Japan Cherry Blossoms Cruise 2027

TOKYO ● KOCHI ● HIROSHIMA ● BUSAN

The Offer

Immerse yourself in Japan's Cherry Blossom Season on your choice of cruises aboard Sapphire Princess. Discover Tokyo's neon-lit city before sailing to selected Japanese ports including Nagoya, Kochi, Beppu, Hiroshima and South Korea's Busan.

Itinerary 1 begins with a flight to Tokyo. Explore Japan's neon-lit capital at your own pace with 3 nights of 4-star accommodation. Board Sapphire Princess for a 12-night cruise, sailing first to Nagoya and Toba, where Shinto shrines and imposing castles nestled among springtime foliage awaits your discovery. Dock in Tokushima, gateway to Japan's natural wonders, immerse yourself in the Shogun culture of Kochi, then cruise to Nagasaki, setting of Puccini's Madame Butterfly. South Korea's Busan is next, before cruising through the Kanmon Strait, ready to explore Hiroshima, your gateway to Miyajima's floating Torii gate. Finally, visit Beppu known for its steaming hot springs and stunning scenery before returning to Tokyo to board your flight home.

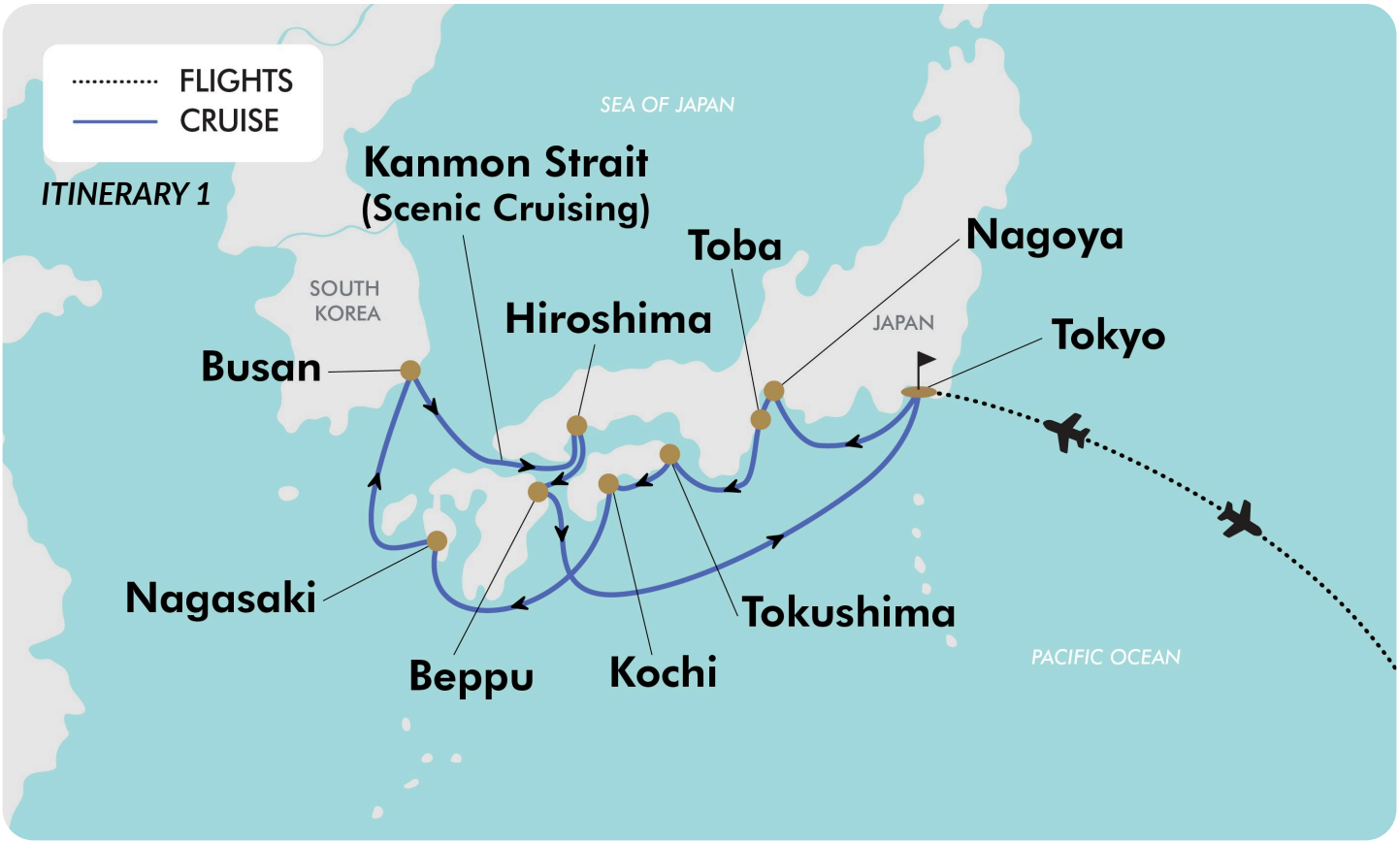
Itinerary 2 also begins in Tokyo, boarding Sapphire Princess for a 10-night cruise. Sail to Toba's historic castle town and dock in Wakayama, home to many UNESCO-listed Shinto shrines. Visit Kochi, uncover Kagoshima's samurai history, then sail to Yatsushiro to explore castle ruins and ancient Shinto shrines during your leisure time. Continue to Busan for a taste of South Korea's culture and sail through Japan's Kanmon Strait to discover Hiroshima. Disembark in Tokyo to catch your homeward-bound flight.

