth of knowledge about their homeland with you. Who better to help you get to grips with a magical sight, city or region than someone who knows it like the back of their hand?

OFF-BEAT JAPAN

14 DAYS FROM

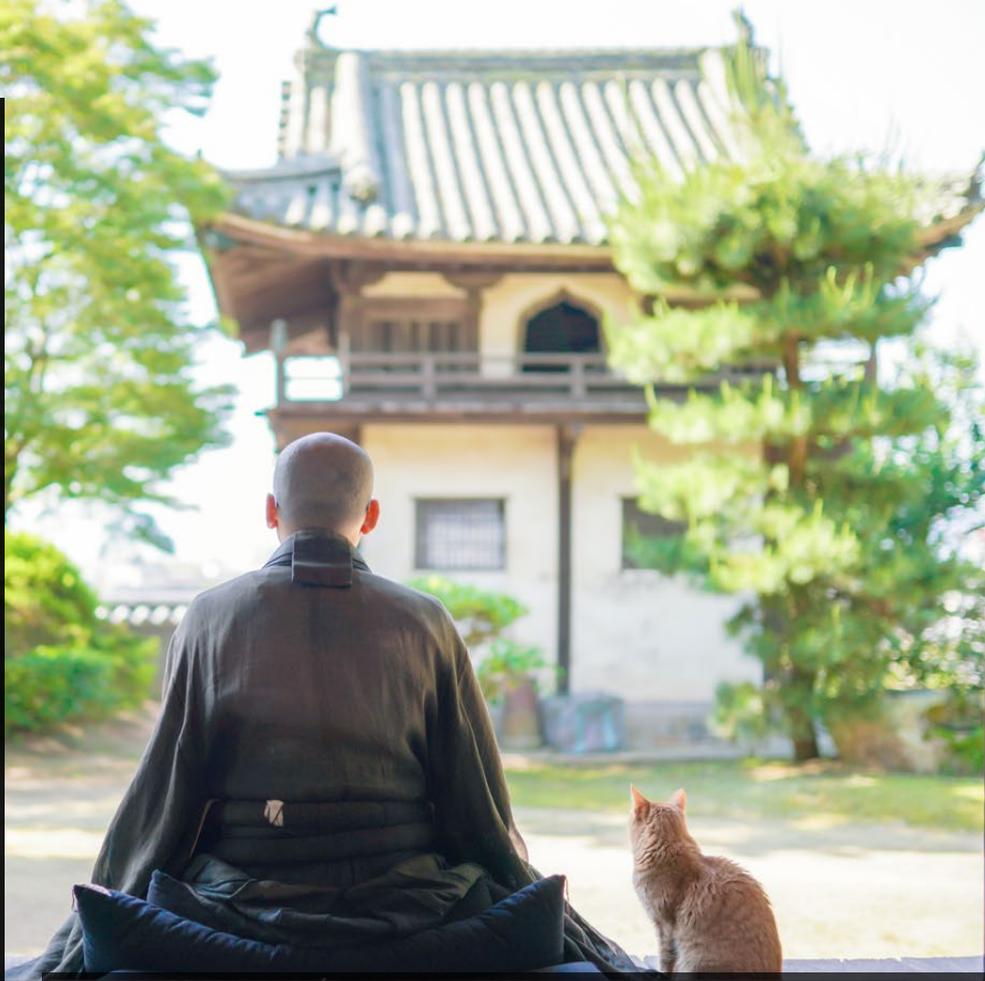
PER PERSON \$11,690

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MOST MEALS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Bathe in traditional onsens
- ✓ Take a Taiko drumming class
- ✓ Walk around Mount Fuji's base
- ✓ Stay overnight in ryokans
- ✓ Explore sacred Koyasan
- ✓ Chant with Buddhist monks



Experience morning prayers with monks in Koyasan

PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts & 4 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation, including overnight stays in ryokans and a temple lodge
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Try your hand at Taiko drumming

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Have a go at traditional drumming with a Taiko drumming class, taking part in an energetic and age-old ensemble performance on the big tom drums.
- ▶ For a classic Japanese experience, we've included three separate nights in a ryokan, a traditional inn with onsen facilities, where you'll sleep on a futon in a comfortable tatami mat room.
- ▶ Enjoy the peace and serenity inspired by the sacred chanting of Buddhist monks as you join them for their morning prayers in a beautiful 13th-century temple.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO TOKYO

Fly overnight to the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: JAPANESE DRUMMING

Begin your tour of Tokyo by immersing yourself into the local culture spending the morning trying your hand at traditional Japanese drumming with a Taiko class, where you will learn how to beat the 'wadaiko' with 'bachi'. This popular pastime has been a part of the Japanese culture for centuries. Later, stop by Meiji Shrine and continue to the vibrant district of Harajuku before stopping by the famous Shibuya Crossing. With the rest of the day at leisure, take it upon yourself to further explore this vibrant city. (B)

DAY 4: DISCOVER TOKYO

Tokyo is a city that is always moving forward – from the ever-changing skyline to the fashions and trends of the people who call it home. As modern as it may appear, behind the neon façade is a traditional soul that is easy to find amongst the old alleyways, temples and shrines of the Edo era. Sightseeing today begins with a stroll through the Imperial Palace East Garden and a visit to the observation deck of the 634-metre Skytree for views over the sprawling city below. You'll also stop by Sensoji - Tokyo's oldest temple, and stroll along Nakamise shopping street. This afternoon, explore Tokyo's past at the Tokyo National Museum. Known as Edo until 1869, the city's history is powerfully illustrated in this impressive museum found in Ueno Park. (B)

DAY 5: MOUNT FUJI

Journey out of Tokyo to the foot of mighty Mount Fuji and the Fuji Five Lakes area. Pick up a walking trail and make your way through lush alpine forest at Fuji's base, pausing often to admire the landscapes around you. Stay overnight in a ryokan with onsen facilities and sleep on a traditional futon on a tatami mat. (B,D)

DAY 6: SNOW MONKEYS

Travel to Matsumoto and explore its magnificent 16th-century castle. Continue to Nagano, stopping in Yudanaka to search for the Japanese macaques (snow monkeys) at Jigokudani Monkey Park, and enjoy watching them bathe and play in the hot spring pools. (B)

DAY 7: JAPANESE ALPS

Travel to Hotaka and ride up into the Japanese Alps on the Shin-Hotaka Ropeway for breathtaking views over the surrounding mountains (weather permitting). Drive to Takayama, nestled high in the Hida region. This afternoon, you will have time to explore Kamisannomachi Street and sample the street food on offer as well as browse the local shops for souvenirs. Tonight, stay overnight in a ryokan with onsen facilities and sleep on a traditional futon on a tatami mat. (B,D)

DAY 8: BULLET TRAIN TO KYOTO

Take the limited express train to Nagoya, then board a super-fast bullet train to whizz your way through the countryside to Kyoto. Start discovering the city's rich heritage with visits to the enchanting Fushimi Inari Shrine and Kiyomizu Temple. Stroll around Higashiyama and Gion, the geisha district, with a stop at Gion Corner, a space used to showcase the seven professional performing arts. (B)

GO BEYOND

JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Get off the beaten track on our most culturally immersive tour of Japan. This tour includes a ryokan stay in two locations as well as a one-night stay in a Buddhist lodge with simple, shared facilities.



Admire Kinkakuji - the Golden Pavilion



Taste Japanese sake

DAY 9: JAPANESE TEA CEREMONY

Start today by visiting Kinkakuji, known as the 'Golden Pavilion', and Ryonaji. Continue to Arashiyama district to explore the striking bamboo forest and enjoy a rickshaw ride. Later, witness the rituals involved in the preparation and pouring of matcha tea in a traditional tea ceremony. (B)

DAY 10: KYOTO CULTURE & KOYASAN

Discover the complicated process of dressing in a traditional kimono at Nishijin Textile Centre, then try your hand at the art of origami. This afternoon, travel by road to Koyasan, where you will spend the night in a 13th-century temple guesthouse sleeping on a traditional futon on a tatami mat floor. (B,D)

DAY 11: MORNING PRAYERS

Rise early to join the monks for their daily morning service – hearing the recitation and chanting is a magical experience. After breakfast, take a walking tour of Koyasan. One of Japan's holiest sites, this mountain top sanctuary is full of temples and pagodas. Also visit Kongobuji Temple and Okunoin Cemetery before travelling to Osaka. (B)

DAY 12: HIMEJI CASTLE & SAKE BREWERY

Take a day tour to Himeji to visit the 17th-century castle which is considered a prime example of Japanese feudal period architecture. Continue to a sake brewery, where you can learn about the brewing process and enjoy some tasters. Return to Osaka and enjoy a farewell dinner. (B,D)

DAYS 13 -14: FLY OSAKA TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or following day. (B)



SEE SHIBAZAKURA FESTIVAL

During the month of May, a special visit to the Fuji Shibazakura Festival has been included on day 5. This is the best time of the year and one of the most scenic places in Japan to see the pink moss phlox in full bloom! Subject to weather conditions.



SEE SUMO WRESTLING

On the May and September departures*, there is an extra special addition to day 4: a sumo tournament. Many of Japan's most ancient traditions are preserved in the sport, and the rituals involved in its performance are as fascinating to watch as the wrestling itself. Subject to availability.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES

17 Mar - 30 Mar	✳ \$11,980	12 May - 25 May*	\$11,690
24 Mar - 06 Apr	✳ \$11,980	15 Sep - 28 Sep*	\$11,690
31 Mar - 13 Apr	✳ \$11,980	13 Oct - 26 Oct	✳ \$11,980
07 Apr - 20 Apr	✳ \$11,980	03 Nov - 16 Nov	✳ \$11,980

2026 DATES

16 Mar - 29 Mar	✳ \$12,690	14 Sep - 27 Sep*	\$12,390
23 Mar - 05 Apr	✳ \$12,690	12 Oct - 25 Oct	✳ \$12,690
30 Mar - 12 Apr	✳ \$12,690	19 Oct - 01 Nov	✳ \$12,690
06 Apr - 19 Apr	✳ \$12,690	26 Oct - 08 Nov	✳ \$12,690
13 Apr - 26 Apr	\$12,690	02 Nov - 15 Nov	✳ \$12,690
11 May - 24 May*	\$12,390		

*Includes the sumo wrestling tournament

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available on request
- Land only (Tokyo – Osaka) 12 days from \$10,490 per person, twin share
- Single Supplement from \$2,600

Important note

Prices include airline fuel surcharge and taxes. Correct as of 1 June 2024, subject to change. Tipping is generally not part of the culture in Japan; however, you may wish to tip your National Escort at your discretion. Depending on airline schedules, you may depart and/or arrive on Day 2. Extra nights' accommodation (pre or post tour) or stopovers may be required at an additional cost.

Please note: cherry blossoms are weather dependent and it is not guaranteed that they will be in bloom at the time of your arrival.



OVATION OF THE SEAS

CRUISE & TOUR

For those looking for the ultimate combination

Wendy Wu Cruise & Tour holidays combine the best of the world's ocean cruises with our award-winning touring itineraries to create unforgettable holidays.

Our fully inclusive touring ethos, where everything is taken care of, is the perfect match for a carefree voyage to the exotic corners of the world. With our carefully chosen cruise partners, we've curated unique journeys that weave together inspirational cruise itineraries with our most popular tours providing you with the absolute best of both worlds.

SAIL IN STYLE

If you've not cruised before, you're in for a real treat. Travelling in style, having to unpack just the once, modern cruise ships provide accommodation, dining and bar choices that outshine any hotel. Add the huge choice of entertainment, leisure and relaxation options available and you'll begin to understand why cruising is so popular.

EXPERIENCE EXTRAORDINARY TOURING

Where the ocean ends, we begin. Connecting seamlessly with your cruise, the land element of your holiday will take you places cruise ships just cannot reach. Fully escorted by our famous National Escorts on all pre and post cruise arrangements, we'll show you the iconic attractions and hidden gems, immersing you in the local culture the way only we can.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

On your Wendy Wu Cruise & Tour Holiday everything you need for an unforgettable holiday is included beginning with return flights from Australia and all connecting transfers. Cruises include outside staterooms (no inside cabins for us!), dining, drinks and onboard entertainment whilst your land touring includes 4 star hotels, all meals, touring with guides, sightseeing and entrance fees. You'll only need to budget extra for a range of optional shore excursions from the ship whilst cruising.

Say hello to our cruise partners:

ROYAL CARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL

Royal Caribbean International has been delivering novation at sea since its launch in 1969. Each successive class of ships is a record-breaking architectural marvel that revolutionises holidays with the latest technology. Today, the cruise line continues to dial up the guest experience for adventurous travellers, offering bold onboard thrills, spectacular dining options, breathtaking entertainment and world-class accommodation.

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Celebrity is different. As in "you'll never want to vacation any other way" kind of different. Every detail is elevated beyond what you ever thought a vacation could be. You'll enjoy the intimate feel and thoughtful service of a smaller ship, the variety and excitement of a bigger one, and experiences you won't find anywhere else. So, if you want to explore the world or get away from it for a little while, Nothing Comes Close to Celebrity Cruises.

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Since 2010, Azamara has delivered a unique way to travel that they call Destination Immersion experiences. Their intimate, club-like ships can fit in smaller ports bigger vessels can't visit, and you'll experience destinations that aren't even on the map for other cruises. With smaller ports, longer stays, and more overnights than other cruise lines, Azamara makes it easier than ever to be immersed in the heart of local cultures in the ports they visit.

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ALL MEALS



14 NIGHT AZAMARA CRUISE

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise from Singapore to Kobe
- ✓ Explore timeless Kyoto
- ✓ See the adorable snow monkeys
- ✓ Gaze on magnificent Mount Fuji



Stroll through Kyoto's old town

PRICE INCLUDES

- 22 breakfast, 21 lunches & 22 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation, plus Azamara Cruise
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for Australian passport holders



AZAMARA PURSUIT

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- ▶ Outside or balcony cabins as standard
- ▶ Self service laundry
- ▶ All meals on board

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SINGAPORE

Fly to the vibrant city of Singapore. On arrival at the airport, you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to the hotel. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 2: EXPLORE SINGAPORE

Embark a full day tour of Singapore. Begin in the historic neighbourhoods of Chinatown and Kampong Glam then pass Parliament House on the way to Merlion Park, where you'll get excellent views over Marina Bay. Arrive at the Fullerton Hotel via a hidden walkway for a delicious afternoon tea. Cruise the Singapore River as the sun sets then, post dinner, explore the magnificent Gardens by the Bay and enjoy its iconic light show.

DAY 3: BOARD THE AZAMARA PURSUIT

After breakfast you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to Singapore's cruise terminal to board your cruise. The rest of the day is free to explore the ship's facilities and settle in. Throughout your cruise, when your ship comes into port, there will be a range of excursions available to help you explore each destination. These excursions are at your own expense and are bookable on your cruise reservation.

DAY 4: CRUISE – AT SEA

Spend today relaxing on deck or exploring all your ship's amenities as you sail across the Gulf of Thailand.

DAYS 5-6: CRUISE –

EXPLORE HO CHI MINH CITY

Arrive in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam's second, but largest, city. On its vibrant streets you can explore the timeless relics of colonial times and the revolution, sip delicious coffee, and eat some of Vietnam's best food. Or use the city as a gateway, striking out to the gloriously lush Mekong Delta or curiosities like the Cu Chi Tunnels.

DAY 7: CRUISE – AT SEA

Relax as you sail along Vietnam's coast.

DAY 8: CRUISE – HUE

Port at Chan May from where there is a whole wealth of places to explore. Delve into the imperial history of Hue, where the UNESCO-listed Imperial City is a must-see, wander the enchanting, cobbled streets of Hoi An or head high into the Ba Na Hills to walk across the picturesque Golden Bridge.

DAY 9: CRUISE – AT SEA

Relax and enjoy life on board as you sail across the South China Sea.

DAYS 10-11: CRUISE – EXPLORE HONG KONG

Arrive in the incomparable city of Hong Kong. Incredibly cosmopolitan, this unique destination blends a colonial legacy, ancient Chinese culture, and a modern, iconic cityscape into one glorious-to-explore package. There's delicious food, excellent cultural institutions, spectacular nature and great shopping too, while those looking for something a bit more contemplative can find it in quiet corners brimming with age old traditions.

