



Japan In Depth

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The Offer

Explore the culture and history of Japan, where enchanting castles meet serene gardens. From south to north, prepare to create unforgettable memories on our most comprehensive tour yet. Visit the best of Japan's 4 main islands including Kyushu, Shikoku, Honshu and Hokkaido.

Touch down in Fukuoka, ready for a sightseeing tour, including the local seafood market. Appreciate the impressive Kumamoto Castle in Kumamoto before sighting Mount Aso, the country's largest active volcano, on your way to Oita Prefecture. Admire the elegant arches of Kintai-kyo Bridge in Iwakuni, photograph Itsukushima Shrine while cruising to Miyajima Island and more. Reflect on history at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and see the skeletal structure of the Atomic Bomb Dome.

Marvel at the intricate details of Kochi Castle in Kochi, visit the famous Kazurabashi Vine Bridge in Iya Valley and tour the 1835 Konpira Grand Theater. Enjoy leisure time in Osaka to explore the Dotonbori district, Osaka Castle and more. Don't miss the chance to feed free-roaming deer in Nara Park, see the thousands of vermilion torii gates at Fushimi Inari Shrine and set sail across Lake Kawaguchiko for views of Mount Fuji.

Head to Tokyo for free time to set foot on Shibuya Crossing, wander through Senso-ji Temple and more. Navigate the hairpin turns of Iroha Slope on your way to Kegon Waterfall and learn about the Great East Japan Earthquake and Nuclear Disaster in Futaba. Catch a high-speed train to Hakodate, travelling the world's longest undersea tunnel with a railway track. Admire the volcanic activity in Hell Valley and treat yourself to sake at a brewery in Otaru before heading home.

Take the ultimate tour of Japan with return international full-service flights, 23 nights of hotel accommodation, daily breakfast and more.

Want more? Add extra days to your itinerary with Arrive Early in Fukuoka, Japan and Stay Behind in Sapporo, Japan options.

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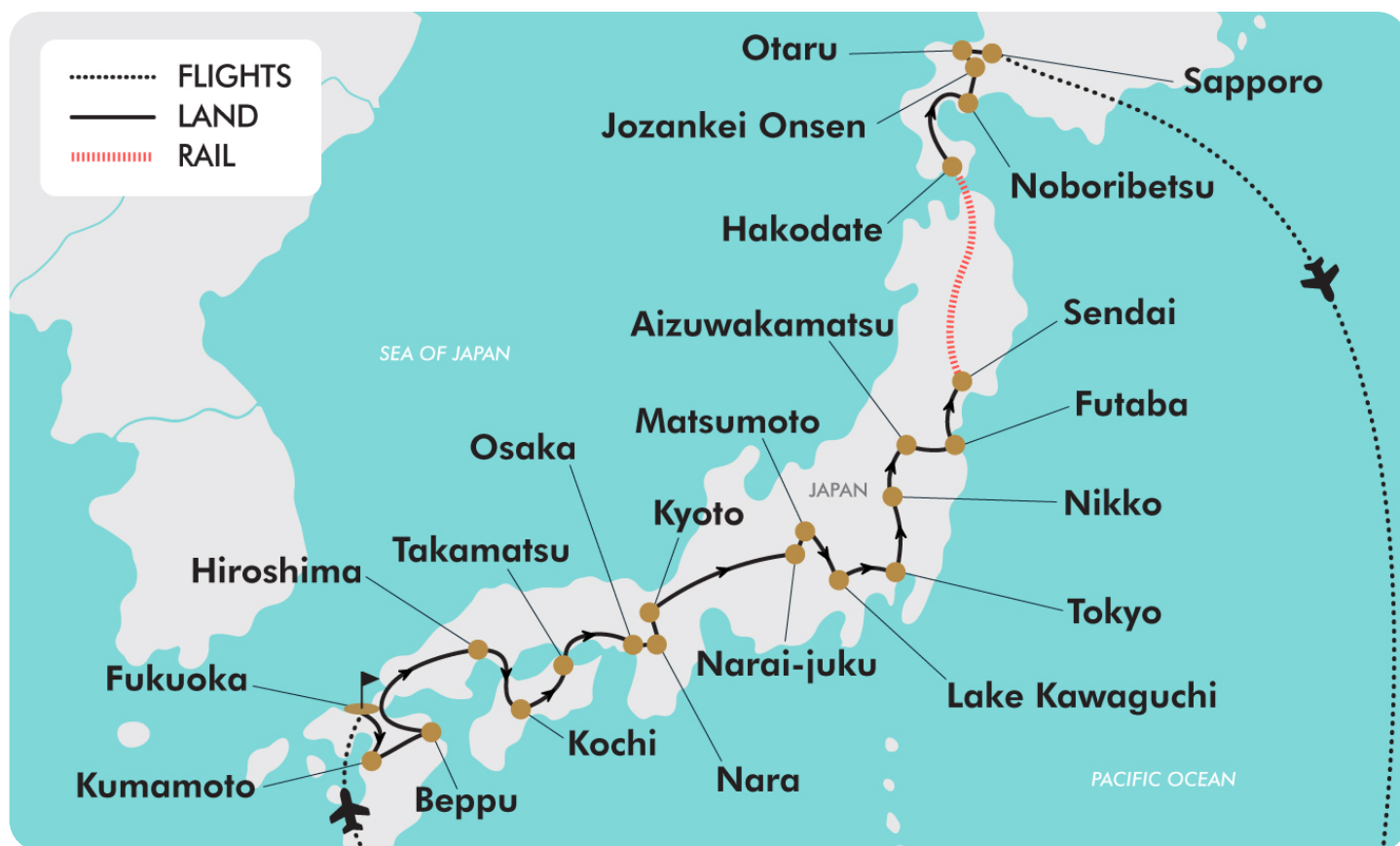
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The Itinerary

Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) – Fukuoka, Japan

Today, you'll depart on your flight bound for the vibrant city of Fukuoka. Upon touching down, you'll be warmly greeted by a tour representative and transferred to your hotel.

Please note: Some travellers may depart on Day 0.

Overnight: Fukuoka U-BELL Hotel or similar, Fukuoka
Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Fukuoka Sightseeing Tour & Free Afternoon

Awaken in Fukuoka to dive headfirst into the local culture with a morning tour. Your first stop is the bustling Yanagibashi Rengo Market, affectionately known as 'Hakata's Pantry'. Immerse yourself in the lively atmosphere as you wander through stalls overflowing with the freshest seafood imaginable. You'll then experience the modern face of Fukuoka at Canal City Hakata, a spectacular shopping and entertainment metropolis, aptly named the 'city within the city'.

The afternoon is yours to chart your own course. Perhaps you'll uncover hidden temples or simply wander the captivating streets at your own pace.

Overnight: Fukuoka U-BELL Hotel or similar, Fukuoka
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3 Fukuoka - Kumamoto

This morning, journey south from Fukuoka to delve deeper into the heart of Kyushu. Your first pilgrimage is to the revered Dazaifu Tenmangu Shrine, one of Japan's most significant Shinto sites. From there, travel to the enchanting city of Yanagawa, the 'Venice of Kyushu'. Be captivated by its intricate network of canals, a remnant of its past as a fortified castle town.

Your day finishes in Kumamoto, a city famed for its magnificent castle. You'll stand in awe of Kumamoto Castle, one of the nation's largest and most impressive fortresses. You'll then settle into your hotel after an approximately 150-kilometre travel day.

Overnight: Hotel Route-Inn Kumamoto or similar, Kumamoto
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4 Kumamoto Free Day

Today is a free day to explore Kumamoto at leisure or take part in an optional tour to Nagasaki.

Optional Activity: Nagasaki Day Tour

Head to Nagasaki on an approximately 400-kilometre return journey. The first stop is Nagasaki Peace Park which was dedicated to promoting peace and remembering the victims of the atomic bombing in 1945. You'll then visit Glover Garden, a historic park and open-air museum that preserves the unique Western-style residences and gardens of early foreign settlers in the city. It offers a glimpse into the cultural exchange that took place during Japan's Meiji period and showcases well-preserved Western architecture. Please see current pricing in Important Information.



