



Japan Holidays

EXCLUSIVE TOUR

CLASSIC JAPAN CHERRY BLOSSOM TOUR 2018

Sat 24th March 2018 – Fri 6th April 2018 | 14 days-13 nights

from A\$6300 per person



TOUR DESCRIPTION

Introduction:

Departure Date to Arrive in Japan:

Friday 23rd or Sat 24th March to arrive in Tokyo
by Sat 24th March

Departure Date from Tour & Japan:

Friday 6th April - Extension tour available

Inclusions:

14 nights- accommodation 4 star western &
Japanese

Fully escorted- By Japan Holidays' ,Ms Yuka Hirai

Government accredited English speaking guides

All transfers and tours as per itinerary

Non Inclusions:

International Airfares & Taxes

Tours & Meals Not shown In Itinerary

Price:

\$6300 per person- Single Supplement - \$850

Short Description:

Springtime in Japan is by far the most visited time and this is an ideal tour for travellers new to Japan, offering the opportunity to be part of this special time in the Japanese calendar, whilst enjoying all of the other traditional and modern delights that Japan is famous for, and travelling to some of Japan's most famous sites.

Highlights:

- Visit Tokyo's Must See sights including, Ginza, Imperial Palace, Asakusa, Kannon
- Visits to some of Japan's most famous cherry blossom viewing sites.
- Be amazed by the areas surrounding Tokyo: Mt Fuji/Hakone, Nikko and Kamakura
- Travel via Bullet Train through the Japan Alps in Springtime to the culturally diverse city of Kanazawa
- Along the way participants will visit World Heritage spots including the traditional thatched roof houses of Shirakawa-go.
- Visit Kyoto's major temples, shrines, gardens, castle & Imperial Palace
- Admire the variety of Kyoto & Nara's World Heritage temples, traditional streets and cherry blossoms.
- Again using the shinkansen you will be taken to popular sightseeing spots of Hiroshima and Miyajima Island.
- Experience excellent Japanese cuisine and local sake

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ITINERARY

Day 1 -Sat 24th Mar : Tokyo

Upon arrival you will be met by Green Tomato Taxis for shared shuttle to Tokyu Stay Ginza Hotel. Japan Holidays' Guide will meet you upon arrival at the hotel and assist with check in. Your guide - Ms Yuka Hirai will remain with you throughout the duration of the tour. You will receive a Suica/Pasmo card for use on Transportation whilst in Tokyo.

Accommodation: Tokyu Stay Ginza- Breakfast included



Day 2 - Sun 25th Mar : Tokyo

08:45 Meet in Hotel Lobby

09:00 – 13:00hrs This tour includes visits to Tokyo's most famous cherry blossom viewing sights as well as sightseeing around some of Tokyo's most iconic landmarks such as Tokyo Tower.

Lunch – own arrangements.

Afternoon at leisure to enjoy more of Tokyo.

18:30hrs Meet in hotel lobby to transfer to local restaurant for Welcome Dinner.

Accommodation: Tokyu Stay Ginza- B'fast & Dinner Included

Day 3 - Mon 26th: Tokyo - Nikko

07:30 Meet in Lobby for Transfer to nearby Hotel departure point.

08:25 Coach Departure for Nikko Day Tour. Visit the famous World Heritage site of Nikko Toshogu Shrine and enjoy the beautiful natural scenery of the season at Kegon Falls and Lake Chuzenji.

Lunch Included.

19:30-20:00 Tour returns to Ginza and return to Hotel. Dinner own arrangements.

Accommodation: Tokyu Stay Ginza- B'Fast & Lunch Included



ITINERARY

Day 4 - Tues 27th Mar : Tokyo -Kamakura

08:45 Meet in Hotel Lobby

09:00 Depart on Private Mini Coach.

This bus tour visits hidden treasures of Kamakura, the Kotoku-in Temple popular for the Great Buddha statue, and the seascapes of Enoshima. Experience the best of Kamakura including Komachi -dori shopping street amongst other sites.

The route will also include driving over the Yokohama Bay Bridge.

Lunch own expense.

17:00 Return to Hotel

Dinner own expense.

Accommodation : Tokyu Stay Ginza - B'fast Included



Day 5 - Wed 28th Mar - Tokyo

Today is a free day in Tokyo to enjoy Japanese Cherry Blossoms on a tour of Ueno Park, selected as one of the top 100 cherry blossom spots in Japan, or partake in a visit to Meiji shrine and Omotesando promenade of Harajuku, Takeshita dori and witness the youth of Japan at play. Other places to include would be the electric city of Akihabara, Shibuya or Tsukiji Fish Markets. There are so many wonderful places to experience --- maybe a sumo morning training watch tour would be of interest?

Accommodation : Tokyu Stay Ginza - B'fast Included



Day 6 - Thurs 29th Mar - Tokyo - Mt Fuji Hakone

07:30 Meet in Hotel Lobby

Transfer to Shinjuku Station one of the busiest stations in the world. Travel to Hakone Yumoto on the famous Romance Train and today's tour will travel visit the component sites of the

Mt Fuji World Heritage site including Mt Fuji's 5th Station, Hakone Ropeway ride, Gora, Owakudani, and Lake Ashi Cruise. Look forward to seeing Cherry Blossoms all throughout the Tour. This will be a memorable experience.