**DAY 12: CRUISE – AT SEA**

Be active, relax, be pampered or enjoy a show as you spend the day at sea.

DAY 13: CRUISE – EXPLORE TAIPEI

Arrive in Taipei, capital city of Taiwan. A modern metropolis full of glistening skyscrapers, Taipei is a thriving, eclectic mix of Chinese, Japanese and Western influences which you'll find threaded through its culture, food, folk arts, and architecture.

DAY 14: CRUISE – EXPLORE MIYAKOJIMA

Port at Hirara on Miyakojima. One of Japan's Okinawa islands, here you'll find a tropical paradise, fringed with unbelievable soft white sand beaches and colourful coral reefs.

DAY 15: CRUISE – EXPLORE NAHA

Arrive at Naha, the cosmopolitan capital of Okinawa, the smallest of Japan's five main islands. The gateway to Okinawa's natural beauty and rich heritage, the city itself is offers great food, unique charms, and hidden treasures.

DAY 16: CRUISE – AT SEA

A final day to make the most of all the facilities, activities and experiences available on the Pursuit as you sail towards the end of your cruise.

DAY 17: ARRIVE IN KOBE

Disembark the Azamara Pursuit at Kobe's cruise port, where you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to your hotel in Kyoto.

DAYS 18-19: EXPLORE KYOTO

Japan's capital for over 1,000 years, Kyoto is a treasure trove of history and timeless culture. Your explorations will include Kyoto's landmark sights – beautiful Kinkakuji,

the Golden Pavilion, the Zen garden of Ryoanji, the pathways of vermilion red torii gates at Fushimi Inari Shrine and the Gion district, an area famous for its geisha. Enjoy a sukiyaki lunch and kaiseki dinner.

DAY 20: VIEW MOUNT FUJI

Board a bullet train and be whisked off to Mount Fuji. Pause at Oishi Park for incredible views (weather dependent) before a mini cruise on the picturesque Lake Ashi. Fly up to the heights of Mount Komagatake by cable car for more beautiful views before heading to Nagano to relax in an onsen – hot spring baths – and stay at a traditional ryokan.

DAY 21: SNOW MONKEYS

Travel to Jigokudani Monkey Park, walking through the forest to reach the hot spring pool where a community of Japanese macaques, or snow monkeys, bathe in the warm waters. Visit the 7th-century Zenkoji before transferring to Tokyo, Japan's capital since 1868 and one of the world's largest cities.

DAY 22: EXPLORE TOKYO

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DAYS 23-24: FLY TOKYO TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or the following day.

CRUISE & TOUR

SINGAPORE, VIETNAM, HONG KONG, TAIWAN, JAPAN

PHYSICAL RATING

**IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?**

Travelling right across Asia from cosmopolitan Singapore to Japan's mega capital, Tokyo, this cruise & tour combo showcases vibrant cities, paradise islands, age-old heritage and everything in between on one all-encompassing adventure!

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES	Outside	Balcony
07 Mar - 30 Mar	\$17,880	\$18,680

Flight and supplement information

- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available on request
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- Single supplement from \$16,180 (outside cabin)
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The Club Veranda Room, Azamara Pursuit

▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Discover a little of Singapore's secret history in the form of a tunnel once used for running mail to waiting ships. From Merlion Park follow it under Fullerton Road and into the landmark Fullerton Hotel, where a delicious afternoon tea will be waiting.
- ▶ Distinguish your nori from your nigiri in a sushi making masterclass! With plenty of tricks and tips, you'll learn to roll the perfect makizushi and much more before dining on your creations for lunch.
- ▶ Kyoto's Gion is the city's hub of traditional arts and entertainments and its most famous geisha district. Exploring here is to take a step back in time, the grey flagstone streets lined with wooden buildings, the possibility of a geisha appearing from an alleyway always an intriguing possibility.

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DAY 9: CRUISE - KOBE

Spend the day ported in Kobe, the perfect opportunity to explore the amenities of your ship.

DAY 10: CRUISE - EXPLORE KOCHI

Port at Kochi. A surfer hang out with a UNESCO Global Geopark coastline, plentiful great outdoors and bags of rustic charm, Kochi is a wonderful place to while away a day.

DAY 11: CRUISE - EXPLORE HIROSHIMA

Arrive at Hiroshima. Best known as the first city in the world to feel the power of the atomic bomb in 1945, Hiroshima has emerged from the ashes as a cosmopolitan and peaceful place.

CRUISE & TOUR

JAPAN, SOUTH KOREA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Explore the highlights of Japan – Tokyo, Mount Fuji and Kyoto – on a culture-packed tour before circumnavigating Japan's largest island, Honshu, onboard the Azamara Pursuit, discovering even more wonders as you go.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES	Outside	Balcony
13 Apr - 06 May	\$20,890	\$21,890

Flight and supplement information

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Ocean View stateroom, Azamara Pursuit

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

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- ▶ Japan's haute cuisine, kaiseki, is a multi-course meal that showcases a collection of intricate skills and techniques. You'll be served this culinary art form to enjoy (and admire) while in Kyoto.
- ▶ Visiting Nikko is like stepping into the Edo period, so wonderfully preserved are the city's shrines, temples and sensibilities. Spend a day here, discovering UNESCO World Heritage Sites amongst the towering cedars of Nikko National Park, and lunching on delicious local dishes featuring 'yuba'.



Visit the tranquil Peace Park to learn about and reflect on the past.

DAY 12: CRUISE – EXPLORE KITAKYUSHU

On the north coast of the island of Fukuoka, Kitakyushu is the gateway to plentiful natural beauty, historic sights, and some wonderful local food.

DAY 13: CRUISE – EXPLORE SASEBO

Port at Sasebo, a hub of local culture and a city famous for its beautiful bay, dotted with over 200 rocky islands and islets.

DAY 14: CRUISE – EXPLORE BUSAN

Depart Japan and arrive in South Korea, porting at the bustling city of Busan. Boasting mountains, beaches, and hot springs, this is a city full of small-town charm.

DAY 15: CRUISE – EXPLORE SAKAIMINATO

Back in Japan, port at Sakaiminato. This small fishing town is the birthplace of anime legend Shigeru Mizuki, so is a pilgrimage site for manga lovers, as well as being surrounded by spectacular nature.

DAY 16: CRUISE – EXPLORE KANAZAWA

Arrive in the historic town of Kanazawa, where you can get a flavour of old-world Japan exploring classical architecture and traditional Japanese gardens, including Kenrokuen, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan. Enjoy any of a range of excursions at your own expense, bookable on your cruise reservation.

DAY 17: CRUISE – EXPLORE NIIGATA

On the shores of the Sea of Japan, Niigata is a city of ancient traditions, best known for its rice and sake.

DAY 18: CRUISE – EXPLORE AKITA

Surrounded by mountains, forests and plentiful hot springs, Akita also offers a glimpse at the samurai way of life in historic Kakunodate.

DAY 19: CRUISE – EXPLORE AOMORI

A delightfully sleepy seaside resort surrounded by mountainous landscapes, Aomori is a charming city to explore.

DAY 20: CRUISE – AT SEA

Fill your final day onboard your cruise with all of your favourite onboard activities.

DAY 21: ARRIVE IN TOKYO

Arrive at Yokohama cruise port and disembark the Azamara Pursuit, where you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to your hotel in Tokyo.

DAY 22: EXPLORE NIKKO

Travel to ancient Nikko, a compact and culture-filled city. Stop for photos at the scenic Shinkyo Bridge and enjoy a 'yuba' lunch. Then, visit Japan's most lavish shrine, Toshogu, set in the glorious surroundings of Nikko National Park, and the peaceful, forest-swathed Taiyuinbyo, both UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Return to Tokyo.

DAYS 23 -24: FLY TOKYO TO AUSTRALIA

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SNOW MONKEYS & SINGAPORE

CRUISE & TOUR

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 5 NIGHT ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISE

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise Singapore to Singapore
- ✓ Ascend Tokyo's towering Skytree
- ✓ Explore Kyoto's cultural treasures
- ✓ See the adorable snow monkeys



Visit the snow monkeys of Jigokudani Monkey Park

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- Domestic transportation
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Pioneer onboard one of the world's most groundbreaking ships, Ovation of the Seas®. Go scenery scoping from the unrivalled perspective of the North Star® – the highest vantage point on any cruise ship. Enjoy edge-of-your-seat entertainment, game-changing fun, and breathtaking vistas from every stateroom.

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Fly overnight to Japan's capital, and one of the world's largest cities, Tokyo. On arrival at the airport, you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to the hotel. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE TOKYO

Tokyo may seem a thoroughly modern cityscape at first glance but look beyond the soaring towers and neon signs and you'll find deeply rooted tradition and peaceful pockets of the past. Start at vibrant Sensoji, the city's oldest temple before ascending the Tokyo Sky Tree for magical views. Enjoy a sushi making masterclass before dining on your creations for lunch. Make a photo stop at the world-famous Shibuya Crossing then explore Meiji Jingu Shrine.

DAY 4: SNOW MONKEYS

Travel to Jigokudani Monkey Park, walking through the forest to reach the hot spring pool where a community of Japanese macaques, or snow monkeys, bathe in the warm waters. Visit the 7th-century Zenkoji before transferring to Nagano, where you can try out the Japanese tradition of onsen – hot spring baths – and enjoy a kaiseki dinner at your ryokan accommodation.

DAY 5: MOUNT FUJI

Travel by road to the Mount Fuji area. Pause at Oishi Park for incredible views (weather dependent) before a mini cruise on the picturesque Lake Ashi. Fly up to the heights of Mount Komagatake by cable car for more beautiful views. Board a bullet train and be whisked off to Kyoto!

DAYS 6-7: EXPLORE KYOTO

Japan's capital for over 1,000 years, Kyoto is a treasure trove of history and timeless culture. Your explorations will include Kyoto's landmark sights; beautiful Kinkakuji – the Golden Pavilion – the Zen garden of Ryoanji, the pathways of vermilion red torii gates at Fushimi Inari Shrine, and the Gion District, an area famous for its geisha. Enjoy a kaiseki dinner and sukiyaki lunch, a traditional hotpot dish, on these days too.

DAY 8: SINGAPORE

Fly to Singapore. A modern metropolis located at the southern tip of the Malay Peninsula, the name Singapore comes from Sanskrit and means "Lion City." The rest of the day is yours to start exploring, with dinner served at a local restaurant this evening.



Admire Mount Fuji from Lake Ashi



CRUISE & TOUR
JAPAN, MALAYSIA, THAILAND

PHYSICAL RATING

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?
Combine the highlights of Japan and Singapore on this culture-packed cruise & tour adventure. With time to delve deep into the history, heritage and atmosphere of both, you'll even get to experience the festivities of Chinese New Year in Singapore.

PRICES & DEPARTURES
Prices are per person, twin share

2026 DATES	Outside	Balcony
09 Feb - 25 Feb	\$13,980	\$14,580

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available on request
- Land only (Tokyo - Singapore) 16 days from \$12,680 per person, twin share (outside cabin)
- Single supplement from \$4,600 (outside cabin)
- Tipping paid locally SGD15
- Gratuities paid on cruise US\$90

DAY 9: CELEBRATE CHINESE NEW YEAR
The whole of Singapore succumbs to non-stop revelry for Chinese New Year, in a magical exhibition of how modern ideas and old traditions can meld together. Immerse yourself in the fun, taking part in activities like a lantern making class and enjoying the festivities on the Hongbao River. Indulge with a Chinese dinner this evening.

DAY 10: BOARD THE ROYAL CARIBBEAN OVATION OF THE SEAS
After breakfast you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to Singapore's cruise terminal, Baoshan, to board your cruise ship. The rest of the day is free to explore the ship's facilities and settle in. Throughout your cruise, when your ship comes into port, there will be a range of excursions available to help you explore each destination. These excursions are at your own expense and are bookable on your cruise reservation.

DAY 11: CRUISE - PENANG, MALAYSIA
Arrive in Penang. Known as Malaysia's food capital, as well as eating tasty treats you can also enjoy the venerable history, pristine beaches and multicultural influences.

DAY 12-13: CRUISE - PHUKET, THAILAND
Port in Phuket, Thailand. A haven for water sports enthusiasts and beach lovers, there is plenty to entertain here.

DAY 14: CRUISE - AT SEA
Relax and enjoy everything that your cruise ship has to offer as you sail back down the Malacca Strait.

DAY 15: ARRIVE IN SINGAPORE
Disembark the Ovation of the Seas at the cruise port, where you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to your hotel in Singapore.

DAY 16: EXPLORE SINGAPORE
Embark a full day tour of Singapore. Begin in the historic neighbourhoods of Chinatown and Kampong Glam then pass Parliament House on the way to Merlion Park, where you'll get excellent views over Marina Bay. Arrive at the Fullerton Hotel via a hidden walkway for a delicious Afternoon Tea. Cruise the Singapore River as the sun sets then, post dinner, explore the magnificent Gardens by the Bay and enjoy its iconic light show.

DAY 17: FLY SINGAPORE TO AUSTRALIA
Fly to Australia.



▶ EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Distinguish your nori from your nigiri in a sushi making masterclass! With plenty of tricks and tips, you'll learn to roll the perfect makizushi and much more before dining on your creations for lunch.
- ▶ Chinese New Year is one of the most important celebrations for Chinese populations around the world, and Singapore's festivities are particularly bright and boisterous! Lanterns have long been a big part of New Year as they symbolise good fortune - learn to craft one of your own at a lantern making masterclass and join in the fun.
- ▶ Discover a little of Singapore's secret history in the form of a tunnel once used for running mail to waiting ships. From Merlion Park follow it under Fullerton Road and into the landmark Fullerton Hotel, where a delicious afternoon tea will be waiting.

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Cruise Tokyo to Seoul
- ✓ Discover the history of Kyoto
- ✓ Gaze on Mount Fuji
- ✓ Explore vibrant Seoul



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- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation, plus Celebrity cruise
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



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As part of a \$500 million fleet-wide modernization, Celebrity Millennium is making even bigger waves with phenomenal new staterooms, technologies, and design, transforming the way people open their world. Enjoy six complimentary dining venues, nine bars and lounges and a host of leisure facilities.

Your Cruise Features

- ▶ All drinks including alcohol
- ▶ Outside cabins as standard
- ▶ All meals on board

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DAYS 1-2: FLY TO OSAKA

Fly overnight to the vibrant city of Osaka. On arrival at the airport, you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to the hotel in Kyoto. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAYS 3-4: EXPLORE KYOTO

Japan's capital for over 1,000 years, Kyoto is a treasure trove of history and timeless culture. Your explorations will include Kyoto's landmark sights - beautiful Kinkakuji (the Golden Pavilion), the Zen Garden of Ryoanji, the pathways of vermilion red torii gates at Fushimi Inari Shrine and the Gion district, an area famous for its geisha. Between explorations, enjoy a kaiseki dinner and sukiyaki lunch.

DAY 5: VIEW MOUNT FUJI

Board a bullet train and be whisked off to Mount Fuji. Pause at Oishi Park for incredible views (weather dependent) before a mini cruise on the picturesque Lake Ashi. Fly up to the heights of Mount Komagatake by cable car for more beautiful views before heading to Nagano to relax in an onsen - hot spring baths - dine on a traditional kaiseki dinner and stay at a traditional ryokan.

DAY 6: SNOW MONKEYS

Travel to Jigokudani Monkey Park, walking through the forest to reach the hot spring pool where a community of Japanese macaques, or snow monkeys, bathe in the warm waters. Visit the 7th-century Zenkoji before transferring to Tokyo, Japan's capital since 1868 and one of the world's largest cities.

DAY 7: EXPLORE TOKYO

Tokyo may seem a thoroughly modern cityscape at first glance but look beyond the soaring towers and neon signs and you'll find deeply rooted tradition and peaceful pockets of the past. Start at vibrant Sensoji, the city's oldest temple before ascending the Tokyo Sky Tree for magical views. Enjoy a sushi making masterclass before dining on your creations for lunch. Make a photo stop at the world-famous Shibuya Crossing then explore Meiji Jingu Shrine.

DAY 8: BOARD THE CELEBRITY MILLENNIUM

After breakfast you will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to Yokohama cruise terminal to board your cruise. The rest of the day is free to explore the ship's facilities and settle in. Throughout your cruise, when your ship comes into port, there will be a range of excursions available to help you explore each destination. These excursions are at your own expense and are bookable on your cruise reservation.