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Overnight: Hotel Route-Inn Kumamoto or similar, Kumamoto
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 5 Kumamoto - Beppu/Oita

Depart Kumamoto and travel across Kyushu to the Oita Prefecture. Along the way, visit Mount Aso, an active volcano in the centre of Kyushu which most recently erupted in 2021 and 2016. Aso's ancient caldera ranks among the world's largest, with a diameter of up to 25 kilometres and a circumference of over 100 kilometres. You'll then visit Kusanenri, a vast grassy plain that offers great views of the volcanically active Nakadake Peak. Continue onwards to the onsen town of Yufuin where you can enjoy time at leisure before arriving in Oita/Beppu. In the afternoon, check into your hotel accommodation after travelling approximately 150 kilometres.

Overnight: Amanek Beppu Yula-re, Beppu or similar, Beppu/Oita Area

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 6 Beppu/Oita - Hiroshima

Leaving the hot springs of Kyushu behind, you'll journey north towards the main island of Honshu. Your route includes a unique stop at Irori Sanzoku, a themed dining and entertainment area known for its rustic charm. Afterwards, marvel at the architectural grace of the Kintaikyo Bridge in Iwakuni. With its five elegant wooden arches, it's a true masterpiece.

Your day concludes in the historically significant city of Hiroshima after travelling approximately 340 kilometres.

Overnight: Hotel Kuretakeso Hiroshima-otemachi or similar, Hiroshima

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7 Hiroshima Sightseeing Tour

Journey to Miyajimaguchi port to board a boat to majestic Miyajima Island. This island is also known as Itsukushima (or Divine Island) and is hailed as one of Japan's most beautiful landscapes. Here you will discover the natural and cultural treasures of this UNESCO World Heritage-listed Island for 45 minutes with your guide. This includes seeing the shimmering Itsukushima Shrine before enjoying lunch in a local eatery (not included).

Afterwards, you'll re-board the boat and cruise back to Hiroshima where you can reflect on the history of the region. Take a silent moment at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, see exhibitions that articulate the destruction the bomb caused and marvel at the city's regenerative recovery. Finally, you'll board a bus to the Atomic Bomb Dome (Genbaku Dome), a skeletal structure that miraculously survived the 1945 attack. You'll then finish the day at your hotel where you will enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure after travelling approximately 65 kilometres.

Overnight: Hotel Kuretakeso Hiroshima-otemachi or similar, Hiroshima

Meals included: Breakfast



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Day 8 Hiroshima - Kochi

This morning, travel onwards to the Kurushima Strait where you'll find the Kurushima-Kaikyo Bridge which connects the island of Oshima to Shikoku. This extremely impressive suspension bridge was the world's longest suspension bridge at the time of its completion in 1999. This bridge forms part of the Shimanami Kaidō (Nishiseto Expressway) that connects Hiroshima Prefecture on the main island of Honshu with Ehime Prefecture in Shikoku. It spans over 9 of the Geiyo Islands and the Seto Inland Sea across numerous bridges.

Enjoy a lunch stop (not included) at Roadside Station Yoshiumi Iki-iki-kan on Oshima Island which is famous for its fresh seafood BBQ. Afterwards, continue onwards through the middle of Shikoku, through lush hills and valleys, before arriving at the city of Kochi on the southern side of Shikoku. Here you will check into your hotel and enjoy the evening at leisure after travelling approximately 300 kilometres.

Overnight: Orient Hotel Kochi or similar, Kochi

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Kochi - Takamatsu

This morning, enjoy a walk around Kochi Castle. Constructed at the beginning of the 17th century, it's the only one in Japan where the original castle tower and main keep remain intact. After centuries of surviving wars, fires and other catastrophes, it's one of the last twelve original castles in Japan and is designated an Important National Cultural Property. Keep an eye out for all of the intricate details of the castle architecture, like the statues of the legendary shachi sea creatures (half fish, half dragon), gazing down on the city from the roof.

Afterwards, travel onwards to Iya Valley, a remote mountainous valley famous for its steep mountain slopes, beautiful green forests and crystal clear rivers. Here you will visit the famous and ancient Kazurabashi Vine Bridge which is built out of tree vines and traverses the valley below. The bridge itself is tied to the legend of the Heike clan (once the most powerful ruling clan) who fled into these mountains from their enemies. This bridge was once the only way to cross over the deep canyons in this area and was built with vines that are easy to cut in case of enemy pursuit. Nowadays, the bridge remains an important National and Prefectural folk cultural asset with visitors coming from all around Japan to test their courage and cross.

