Splendors of Japan with Hiroshima

7 - 17 November 2027

11Days • 10 Nights

Highlights: Tokyo • Hakone • Kyoto • Nara • Hiroshima • Miyajima • Osaka



✓ 7 Destinations
✓ Deluxe Motorcoach Throughout
✓ Shinkansen Bullet Train Experience
✓ Traditional Ryokan Stay with Onsen
✓ Tea Farm Experience in Shizuoka
✓ Lake Ashi Cruise with Mt. Fuji Views
✓ Miyajima & Itsukushima Shrine
✓ Farewell Dinner in Osaka

Discover the many faces of Japan on a carefully crafted journey that blends ancient traditions with cutting-edge innovation, breathtaking landscapes with vibrant cities, and iconic landmarks with authentic local experiences.

From the dazzling skyline of *Tokyo* to the timeless temples of *Kyoto* and *Nara*, from the poignant history of *Hiroshima* to the sacred beauty of *Miyajima*, and from the culinary delights of *Osaka* to the tranquil hot springs of *Hakone*, every day reveals a different side of this fascinating country.

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Journey at a Glance

11 Days I Tokyo • Kamakura • Hakone • Shizuoka • Kyoto • Osaka • Hiroshima

Day 1 – Arrive **Tokyo**
Day 2 – **Tokyo**
Day 3 – **Tokyo**
Day 4 – Tokyo • **Kamakura** • **Hakone**
Day 5 – Hakone • **Shizuoka** • **Kyoto**
Day 6 – **Kyoto**
Day 7 – Kyoto • **Arashiyama** • **Kyoto**
Day 8 – Kyoto • **Fushimi Inari** • **Nara** • **Osaka**
Day 9 – Osaka • **Hiroshima** • **Miyajima** • Osaka
Day 10 – **Osaka**
Day 11 – Depart **Osaka**

Itinerary

DAY 1 - November 7th, 2027 Saturday - Welcome to Japan

Upon arrival at Tokyo International Airport (Haneda or Narita), meet your Tour Director and transfer to your hotel.
The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax after your flight or begin exploring one of the world's most exciting cities.
This evening, join your fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner.

Overnight: Tokyo
Meals: Dinner
Hotel: tbc
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DAY 2 - November 8th, 2027 Sunday - Tokyo

After breakfast, meet your professional local guide at the hotel and begin a full-day exploration of Japan's vibrant capital.
Start your day in the historic district of ***Asakusa***, home to ***Senso-ji*** Temple, Tokyo's oldest and most famous Buddhist temple. Stroll along the lively *Nakamise* Shopping Street, lined with traditional stalls offering local snacks, handcrafted souvenirs and Japanese specialties. Continue to the peaceful ***Meiji Jingu*** Shrine, one of Tokyo's most important Shinto shrines, nestled within a tranquil forest in the heart of the city.

In the afternoon, experience Tokyo's modern side as you explore the colorful streets of ***Harajuku***, renowned for its unique fashion, youth culture and creative street style. Then walk along elegant ***Omotesando***, Tokyo's premier boulevard of luxury boutiques, contemporary architecture and designer flagship stores.

End the day at the world-famous Shibuya Crossing, the busiest pedestrian intersection on the planet and one of Tokyo's most iconic landmarks.

Overnight: Tokyo
Meals: Breakfast
Hotel: tbc

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES

Discover Shinjuku by Night - Explore Shinjuku after dark with your Travel Director, walking through the bright streets of Kabukicho, Tokyo's famous entertainment district. Spot the towering Godzilla Head above the neon-lit streets before heading to the Tokyo Metropolitan Government Building for its projection mapping display across the city's twin towers. Adult: 5,000.00 JPY

DAY 3 - November 9th, 2027 Monday - Tokyo

After breakfast, continue exploring the dynamic energy of Tokyo, a city where innovation, entertainment and tradition coexist in perfect harmony.

Begin your day in the vibrant district of ***Akihabara***, world-famous for its electronics stores, anime, manga and gaming culture. Continue to ***Ueno Park***, one of Tokyo's most beloved green spaces, before enjoying free time to browse the bustling **A*meyoko Market***, known for its lively atmosphere and local street food.

In the afternoon, head to the futuristic waterfront district of **Odaiba**, where modern architecture, spectacular views of Tokyo Bay and innovative attractions create a unique urban landscape. Enjoy time to explore the area before visiting ***TeamLab Planets TOKYO***, an immersive digital art museum where light, water and interactive installations combine to create an unforgettable multi-sensory experience. Conclude the day with breathtaking panoramic views of the city from ***Tokyo Skytree***, Japan's tallest structure and one of the world's highest observation towers.

Overnight: Tokyo
Meals: Breakfast
Hotel: tbc

DAY 4 - November 10th, 2027 Tuesday - Tokyo – Kamakura – Hakone From Ancient Temples to the Beauty of Mount Fuji

After breakfast, depart Tokyo by deluxe motorcoach and travel south to the historic city of ***Kamakura***, once the political capital of medieval Japan and home to some of the country's most treasured cultural landmarks.