DAY 9: CRUISE - EXPLORE SHIMIZU

Port in Shimizu, a city of medieval castle ruins, ancient pine groves and traditional gardens. Here, you are ideally located for viewing Mount Fuji (weather dependant) and a series of fascinating cultural sights.

DAY 10: CRUISE - EXPLORE KYOTO

Port in Kyoto, Japan's cultural heart and discover more of this enchanting city.

DAY 11: CRUISE - KYOTO

Spend today at port, enjoying your cruise ship's many amenities.

CRUISE & TOUR

JAPAN, SOUTH KOREA

PHYSICAL RATING



IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Covering the Japanese islands of Honshu and Kyushu, on this cruise & tour itinerary you'll get to explore Japan's history, culture and nature in a little more depth, with the added bonus of South Korea to end your Far East explorations.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Prices are per person, twin share

2025 DATES	Outside
04 Sep - 26 Sep	\$13,680

Flight and supplement information

- Based on departures from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide & Perth
- Departures from other cities and flight upgrades available on request
- Land only (Osaka - Seoul) 21 days from \$12,480 per person, twin share (outside cabin)
- Single supplement from \$6,100 (outside cabin)
- Gratuities paid on cruise USD250

Call for our 2026 pricing and departures



Veranda stateroom, Celebrity Millennium

EXPERIENCES YOU'LL LOVE

- ▶ Oishi Park, on the northern shore of Lake Kawaguchiko, boasts one of the most spectacular views of Mount Fuji that you'll find. What makes it extra special are the park's flower gardens, with different blooms in different colours, depending on the season. The June lavender is particularly popular.
- ▶ Distinguish your nori from your nigiri in a sushi making masterclass! With plenty of tricks and tips, you'll learn to roll the perfect makizushi and much more before dining on your creations for lunch.
- ▶ A huge part of Japanese culture, onsen bathing is used for relaxation, healing and both literal and metaphorical cleansing. Soaking in the geothermic waters, lauded for their medicinal qualities, is the perfect way to end a day of exploring.



DAY 12: CRUISE - EXPLORE KOCHI

Port at Kochi. A surfer hang out with a UNESCO Global Geopark coastline, plentiful great outdoors and bags of rustic charm, Kochi is a wonderful place to while away a day.

DAY 13: CRUISE - EXPLORE HIROSHIMA

Arrive at Hiroshima. Best known as the first city in the world to feel the power of the atomic bomb in 1945, Hiroshima has emerged from the ashes as a cosmopolitan and peaceful place. Visit the tranquil Peace Park to learn about and reflect on the past.

DAY 14: CRUISE - AT SEA

Relax onboard your way - sitting by the pool, enjoying the bars and restaurants or taking part in a sport or activity.

DAY 15: CRUISE - EXPLORE KAGOSHIMA

Arrive at Kagoshima, a city at the southern tip of the island of Kyushu. Watched over by the active Sakurajima volcano and rich in history and delicious food, and surrounded by glorious nature, there is plenty to discover here.

DAY 16: CRUISE - EXPLORE NAGASAKI

Port at Nagasaki. Like Hiroshima, Nagasaki is best known for the events of the 9th of August 1945 but there is so much more to it. Backed by rolling hills and forested islands, with unspoilt beaches, European-style architecture, and ancient roots, it is a delight to explore.

DAY 17: CRUISE - EXPLORE FUKUOKA

Port at Fukuoka, the alluring, and largest city, on Kyushu Island.

The gateway to a mountainous interior that offers excellent hiking, and really, really good ramen to sample, the city itself has plenty of historic and cultural attractions to enjoy.

DAY 18: CRUISE - EXPLORE BUSAN

Depart Japan and arrive in South Korea, porting at the bustling city of Busan. Boasting mountains, beaches, and hot springs, this is a city full of small-town charm.

DAY 19: CRUISE - AT SEA

Savour your final day at sea and fill it with your favourite of your ship's activities and experiences.

DAY 20: ARRIVE IN SEOUL

Arrive at Seoul's cruise port and disembark the Celebrity Millennium. You will be met by an English-speaking guide and transferred to your hotel, where the rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 21: EXPLORE SEOUL

Spend the day exploring the sights and sounds of Seoul. Start at Gwanghwamun Plaza, then pass through the Gwanghwamun, the largest gate of Gyeongbok Palace, to explore and see the historic changing of the guard ceremony. Then, don traditional attire to explore the Bukchon Hanok Village, with its beautifully restored heritage buildings. Later, learn more about one of South Korea's most famous exports, kimchi, with a cooking demonstration followed by a stroll through the trendy Myeongdong neighbourhood.

DAYS 22-23: FLY SEOUL TO AUSTRALIA

Fly to Australia, arriving home the same or the following day.

TAILORMADE JAPAN

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WHAT IS A TAILORMADE HOLIDAY?

Quite simply, a tailor-made holiday is a journey designed and created especially for you. There's no one-size-fits-all when it comes to travel so tailor-made holidays are the perfect opportunity for travellers looking to embark on that once-in-a-lifetime adventure or epic honeymoon, for people who want to indulge their special interest, or for those who simply want to do things their own way.

WHY TRAVEL TAILORMADE?

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WHY GO TAILORMADE WITH WENDY WU TOURS?

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How does it work?

It's really so simple – just follow the steps below:

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Kevin & Shirley Mears



1: Research

Do some research to decide where you want to go – it could be one, two or even more countries! Think about when you'd like to go, how long for and what your budget may be. For inspiration, you can always have a look at our website, or have a flick through our brochure and see not only the showstopping sights on offer, but the exciting and unusual experiences too!

2: Call us

Give us a call or fill in a quote request form on our website and we'll call you! Together we'll go through all your thoughts and ideas, making recommendations here and advice there. Also, don't forget to mention if you have any specialist interests – you can't live without your regular game of golf, or have a penchant for migratory birds – these are the little details we can use to make the holiday extra special.

3: Sit back

Sit back, relax and leave it with us. We'll create you an itinerary that combines all your ideas and come back to you with a proposed itinerary and quote in no time.

4: Perfect it

Tweak it, switch it around, change a hotel here, a meal there – you can make all the adjustments you need to make your trip exactly what you're after. You can do this as many times as you like and take as much time as you need, we are extremely flexible and always happy to help.

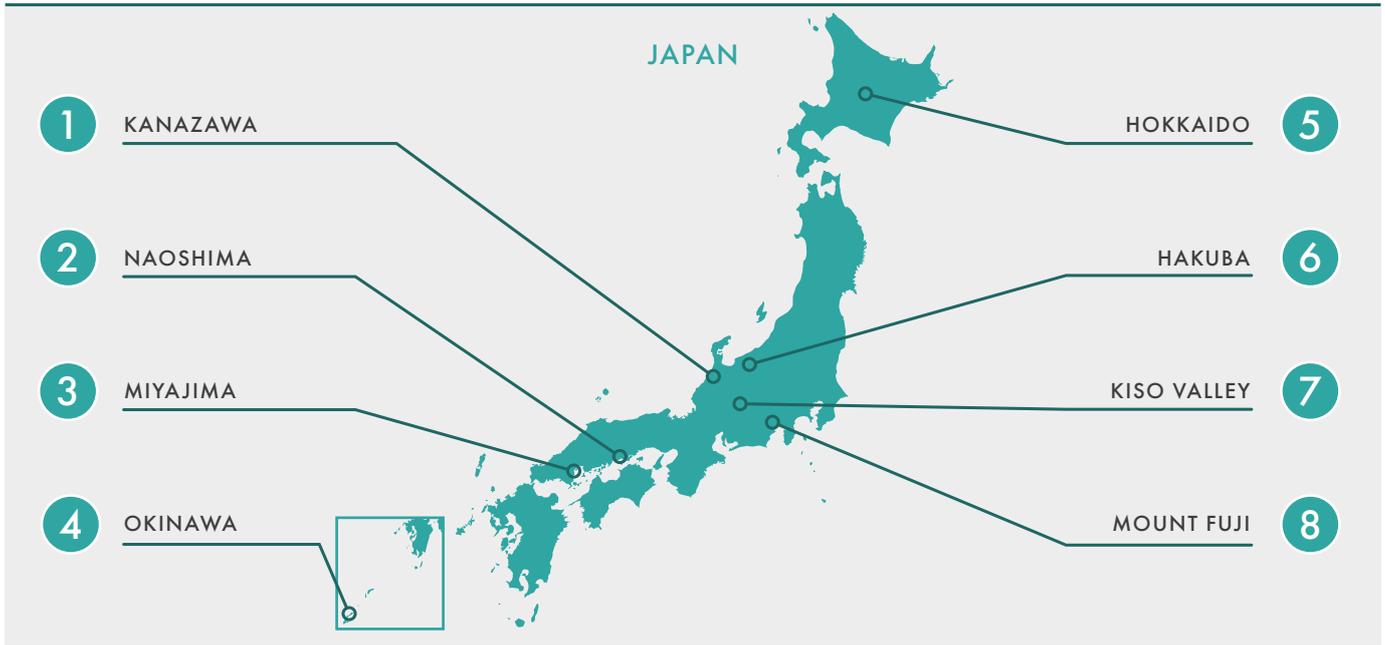
5: Book it!

When your adventure has reached that ultimate level of perfection and includes everything that you want and need, it's time to book! Call your tailor-made consultant, say the word and they will do the rest. Other than a visa form or two, all there is left to do is think about what to pack and get excited!



Tailormade touring

Inspirational ideas for your bespoke holiday in Japan.



1 KANAZAWA

A charming city with plenty of culture, Kanazawa has beautifully preserved samurai and geisha districts and one of Japan's best traditional gardens.



2 NAOSHIMA

Japan's 'art island', Naoshima is known for its numerous sculptures, installations, architecture and modern art museums. With its sunny weather, lovely beaches and laidback atmosphere, the island is a delight to explore – keeping an eye out for the famous pumpkin sculptures of Yayoi Kusama as you go.



3 MIYAJIMA

An island in the waters of the Seto Inland Sea, atmospheric Miyajima is full of historic monuments and pristine forest to explore.

4 OKINAWA

A beautiful beach destination, a stay close to Okinawa's soft, tropical sands is the perfect way to round off a Japan adventure.



5 HOKKAIDO

Spectacular scenery makes Hokkaido the perfect place for hiking, and you can't beat the fresh seafood during the summer months. It's great for skiing in the winter months too!



6 HAKUBA

Set in the Japanese Alps, Hakuba is an excellent and easily accessible ski resort with some great après options!



7 KISO VALLEY

This beautiful valley is home to one of Japan's greatest hiking trails, the Nakasendo Way, a centuries-old highway through the heart of Honshu.



8 MOUNT FUJI

Mount Fuji is at the heart of a huge national park, an area of spectacular scenery and beautiful sights. It's also the perfect place to enjoy a stay in a ryokan, a traditional inn.



Special groups

Travelling in your own private group?

If you plan to travel in your very own private group of 10 passengers or more, our expert Group Organiser will arrange a Private Group tour just for you. Whether that is a group of friends, family members or even a club or association, we can tailor any of our existing tours, or create a bespoke itinerary, so your group get to see, do and experience exactly what they want.

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"I asked Lily to help me with a group trip to Japan. My clients had additional special needs that she was able to fulfill. Every aspect of their trip was well planned and organized. No questions went unanswered, and all requests were met. My clients loved their trip and commented on how smoothly it all went. I wouldn't hesitate to use Lily again for other group trips"

Kelly Fountain



EXTENSIONS & STOPOVERS

Make your trip of a lifetime even more memorable by extending your tour, or adding a stopover en route. An extension will allow you to delve even deeper into a region, explore a whole other country, or even give you the chance to relax on a beautiful beach. A stopover on the other hand is an easy way not only to break up your journey, but also to add a few days in a buzzing, cosmopolitan metropolis to your travel itinerary.

The extensions and stopovers that you'll find in the following pages can be added to the start or end of your group tour (extensions cannot be booked as standalone packages). Your reservations consultant can give you more information on how to do just that.

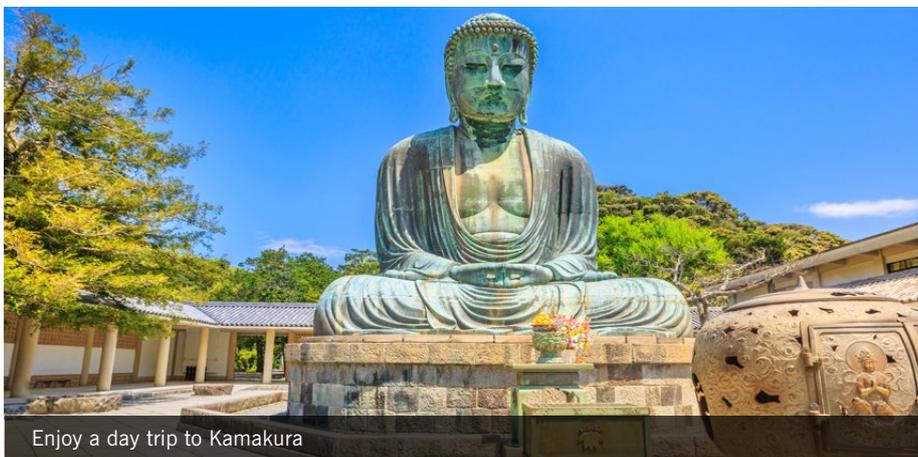
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- 74 Classic South Korea
- 75 Seoul Short Stay
Jeju Island Extension
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Beijing Short Stay
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TOKYO EXTENSION

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit tranquil Meiji Shrine
- ✓ Explore quirky Harajuku
- ✓ Discover beautiful Kamakura
- ✓ See the Great Buddha at Kotokuin



Enjoy a day trip to Kamakura

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,810	\$3,270
Superior	\$1,995	\$3,610

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Tokyo)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE TOKYO

Travel to the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred by public transport to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: EXPLORE TOKYO

Spend a full day exploring Tokyo with a guide. Making use of the city's excellent public transport, start by visiting Sumida Hokusai Museum, before heading to Meiji, a Shinto shrine nestled amongst an evergreen forest in the city, and then continue to the fast-paced districts of Harajuku and Omotesando. This afternoon, visit the Tokyo Government Building's observatory deck for panoramic views of Tokyo and beyond. Spend some time in the bustling entertainment district of Shinjuku before returning to your hotel. (B)

DAY 3: KAMAKURA DAY TRIP

Meet your guide and transfer by local train to Kamakura, a coastal city south of Tokyo, known for its dozens of unique temples. Visit Kotokuin, whose grounds house Japan's second tallest bronze Buddha statue, and Hase Temple. Stroll through Kamakura Komachi Street, lined with different shops and restaurants, before visiting Kamakura's most important shrine, Tsurugaoka Hachiman. Transfer back to Tokyo by public transport. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART TOKYO

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer by public transport to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

TOKYO, MT FUJI & BULLET TRAIN

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit tranquil Meiji Shrine
- ✓ Explore quirky Harajuku
- ✓ Discover Sensoji
- ✓ Admire Mount Fuji from the Hakone Ropeway



Experience Japan's high speed bullet train

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,080	\$3,610
Superior	\$2,250	\$3,900

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Tokyo)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE TOKYO

Travel to the ultimate metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. On arrival, meet your English speaking assistant and transfer by public transport to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure

DAY 2: EXPLORE TOKYO

Spend a full day exploring Tokyo with a guide. Making use of the city's excellent public transport, start by visiting Meiji Shrine, a Shinto shrine. Continue to the fast-paced districts of Harajuku and Omotesando and enjoy free time here for lunch at your own expense. Next, head across town to Asakusa and visit Sensoji, Tokyo's oldest temple before wandering down the shopping street of Nakamise. Take a cruise down the Sumida River before exploring the classical Hamarikyu Gardens. (B)

DAY 3: DISCOVER MOUNT FUJI

Meet your guide and head to Tokyo station to board the bullet train. Change trains twice, the second time to a small mountain train where you can enjoy spectacular scenery en route. Take the dramatic Hakone Ropeway cable car from the shores of Lake Ashi to Togendai, with views across to the majestic silhouette of Mount Fuji. Go on to enjoy free time for lunch in Owakudani (at own expense). Relax while a majestic replica pirate ship takes you across Lake Ashi. Return to Tokyo by public transport. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART TOKYO

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

NARA EXTENSION

2 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ View the eminent Todaiji
- ✓ Wander beautiful Nara Park
- ✓ See lovely Kasuga Shrine
- ✓ Visit Meiji-era Isuien Garden



See the local sika deer

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$810	\$1,530
Superior	\$970	\$1,820

Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Osaka)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: TRAVEL FROM OSAKA TO NARA

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Osaka and together transfer to Osaka Station and take the local train to Nara. Located in the Kansai region of Japan, ancient Nara was Japan's capital before Kyoto. Start at Todaiji, a UNESCO-listed temple that is home to the Daibutsu, or Great Buddha.