Continue onwards to the Konpira Grand Theater (Kabuki) and enjoy a short guided tour of this historical building. Built in 1835, Kanamaruza is Japan's oldest surviving complete kabuki theatre. The nearby Konpira Daigongen became a site of national pilgrimage in the middle of the Edo period (eighteenth century), drawing visitors to Kotohira from all over Japan.

Finish the day in Takamatsu where you can check into your hotel after travelling approximately 230 kilometres.

Overnight: Hotel Route Inn Takamatsu Yashima or similar, Takamatsu

Meals included: Breakfast

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Day 10 Takamatsu - Osaka

This morning, you will visit Ritsurin Garden. This is the largest cultural property garden in all of Japan and is an important cultural asset that has been maintained for nearly 400 years. The spacious park features many ponds, hills, historic trees and beautiful pavilions. The gardens are set in front of wooded Mount Shiun which serves as a wonderful background and a great example of borrowed scenery.

Afterwards, travel onwards to Osaka. Upon arrival, enjoy some time at leisure in the famous Shinsaibashi and Dotonbori shopping and entertainment districts. Finish the day at your hotel after travelling approximately 200 kilometres.

Overnight: Osaka Castle Hotel or similar, Osaka
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 11 Osaka Free Day

Today is free at leisure to explore Osaka.

Overnight: Osaka Castle Hotel or similar, Osaka
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 12 Osaka - Nara - Kyoto

This morning, you'll drive to the nearby city of Nara to enjoy a half-day sightseeing tour. This is your chance to visit Nara Park which is home to hundreds of free-roaming deer. If you'd like, you can even feed them deer senbei (crackers), which can be purchased at stalls throughout the park for 150 JPY per pack.

Afterwards, you'll proceed to the ancient capital of Japan, Kyoto. Here you will visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, an important Shinto shrine in southern Kyoto that's famous for its thousands of

vermillion torii gates which straddle a network of trails and make for a great photo opportunity. Then you can check in to your accommodation and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Tonight, join one of the amazing optional activities.

Optional Activity: Maiko Dinner Show

Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Optional Activity: Geisha Dress-Up Experience

Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Please note: Both optional activities can be booked and paid for during the trip directly with the operator.

Overnight: Crystal Hotel Kyoto IV or similar, Kyoto
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 13 Kyoto - Narai-juku - Matsumoto

Escape the bustling cities and journey into the heart of the Japanese Alps. Step back in time to the Edo period by visiting the beautifully preserved post town of Narai-juku. Stroll down the charming and historic main streets, lined with traditional wooden buildings, and feel the authentic atmosphere of a bygone era when samurai and merchants travelled this very route.

Afterwards, you'll continue to the city of Matsumoto on an approximately 330-kilometre journey.

Overnight: Tabino Hotel Lit Matsumoto or similar, Matsumoto
Meals included: Breakfast





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Day 14 Matsumoto - Hakone - Tokyo

Travel towards the iconic Hakone region, home to Japan's most legendary peak. At Lake Kawaguchiko, you'll embark on a scenic cruise across tranquil waters. On a clear day, you'll be rewarded with breathtaking views of majestic Mount Fuji.

In the late afternoon, you'll complete your 230-kilometre journey to the incredible megalopolis of Tokyo, a dazzling contrast of modern and traditional.

Overnight: Hotel Mystays Tachikawa or similar, Tokyo
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 15 Tokyo Free Day

Enjoy free time at leisure to explore this incredible city.

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Meals included: Breakfast

Day 16 Tokyo Free Day

Enjoy free time at leisure to explore this incredible city.

Overnight: Hotel Mystays Tachikawa or similar, Tokyo
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 17 Tokyo - Nikko - Aizuwakamatsu

Venture north to the stunning beauty of Nikko National Park. Visit the opulent Nikko Toshogo Shrine, a lavishly decorated masterpiece. On your way, you'll navigate the winding Iroha Slope, a famous road with 48 hairpin turns. You'll then stand in awe of the magnificent Kegon Waterfall, one of Japan's most beautiful falls.