Itinerary 3 thoroughly immerses you in Japan's Cherry Blossom Season. Start in Tokyo then combine both cruising itineraries to create a 22-night voyage of discovery.

Includes return international full-service flights, a voyage of Japan with Princess Cruises, 3 nights of 4-star accommodation, meals while cruising and more.

Want more? Choose from 3 itineraries, opt for a cabin upgrade or extend with Arrive Early & Stay Behind options.

The Map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Day 4 Tokyo, Japan - 12-night Japan Cherry Blossom Cruise

Depart: 15:00

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The city is home to the very model of a major multinational corporation - Toyota. It's corporate headquarters are located just outside Nagoya in Toyota City (38 kilometres), while the company's museums and factories are scattered around the city and environs. Toyota began life as a manufacturer of industrial looms. Toyota Motor Corporation was spun off from its parent company in 1937.

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Day 13 Hiroshima, Japan
Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 21:00

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Day 14 Beppu, Japan
Arrive: 09:00 - Depart: 17:00

This legendary tourist town is renowned for its healing geothermal waters and spas. Overlooking Beppu Bay to its east and protected from the west by dramatic mountain peaks, this exotic city is blanketed with misty turquoise waters and elegant Japanese foliage. Its main attraction is the "Hells of Beppu," a collection of seven stunning geothermal pools, some of which feature geysers and colourful waters in shades from white to copper to sapphire (charges may apply). The springs' names, including Kamado-Jigoku (Boiling Hell) and Oniyama-Jigoku (Demon Mountain Hell), are somewhat misleading as all of the hot springs are breathtakingly beautiful - though your nose may cower and crinkle at the sulphurous odor they emit.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 15 Cruising

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Day 16 Disembark Tokyo, Japan - Australia (or New Zealand)
Arrive: 06:30

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Optional Upgrade: Shuttle Transfer

From Tokyo Port to Tokyo airport. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

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Welcome home.

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Itinerary 2

Day 5 Toba, Japan
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Day 6 Wakayama, Japan
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With over 600 kilometres of coastline, all of the delights of the sea are on offer, including snorkeling, swimming or scuba diving off one of its many white-sand beaches, marveling at the underwater world on display at the aquarium in the Museum of Natural History, and watching the intricate process of preparing a massive tuna in the Kuroshio Market.

Known as 'Onsen Heaven', Wakayama is home to a variety of geothermal bathing experiences, a treasured Japanese tradition for centuries. Nearby is the hilltop Wakayama Castle, with park-like grounds, and the resort island of Wakayama Marina City. Consider travelling outside of Wakayama city to experience everything from animal encounters at Adventure World to a walking tour along the sacred paths of the 1,200-year-old Koyasan monastery complex, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

When hunger strikes, try some Wakayama ramen made with a tasty soy sauce. And remember that the first mass-produced matcha green tea ice cream was created in Wakayama City, so be sure to treat yourself.

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From the 12th century to the Meiji Restoration of 1868, Kagoshima was the chief stronghold of the mighty Shimazu clan. The city lies near the top of the Satsuma Peninsula, a mountainous, geothermal wonderland of hot springs and geysers. The area is also rich in modern Japanese history. Saigo Takamori and the Satsuma samurai were leaders of the Meiji Restoration that toppled the shogun and restored the Emperor to power in 1868. In 1877, dissatisfied with the direction of the new government, Saigo led the Satsuma Rebellion, which ended in his death and the final defeat of the samurai. The symbol of Kagoshima is Sakura Jima - the active volcanic island that sits just offshore.