Take time to wander through the beautiful grounds and see the sika deer. Continue into the huge expanse of Nara Park, a designated 'Place of Scenic Beauty', home to even more sika deer who, in the Shinto religion, are considered the messengers of the gods. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit Kasuga Taisha, Nara's most celebrated shrine, and the tranquil Meiji-era garden of Isuien.

Transfer back to Osaka by local train and arrive at your hotel. (L)

DAY 2: DEPART OSAKA

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer by public transport to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

HIROSHIMA & MIYAJIMA

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit the Peace Memorial Park
- ✓ Explore beautiful Shukkeien
- ✓ Discover holy Miyajima Island
- ✓ Soar up Mount Misen



Visit tranquil Miyajima Island

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,810	\$2,990
Superior	\$1,995	\$3,170

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Hiroshima)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: TRAVEL TO HIROSHIMA

From your hotel in Osaka, transfer to Shin Osaka station and board a bullet train to Hiroshima. Meet your guide and explore the city using public transport, starting at the poignant Peace Memorial Park. This leafy and peaceful expanse is full of beautiful memorials to those who died after the atomic bombing of 1945. Continue to the Peace Memorial Museum, followed by a taste of the local favourite okonomiyaki for lunch before visiting the historical Shukkeien Garden. (L)

DAY 2: EXPLORE MIYAJIMA

Travel to the holy island of Miyajima by local train and ferry with your guide. Enjoy a walking tour of this peaceful island, wandering along the waterfront and shopping street to

reach Itsukushima Shrine. The shrine is best known for its enormous vermilion torii gate, which stands in the waters of the Seto Inland Sea. Whilst the red torii gate will be covered, you will still be able to explore the ancient complex that is Itsukushima Shrine and enjoy a stroll along its surrounding streets. This afternoon, take the cable car up Mount Misen and enjoy panoramic views. Later, return to your hotel in Hiroshima for the evening. (B)

DAY 3: DEPART HIROSHIMA TO OSAKA

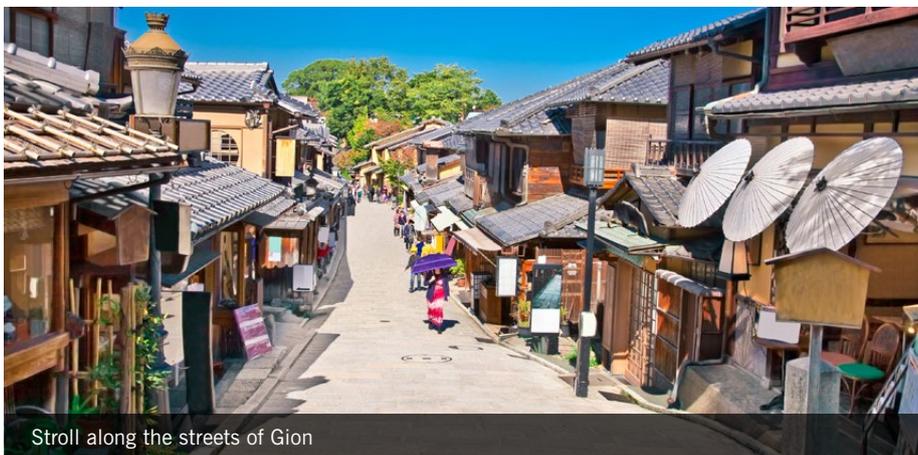
Today, you will make your own way to Hiroshima Station and catch the bullet train back to Shin Osaka Station, and then the local train to Kansai airport for your onward flight. (B)

KYOTO EXTENSION

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Admire beautiful Kodaiji Temple
- ✓ Explore Kyoto's geisha district
- ✓ See the impressive Heian Shrine
- ✓ Stroll the Philosopher's Path



Stroll along the streets of Gion

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,340	\$3,650
Superior	\$2,530	\$4,230
Deluxe	\$2,800	\$4,510

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Kyoto)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE KYOTO

Travel to Kyoto, Japan's ancient capital. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: KYOTO

Explore the former imperial capital with a knowledgeable local guide using public transportation. Start at either the magnificent Fushimi Inari Shrine or the Gekkeikan Okura Sake Museum. Visit the unique Sanjusangendo, the beautiful temples of Kodaiji and Kenninji before strolling down the streets of Gion, Kyoto's famous geisha district. Stop at Gion Corner, a showcase for the seven professional performing arts. (B)

DAY 3: KYOTO

Meet your guide in the hotel lobby and use public transport to reach Nijo, an ornamental castle built as the Kyoto residence of the Tokugawa shoguns. Continue to Heian shrine, famous for its huge vermilion torii gate. In the afternoon, visit Eikando Temple before continuing to Ginkakuji and the Philosopher's Path, a pleasant walk along a stone path which follows a canal lined by hundreds of cherry trees. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART KYOTO

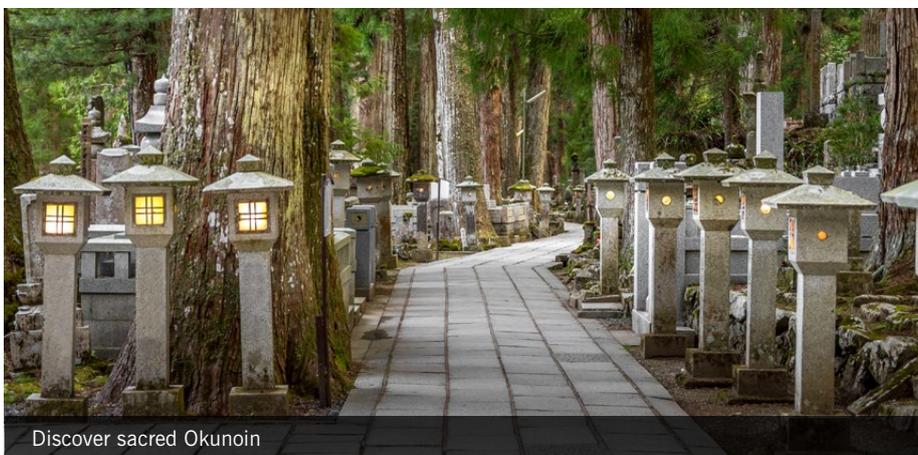
Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

KOYASAN EXTENSION

2 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore the Kongobuji Temple
- ✓ Admire the wonders of Okunoin
- ✓ Stay in a 13th century temple
- ✓ Join monks in their morning prayers



Discover sacred Okunoin

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$970	\$1,550
Superior	\$1,090	\$1,690

Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Koyasan)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: TRAVEL FROM OSAKA TO KOYASAN

Meet your guide at your Osaka hotel for your journey to sacred Mount Koya by rail. Known for its many monasteries and deeply spiritual atmosphere, Koyasan is the heart of Shingon Buddhism. See the 16th-century Kongobuji Temple and the Garan Temple complex, then explore ethereal Okunoin cemetery, where centuries-old gravestones stand amid towering cedars and softly-glowing lanterns. Tonight, stay overnight in a 13th-century temple in a traditional tatami room.

The temple is staffed by monks who generally do not speak English. Accommodation is traditional and basic; single mattresses will be laid on traditional tatami mat. Tatami mat floors are not hard and mattresses are designed for comfortable sleep. The doors to rooms are made

from rice paper so noise will travel, and they cannot be locked. Rooms are individually heated but hallways are not. There will be shared bathrooms with shower and toilet facilities. Please note that the showers are open-plan with no screens. In the morning there is no hot water for showering or use of the public bath.

The evening meal is a Buddhist vegetarian dinner, known as Shojin Ryori and is served promptly at 18:00. The evening is free for quiet reflection in your room; please note there are no TVs on the premises. (D)

DAY 2: DEPART KOYASAN

Rise early to join the monks for their morning prayers before a traditional breakfast. Return to Osaka and transfer to the airport. (B)

SNOW MONKEYS EXTENSION

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit Senkoji Temple
- ✓ Watch snow monkeys play
- ✓ Explore the old town of Obuse
- ✓ See fine art at Hokusai Museum



See the snow monkeys at Jigokudani Monkey Park.

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$3,440	\$5,930
Superior	\$3,820	\$6,650

Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Tokyo, 2 nights Yudanaka)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE TOKYO

Travel to the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: YUDANAKA ONSEN

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Tokyo and together transfer to Tokyo Station by taxi to board your bullet train to Nagano. Visit the 7th-century Zenkoji Temple, then drive to Yudanaka and visit Shibu Onsen, a historic and attractive hot spring town. Later, transfer to your ryokan (traditional Japanese accommodation) where you will stay two nights. (B,D)

DAY 3: JIGOKUDANI MONKEY PARK

This morning, head to Jigokudani Yaen Koen. Take a relaxed 40-60 minute walk up through the forested valley to reach the thermal pools. Good shoes are recommended. Spend time watching the Japanese macaques bathe and play. Later, explore the old town of Obuse and also visit Hokusai Museum, a tribute to the renowned Japanese artist Hokusai, best known for 'The Great Wave', and see a collection of his woodblock prints before returning to your ryokan. (B, D)

DAY 4: TOKYO

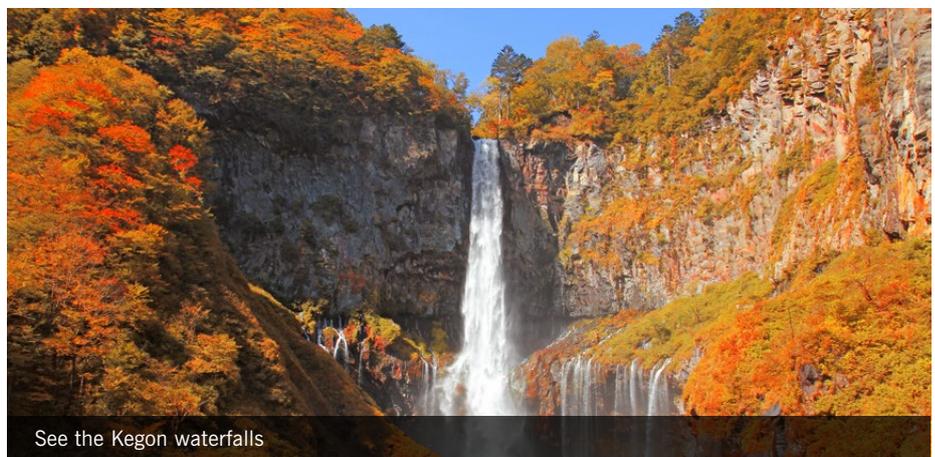
Transfer to Nagano Station and board the bullet train to Tokyo. Continue to your Tokyo hotel or airport as per your onward arrangements. (B)

NIKKO & KAMAKURA

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Visit Toshogu Shrine
- ✓ Admire the Kegon Falls
- ✓ Discover Kamakura's temples
- ✓ See a 11m high bronze Buddha statue



See the Kegon waterfalls

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,270	\$3,610
Superior	\$2,540	\$3,895
Deluxe	\$2,820	\$4,170

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Tokyo)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE TOKYO

Travel to the dazzling metropolis of Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: NIKKO DAY TRIP

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Tokyo and together transfer to Asakusa Station by public transport to board the Limited Express train to Nikko. Visit the Nikki Toshugo Shrine, the elaborate memorial to Tokugawa Ieyasu, the founder of a shogunate that ruled for over 250 years. Also visit the impressive 100m-high Kegon Falls. Later, return to Tokyo by the Limited Express train. (B)

DAY 3: KAMAKURA DAY TRIP

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Tokyo and together walk to Shinagawa Station to board the local train to the coastal city of Kamakura. Visit Kotokuin Temple, which houses Japan's second largest bronze Buddha statue, and Hase Temple. Also enjoy a leisurely stroll along Komachi, where the street is lined with pretty little shops and restaurants, and Hokuji Temple before returning to Tokyo by local train. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART TOKYO

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

SAPPORO & OTARU

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore Hokkaido Museum
- ✓ Visit Sapporo Beer Museum
- ✓ Take time to relax in Otaru
- ✓ Visit the Nikka Whisky factory



Sample Nikka Whiskey

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,170	\$3,605
Superior	\$2,440	\$3,880
Deluxe	\$2,715	\$4,150

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Sapporo)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE SAPPORO

Travel to Sapporo, capital of Japan's Hokkaido Island. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: SAPPORO DAY TRIP

Your guide will meet you at your hotel. Using public transport, embark on a tour of Sapporo, starting with a visit to the Hokkaido Museum (closed Mondays) and Nijo Market. Also visit the famous Sapporo Beer Museum (three tastings included) and journey on the Moiwayama Ropeway cable car. If the ropeway is suspended, head to the observation deck at JR Tower before returning to your hotel. (B)

DAY 3: OTARU DAY TRIP

Meet your guide at your hotel. Travel to Okurayama and ascend by chair lift to the summit of the Okurayama ski jump, where you can enjoy breathtaking views of the Sapporo cityscape. Next, travel to the pretty port town of Otaru and enjoy some free time to walk along the canal. Your final stop will be Yoichi, where you will visit the Nikka Whisky factory (three tastings included) before returning to your hotel. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART SAPPORO

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

NAOSHIMA EXTENSION

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Stroll Bikan's Historical Quarter
- ✓ Spend the day in Kurashiki
- ✓ Explore art museums
- ✓ Relax on Naoshima Island



Explore Japan's 'art island'

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$2,920	\$4,900
Superior	\$3,350	\$5,160

Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Okayama, 1 night Naoshima, 1 night Osaka)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Touring with guides and entrance fees

Note: Your hotel in Naoshima may be a traditional Japanese B&B as western hotels are limited on the island. If there is no availability on Naoshima, you may be offered 2 nights in Okayama and a night in Osaka. No touring will be missed.

DAY 1: KURASHIKI DAY TOUR

Meet your guide at your hotel in Osaka. Together, transfer to Osaka Station by taxi to board the bullet train to Okayama and then transfer by local train to Kurashiki. Explore the Kurashiki Museum of Folk Crafts and take a leisurely stroll in picturesque Bikan Historical Quarter. Return to Okayama and visit Korakuen garden. (B)

DAY 2: TRAVEL TO NAOSHIMA

Meet your guide at your hotel in Okayama and transfer by public transport to Uno Port for the ferry to Naoshima. Visit the Art House Project, Benesse House Museum and Chichu Art Museum (closed Mondays). (B)

DAY 3: DEPART NAOSHIMA

Enjoy the morning at leisure. Your guide will meet you this afternoon at your hotel in Naoshima and together you will take the ferry to Okayama. Board the bullet train to Osaka and transfer to your hotel. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART OSAKA

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

TAIWAN BY RAIL

8 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Ride the Pingxi Valley line
- ✓ Ascend Taipei 101
- ✓ Discover Taroko Gorge
- ✓ Unwind at Sun Moon Lake
- ✓ Explore beautiful Alishan
- ✓ Journey on the high-speed rail



Glide down Taiwan's east coast on the train to Hualien

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$4,480	\$8,090

Price includes:

- Accommodation (4 nights Taipei, 1 night Hualien, 1 night Sun Moon Lake, 1 night Alishan)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Ride the scenic Alishan Forest train



Explore Yuyupas's tea gardens

ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Travel to Taipei, the laidback, vibrant city that is Taiwan's capital. On arrival, you will be met by a driver and transferred to your hotel.