Visit the iconic ***Great Buddha*** (Daibutsu), an impressive 13-meter bronze statue that has watched over Kamakura for more than seven centuries. Continue to the beautiful Hase-dera Temple, renowned for its exquisite gardens, wooden terraces and panoramic views of the coastline.

After free time for lunch, continue to the scenic ***Hakone National Park***.

Board a relaxing ***Lake Ashi Cruise***, where, on clear days, you'll enjoy spectacular views of the majestic ***Mount Fuji*** reflected in the tranquil waters of the lake.

Later, arrive at your traditional Japanese Ryokan, where you'll experience authentic Japanese hospitality. Relax in the soothing natural hot springs before savoring a beautifully prepared Kaiseki dinner, featuring seasonal local specialties.

Overnight: Hakone
Meals: Breakfast, Dinner
Hotel: tbc

DAY 5 - November 11th, 2027 Wednesday - Hakone - Shizuoka – Kyoto

After breakfast, begin the day with a visit to the renowned Hakone Open-Air Museum, Japan's first open-air art museum. Set against the breathtaking backdrop of the surrounding mountains, the museum features an outstanding collection of contemporary sculptures by internationally acclaimed artists, beautifully integrated into the natural landscape. Highlights include works by Henry Moore, Joan Miró and the impressive Picasso Pavilion.

Continue your journey through the scenic countryside of ***Shizuoka*** Prefecture, Japan's most celebrated tea-growing region. Upon arrival at a traditional ***tea farm***, enjoy an authentic introduction to Japanese tea culture. Walk through the lush green tea fields, learn about the cultivation and production of Japan's finest green tea, and take part in a guided tasting of premium teas accompanied by seasonal local delicacies. A farm-to-table lunch featuring regional specialties will be served before departing for Kyoto.

In the afternoon, continue west through picturesque landscapes before arriving in ***Kyoto***, Japan's ancient imperial capital.

The evening is at leisure to relax or begin exploring the city's charming streets.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch
Overnight: Kyoto
Hotel: tbc

DAY 6 - November 12th, 2027 Thursday - Kyoto

The Timeless Beauty of Japan's Ancient Capital
Today begins your discovery of Kyoto, Japan's ancient imperial capital and home to 17 UNESCO World Heritage Sites. A city where centuries-old traditions, elegant temples and beautifully preserved streets offer a glimpse into Japan's rich cultural heritage.

After breakfast, visit **Nijo Castle**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the former residence of Tokugawa leyasu, famous for its elegant interiors and unique "nightingale floors."

Continue by coach to the historic **Gion** district. Enjoy a leisurely walk past the iconic **Minamiza Kabuki Theatre** and along **Hanamikoji Street**, lined with traditional wooden machiya houses, tea houses and charming boutiques.

Kaiseki Lunch at an exclusive restaurant housed within a beautifully restored traditional Japanese villa, surrounded by tranquil gardens.

In the afternoon, a leisurely walk through the charming ***Higashiyama District***, one of Kyoto's best-preserved historic neighbourhoods. Stop for photos at the iconic ***Yasaka Pagoda***, before continuing along the picturesque stone-paved streets of ***Sannenzaka***, lined with traditional wooden houses, artisan shops and charming cafés.

Reach the magnificent ***Kiyomizu-dera Temple***, one of Kyoto's most celebrated landmarks, renowned for its impressive wooden terrace overlooking the city and its sacred "Pure Water" spring.

Continue your walk downhill through the beautifully preserved ***Ninenzaka*** and Nene-no-Michi, where Kyoto's timeless atmosphere comes to life, before visiting ***Yasaka Shrine,*** one of the city's most important Shinto shrines and a symbol of health and prosperity.

Return to your hotel in the late afternoon.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch
Overnight: Kyoto
Hotel: tbc

DAY 7 - November 13th, 2027 Friday - Kyoto - Arashiyama Forest

This morning we head to ***Arashiyama***, one of Kyoto's most iconic districts, renowned for its breathtaking ***Bamboo Grove***. Crossing the famous Togetsukyo Bridge, you'll enjoy beautiful views of the forested Arashiyama mountains, a landscape that has captivated visitors for centuries.

During the Heian Period (794–1192), Arashiyama was the favourite retreat of the Imperial Court, and its timeless atmosphere still reflects the elegance of that era.

We will stroll through the world-famous ***Arashiyama Bamboo Forest***, before visiting ***Tenryu-ji Temple***, Kyoto's most celebrated Zen temple and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, renowned for its magnificent landscaped gardens.

There will be free time to choose between a visit to the ***Iwatayama Monkey Park***, some shopping in the charming local streets, or simply relaxing in one of Kyoto's most picturesque areas.

In the afternoon, we continue to ***Ryoan-ji Temple***, home to Japan's most famous Zen rock garden, a masterpiece of simplicity and meditation.

Our day concludes at the spectacular ***Kinkaku-ji*** (Golden Pavilion), one of Japan's most iconic landmarks, where the upper two floors are completely covered in brilliant gold leaf, creating an unforgettable reflection on the surrounding pond.