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Day 9 Yatsushiro, Japan
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Yatsushiro city was developed around a beautiful Shinto shrine, built during the Heian era (794–1185). Situated along the delta of the Kuma River, facing Yatsushiro Bay, this castle town and its ruins still showcase the spirit of the city.

A visit to the ruins of Yatsushiro Castle (now part of a Shinto shrine) is a good place to begin your day. Another fun and scenic landmark is the flight of 777 stairs cut into the nearby mountains, to be rewarded with panoramic views from the top – there are benches to rest on along the way!

Yatsushiro is famous for its 17th century pottery designed with a distinctive blue-gray crackled glaze with white inlay. Craft enthusiasts and collectors might like to visit three Kodayaki kilns in the area. Shopping enthusiasts could enjoy the honmachi, a covered arcade that runs the length of several city blocks, and adventurous foodies may partake in some of the city's most exotic local fare, including Basashi, raw horse meat served with soy and garlic, a delicacy of the area. For those with a more traditional palate, the light green Rush ice cream is a treat.

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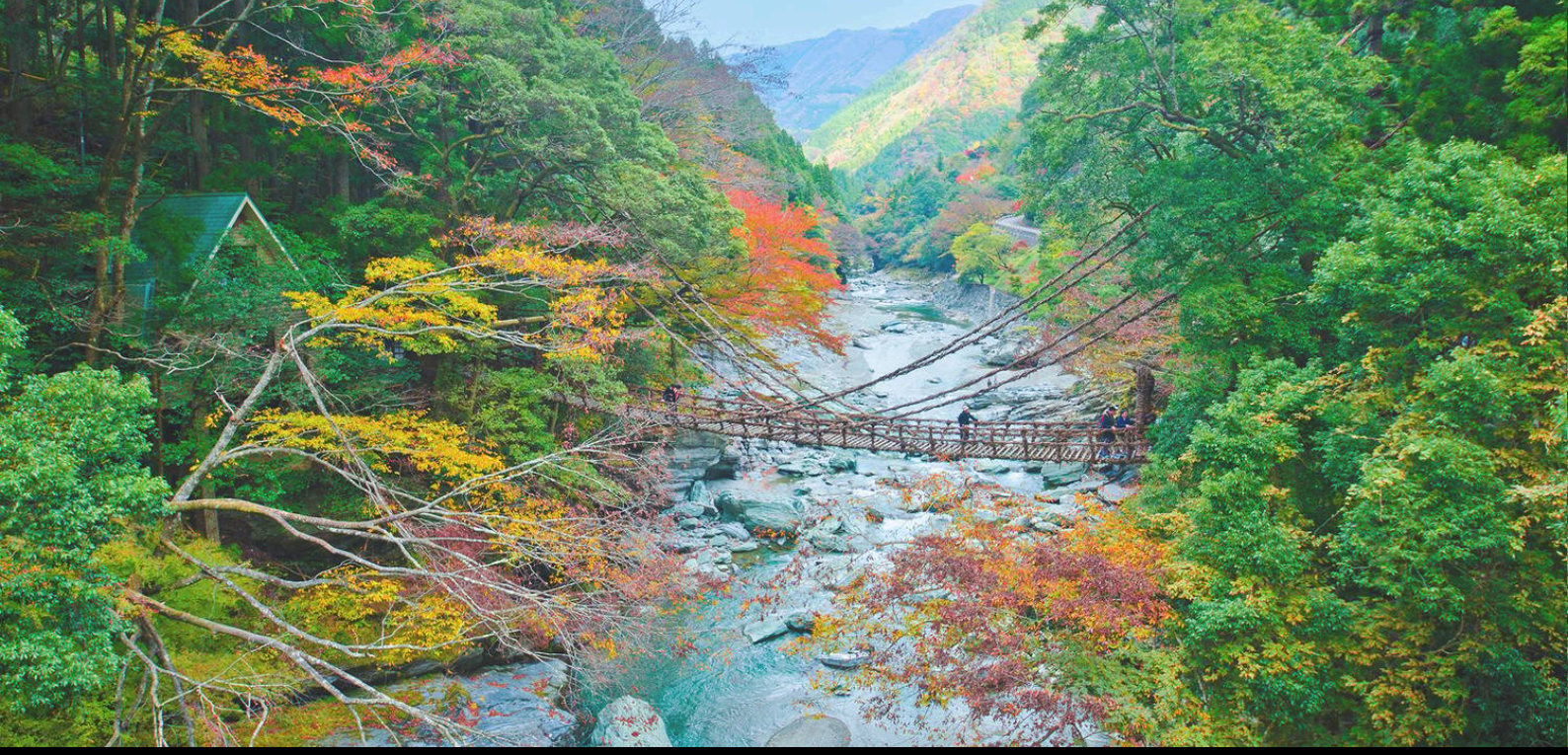