DAY 2: PINGXI LINE TOUR

After breakfast, meet your guide at the hotel lobby and head to Taipei railway station by public transport to take the train to Ruifang. Here you will start your guided tour along the scenic eight-mile Pingxi Line, originally built to transport coal through the rugged Pingxi Valley. There are 12 stations on Pingxi Line and your guide will recommend the best places to hop on and off to explore the country villages and waterfalls. After touring, take the train back to Taipei. (B,L)

DAY 3: TAIPEI CITY TOUR

Today you will explore Taipei by public transport with your local guide, starting with a visit to the National Palace Museum. View the Chiang Kai-Shek (CKS) Memorial Hall, a monument dedicated to the former leader. (B,L)

DAY 4: TAROKO GORGE

After breakfast, an assistant will accompany you by taxi to the train station for your train to Hualien on which you'll glide down Taiwan's east coast with the ocean on the left and mountains on the right. On arrival meet your English-speaking guide/driver for your tour of Taroko Gorge. Explore the spectacular Taroko Gorge Gateway, and the Eternal Spring Shrine, where you can enjoy a leisurely walk through the beautiful landscapes. This evening, enjoy dinner at your hotel followed by a performance of indigenous singing and dancing. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: SUN MOON LAKE

This morning travel by road to Sun Moon Lake, cruising along the picturesque Central Cross-Island Highway, said to be the most picturesque route in Taiwan. A designated National Scenic Area, you'll drive along the lake to soak up all the natural beauty around you, visiting Wenwu Temple with its beautiful lake views. Stay overnight at Sun Moon Lake. (B)

DAY 6: YUYUPAS TEA GARDENS

Depart your hotel after breakfast, travelling by road to historic Jiji Old Town. After exploring the town's sights with your guide, continue to Yuyupas, an indigenous cultural park dedicated to showcasing the Tsou culture and surrounded by extensive tea gardens. Enjoy a tea-tasting experience before transferring to Alishan. (B)

DAY 7: ALISHAN FOREST

This morning, enjoy a short ride on the Alishan Forest Train, the highest narrow-gauge train in Asia, as it winds its way through dense forests, before exploring the Alishan Forest Recreation Park. Later, the high-speed train will whisk you back to Taipei, where the rest of the day is at leisure. (B)

DAY 8: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

CLASSIC TAIWAN

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See bustling Taipei
- ✓ Visit Ita Thao aboriginal village
- ✓ Relax at Sun Moon Lake
- ✓ Uncover ancient Tainan



Visit Wen Wu Temple

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,450	\$2,740
Superior	\$1,595	\$3,040
Deluxe	\$1,850	\$3,530

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Taipei, 1 night Sun Moon Lake, 1 night Tainan)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

Note: National Palace Museum is closed on Mondays.



Relax at Sun Moon Lake



Visit the Confucius Temple

ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Make your way to Taipei, Taiwan's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. Taipei is a laidback and vibrant city that, as well as being packed with the upmarket and ultramodern, is a bastion of Taiwan's wonderfully rich heritage. Its beauty lies in its blend of Chinese culture with a curious fusion of Japanese and Southeast Asian influences.

DAY 2: TAIPEI TO SUN MOON LAKE

Depart Taipei to journey into the heart of the island to what is arguably Taiwan's most scenic spot – Sun Moon Lake. At an altitude of 762 metres, this large body of fresh water is one of the island's most lovely natural vistas, popular for hiking and biking. Here, visit the impressive Wen Wu Temple adorned with red and gold features, Holy Monk Shrine, Tze-En Pagoda which offers breathtaking views over the lake and the aboriginal village of Ita Thao. Stay overnight at Sun Moon Lake. (B)

DAY 3: SUN MOON LAKE TO TAINAN

Travel south to Tainan, the ancient capital of Taiwan, rich in preserved historical sites and cultural relics. Take a walking tour around Anping Fort, which was established by the Dutch East India Company in the 17th century, though what you see today is a reconstruction. Wander down some of the most historical streets in the city, catching a glimpse of the Tainan of times-gone-by. Also visit Chihkan Tower, built in 1653 by Dutch colonisers and stop at the Confucius Temple. Stay overnight in Tainan. (B)

DAY 4: TAINAN TO TAIPEI

Travel back to Taipei by high-speed train. Stop by the CKS Memorial Hall to see the Changing of the Guards ceremony and visit the 18th-century Longshan Temple. Take a photo stop at the world-famous Taipei 101. Towering above the city like the gigantic bamboo stalk it was designed to resemble, Taipei 101 is impossible to miss. Also explore Martyr's Shrine and the National Palace Museum, home to the world's largest and finest collection of Chinese art and artefacts including paintings, calligraphy, bronzes, lacquerware, ceramics, jade and religious objects. Enjoy the evening at leisure and perhaps visit one of the many markets on offer to experience local life in the city at night. (B)

DAY 5: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

TAIPEI SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Discover bustling Taipei
- ✓ Ascend Taipei 101
- ✓ Explore the National Palace Museum
- ✓ See Longshan Temple



Explore vibrant Taipei

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$780	\$1,490
Superior	\$850	\$1,620
Deluxe	\$985	\$1,890

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Taipei)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

Note: National Palace Museum is closed on Mondays.

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DAY 2: TAIPEI

Your guide will meet you at your hotel in Taipei to commence your tour. Start with a visit to the Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, a monument dedicated to the former leader. Next, ascend to the observation deck at Taipei 101 for a birds-eye view over

this sprawling city. Later, explore Longshan Temple and then Dihua Street known for its many Chinese medicine shops. Finish the day at the National Palace Museum to admire the Chinese imperial collections and Martyr's Shrine before returning to your hotel. (B)

DAY 3: TAIPEI

Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the many sights and sounds of Taipei. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

SCENIC WONDERS

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore Taroko National Park
- ✓ Tour the Gorge Gateway
- ✓ See Eternal Spring Shrine
- ✓ Relax at Sun Moon Lake



Discover the Eternal Spring Shrine

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,130	\$2,190
Superior	\$1,295	\$2,520
Deluxe	\$1,580	\$3,070

Price includes:

- Accommodation (1 night Taipei, 1 night Taroko, 1 night Sun Moon Lake)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE TAIPEI

Make your way to Taipei, Taiwan's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: TAROKO NATIONAL PARK & GORGE GATEWAY

Transfer by road to Taroko National Park, driving along the breathtaking east coast cliff highway, taking a photo stop en route at Chingshui Cliff to enjoy the splendid scenery of the Pacific Ocean. Upon arrival at Taroko National Park, enjoy a tour of the Taroko Gorge Gateway and Eternal Spring Shrine. (B)

DAY 3: SUN MOON LAKE

This morning, travel to Sun Moon Lake driving along the central cross island highway on Mt Hehuan where you will have panoramic views over the central mountain ranges. Upon arrival at Sun Moon Lake, visit Wen Wu Temple, Holy Monk Shrine, Ita Thao Village and Tze-En Pagoda. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART TAIPEI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer 3-hours to Taipei for your onward flight. An additional night in Taipei may be required depending on your flight time. (B)

CLASSIC SOUTH KOREA

5 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ See Gyeongbok Palace
- ✓ Taste delicious Korean street food
- ✓ Explore historic Gyeongju
- ✓ Admire UNESCO-listed Bulguksa Temple



Discover the Bulguksa Temple and Seokguram Grotto

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$3,780	\$6,590
Superior	\$4,100	\$6,910
Deluxe	\$4,890	\$7,695

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Seoul, 1 night Gyeongju)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit Bulguksa Temple



Enjoy delicious street food

ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE SEOUL

Make your own way to Seoul, South Korea's capital. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. This dynamic city may be well and truly on fast-forward for everything from fashion to technology, but it is still deeply rooted in tradition. Stumble upon temples and palaces amongst the glittering skyscrapers and neon billboards and enjoy Seoul's foodie credentials – the street snacks are second to none!

DAY 2: EXPLORE SEOUL

Take a full day to explore some of Seoul's many treasures with a local guide. Start at Gyeongbok Palace, the country's most famous and beautiful royal palace, where, as well as exploring, you will see the Royal Guard Changing Ceremony. Next, visit symbolic Namsan Park and N Seoul Tower before heading to Gwangjang Market to taste some of Seoul's best street food. This evening you have the option of watching a traditional music and dance performance at Korea House (payable locally). (B)

DAY 3: HISTORIC GYEONGJU

Meet your driver-guide and transfer to Seoul station. Travel on the KTX bullet train to Gyeongju. Located in the southeastern corner of North Gyeongsang Province, this city was the ancient capital of the Silla Kingdom, which ruled part of the Korean peninsula from the year 57BC to 935AD. Gyeongju is a living museum, home to a staggering amount of heritage sites, from tombs and temples to pagodas and palaces.

On arrival, meet your driver and start discovering historic Gyeongju. Head to Mount Tohamsan and the UNESCO World Heritage listed site – Bulguksa Temple and Seokguram Grotto. The temple is considered a masterpiece of Silla architecture whilst Seokguram Grotto, a hermitage, is home to some of the world's best Buddhist sculptures. There will also be time to enjoy the vistas around Bomun Lake. Stay overnight in Gyeongju. (B,L)

DAY 4: RETURN TO SEOUL

Meet your driver-guide to further explore Gyeongju. Start at the National Museum and marvel at its collection of Silla relics. Continue to Tumuli Park with its many royal tombs before heading to the 7th-century Cheomseongdae Observatory, the oldest surviving observatory in East Asia. Finally, visit Anapji Pond. Return by bullet train to Seoul where the evening is at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 5: DEPART SEOUL

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

SEOUL SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Discover bustling Seoul
- ✓ See Gyeongbok Palace
- ✓ Visit the National Folk Museum
- ✓ Explore Namdaemun Market



Enjoy panoramic views over Seoul

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,095	\$1,510
Superior	\$1,295	\$1,710
Deluxe	\$2,120	\$2,530

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Seoul)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

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DAY 2: SEOUL

Make your own way to the pick-up point to begin your full day seat-in-coach tour of the city. Start at Gyeongbok Palace, where, as well as exploring, you will see the Royal

Guard Changing Ceremony. Next, head to the Exhibition Hall and enjoy some free time for lunch. Take a stroll along Insadong Street, browse the stalls at Gwangjang Market and a visit to N Seoul Tower for panoramic views over the city ends the day. Drop-off will be at Myeongdong, and from there you can make your own way back to the hotel. *Itinerary will vary if this day falls on a Tuesday.* (B)

DAY 3: SEOUL

Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the many sights and sounds of Seoul. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART SEOUL

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

JEJU ISLAND EXTENSION

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Explore Hallim Park
- ✓ Take a stroll on Hyeopjuae Beach
- ✓ Visit impressive Sunrise Peak
- ✓ Explore Jeju Stone Park



Explore beautiful Jeju Island

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$890	\$1,000
Superior	\$1,420	\$1,530
Deluxe	\$1,540	\$1,650

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Jeju Island)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE JEJU ISLAND

Make your way to South Korea's largest island, Jeju. Upon arrival, you will be met by your driver and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: EXPLORE JEJU ISLAND

Make your own way to the pick-up point to begin your full day seat-in-coach tour of Jeju Island (west course). Begin at Hyeopjuae Beach, then continue to Hallim Park to see its sub-tropical gardens and mysterious lava caves. After lunch, see O'Sulloc green tea field and Mt Songak. Also visit Cheonjeyeon Waterfalls or Teddy Bear Museum. Drop-off will be at the pick-up point, and from there you can make your own way back to the hotel. *Itinerary will differ if the weather is bad.* (B,L)

DAY 3: MORE TIME IN JEJU ISLAND

Make your own way to the pick-up point to begin your second full day seat-in-coach tour of Jeju Island (east course). Begin the day exploring Jeolmul Forest, followed by a visit to Seongeup Folk Village. After lunch, witness the work of the Haenyeo, Jeju's female divers who harvest shellfish for a living. Afterwards, head to Seongsan Sunrise Peak before going on to explore Jeju Stone Park. Drop-off will be at the same place as the pick-up point, and from there you can make your own way back to the hotel. *Itinerary will differ if the weather is bad.* (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART JEJU ISLAND

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

A GLIMPSE OF CHINA

9 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Admire Shanghai's bright lights
- ✓ Find the past in Zhujiajiao
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Walk the Great Wall
- ✓ Spend time in traditional hutongs
- ✓ Explore the Summer Palace



Soak up the old world charms of Zhujiajiao

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$5,480	\$7,780

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Shanghai, 2 nights Xian, 3 nights Beijing)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees
- 1st class bullet train seats



The Great Wall of China

ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI

Arrive in the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. The rest of your day is at leisure.

DAY 2: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Today's explorations include a wander through the Shanghai Museum and traditional Yu Garden, a stop in the bustling old town and an opportunity to learn about the age-old silk production at a silk factory. Later, admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund and Xintiandi precinct. In the evening view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. (B,L)

DAY 3: ZHUJIAJIAO WATER TOWN

Visit Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns, built on an old canal system once used to transport goods all over imperial China. The town's narrow alleyways exude old-world charm, whilst the waterways are lined with ancient buildings and crossed by stone bridges. Return to Shanghai and enjoy your evening at leisure. (B,L)

DAY 4: FEAST ON DUMPLINGS

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings, a specialty of the region, before a captivating performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. (B,L,D)

DAY 5: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first Emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors. Visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Laquer

Exhibition Workshop, and later stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th century city walls that enclose Xian's old town. (B,L)

DAY 6: LITTLE WILD GOOSE PAGODA

Visit the Little Wild Goose Pagoda and Xian Museum before strolling through the lively Muslim Quarter to explore the Islamic food markets. Later, take the bullet train to Beijing, China's historical capital. (B,L)

DAY 7: IMPERIAL BEIJING

Walk across the lengths of Tiananmen Square and into the magnificent Forbidden City. Soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven. Later enjoy a leisurely stroll through Beijing's hutongs, some dating back 700 years. Meet a local family to get a glimpse of old Beijing's rich culture and experience first-hand the unique hutong way of life. This evening enjoy an exciting acrobatic show. (B,L,D)

DAY 8: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Summit the wall by a scenic chairlift or cable car ride, take a stroll along its ancient stones, admiring the dramatic scenery it crosses. Descend back down via thrilling toboggan ride or by the more serene cable car. Visit the Jade Factory before spending the afternoon strolling through the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace. Later, dine on Peking Duck, a favourite of the Emperors. (B,L,D)

DAY 9: DEPART BEIJING

Today you depart for the airport for your onward flight.

SHANGHAI SHORT STAY

3 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Stroll through Yu Gardens
- ✓ Explore the famous Bund
- ✓ Spend time at the Shanghai Museum
- ✓ Shop at the Silk Factory



Admire Shanghai's skyline

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$790	\$1,430
Superior	\$800	\$1,460
Deluxe	\$960	\$1,770

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Shanghai)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE SHANGHAI

Make your way to Shanghai airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Enjoy a full day of touring beginning with a relaxing stroll through Yu Garden, then head to the Old Town where cobblestone streets are lined with traditional shops. Visit the famous historical riverfront area known as the Bund, where you can admire the magnificent colonial architecture, and see the superb antiques and fine arts of the Shanghai Museum. Also visit a silk factory and see first-hand the process of producing this fine material. (B,L)

DAY 3: DEPART SHANGHAI

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport or railway station for your onward journey. (B)

BEIJING SHORT STAY

4 DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ See the exquisite Summer Palace
- ✓ Explore the Forbidden City
- ✓ Visit the Temple of Heaven



Stroll around the Temple of Heaven

Prices are from per person, based on low season

CATEGORY	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
Standard	\$1,140	\$2,130
Superior	\$1,160	\$2,160
Deluxe	\$1,480	\$2,580

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Beijing)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Private touring with guides and entrance fees

DAY 1: ARRIVE BEIJING

Make your way to Beijing airport or railway station. Upon arrival, you will be met by your local guide and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: BEIJING

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Opt for a chairlift or cable car ascent to the summit. Stroll atop the wall to fully immerse yourself in its magnificent presence and the dramatic scenery it crosses. Descend with a thrilling toboggan ride or a serene cable car journey. You will have an opportunity to visit a jade factory to learn about this precious stone, which is said to bring fortune and prosperity to those who wear it.