Meals: Breakfast
Overnight: Kyoto
Hotel: tbc

DAY 8 - November 14th, 2027 Saturday - Kyoto – Nara – Osaka

Before leaving Kyoto, we begin the morning with a visit to the magnificent ***Fushimi Inari Taisha***, one of Japan's most famous shrines, renowned for its thousands of vibrant vermilion torii gates that wind their way up the sacred mountainside, creating one of the country's most iconic landscapes.

We then travel to ***Nara***, Japan's first permanent capital (710–794), a city rich in history and home to several UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Our visit includes the impressive ***Todai-ji Temple***, where the colossal 14-metre-tall ***Great Buddha*** is housed inside one of the world's largest wooden buildings. We also explore ***Kasuga Taisha*** Shrine, founded in 768 and dedicated to the powerful Fujiwara clan, famous for its more than 3,000 bronze and stone lanterns.

A stroll through Nara Park offers the chance to meet the city's friendly free-roaming sacred deer, considered in Japanese tradition to be messengers of the gods and symbols of good fortune and success.

For those who wish, there will be the opportunity to rent a traditional kimono and capture unforgettable photographs in the beautiful surroundings of Nara.

In the late afternoon, we reach Osaka, “the Kitchen of. Japan” where the next stage of our journey begins.

Meals: Breakfast
Overnight: Osaka
Hotel: tbc

Day 9 - November 15Th, 2027 Sunday - Osaka - Hiroshima – Osaka

This morning, experience one of Japan's greatest engineering achievements as you board the world-famous ***Shinkansen Bullet Train*** for a high-speed journey from Osaka to ***Hiroshima***.

Upon arrival, visit the moving ***Peace Memorial Park***, the Atomic Bomb Dome, and the ***Peace Memorial Museum***, where you'll gain a deeper understanding of Hiroshima's tragic past and inspiring message of peace.

Later, board a short ferry to the sacred island of ***Miyajima***, consistently ranked among Japan's most scenic destinations. Explore the UNESCO World Heritage-listed

Itsukushima Shrine, famous for its iconic ***Floating Torii Gate***, and enjoy free time to stroll along the charming shopping street, where local specialties and traditional crafts await.

In the late afternoon, return to Hiroshima Station and board the Shinkansen once again for your journey back to Osaka.

Meals: Breakfast
Overnight**:** Osaka
Hotel: tbc

Day 10 - November 16Th, 2027 - Osaka

After breakfast, enjoy a full day exploring Osaka, Japan's lively commercial capital, celebrated for its dynamic atmosphere, friendly locals and outstanding culinary traditions.

Begin your sightseeing at the magnificent ***Osaka Castle***, one of Japan's most iconic landmarks. Surrounded by expansive gardens and impressive stone walls, the castle offers fascinating insights into the country's feudal history while providing beautiful views over the city.

Continue to the spectacular ***Umeda Sky Building***, one of Osaka's most recognizable architectural masterpieces. From the Floating Garden Observatory, admire breathtaking panoramic views across the city skyline and Osaka Bay.

Later, immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere of ***Kuromon Ichiba Market***, affectionately known as "Osaka's Kitchen." Browse the bustling market stalls offering fresh seafood, local delicacies and regional specialties, while discovering why Osaka has earned its reputation as Japan's culinary capital.

The afternoon is dedicated to the energetic districts of **Shinsaibashi** and ***Dotonbori***, where you'll have free time to explore at your own pace. Stroll through the lively shopping arcades, photograph the famous ***Glico sign***, browse local boutiques or simply relax at one of the many cafés while enjoying the unmistakable atmosphere of Osaka.

At 7:00 PM, meet your Tour Manager in the hotel lobby before walking to a nearby traditional Japanese restaurant for a special Farewell Dinner, celebrating the unforgettable experiences shared throughout your journey across Japan.

Meals: Breakfast, Farewell Dinner
Overnight**:** Osaka
Hotel: tbc

Day 11 - November 17Th, 2027 - Osaka

Your unforgettable journey through Japan comes to a close today. After breakfast, transfer by airport shuttle service to **Kansai International Airport (KIX)** or **Osaka Itami Airport (ITM)** for your onward flight, bringing home lasting memories of this extraordinary country.

Meals: Breakfast

What's Included

- 10 nights' accommodation in carefully selected hotels, including 1 night in a traditional Japanese ryokan
- Daily breakfast, 1 traditional Kaiseki lunch, Welcome Dinner and Farewell Dinner
- Deluxe air-conditioned coach throughout the tour
- Return Shinkansen (Bullet Train) journey from Osaka to Hiroshima
- Lake Ashi sightseeing cruise
- Tea farm visit with tea tasting and local lunch
- Services of a professional English-speaking Tour Director throughout the journey
- Expert local guides in selected destinations
- All airport transfers
- Hotel taxes and service charges
- Entrance fees to sites, parks and museums
- E SIM for each traveller

What's NOT Included

- Meals not specifically mentioned
- Return Flights From USA
- Health insurance
- Any services or expenses not specifically listed under “Tour Price Includes”