Your day ends in the historic samurai town of Aizuwakamatsu after travelling approximately 400 kilometres.

Overnight: Hotel Route-Inn Aizuwakamatsu or similar, Aizuwakamatsu
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 18 Aizuwakamatsu - Futaba (Disaster Museum) - Sendai

Today offers a powerful and important lesson in modern Japanese history. You'll travel to Futaba to visit The Great East Japan Earthquake and Nuclear Disaster Memorial Museum. Through poignant exhibits and personal testimonies, you'll gain a profound understanding of the 2011 triple disaster and the incredible resilience and rebuilding of the Fukushima region.

Afterwards, visit the nearby Ukedo Elementary School Earthquake Ruins where you'll be able to walk through the ruins of the school while learning about how the brave children and teachers survived the 2011 tsunami.

You will then travel approximately 230 kilometres to Sendai, the largest city in the Tohoku region.

Overnight: Richmond Hotel Sendai or similar, Sendai
Meals included: Breakfast

Day 19 Sendai Free Day

Today, you can enjoy free time at leisure to explore this incredible city.

Overnight: Richmond Hotel Sendai or similar, Sendai
Meals included: Breakfast



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Day 20 Sendai - Hakodate (High-Speed Rail)

Transfer to Sendai Station for a high-speed train to Shin-Hakodate-Hokuto Station. This impressive journey will have you travelling over 500 kilometres in just 3 hours. This includes crossing the Tsugaru Strait between Tohoku and Hokkaido via the Seikan Tunnel, the world's longest undersea tunnel with a railway track.

Finish your rail journey in Hakodate, once a fishing port famed for its high quality fish and shellfish. It's quickly become Hokkaido's largest city and one of Japan's most important ports. On arrival, visit the Motomachi area which is known for its charming Western-style buildings and historic churches.

The tour concludes in the picturesque Bay Area that's home to the famous red brick warehouses where you can enjoy shopping and photos by the waterfront. This well-balanced course of food, history and scenery is especially recommended for first-time visitors to Hakodate.

Overnight: Hotel MyStays Hakodate Goryokaku or similar, Hakodate

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 21 Hakodate - Noboribetsu/Muroran

Journey further into the wild heart of Hokkaido today as you travel approximately 240 kilometres to Noboribetsu. Here you'll witness the dramatic, otherworldly landscape of Jigokudani (or Hell Valley). Marvel at the spectacle of steaming vents, bubbling sulphurous streams and the raw volcanic activity that serves as the source for the town's famous hot spring waters.

Overnight: Dormy Inn Higashimuroran or similar, Noboribetsu/Muroran

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 22 Noboribetsu/Muroran - Jozankei Onsen - Otaru - Sapporo

Your Hokkaido exploration continues with a visit to the scenic Jozankei hot spring resort and its vibrant Futami Suspension Bridge. You'll then journey to the charming port city of Otaru which is known for its glassworks, music boxes, sake and beer breweries. Stroll along its beautifully preserved canal, lined with Victorian-style street lamps and historic warehouses. Your day concludes as you arrive in Sapporo, Hokkaido's dynamic and sophisticated capital city.

Overnight: Hotel Route-Inn Sapporo Ekimae Kitaguchi or similar, Sapporo

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 23 Sapporo Free Day

Today, you can enjoy free time at leisure to explore this incredible city.

Overnight: Hotel Route-Inn Sapporo Ekimae Kitaguchi or similar, Sapporo

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 24 Sapporo, Japan - Australia (or New Zealand)

Today, at the appropriate time, you'll be transferred to the airport for your return flight home.