Spend the afternoon strolling through the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace. (B,L)

DAY 3: BEIJING

Head to Beijing's symbolic heart and stroll across Tiananmen Square into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART BEIJING

Your day is at leisure until the time comes to transfer to the airport or railway station for your onward journey. (B)



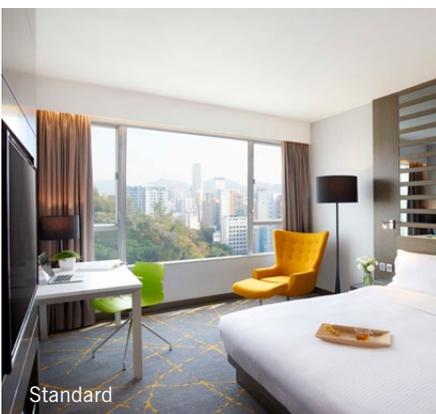
HONG KONG STOPOVERS

Hong Kong boasts award-winning gastronomy, a colourful nightlife and unbeatable city views from panoramic Victoria Peak or from the deck of a sampan on the harbour. A sophisticated and lively metropolis, Hong Kong's mix of colonial influences, futuristic modernity and distinct Chinese traditions make it the ultimate East-meets-West destination.

Explore Hong Kong

HONG KONG ISLAND HOTELS

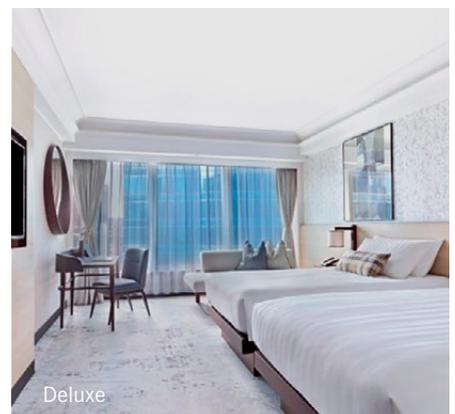
KOWLOON HOTELS



Standard



Superior



Deluxe

THE CITYVIEW ★★★★★

Located in the heart of Yau Ma Tei, The Cityview sits adjacent to bustling Nathan Road. It has a cosy Cantonese restaurant, a casual cafe and an airy Thai eatery. Offering world-class green eco standards and attentive service, The Cityview will make you feel right at home.

DORSETT, WAN CHAI ★★★★★

Perfectly located next to the Happy Valley Racecourse, the Dorsett offers bright and airy rooms decorated in a series of elegant themes. Just 10 minutes stroll from Causeway Bay MTR station, a free shuttle serves the most popular spots close by.

HARBOUR GRAND KOWLOON ★★★★★

Harbour Grand Kowloon is conveniently located on the Kowloon waterfront, offering unrivalled views of Victoria Harbour. Facilities include five restaurants, a lounge, a spa, and a seasonal outdoor rooftop swimming pool.

HONG KONG GLIMPSSES*

3 DAYS

This fleeting visit to Hong Kong features all of the highlights of this vibrant city, including panoramic views from Victoria Peak and a ride on the longest outdoor covered escalator. Take some time to relax and explore the city's foodie scene.

DAY 1: ARRIVE HONG KONG

Arrive in Hong Kong and take a coach transfer from the airport to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 2: HONG KONG TOUR

This afternoon embark on a thrilling adventure as you ride the world's longest outdoor escalator, marvelling at the city's vibrant streets. Next, visit Tai Kwun, a cultural haven within historic walls. Indulge in a dim sum feast, where each bite is a culinary delight, before you hop aboard

the latest 6th generation peak tram to Victoria Peak, capturing breath taking panoramic views. Finally, visit Lion's Point View Pavillion, and get ready to immortalize this awe-inspiring scene with your cameras. (B)

DAY 3: DEPART HONG KONG

Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Hong Kong airport. (B)

*Seat in coach touring is subject to availability and may not be available on your chosen dates. Private touring options will be quoted as an alternative.



Admire the view from Victoria Peak

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
The Cityview	\$700	\$1,070
Dorsett Wan Chai	\$740	\$1,230
Harbour Grand Hong Kong Kowloon	\$940	\$1,500

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Hong Kong)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with with guides and entrance fees

Note: This stopover is usually available with no additional flight costs if travelling with Cathay Pacific.

HONG KONG IN FOCUS*

4 DAYS

Designed to show you two aspects of life in the city, tour the best bits of Hong Kong Island before discovering the natural beauty of Lantau, Hong Kong's largest island. See the Grand Buddha and enjoy lunch at Po Lin Monastery, with some time to further explore as you wish.

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Arrive in Hong Kong and take a coach transfer from the airport to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is at leisure.

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DAY 3: LANTAU ISLAND

Spend today discovering Lantau Island. Transfer to Tung Chung for a stunning cable car ride up to Ngong Ping Plateau where the Grand Buddha sits majestically next to the Po Lin Monastery. After touring the Giant Buddha Exhibition Hall and the monastery, sit down for a delicious vegetarian lunch. Later visit various well-wishing temples, offering you the opportunity to immerse yourself in the distinctive culture of these Chinese traditions. (B,L)

DAY 4: DEPART HONG KONG

Enjoy time at leisure before transferring to Hong Kong airport. (B)

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See the Grand Buddha at Lantau Island

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
The Cityview	\$1,290	\$2,170
Dorsett Wan Chai	\$1,350	\$2,410
Harbour Grand Hong Kong Kowloon	\$1,680	\$2,890

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Hong Kong)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Shared touring with with guides and entrance fees

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SINGAPORE STOPOVERS

Singapore is a city just waiting for you to discover its magnificent mix of tastes, sights and sounds. As one of Asia's most iconic and vibrant cities it offers experiences such as exploring Sentosa Island, Gardens by the Bay, cultural neighbourhoods and, of course, an ever growing selection of food!



Visit Singapore's iconic Merlion

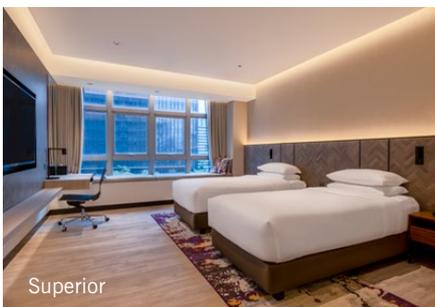
SINGAPORE HOTELS



Standard

IBIS SINGAPORE ON BENCOOLEN ★★★

Located in the heart of Singapore's cultural and shopping district of Bugis, you will find the IBIS Singapore on Bencoolen. The hotel is a perfect choice for shoppers, foodies and sightseers. Bugis Street shopping district, Haji Lane, Little India, Chinatown and Orchard Road are all within walking distance from the hotel or easily accessible by public transport.



Superior

ORCHID HOTEL SINGAPORE ★★★★★

The Orchid Hotel Singapore, located in the financial district, is a peaceful retreat with modern comforts following a recent redesign overhaul. Guests can enjoy the 50meter long outdoor swimming pool and dine at Ya Ge, the hotel's Modern Chinese restaurant. Less than a 2 -minute walk to Tanjong Pagar MRT Station makes it easy access to Singapore's well-known attractions including Marina Bay Sands, Gardens By The Bay, Chinatown and Orchard Road.



Deluxe

GRAND PARK CITY HALL ★★★★★

The Grand Park City Hall is located conveniently in Singapore's Civic District only a stone's throw from major shopping malls, dining hubs and entertainment. It is less than a ten minutes' drive to Marina Bay Sands. Iconic sites such as the Singapore Flyer and Chinatown are only minutes away.

SINGAPORE SHORT STAY

3 DAYS

See the waterfront Merlion Park, see 'old' Singapore at Thian Hock Keng and visit the National Orchid Garden.

DAY 1: ARRIVE SINGAPORE

Upon arrival at Singapore airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel by coach. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: SINGAPORE

Enjoy a half-day seat-in-coach tour around Singapore, visiting Kampong Glam, drive round the civic centre, stop at Merlion Park, Thian Hock Keng, which is one of Singapore's oldest Buddhist-Taoist temples,

and walk through the National Orchid Garden. (B)

DAY 3: DEPART SINGAPORE

After check-out this morning, you will be transferred to Singapore airport where your arrangements end. (B)



Delight in the famous Singapore cityscape

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
IBIS Singapore on Bencoolen	\$510	\$900
Orchid Hotel Singapore	\$590	\$1,100
Grand Park City Hall	\$690	\$1,280

Price includes:

- Accommodation (2 nights Singapore)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

GARDENS BY THE BAY

4 DAYS

See Singapore's many sights, stroll the cool Cloud Forest and Flower Dome and marvel at the Supertrees.

DAY 1: ARRIVE SINGAPORE

Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel by coach. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 2: SINGAPORE

Enjoy a half-day seat-in-coach tour around Singapore, visiting Kampong Glam, drive round the civic centre, stop at Merlion Park, Thian Hock Keng, which is one of Singapore's oldest Buddhist-Taoist temples, and walk through the National Orchid Garden. (B)

DAY 3: GARDENS BY THE BAY

Transfer independently to Gardens by the Bay. It spans 101 hectares and houses more than 500,000 plants. Wander through the two clouded conservatories – Flower Dome and Cloud Forest - at your leisure. Make your own way back to your hotel. (B)

DAY 4: DEPART SINGAPORE

After check-out this morning, you will be transferred to Singapore airport where your arrangements end. (B)



See the wondrous Supertrees in the Gardens by the Bay

Prices are from per person, based on low season

HOTEL	TWIN SHARE	SOLO TRAVELLER
IBIS Singapore on Bencoolen	\$780	\$1,350
Orchid Hotel Singapore	\$910	\$1,610
Grand Park City Hall	\$1,040	\$1,900

Price includes:

- Accommodation (3 nights Singapore)
- Meals as stated
- Transportation as stated
- Seat-in-coach touring with guides and entrance fees

A word from our preferred airline partners

At Wendy Wu Tours, we pride ourselves on the strong relationships we have with our airline partners. We can offer you not only the most convenient flights to complement your tour, but the best value too. We believe that your flights are an essential part of your holiday experience, and so our carefully selected airlines offer the utmost comfort, allowing you to arrive relaxed, refreshed and raring to go! All of our tour prices include return international economy class flights, but if you're celebrating or just fancy treating yourself, upgrading your cabin class is a great option.



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Enjoy a stopover in the cosmopolitan city of Hong Kong. Refer to pages 78 and 79 for a selection of our preferred hotels and recommended services.



Economy Class



Premium Economy



Business Class

AIR TRAVEL NOTES

At the time of booking, every effort will be made to secure the best flight schedule or connection possible, however airline schedules may vary due to availability and travel time. Premium Economy and Business Class upgrades can only be requested on initial international flights to and from Australia and cannot be guaranteed on other sectors due to limited availability and aircraft types. Contact our reservation consultants for upgrade options and costs. Refer to our Terms and Conditions for more details on joining your tour and airlines.



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Enjoy a stopover in the bustling city of Singapore. Refer to pages 80 and 81 for a selection of preferred hotels and recommended services.



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Premium Economy



Business Class

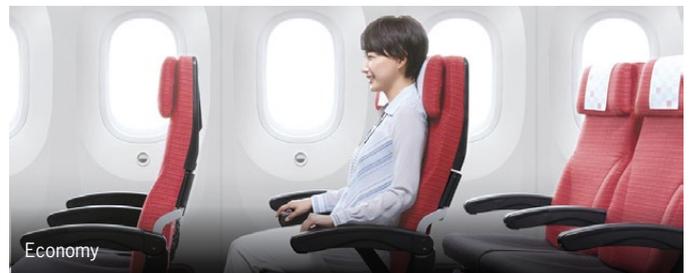


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Japan for all seasons

Our tours cover the length and breadth of Japan. Depending on the time of year and where you travel, you may experience two or more seasons as you journey through the region.

Tokyo			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	1	10	50
Feb	2	10	60
Mar	4	14	110
Apr	10	20	120
May	14	23	130
Jun	17	25	160
Jul	22	29	150
Aug	23	31	160
Sep	20	27	210
Oct	15	22	200
Nov	8	16	90
Dec	4	13	50

Hakone/Fuji area			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	3	10	60
Feb	3	10	70
Mar	5	14	130
Apr	11	19	140
May	15	23	150
Jun	19	24	180
Jul	22	29	160
Aug	24	30	155
Sep	20	26	235
Oct	15	22	210
Nov	10	16	100
Dec	5	13	50

Tokyo

Tokyo enjoys distinct seasons, with summers that are hot, humid and rainy and winters that are mild and sunny. While September and October tend to be the wettest months, the spring and autumn are both wonderful times to visit with sunshine and warm temperatures.

Hakone/Fuji area

Set in a mountainous region, elevation plays a big part in the climate of this region. Summers however are pleasantly warm while winters are cool with snowfall at higher altitudes. Spring and autumn are sunny and temperate – perfect for exploring.

Kyoto			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	1	9	50
Feb	1	10	70
Mar	4	14	130
Apr	9	20	130
May	14	25	150
Jun	19	28	210
Jul	23	32	220
Aug	24	34	135
Sep	20	29	170
Oct	14	24	120
Nov	8	16	70
Dec	3	12	50

Osaka			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	4	10	50
Feb	4	10	60
Mar	5	14	100
Apr	11	20	100
May	16	25	140
Jun	20	28	180
Jul	24	32	150
Aug	25	34	80
Sep	21	29	160
Oct	15	24	110
Nov	10	18	70
Dec	5	13	40

Kyoto

In Kyoto, there is a marked seasonal variation in temperature and rainfall, with hot and humid summers, complete with 'rainy season' from mid-June to late July, and winters that are cold with occasional snow. Spring and autumn are warm and pleasant.

Osaka

Osaka has four distinct seasons – hot, humid summers are marked by rainfall in June and July, while winters are mild. Spring starts mild and pleasant getting hotter as the summer approaches, while autumn starts hot and gets cooler as winter approaches.

Hiroshima			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	2	10	45
Feb	2	11	60
Mar	5	14	110
Apr	10	20	145
May	15	24	180
Jun	19	27	250
Jul	24	31	255
Aug	25	33	105
Sep	21	29	160
Oct	14	24	90
Nov	8	17	60
Dec	4	13	45

Takayama			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	-6	3	100
Feb	-6	4	100
Mar	-3	8	130
Apr	3	16	125
May	8	22	140
Jun	14	25	170
Jul	18	29	240
Aug	19	30	160
Sep	15	25	240
Oct	7	18	140
Nov	2	12	100
Dec	-3	6	85

Hiroshima

With hot, humid summers, cool to mild winters, and warm springs and autumns, Hiroshima's warmest month is August and January, the coolest. While rain can fall year round, peak months are June and July while winter is the driest season.

Takayama

Set in a heavy snow area, Takayama gets lots of snow in the winter, and hot, humid and wet summers, with September seeing the most rainfall. Both spring and autumn are short and sweet, with springs mild and sunny, and autumns dry and cool.

Nagano			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	-4	4	50
Feb	-3	5	50
Mar	-1	9	60
Apr	5	15	55
May	11	24	70
Jun	16	25	110
Jul	20	29	125
Aug	21	31	100
Sep	20	25	120
Oct	8	19	90
Nov	3	13	45
Dec	-1	7	50

Sapporo			
	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	Rainfall mm
Jan	-7	0	100
Feb	-6	0	95
Mar	-3	5	80
Apr	4	11	50
May	9	17	50
Jun	14	21	45
Jul	17	25	80
Aug	19	26	120
Sep	15	23	140
Oct	7	16	110
Nov	1	9	105
Dec	-5	2	120

Nagano

Set in a sheltered inland valley, Nagano enjoys less rainfall than other cities, with warm, humid and wet summers and cold, snowy winters with clear, bright skies. Spring and autumn are pleasant and temperate, with plenty of sunshine.

Sapporo

Even with heavy snow and low temperatures in the winter, Sapporo is a year round city. In the spring, the snow thaws and while temperatures start off chilly, they warm into a pleasant, mild summer with some humidity. Autumns are cool and dry.

Hotels

Your accommodation is chosen for the convenience of its location, its levels of comfort or for its quirky character, so it can range from a smart business hotel here to a family-run guesthouse there. Here is a taster of the type of hotels you will be staying in on your tour.

EXAMPLE TOUR HOTELS IN JAPAN



Fuji Kawaguchiko Resort Hotel - Mount Fuji area



Hotel Monterey Grasmere – Osaka



Mercure Hida – Takayama



Mercure Hibiya Hotel – Tokyo



Fujisan Mishima Tokyo Hotel – Mishima



Rihga Royal Hotel – Kyoto



Grand Prince Hotel – Hiroshima

Hotels on our group tours are generally rated as local three to four star standard, but please note that there is no international classification system for hotels and differences in facilities and quality may exist between the Australia and Japan. Hotels are subject to change and will be confirmed with your final documents.