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Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 13 Hiroshima, Japan
Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 21:00

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Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

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Day 14 Beppu, Japan
Arrive: 09:00 - Depart: 17:00

This legendary tourist town is renowned for its healing geothermal waters and spas. Overlooking Beppu Bay to its east and protected from the west by dramatic mountain peaks, this exotic city is blanketed with misty turquoise waters and elegant Japanese foliage. Its main attraction is the "Hells of Beppu," a collection of seven stunning geothermal pools, some of which feature geysers and colourful waters in shades from white to copper to sapphire (charges may apply). The springs' names, including Kamado-Jigoku (Boiling Hell) and Oniyama-Jigoku (Demon Mountain Hell), are somewhat misleading as all of the hot springs are breathtakingly beautiful - though your nose may cower and crinkle at the sulphurous odor they emit.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 15 Cruising

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 16 Tokyo, Japan
Arrive: 06:30 - Depart: 15:00

Contemporary Tokyo may be the most astonishing city on earth. It's a paradoxical mix of ancient tradition and postmodern culture. Ginza, an international shopping mecca, stands near the serene grounds of the Imperial Palace, and the hyper-speed of 21st century consumerism is mysteriously reconciled with the elegance and serenity of traditional culture.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 17 Toba, Japan
Tendered: 07:00 - 16:00

Toba, located at the northeastern end of the Shima-hanto Peninsula in Mie, flourished as the castle town of the Kuki family who ruled this region from the 16th century. It was also a landing spot for visitors on the sea route to Ise-jingu Shrine and belongs to Ise-Shima National Park.

Please note: This port is accessed by tender boats. Boarding and disembarking tender boats may involve steps and uneven surfaces. While cruise lines strive to provide ease of access, accessibility options can vary at different tender ports. Passengers with mobility concerns are encouraged to inquire about specific arrangements and consider their individual needs when participating in tendering activities.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

The Itinerary

Itinerary 3

Day 18 Wakayama, Japan
Arrive: 09:00 - Depart: 18:00

With over 600 kilometres of coastline, all of the delights of the sea are on offer, including snorkeling, swimming or scuba diving off one of its many white-sand beaches, marveling at the underwater world on display at the aquarium in the Museum of Natural History, and watching the intricate process of preparing a massive tuna in the Kuroshio Market.

Known as 'Onsen Heaven', Wakayama is home to a variety of geothermal bathing experiences, a treasured Japanese tradition for centuries. Nearby is the hilltop Wakayama Castle, with park-like grounds, and the resort island of Wakayama Marina City. Consider travelling outside of Wakayama city to experience everything from animal encounters at Adventure World to a walking tour along the sacred paths of the 1,200-year-old Koyasan monastery complex, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

When hunger strikes, try some Wakayama ramen made with a tasty soy sauce. And remember that the first mass-produced matcha green tea ice cream was created in Wakayama City, so be sure to treat yourself.

Please note: Charges may apply to the above activities.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 19 Kochi, Japan
Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 15:00

Kochi, a city in Shikoku, takes its name from the great feudal castle that sits at its very heart. Completed in 1611, Kochi Castle was the seat of Yamauchi Kazutoyo, a noted warrior who supported Tokugawa Ieyasu in his successful quest to become Shogun. Tosa Province and Kochi Castle were Yamauchi's reward for faithful service. There is a historical irony here: 250 years later, a Kochi native son - a former low-ranked samurai and now ronin named Sakamoto Ryoma - played a pivotal role in bringing the Tokugawa Shogunate to an end and restoring the Emperor of Japan to political prominence. The prize once awarded for faithful service had become a hotbed of support for the Meiji Restoration.