Please note:



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- *Standard checkout time is 10:00 or 11:00.*
- *Some flights may depart in the evening.*
- *Luggage storage is available at reception for those with later flights so they may enjoy the day at leisure before making their way to the airport.*

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 25 Arrive Australia (or New Zealand)

Meals included: None

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Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

Tour all 4 main islands of Japan, from Kyushu in the south all the way to Hokkaido in the north

Visit Yanagibashi Rengo Market and Canal City Hakata mall in Fukuoka

Marvel at the enchanting canals of Yanagawa

See the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and the Atomic Bomb Dome

Witness Mount Aso, one of Japan's largest active volcanoes

Marvel at the steaming landscape of Jigokudani in Noboribetsu

Cross the impressive Kurushima-Kaikyo Bridge to the island of Shikoku

Explore the historic 17th century Kochi Castle, the only castle in Japan where the original castle tower and main keep remain intact

Visit the picturesque Iya Valley and ancient Kazurabashi Vine Bridge which is built out of tree vines

Enjoy time at leisure in Sendai, the largest city in the Tohoku region

Wander Ritsurin Garden in Takamatsu, one of Japan's most beautiful landscaped gardens

Be mesmerised by the thousands of vermillion gates at the Fushimi Inari Shrine in Kyoto

Step back in time in the beautifully preserved post town of Narai-juku

Enjoy cruising on Lake Kawaguchiko with views of Mount Fuji

Experience the bustling lights and energy of Tokyo

Admire the the neon-lit streets of Osaka's Dotonbori district

Explore Nikko Toshogo Shrine and Kegon Waterfall in Nikko National Park

Travel by high-speed bullet train to Hakodate, traversing the world's longest undersea railway tunnel

Explore Hakodate's historic Motomachi district and charming red-brick warehouses

Visit the Great East Japan Earthquake and Nuclear Disaster Memorial

Museum in Futaba

FLIGHTS

Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply

ACCOMMODATION

23 nights of hotel accommodation

DINING

Daily breakfast while on tour

ESSENTIALS

English-speaking tour guides

Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

Transportation by private air-conditioned vehicles

One-way high speed rail journey from Sendai to Hakodate via the worlds longest undersea railway tunnel

TRANSFERS

Return airport transfers

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Important Information

**Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

Booking Information

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

Our Policies

Cancellation & Refund Policy

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

- **we act as your booking agent ;**

TripADeal is a booking services provider, and curates the Travel Offers available on our website. We act as your booking agent, and we receive payment for the Booking Services as part of the booking price, however, we do not provide any of the Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.

- **each booking is unique ;** our Travel Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.

- **changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible ;** once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel Offer carefully before placing your order.

- **Travel Offers are a package ;** our Travel Offers have been curated into package offerings and must be used as a package – individual components cannot be used independently of the full package offering.

- **our Travel Offers are generally non-refundable ;** in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please [click here](#).

General Terms & Conditions

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our [Terms & Conditions](#), [Privacy Policy](#) and [Cancellation Policy](#).

Offer Essentials

This Travel Offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 3 November 2026. Minimum group size 20, maximum group size 40 per vehicle.

This Travel Offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for live dates and availability.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement of \$4,250 applies.

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

Child Policy

- No child discounts are offered. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 14 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Flights

Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane*, Adelaide*, Perth* or Auckland*

Departure City Surcharges

- Brisbane: \$300 per person
- Adelaide & Perth: \$400 per person
- Auckland: \$600 per person

International Full-Service Flight(s)

- Cabin Class: Economy Class

Please note: We cannot accommodate one-way flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

Arrive Early

Fukuoka - \$300 per person

Stay Behind

Sapporo - \$300 per person

Please note:

- **Exclusions:**

This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.

Important Information

● Cancellations & Changes:

Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

● High-Season:

A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.

● + 60 days:

You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request availability. Additional costs may apply.

● Estimated dates:

Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets.

● High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

15th September 2025 - 12th October 2025
1st December 2025 - 19th December 2025
20th December 2025 - 4th January 2026
5th January 2026 - 31st January 2026
3rd April 2026 - 20th April 2026
26th June 2026 - 17th July 2026
18th September 2026 - 9th October 2026
12th December 2026 - 18th December 2026
19th December 2026 - 3rd January 2027
4th January 2027 - 26th January 2027

Stopover Packages

Unavailable

Flight Class Upgrades

Business Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

- Sydney or Melbourne - available at checkout
- Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth - available over the phone

Please note:

- *Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).*
- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*

Outbound Flights

Please note: Due to flight scheduling and availability, some departures may occur on Day 0. Affected customers must be available to depart the day before. Flight times will be indicated on your final documents, issued 4-6 weeks before departure.