Booking your trip

We want to make it as straightforward as possible to book your Wendy Wu holiday. It should be as simple as 1-2-3.

1. Choose your tour

Select from this brochure or browse our website to see our full range of award-winning tours and choose the style of travel that suits you. You will also find detailed information in our tour dossiers to make sure the tour is appropriate for you.

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Get in touch with one of our expert travel consultants who will be able to answer any of your questions, check availability instantly and confirm prices.

3. Make a booking

Did you know you can book most of our tours on our website? Otherwise give us a call or visit your preferred travel agent to pay your deposit and secure your booking. On occasions, a progress payment will be required to secure your flights which will be explained to you at the time of booking. The balance is due 75 days prior to departure and you will be issued with your documentation approximately two to three weeks before travel. You will also be able to manage aspects of your booking via My Wendy Wu, your personal online booking portal.



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Your Japan questions answered

A selection of our most frequently asked questions.

BEFORE YOU TRAVEL



Q. How soon after making our booking will we receive confirmation?

A. Once we have received your deposit payment, we will send your confirmation documents.

Q. Do you send us information about the destinations we will visit?

A. It is essential that you read the relevant tour dossier before booking, which you can find on wendywutours.com.au, or we can arrange for one to be sent to you. If there are any particular challenges such as the length of time spent on your feet, journey times or accommodation standards, they will be explained in these concise trip notes. Three weeks before you travel, you will receive a detailed day-to-day itinerary and a travel guide insert as part of your final documents.

Q. Will I know which hotels I will be staying in before I go?

A. Hotel details will be sent with your final documents around three weeks prior to departure. Note that these may be subject to change. Hotels generally range from 3-4 stars. In more remote areas, accommodation may be of a lower standard and may not have all western amenities. Rest assured that all hotels used by Wendy Wu Tours are regularly inspected by our local partners to ensure that standards meet your needs. If you require an early check-in or late check-out for your arrival and departure days, please contact us. Triple rooms are not available in Japan.

Q. Do I need a visa?

A. Australian passport holders do not require visas for travel to Japan, Taiwan, Singapore or South Korea. On our Ancient Empires of China & Japan, a visa may be required for China. Application forms, instructions, and further

information can be found on our website wendywutours.com.au. If any changes to visa requirements are implemented, we will notify you of new procedures once they are known.

Q. Do I need travel insurance?

A. We strongly recommend that you are adequately covered by insurance for the duration of your travel arrangements. We recommend that your insurance policy includes comprehensive cover for COVID-19, and that you take out a policy as soon as you pay your deposit.

Q. What vaccinations do I need?

A. Vaccination requirements often change, therefore for up-to-date information please seek your doctor's advice. You may also need to comply with local requirements to undertake COVID-19 tests or be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 with a vaccine approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration.

Q. What size are your tour groups?

A. The group size on our Classic Tours is on average around 21 passengers, with a maximum group size 28. On our Go Beyond Tours and exclusive Solo Departures the average group size is around 14 and the maximum is 18. You may meet other tour groups travelling concurrently. On our group tours we operate a seat-and-a-half policy, allowing you to travel in greater comfort.

Q. Do you run guaranteed departures?

A. Group tours are guaranteed to run subject to a minimum of 8 passengers. A National Escort will accompany each group of 10 or more. We will endeavour to run groups of a smaller size if viable to do so.

Q. As a single traveller, will I have to pay a single supplement?

A. We offer several options for single travellers joining our tours. The first is to book onto one of our Solo Departures, which are reserved exclusively for solo travellers and have single occupancy of a double room built into the tour price (plus free access to an airport lounge if available on your flight itinerary, and a welcome cocktail on arrival) or, if you prefer, you can pay the single room supplement on a regular departure and have a private room reserved for you. Another possibility is to choose our 'Happy to Share' option at time of booking where, if we can find you a share partner of the same gender, your Single Supplement will be removed from your booking. We regret that Happy to Share requests cannot be accepted within 75 days of departure. Please note that 'Happy to Share' requests received at time of booking may not be confirmed until after your final payment due

date. Our Customer Services Team will contact you around 60 days prior to departure to let you know if a share partner has been found. If a share partner is found, the Single Supplement will be removed from your booking and refunded. If a share partner is not found, the Single Supplement will remain on your booking.

Q. Is portage included?

A. No, portage is not included on our tours and you will be expected to carry your own luggage. This will apply during transfers and at hotels.

Q. What is the maximum luggage allowance on your tours?

A. We request that you do not exceed 20kgs of checked baggage on your international flights as many of the domestic travel arrangements within Japan have a luggage allowance of only 20kgs. We recommend that your hand luggage does not exceed 5kg.

Q. What currency should I take?

A. We recommend you take the local currency Japanese Yen and a credit/debit card. We do not recommend travellers cheques. Please ensure you have sufficient funds to pay for personal expenses such as drinks, snacks, souvenirs and optional extras.

Q. When is the best time to visit Japan?

A. Japan is a year-round destination. While spring and autumn are the most popular months to visit, many people enjoy tours at other times of the year when there are fewer tourists. See pages 14-15. Many people travel to Japan in cherry blossom season. Please bear in mind that seeing the cherry blossoms cannot be guaranteed as the season can vary from year to year. Very roughly the season for Tokyo and Kyoto is from the last week of March to the first two weeks of April – further south it begins earlier, further north it's a bit later. This is a very popular time of the year to visit so expect tourist attractions to be busy and that some queuing may be required.

Q. When are Japanese public holidays?

A. Japan's 'Golden Week' public holidays fall annually at the end of April/beginning of May. Celebrations last for several days and during this time some businesses will be closed. Tour attractions will be open, but may be crowded.

Q. What does escorted touring mean?

A. Every group tour which has 10 or more passengers travelling will be accompanied by a National Escort from when you arrive, to when you depart. On multi-country tours, different national escorts are used in each country. In the unlikely event that your group

WHILE ON TOUR

is less than 10 you will be accompanied by local guides in each location. Our optional extensions are not accompanied by a National Escort; however you will have the benefit of our knowledgeable local guides. Transfers and flights to and from optional extension destinations are not escorted. Private tours are not accompanied by a National Escort, but will be accompanied by knowledgeable local guides in each location.

Q. What sort of vehicles do you use?

Air: Internal flights are based on economy class, with reputable airlines.

Road: Coaches with air conditioning are used on our group tours for city sightseeing, short excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary. On our private tours, we use air-conditioned vehicles suitable for the size of the party.

Rail: Bullet trains and high speed trains are used on some tours. There is limited space to store luggage but alternative options are available, such as a luggage transfer service (at your own expense on private tours). While our guides may be there to assist, you will need to load and unload your own luggage on and off the trains. Seats onboard are booked in second class, comfortable, and carriages have western-style facilities.

River: Ships or boats are used on tours which have a cruising element. To undertake these excursions, you will need to be capable of boarding and disembarking from these boats, sometimes without assistance and/or handrails.

Public Transport: In big cities such as Tokyo, it may be necessary to make use of the excellent public transport systems during your sightseeing excursions. As well as being quicker and more convenient, it gives you a far more local experience. Escorted travel on public transport is mainly used on private tours.

Q. How do airport transfers work in Japan?

A. Airport transfers work in a different way in Japan compared to our other destinations. You will be met on arrival at the airport by an English-speaking assistant who will provide instructions for you to make your own way to your hotel using the airport limousine bus. Please note the bus will be shared with other passengers and is not just for Wendy Wu Tours clients.

If your hotel is more than a 5-minute walk from the drop-off bus stop, a taxi will be arranged for you prior to leaving the airport to meet you at the drop-off bus stop.

Q. Is there a dress code on your tours?

A. Our dress code is very relaxed; however, please note that clothing covering the arms and legs is more appropriate when visiting religious buildings.

Q. Are meals included?

A. All meals (excluding beverages) are included in our group tours except where stated. Please note that in remote areas,

meals may be simple and choices limited. Meals included in Private Tours are stated in the itinerary and include several free evenings, offering flexibility for those who wish to explore local restaurants. If you book a fully inclusive Classic Tour your first meal will be dinner on the day of arrival and will end with breakfast on the normal day of departure. Any additional meals will be at your own expense and no refund will be made for any meals missed. You will sample a range of local cuisine with occasional western meals, and meals are usually taken at local restaurants.

Q. Is tap water safe to drink?

A. The tap water across Japan is safe to drink, though you may prefer bottled water as you may not appreciate the taste.

Q. Are there any optional excursions?

A. From time to time your National Escort or local guide may suggest optional sightseeing in addition to the standard sightseeing planned, depending on local conditions. Such options are at an additional cost, with prices usually starting at AU\$55 per person. This is paid in cash (local currency) to the guide on the day of the optional excursion – just ask your guide if you need to visit a cash machine before touring for that day commences.

Q. Are there shopping opportunities on your tours?

A. Japan has an array of shopping opportunities for those who love to seek out a bargain. We encourage all passengers to enjoy their local shopping expeditions but to take care and be wise when purchasing.

Q. Can special requests be arranged?

A. If you have any special requests such as dietary requirements, or if you wish to celebrate an event, please notify us at the time of booking and we will do everything possible to ensure your requests are met. Please note that special requests cannot be guaranteed.

Q. What is the flying time to Japan?

A. Approximately 13 hours, taking into consideration any layovers between flights.

Q. Do you allow children on your tours?

A. We allow children 12 years and over on our group tours. Alternatively, our Private Tours (see our website) offer greater flexibility whilst on tour and are suitable for any age.

Q. Will I be travelling with passengers from other countries?

A. Our groups are generally made up of travellers from Australia and New Zealand. Occasionally we are joined by English speaking passengers from other countries.

Q. What is the average age on your group tours?

A. The average age range is 40-65. Younger and older passengers travel with us too.

Q. What hours of the day do your tours operate?

A. They generally start about 8am and end shortly after your evening meal. Occasionally earlier starts are required to meet flight/train departures or to visit sights at the best time of day.

Q. Is tipping compulsory?

A. Tipping is not traditionally part of Japanese culture, but is becoming increasingly commonplace. If you would like to show your appreciation, you can do so in local currency at the end of the tour.

Q. Can you guarantee I will see snow monkeys?

A. While every effort will be made to observe the Japanese macaques up-close, please keep in mind that the snow monkeys are wild, not domestic animals and sighting them is never guaranteed, particularly during the breeding season which runs from late September through to November.

For information about South Korea, Taiwan and China, please visit our website and view each tour's detailed dossier.

Health & Safety

Your health, safety and well-being on holiday are of paramount importance to us. Wendy Wu Tours is a fully insured and bonded tour operator with comprehensive public liability cover. Working closely with an independent health and safety organisation, our local partners carry out health and safety checks on accommodation, transport and excursions; and works with our destination partners and suppliers towards improving health and safety standards throughout the regions in which we operate. All travellers should be aware that safety standards vary across the different regions we visit and may not match the standards we enjoy in the Australia. In the unlikely event of a problem or emergency on tour, Wendy Wu Tours has a crisis management process in place to support all of our customers. We also have a dedicated 24 hour emergency support number.



WENDY WU TOURS BOOKING CONDITIONS

The following booking conditions ('Booking Conditions') form the basis of your contract with Wendy Wu Tours Pty Ltd, of Level 8, 92 Pitt Street, Sydney, Australia. ATAS: A10517. ABN: 87 082 688 202. Please read them carefully before making a booking request as they set out our respective rights and obligations. By making a booking request, you acknowledge that you have read and understood the Booking Conditions as well as the specific day to day demands of your chosen tour and agree to be bound by them.

These Booking Conditions set out the terms on which you contract with us for the arrangement and delivery of travel arrangements for your trip and which we agree to make, provide, or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. All references in these booking conditions to "holiday", "booking", "contract", "package", "tour" or "arrangements" mean such holiday arrangements unless otherwise stated. In these booking conditions, "you", "your", "customer" or "passenger" means each person named on a booking request (including anyone who is added or substituted at a later date) or any of them as the context requires. "We", "us" and "our" means Wendy Wu Tours Pty Ltd. By making a booking with us, you acknowledge that you have read, understood and agree to be bound by these Booking Conditions. Please note that we reserve the right to change these Booking Conditions at any time prior to you placing a booking request. The latest version of our Booking Conditions is published at wendywutours.com.au. It is your obligation to review the latest version of our Booking Conditions prior to making a booking request.

YOUR HOLIDAY CONTRACT The first named person on a booking request ("Lead Traveller") promises that s/he is authorised to request a booking subject to these Booking Conditions by all persons named in the booking request and by the parents or guardians for any party member who is under 18 when the booking request is made. The Lead Traveller is responsible for making all payments due under a booking by all party members. The Lead Traveller must be at least 18 when the booking is requested. After we receive your booking request and all appropriate payments (see "Payments" below), if the arrangements you wish to book are available, we will issue a confirmation invoice. A binding agreement will come into existence between us when we email your confirmation invoice to the 'Lead Traveller' or the travel agent through whom the booking was requested. We reserve the right to decline any booking at our discretion.

OUR SERVICES The services we provide to you are limited to (a) the arrangement and coordination of your travel arrangements; and (b) the delivery of travel arrangements which we directly control (if any). This includes (often significant) work undertaken prior to travel to arrange and coordinate the delivery of your travel arrangements.

YOUR DETAILS Passenger names must be provided exactly as per passport, including middle names, at the time of booking. A copy of your passport is required at the time of booking. Any spelling corrections made after a deposit is paid must be sent in writing. If you do not advise the correct information and we have to re-issue airline tickets or other documentation, then you will be responsible for any fees charged (such as airline cancellation charges or re-issue fees) in addition to our own reasonable administration fees.

YOUR OBLIGATION TO CHECK DETAILS Please check your confirmation invoice carefully as soon as you receive it. Contact us immediately if any information which appears on the confirmation invoice or any other document appears to be incorrect or incomplete as it may not be possible to make changes later. We regret we cannot accept any liability if we are not notified of any inaccuracies (for which we are responsible) in any document within ten days of our sending it out (five days for tickets). We will do our best to rectify any mistake notified to us outside these time limits, but you must meet any costs involved in doing so. If you wish to change or cancel any arrangements later, you may have to pay an amendment or cancellation charge (See "Amendments by You" & "Cancellations by You" below).

PRICES General: Prices and services are subject to availability of tour, airline, and specific economy airfare. Prices may differ once a preferred booking class is sold out. Prices stated are in Australian Dollars (\$AUD) and are current at the time of publication. The most up to date pricing is available on our website. The price includes international flights (where tour specifies it is flight inclusive), accommodation, transportation and other inclusions as per the published itinerary. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to release specials which are applicable to new bookings only. We also reserve the right to correct any obvious errors in rates quoted or calculated, or any omissions made at any time during your booking. Any verbal quote given is an indication only of the final price and is subject to confirmation in writing. Costs associated with passports, vaccinations, insurance, meals (other than those stipulated), emergency evacuation costs, gratuities, and all items of a personal nature are not included.

Itinerary Deviations: All fully inclusive Classic Tour or Go Beyond Tour prices indicated in the brochure are based on group travel and any deviation from the set itinerary may incur additional airline ticket costs. Arrangements such as transfers, accommodation, etc. outside the set group arrangements/dates are at an additional cost.

Airline Fuel Charges: In addition to the cost of any airfares, airlines also charge an additional levy to cover the ever-increasing cost of aviation fuel. As fuel prices have fluctuated, so too has the amount airlines charge for this levy. At the time of pricing, some airline fuel surcharges are included in the cost of the fare; however, this amount is subject to change until your airline ticket is issued.

PAYMENTS Deposit: You are required to pay a non-refundable deposit of \$300 per person (or full payment if booking within 75 days of commencement of your travel arrangements) to Wendy Wu Tours or your travel agent within three days of you making your booking request. Please note that we may not hold any services for you until we receive payment of your deposit, meaning that services may become unavailable or prices may increase, in which case you will be responsible for paying the increased price, and we will not be responsible if services become unavailable. In some cases the

amount of the deposit may be higher where, for example, we need to pre-purchase flight tickets, cruise cabins, accommodation or other services and in the case of our flight upgrade special offers, to which early airline ticketing may apply – please see the terms and conditions of individual special offers for further information. This will be advised at the time of quotation.