Kochi sits on the broad alluvial plain facing Urado Bay and is one of the wettest places in Japan, and is a frequent target for cyclonic storms or typhoons. Southeast of the city, warm oceans currents washing against the Muroto Peninsula create a subtropical landscape of hibiscus, palm and ficus at Muroto-Anan Quasi-National Park.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

The Itinerary

Itinerary 3

Day 20 Kagoshima, Japan
Arrive: 09:00 - Depart: 18:00

From the 12th century to the Meiji Restoration of 1868, Kagoshima was the chief stronghold of the mighty Shimazu clan. The city lies near the top of the Satsuma Peninsula, a mountainous, geothermal wonderland of hot springs and geysers. The area is also rich in modern Japanese history. Saigo Takamori and the Satsuma samurai were leaders of the Meiji Restoration that toppled the shogun and restored the Emperor to power in 1868. In 1877, dissatisfied with the direction of the new government, Saigo led the Satsuma Rebellion, which ended in his death and the final defeat of the samurai. The symbol of Kagoshima is Sakura Jima - the active volcanic island that sits just offshore.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 21 Yatsushiro, Japan
Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 15:00

Yatsushiro city was developed around a beautiful Shinto shrine, built during the Heian era (794–1185). Situated along the delta of the Kuma River, facing Yatsushiro Bay, this castle town and its ruins still showcase the spirit of the city.

A visit to the ruins of Yatsushiro Castle (now part of a Shinto shrine) is a good place to begin your day. Another fun and scenic landmark is the flight of 777 stairs cut into the nearby mountains, to be rewarded with panoramic views from the top – there are benches to rest on along the way!

Yatsushiro is famous for its 17th century pottery designed with a distinctive blue-gray crackled glaze with white inlay. Craft enthusiasts and collectors might like to visit three Kodayaki kilns in the area. Shopping enthusiasts could enjoy the honmachi, a covered arcade that runs the length of several city blocks, and adventurous foodies may partake in some of the city's most exotic local fare, including Basashi, raw horse meat served with soy and garlic, a delicacy of the area. For those with a more traditional palate, the light green Rush ice cream is a treat.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 22 Busan, South Korea
Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 16:00

The second largest city in South Korea, Busan is your gateway to a fascinating land whose culture is a unique amalgam of old and new. Modern high-rise towers dwarf ancient Buddhist temples. The city's bustling business district offers a stark contrast to the serene grounds of Yongdusan Park. In short, Busan is a microcosm of South Korea, a nation whose startling economic success often obscures one of Asia's most sophisticated and venerable cultures.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

The Itinerary

Itinerary 3

Day 23 Kanmon Strait, Japan (Scenic Cruising)

The Kanmon Strait, also known as the Strait of Shimonoseki, is a narrow body of water in Japan. The strait separates Honshu, the main island, from Kyushu, the southernmost of Japan's four main islands.

Please note: Your ship will not dock on this day of the itinerary.

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 24 Hiroshima, Japan

Arrive: 07:00 - Depart: 17:00

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Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 25 Cruising

Overnight: Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess
Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 26 Disembark Tokyo, Japan - Australia (or New Zealand)

Arrive: 06:30

This morning you will arrive back into Tokyo. Enjoy your final breakfast on board as your ship arrives into Port. After disembarkation, make your own way to the airport in time for check in.

Optional Upgrade: Shuttle Transfer

From Tokyo Port to Tokyo airport. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 27 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)

Welcome home.

Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

Visit South Korea and Japan during Cherry Blossom Season aboard Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess

Enjoy time at leisure in Tokyo, where ancient traditions meet modern marvels

Discover Kochi, known for its historic castle, vibrant street markets and cultural richness

Visit Busan, South Korea, where modern skyscrapers meet ancient temples

Seek out the iconic "floating" Torii gate of Miyajima Island with a day at leisure in Hiroshima

Enjoy scenic cruising of Japan's Kanmon Strait

Discover Nagoya, home to the impressive Nagoya Castle surrounded by around 900 sakura trees (Itinerary 1 and 3)

Immerse yourself in the beauty of Tokushima, a 16th-century castle town and your gateway to the mesmerising Naruto whirlpools and the spectacular Iya Valley (Itinerary 1 and 3)

Dock in Nagasaki and reflect on poignant history at the Nagasaki Peace Park (Itinerary 1 and 3)

Discover the allure of Beppu, Japan's famed spa town where healing hot springs and a breathtaking geyser await amidst scenic beauty (Itinerary 1 and 3)

Discover Toba, the historic castle town of the Kuki family and a scenic gateway to the sacred Ise-Shima National Park (Itinerary 2 and 3)

Visit Wakayama, known as 'Onsen Heaven', where you can seek out geothermal bathing experiences or the sacred paths of the UNESCO-listed Koyasan (Itinerary 2 and 3)

Sail into Kagoshima, a geothermal wonderland sitting in the shadow of the spectacular Sakura Jima volcano (Itinerary 2 and 3)