Missed Flights

If you fail to arrive for your outbound flight, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Accommodation

Accommodation Used

3-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Fukuoka: Fukuoka U-BELL Hotel or Similar
- Kumamoto: Hotel Route-Inn Kumamoto or Similar
- Beppu/Oita Area: Amanek Beppu Yulare, Beppu or Similar
- Hiroshima: Hotel Kuretakeso Hiroshima-otemachi or Similar
- Kochi: Orient Hotel Kochi or Similar
- Takamatsu: Hotel Route Inn Takamatsu Yashima or Similar
- Osaka: Osaka Castle Hotel or Similar
- Kyoto: Crystal Hotel Kyoto IV or Similar
- Matsumoto: Tabino Hotel Lit Matsumoto or similar

- Tokyo: Hotel Mystays Tachikawa or Similar
- Aizuwakamatsu: Hotel Route-Inn Aizuwakamatsu or Similar
- Sendai: Richmond Hotel Sendai or Similar
- Hakodate: Hotel MyStays Hakodate Goryokaku or Similar
- Muroran: Dormy Inn Higashimuroran or Similar
- Sapporo: Hotel Route-Inn Sapporo Ekimae Kitaguchi or Similar

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Extra Nights

Not available.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel, please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Triple Share

Not available.

Bedding Configuration

Twin or double (subject to availability).

Optional Tours/activities

- Kumamoto: Nagasaki Day Tour - 14,000 JPY per person
- Kyoto: Maiko Dinner Show - 35,000 JPY per person
- Kyoto: Geisha Dress-Up Experience - 30,000 JPY per person

Please note:

Important Information

- *Prices are based per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions, and are payable directly to the tour operator in the currency specified.*
- *Additional optional tours may be offered directly on tour by your tour guide and will be paid direct to them in local currency*
- *Some tours or shore excursions require minimum numbers to operate.*

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Recommended gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Any costs associated with an interruption to your tour as a result of an airline schedule change or cancellation

Gratuities/tipping

Land

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is \$10 per person per day. This covers the guide/leader and the driver and will be collected on tour.

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

Other Important Information

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on the

history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Fukuoka

Located on the northern shore of Kyushu island, Fukuoka has a humid subtropical climate, characterized by mild winters and hot, humid summers.

Spring (March - May)

Spring in Fukuoka is generally pleasant and a popular time to visit. Temperatures are mild and comfortable, warming up from an average of around 10°C (50°F) in March to 20°C (68°F) in May. This season sees the beautiful cherry blossoms, typically blooming from late March to early April. Rainfall is moderate.

Summer (June - August)

Summers are hot and humid, with average temperatures ranging from 25°C to 32°C (77°F to 90°F). June and July mark the

rainy season (tsuyu), bringing significant rainfall and high humidity. August is the hottest month and can be quite muggy. This period is also when the region is most susceptible to typhoons.

Autumn (September - November)

Autumn offers a welcome respite from the summer heat, with clear skies and comfortable temperatures. It's considered one of the best times to visit. Temperatures cool down from around 25°C (77°F) in September to a mild 15°C (59°F) in November. The city is adorned with vibrant autumn foliage, especially in November.

Winter (December - February)

Winters in Fukuoka are mild compared to the rest of Japan. Average temperatures hover between 5°C and 10°C (41°F to 50°F). While snowfall is rare, the city can experience cold spells with temperatures dipping close to freezing. It's generally a drier season.

Tokyo

As Japan's capital, located on the eastern coast of Honshu, Tokyo experiences a four-season climate with hot, humid summers and cool to cold winters.

Spring (March - May)

A much-celebrated season in Tokyo, spring brings mild and pleasant weather, perfect for outdoor activities. The iconic cherry blossoms are typically in full bloom from late March to early April, attracting large crowds. Average temperatures rise from a cool 8°C (46°F) in March to a comfortable 18°C (64°F) in May.

Summer (June - August)

Tokyo's summers are characterised by high heat and humidity. The rainy season usually occurs in June and early July. August is the hottest month, with temperatures often exceeding 30°C (86°F) and high humidity making it feel even hotter. This is also the peak season for summer festivals and fireworks.