Balance Payment: The final balance of the travel arrangements is due no later than 75 days prior to the confirmed tour commencement date. Unless issued earlier as per instances outlined above, air tickets are only issued upon receiving the final payment. If we do not receive all payments due in full and on time, we are entitled to assume that you have cancelled your booking, and cancellation fees will apply (See "Cancellations by You" below). Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to request a partial payment of the final balance more than 75 days prior to departure to cover the cost of earlier ticketing should it be requested by the airlines, or tickets issued by our overseas operators due to airline ticketing time limits.

Card Processing Fees: Please note that any payments made by credit or debit card are subject to a 1.2% processing fee (1.8% for Amex), which represents the cost charged to us to process the payment.

Tailor-Made Quotations: For Tailor-made itineraries, the first two quotes are complimentary. After this, we reserve the right to request a non-refundable commitment fee of \$100.00 per person. This will be deducted from your required deposit amount at the time of confirmation.

AMENDMENTS BY YOU We will endeavour to accommodate amendments and additional requests. You acknowledge that these may not be possible to fulfil, and for group departures a transfer of a booking to a different departure is deemed a cancellation. An amendment fee of \$50 per change will be levied to cover communication and administration costs for any changes to bookings. You will also be required to pay any additional costs charged by suppliers. Please note that airfares are subject to strict airline policies and booking fare rules. Special airfares that require early ticketing may be non-refundable and non-changeable. Once a booking is confirmed, any name change, or passenger change will incur additional charges and/or may be deemed a cancellation of the airfare.

AMENDMENTS BY US Prior to travel: Occasionally, we may need to make amendments or modifications to the itinerary and its inclusions and you acknowledge our right to do this. If we become aware of a significant change to your itinerary or its inclusions prior to the commencement of your trip (where the trip can still proceed), then we will notify you within a reasonable time.

During travel: You acknowledge that the itinerary, modes of transport, accommodation and/or the trip's inclusions may need to change during your trip due to local circumstances beyond our reasonable control, including road conditions, poor weather, changes in transport schedules, and/or vehicle breakdowns. You agree that we have the right to pass on any costs we incur for alternative arrangements we put in place for your benefit in these circumstances.

General: To the fullest extent permitted by law, we will not be responsible for any omissions or modifications to the itinerary or the inclusions due to Force Majeure or other circumstances beyond our control happening after we have accepted your booking. This includes any loss of enjoyment or distress caused by omissions or modifications. If you are entitled to any compensation for any modifications or omissions, then you agree it will be reduced by the value of any alternative services we provide which you accept. We will not be responsible to you for any other expenses or loss you incur resulting from any amendment or change to the itinerary or its inclusions.

CANCELLATION BY YOU Group Tours: Cancellations must be made in writing to Wendy Wu Tours and are subject to the following cancellation charges (Cancellations are also dependent upon other additional charges imposed for air/rail/cruise tickets as referred to below) from the date the written cancellation is received:

- More than 75 days prior to departure; loss of deposit
- Between 74 and 59 days prior to departure; 25% of total cost
- Between 58 and 46 days prior to departure; 50% of total cost
- 45 days or less prior to departure 100% of total cost
- Any 'no show'; 100% of total cost

Airfare, Cruise & Rail Tickets: If airline, cruise and rail tickets have been issued, the rules of the fare will determine cancellation and/or amendment charges. It is often the case that air, cruise and rail tickets are non-refundable.

Following the commencement of your tour, no refunds will be made for any services which you choose not to use or which you cannot use for any reason other than a reason within our control. If you are not fully and validly vaccinated against Covid-19 in the destination(s) where services are to be provided, and particular suppliers refuse to provide you with travel arrangements, then you agree you will not be entitled to any refund for those arrangements. We will not be responsible to you for any loss or expenses you incur (including loss of enjoyment or the costs of alternative arrangements) if you are denied services in these circumstances.

Regrettably, cancellation charges and fees cannot be waived. There can be no exceptions. Please note that employees of any overseas or domestic company or staff of Wendy Wu Tours outside Australia are

not authorised to give any guarantees or agreements to customers in respect of refunds or any other matters. Please note Special Groups, Short Stays, Extensions & Tailormade tours may have differing cancellation fees, these will be communicated in writing at time of booking.

ILLNESS OR VACCINATION STATUS PREVENTING TRAVEL If due to any illness, suspected illness or failure to satisfy any required tests (such as a PCR or rapid antigen test in relation to Covid-19 or vaccination requirements):

- an airline or other common carrier refuses you carriage;
- a hotel or vessel refuses to accommodate you; or
- we or our suppliers (acting reasonably) exclude you from the trip and you are consequently prevented from commencing or continuing your trip, then:
 - if you have already commenced your trip, we will provide you with reasonable assistance to arrange alternative travel arrangements or to continue the trip. This will be at your cost.
 - if you have not commenced your trip then we regret we will not be in a position to provide such assistance.

We will not be liable to refund the cost of your trip (or any part of it) because we would have already paid (or committed to pay) suppliers and we would have already performed significant work preparing for the delivery of your trip and servicing your booking. We will not be responsible for any loss or other costs you incur in connection with your booking (for example, airfares and visa expenses) if you are prevented from commencing or continuing your trip in these circumstances.

Covid-19 credit redemptions

If: (a) we issued you with a credit due to your original travel arrangements being disrupted by Covid-19 and associated restrictions; and (b) you have redeemed that credit for new travel arrangements; then (c) you agree that we will not be obliged to refund you the value of the credit if you cancel your new travel arrangements.

If you cancel travel arrangements that have a value which exceeds the value of your credit (Excess Payment), then we will refund you the Excess Payment, less cancellation fees in accordance with the table below, calculated from the date which we receive written notice of cancellation:

- More than 75 days prior to departure - refund of Excess Payment
- Between 74 and 59 days prior to departure; 25% of Excess Payment
- Between 58 and 46 days prior to departure; 50% of Excess Payment
- 45 days or less prior to departure 100% of Excess Payment
- Any 'no show': 100% of Excess Payment

CANCELLATIONS OR RESCHEDULING BY US In these Booking Conditions, the term Force Majeure means an event or events beyond our control and which we could not have reasonably prevented, and includes but is not limited to: (a) natural disasters (including not limited to flooding, fire, earthquake, landslide, volcanic eruption), adverse weather conditions (including hurricane or cyclone), high or low water levels; (b) war, armed conflict, industrial dispute, civil strife, terrorist activity or the threat of such acts; (c) epidemic, pandemic; (d) any new or change in law, order, decree, rule or regulation of any government authority (including travel advisories and restrictions).

Force Majeure - Prior to travel

If in our reasonable opinion we (either directly or through our employees, contractors, suppliers, or agents) consider that your travel arrangements cannot safely or lawfully proceed due to a Force Majeure Event then we at our discretion may elect to:

- reschedule your travel arrangements (in whole or in part); and/or
- cancel your travel arrangements (in whole or in part), in which case our contract with you will terminate (in whole or in part).

If we cancel any of your travel arrangements, neither of us will have any claim for damages against the other for the cancelled arrangements. However, we will refund payments attributable to the cancelled travel arrangements less: (a) unrecoverable third-party costs and other expenses incurred by us for the cancelled travel arrangements; (b) overhead charges incurred by us relative to the price of the cancelled travel arrangements; and (c) fair compensation for work undertaken by us in relation to the cancelled travel arrangements until the time of cancellation and in connection with the processing of any refund.

Force Majeure - During travel

If due to Force Majeure we cancel travel arrangements after your trip has commenced, we will provide you with a refund of recoverable third-party costs for cancelled travel arrangements only.

Force Majeure - General

If we provide you with any alternative services or assistance where travel arrangements are cancelled or rescheduled due to Force Majeure, then you agree the amount to be refunded to you will be reduced by the value of these services and assistance.

You acknowledge that the terms in this section are reasonably necessary to protect our legitimate business interests. We strongly encourage you to purchase travel insurance that adequately responds to cancellation and rescheduling risks associated with Force Majeure events.

Other cancellations

Minimum Numbers: Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to cancel or vary a tour prior to departure due to insufficient numbers. We will advise you no less than 60 days prior to your tour commencement if minimum numbers have not been achieved.

If we cancel your travel arrangements for reasons other than Force Majeure, you will be offered (at your election) a refund of all funds

paid, or the offer of a trip of substantially equal quality if appropriate. We will not be responsible to you for any other expenses or loss you incur if your travel arrangements are rescheduled or cancelled whether or not due to Force Majeure.

If we cancel your travel arrangements, neither party will have any claim for damages against the other. However, we will refund payments made by you less unrecoverable third-party costs and less fair compensation for work undertaken by us up until the time of termination and in connection with the processing of any refund.

CANCELLATION DUE TO GOVERNMENT OR PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY If you are ordered into a period of quarantine by a government or public health authority as a mandatory directive for any reason and this requires you to cancel or amend your travel arrangements with us within 75 days of your departure date, Wendy Wu Tours will not be liable for any third-party costs, cancellation fees or prepaid arrangements such as (but not limited to) airfares and cruise ship bookings.

We will not be responsible for any additional cost incurred to you while on tour if you are instructed by a government or public health authority to enter into a period of quarantine or to return home early, this includes any extra accommodation costs or amendments to your onward travel arrangements.

Wendy Wu Tours will endeavour to recover as much of your funds as we can on your behalf, or negotiate a credit for future use, should a disruption to your tour arrangements occur due to a government or public health authority directive.

Wendy Wu Tours highly recommends you investigate and secure travel insurance options that best suit your individual circumstances, including any applicable to pre-existing medical conditions and world events.

JOINING YOUR TOUR Airline schedules from different cities vary so travellers from some cities may need to make their own way to another capital city to join the tour or may require pre- or post-tour accommodation, a stopover or have a lengthy transit en-route to their destination. Any cost for accommodation, transportation (including but not limited to airport transfers) or meals incurred will be at the passengers' own expense. Our reservations team can assist with any of these additional services. If you have booked a land only option, please email a copy of your flight schedule and passport copy at time of final payment so we can arrange transfers and visas.

REFUSAL OF CARRIAGE Wendy Wu Tours retains the right to remove customers from our group tours for reasons that impact on the enjoyment or safety of other tour members, such as, but not limited to, the physical, medical or mental inability of customers to undertake the arrangements of the tour, unsocial or unruly behaviour, or the carriage of prohibited substances and materials. You will not be entitled to any refund for unused services and you will be responsible for any additional costs you incur.

HOTELS Hotel descriptions featured on our website are based on current hotel guides provided by suppliers. Any facilities described are subject to change at any time. Maps and photographs are included for general information only and may not necessarily reflect actual routings, location or services. Wendy Wu Tours has made reasonable enquiries to verify that the descriptions and details are accurate but does not warrant that they are. We reserve the right to substitute hotels, vessels and other forms of accommodation with properties or vessels of a comparable or higher standard.

TRAVEL INSURANCE Travel Insurance and proof of coverage is required for Cruise & Tour. For all other touring it is strongly encouraged that you are adequately insured for the duration of your trip. We recommend comprehensive travel insurance to cover cancellation, medical

requirements, luggage, repatriations and additional expenses. The choice of insurer is yours. We strongly suggest you purchase insurance at the time you pay your deposit. This is because cancellation fees and charges are payable from that time.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS All customers are required to familiarise themselves with any health and vaccination requirements specific to the countries being visited. Any pre-existing dietary requirement/food allergy; disability; medical, health, physical, psychological, or behavioural condition ("health conditions") must be discussed with your doctor who can confirm your suitability to travel on your chosen tour.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have a suitable level of health and fitness to undertake the trip of your choice. If you suffer from a medical condition which may reasonably be expected to increase your risk of needing medical attention, or which may affect the normal conduct of the trip, then you must advise us at the time you make your booking request.

We may request you to provide an assessment of your medical condition from a qualified medical practitioner. If the assessment indicates that you will require special assistance from personnel which we cannot reasonably provide, then we may cancel your booking. Provided you notified us of your medical condition at the time you made your booking request, we will provide you with a full refund of payments made. If you fail to notify us at that time or if you fail to provide a medical assessment within a reasonable time of our request, then this will be considered a cancellation by you.

We reserve the right to cancel your booking if any changed or non-disclosed medical conditions mean that you will require special assistance which we cannot reasonably provide. We strongly suggest that your travel insurance policy includes comprehensive cancellation coverage.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS & VISA PROCESSING A passport with a minimum of six months validity and at least 2 blank pages upon return to Australia is required for customers travelling to all countries in our programme. Visa fees are included for Australian passport holders in all fully inclusive Classic Tours and Go Beyond Tours. Non-

Australian passport holders may incur additional fees and require additional documentation. Wendy Wu Tours may not be able to assist with processing the visas for some nationalities. If passports are not received by Wendy Wu Tours 75 days prior to departure, you may be required to pay an urgent visa processing fee, which we will advise at the time. Unless otherwise requested your passport will be returned to you with final documentation approximately three weeks prior to your departure date. If the customer requests the passports to be returned prior to this, an additional fee will be incurred. Responsibility for documentation accuracy, passport validity, purchase of additional required passport photos, the cost for sending passports to Wendy Wu Tours and dispatch of documents rests with the customer. Wendy Wu Tours accepts no responsibility for any failure in this respect. Wendy Wu Tours does not issue foreign visas. We only submit passports and application forms for visas to be issued by the relevant authorities. Wendy Wu Tours cannot guarantee that any visa will be issued by the relevant authority and accepts no responsibility if a visa application is refused. Any cancellation fees or other expenses incurred by the customer due to the refusal of a visa will be entirely the customer's liability. Relevant authorities may require additional documentation to approve your visa application. The cost of additional documentation or application forms are at the travellers expense. Please see our website for the most up-to-date information.

Late Bookings: If a booking is made within 75 days prior to departure it is considered a late booking. Late bookings may incur additional fees including any applicable urgent visa processing fees. Wendy Wu Tours does not process visa applications for bookings made less than 30 days prior to departure but customers are entitled to apply for their own visas.

SINGLE TRAVELLERS We offer several options for single travellers joining our tours. The first is to book onto one of our Solo Departures, which are reserved exclusively for solo travellers and have single occupancy of a double room built into the tour price (plus free access to an airport lounge if available on your flight itinerary, and a welcome cocktail on arrival) or, if you prefer, you can pay the single room supplement on a regular departure and have a private room reserved for you. Another possibility is to choose our 'Happy to Share' option at time of booking where, if we can find you a share partner of the same gender, your Single Supplement will be removed from your booking. We regret that Happy to Share requests cannot be accepted within 75 days of departure. Please note that 'Happy to Share' requests received at time of booking may not be confirmed until after your final payment due date. Our Customer Services Team will contact you around 60 days prior to departure to let you know if a share partner has been found. If a share partner is found, the Single Supplement will be removed from your booking and refunded. If a share partner is not found, the Single Supplement will remain on your booking. Wendy Wu Tours reserves the right to change or withdraw this arrangement at any time. If the booking originated as a twin share booking and one traveller cancels, the remaining traveller will be charged the applicable single supplement. If the cancellation occurs more than 75 days prior to the tour departure date, the option to select 'Happy to Share' will apply if it is available on the selected tour. Our dedicated solo departures are guaranteed a single room with no additional supplement and do not have a 'Happy to Share' option.

SEATBELTS Please note that seatbelts are not compulsory by law in all destinations featured in this brochure and therefore the local people largely choose not to wear them. For this reason local operators may or may not have seatbelts in vehicles or they may be hidden underneath protective seat covers. It is recommended that where seatbelts are available customers must use them and remain seated at all times while the vehicle is moving. As such, customers acknowledge that seatbelts may not be available and therefore travel at their own risk. Customers warrant that they shall not make any claim whatsoever arising from injury or damage in respect of, arising from or contributed to by the absence of seatbelts and hereby release Wendy Wu Tours from all such claims.

INDEPENDENT SERVICES We are not responsible for any additional activities or excursions which are not included in the booked itinerary or which we sell as agent for the principal operator. Any advice or recommendation made by a guide or local representative does not make us responsible.

SOLO DEPARTURE AIRPORT TRANSFERS Private transfers are eligible from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, Adelaide, Canberra and Cairns, based on executive sedan or similar. After hours surcharges apply between 12:00am-6:00am. Available within a radius of 50 driven kilometres from the nearest international airport. Up to 10 extra kilometres can be booked at a supplement. Based on a maximum of two passengers travelling together with standard airline luggage allowance. Any unused portion of this service is non-refundable.

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