Return on the Romance Train to Shinjuku and connect on a local subway to the Hotel.

Lunch & Dinner own expense.

Accommodation : Tokyu Stay Ginza - Breakfast included



ITINERARY

Day 7 - Fri 30th March - Tokyo - Kanazawa

08:30 Check out Hotel and Meet in lobby - Transfer by Taxi to Tokyo Station

09:20 Depart on Hokuriku Shinkansen to Kanazawa

11:54 Arrive Kanazawa

On arrival transfer to Hotel and Check in. Lunch own arrangements.

13:30 Depart Hotel for afternoon tour of Kanazawa with Private English Speaking Guide.

Visit will include Kenrokuen Gardens (one of top 3 Japanese gardens in Japan)

Naga-machi samurai district, and 21st Century Kanazawa Museum of Contemporary Art.

Dinner at own leisure.

Accommodation : Kanazawa Tokyu Hotel - Breakfast included



Day 8 - Sat 31st Mar- Kanazawa - Shirakawa-go - Takayama

Depart by local Bus to Takayama an old town whose Edo period atmosphere has not changed for centuries. Along the way participants will visit the traditional thatched roof houses and Wada House at Shirakawa-go, a small world heritage listed village. It is possible to walk through both these wonderful towns visiting the local shops and eating places and imagine life in Edo period in Japan.

Lunch own arrangements.

Accommodation : Asunaro Ryokan - Breakfast & dinner included

Day 9 - Sun 1st April - Takayama - Kyoto

This morning enjoy sightseeing in Takayama on foot with English Speaking Guide. Places will include Yatai Kaikan, Jinya House and Kusakabe Folk Museum.

Later transfer to Takayama Station for limited express train to Nagoya and connecting with Shinkansen to Kyoto.

On arrival in Kyoto met and transferred to Hotel.

Accommodation : Sotetsu Fresa Inn Shijokarasuma



ITINERARY

Day 10 - Mon 2nd April - Kyoto

Today the Tour will include a full day tour of Kyoto in a Chartered Coach with English Speaking Guide.

The Tour visits the world heritage sites of Kinkakuji Temple, Nijo-jo Castle, Kyoto Imperial Palace, Kiyomizu Temple amongst other places.

Lunch will be at a local Japanese restaurant.

Return to Hotel and Dinner own arrangements.

Accommodation : Sotetsu Fresa Inn Shijokarasuma - Breakfast & Lunch Included



Day 11 - Tues 3rd April - Kyoto- Hiroshima-Kyoto

07:00 Depart Hotel for Kyoto Station

08:00 Depart Kyoto by Shinkansen for Hiroshima

09:58 Arrive Hiroshima

Met by a local Guide and on to the Peace Park and atomic bomb museum. Later travel to Miyajima Island to inspect the floating Itsukushima Shrine and famous Torii Gate. Lunch own arrangements although the local favourite Okonomiyaki is recommended.

17:17 Depart Hiroshima by Shinkansen

18:42 Arrive Shin Osaka and transfer to Kyoto train.

19:31 Arrive Kyoto.

Dinner own arrangements.

Accommodation : Sotetsu Fresa Inn Shijokarasuma - Breakfast Included

Day 12 - Wed 4th April - Kyoto

Day at Leisure to enjoy other sites of Kyoto e.g. Arashiyama area including Bamboo forest or Fushimi Inari Shrine or Suntory whisky factory. Alternatively why not consider a Japanese experience like a cooking class or craft workshop.

In the evening enjoy a Dinner with Maiko.

Let Japan Holidays assist you with suggestions.

Accommodation : Sotetsu Fresa Inn Shijokarasuma - Breakfast Included



ITINERARY

Day 13 - Thurs 5th April - Kyoto

Early breakfast and depart for Kyoto Station.

07:50 Depart Kyoto Station by local train- 08:57 Arrive Nara

Today the tour takes you to Nara's World Heritage sites -Todaiji Temple, Kasuga Taisha Shrine.

Experience an encounter with wild deer in nearby Nara Park, something few other places in the world offer.

Enjoy the peaceful landscapes of the surrounding area in particular walking around Sarusawa Pond. - Lunch own arrangements

Also there is an opportunity to dress in a Yukata style Kimono, partake in a tea ceremony, and enjoy sake tasting.

16:50 Depart Nara Station - 17:40 Arrive Kyoto and transfer to Hotel

Accommodation : Sotetsu Fresa Inn Shijokarasuma - Breakfast Included

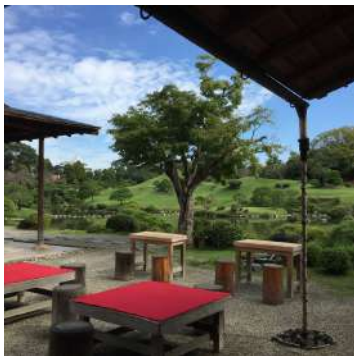


Day 14 - Fri 6th April : Kyoto - Home or Extension Tour

Today is your last day on tour or the first day for your extension tour. For those departing from Itami or Kansai airport there will be a Shared Shuttle transfer arranged for your departure flight.

Sayonara

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