Important Information

Autumn (September - November)

Autumn in Tokyo is marked by a significant drop in humidity and pleasant, cool temperatures. From the warmth of September (around 23°C or 73°F), the air becomes crisp and cool by November (around 12°C or 54°F). The city's parks and gardens display stunning autumn colors, making it a picturesque time to visit.

Winter (December - February)

Winters are cold and generally dry, with plenty of sunshine. Average temperatures range from 2°C to 10°C (36°F to 50°F). Snowfall is infrequent and usually light, though the city can experience a few snow days, primarily in January and February.

Sapporo

Situated on the northern island of Hokkaido, Sapporo has a humid continental climate with warm summers and long, cold, and very snowy winters.

Spring (March - May)

Spring arrives late in Sapporo. March is still cold with lingering snow. April sees the snow melt and temperatures begin to rise, though it remains cool. May becomes milder and is a beautiful time to visit, with cherry blossoms typically blooming in early to mid-May, later than in Tokyo and Fukuoka. Average temperatures in May are around 12°C (54°F).

Summer (June - August)

Sapporo's summers are pleasantly warm and less humid than in Tokyo and Fukuoka, making it a popular escape from the heat for many Japanese. Average temperatures range from 18°C to 25°C (64°F to 77°F). This is a vibrant season with numerous outdoor festivals and lush green parks.

Autumn (September - November)

Autumn comes early to Sapporo. September is mild, but temperatures drop off quickly. October is the peak for stunning autumn foliage. By November, the first snowfall is common, and the city prepares for winter. Average temperatures

in October are around 10°C (50°F).

Winter (December - February)

Sapporo is famous for its winters, which are long, cold, and snowy. The city receives some of the heaviest and most consistent snowfall of any major city in the world, making it a premier destination for winter sports. Average temperatures are well below freezing, often ranging from -6°C to 0°C (21°F to 32°F). The annual Sapporo Snow Festival in February is a major international event, showcasing massive snow and ice sculptures.

Weather

We always suggest referring to an online source for the most up-to-date weather information for your destination/s.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Dietary Requests

Meal options and availability differ between airlines and routes therefore not all dietary requests can be accommodated. If your flight includes meals we will select the most suitable option available based on the dietary requirements you have specified. All meal requests are subject to airline approval and are not guaranteed, therefore we recommend preparing for your flight by bringing appropriate food for yourself, as required.

Passport Validity

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 90 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will

be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

COACH TOUR

Meals

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify us of any dietary requests/requirements.

Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

OTHER

Mobility

If you require wheelchair access please contact our friendly sales and service team to inquire on your behalf.

Fitness Level Required

Adventure (and spontaneity) create some of the best travel memories. Bear in mind, your home schedules and timings might not be adhered to on tour - it's all part of the fun!

A relaxed level of fitness will be required. Expect a comfortable pace of touring with a focus on leisure time and gentle activity. This may include guided walks of up to one hour at a time, the ability to walk up and down small flights of stairs and gentle slopes. You will be responsible for your own luggage and have the ability to board all modes of transport without assistance.

Please note:

Important Information

- *It is expected that every traveller be self-reliant and able to undertake all aspects of their own travel. Please speak to your booking agent about your personal circumstances and any assistance requirements to ensure this tour is right for you.*
- *If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.*

Sightseeing

Please note: If entry to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts. Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our [Terms and Conditions](#) regarding shopping for further information.

Visas

A tourist visa is not required for Australian or New Zealand citizens visiting Japan for stays of up to 90 days for tourism, business, visiting friends or relatives, etc. that does not include remunerative activities.

Important:

- *Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.*

- *Visa rules are subject to change. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination/s you are visiting once you receive your travel documentation to ensure you have the most up to date information.*
- *It is your responsibility to be travel-ready and ensure that you are aware and comply with any destination or travel requirements, including the validity of all required travel documents.*
- *Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.*
- *It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.*

Travel Insurance

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit <https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travel-insurance>

Schedule Of Fees

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- Changes - \$100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of \$100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Supplier Fees

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a Travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.