Enjoy free time to explore the castle ruins or artisan pottery kilns of Yatsushiro, a historic castle town nestled along the Kuma River delta (Itinerary 2 and 3)

FLIGHTS

Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply (Excludes Trip Only option)

CRUISE

12-night voyage of Japan with Princess Cruises (Itinerary 1)

10-night voyage of Japan with Princess Cruises (Itinerary 2)

22-night voyage of Japan with Princess Cruises (Itinerary 3)

Sail aboard Princess Cruises' Sapphire Princess

Enjoy world-class entertainment at sea, including original musical productions, theatre performances, live music, movies under the stars and more

Tour Inclusions

PRINCESS PLUS UPGRADE

Enhance your cruise experience with the Princess Plus package for the discounted rate of $89 per person, per night when you pre-book. Book now and lock in amazing value before you step aboard:

Plus Beverage Package: Indulge in a wide selection of cocktails, spirits, wine, beer, fountain softdrinks and specialty coffees (includes 15 drinks up to $15 USD / $22 AUD each)

Bottled water: Up to 12 x 500ml bottles per day

Enjoy a 25% discount on wines by the bottle (including rare vintages), large bottles of water and cans of softdrink

Crew Appreciation Included: Daily gratuities for the onboard team are fully covered, saving you out-of-pocket automated charges

Onboard Wi-Fi: Stay connected with 1 device per guest using MedallionNet® Max Wi-Fi

Casual Dining Package: Includes 4 casual dining meals per guest

Ocean Now Delivery: Why queue for anything when it can come to you?

Room Service Delivery: Dine in the comfort of your room, with Room Service included

PRINCESS PREMIER UPGRADE

Enhance your cruise experience with the Princess Premier package for the discounted rate of $139 per person, per night when you pre-book. Book now and lock in amazing value before you step onboard:

Premier Beverage Package: Enjoy all the inclusions of the Princess Plus beverage package, with additional top-shelf spirits, reserve wines by the glass and high-end crafted cocktails by Mixologist Rob Floyd included (up to $20 USD / $30 AUD each)

Bottled water: Up to 12 x 500ml bottles per day

Enjoy a 25% discount on wines by the bottle (including rare vintages), large bottles of water and cans of softdrink

Onboard Wi-Fi: Stay connected with up to 4 devices per guest using MedallionNet® Max Wi-Fi

Unlimited Specialty Dining: Dine on premium seafood at Crab Shack, handmade pasta at Sabatini's or the specialties at other award-winning restaurants onboard

Unlimited Casual Dining Package: Enjoy these restaurants, whether a gastropub or pop up, as many times as you like

Shore Excursion Credit: Maximise your experience in port with a shore excursion credit of $200 for voyages from 10 to 20 nights in length or $300 for voyages over 21 nights; per guest

Ocean Now Delivery: Why queue for anything when it can come to you?

Room Service Delivery: Dine in the comfort of your room with Room Service included

Reserved Theatre Seating: You'll love the reserved seating section in the Princess Theater! In advance of the production show, just head to this special section, only for guests with Princess Premier®

Photo Package: Get unlimited digital images taken by the onboard photographers and get 3 prints of your favourites

Crew Appreciation Included: Daily gratuities for the onboard team are fully covered, saving you out-of-pocket automated charges

Tour Inclusions

ACCOMMODATION

3 nights of 4-star accommodation in Tokyo

DINING

35 meals while cruising (Itinerary 1)

29 meals while cruising (itinerary 2)

65 meals while cruising (Itinerary 3)

ESSENTIALS

Airline taxes and surcharges

Cruise port taxes and surcharges

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 and 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 and 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 26th March 2027. 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 applies:

ITINERARY 1

Interior Stateroom: $2,300
Obstructed Oceanview Stateroom: $2,500
Unobstructed Oceanview Stateroom: $3,800
Balcony Stateroom: $4,100
Mini Suite: $4,300

ITINERARY 2

Interior Stateroom: $2,500
Obstructed Oceanview Stateroom: $2,700
Unobstructed Oceanview Stateroom: $2,900
Balcony Stateroom: $4,700
Mini Suite: $5,600

ITINERARY 3

Interior Stateroom: $3,900
Obstructed Oceanview Stateroom: $5,100
Unobstructed Oceanview Stateroom: $5,700
Balcony Stateroom: $8,600
Mini Suite: $9,900

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 1 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

(Flight information for options excluding Trip Only)

Departure Cities

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

Departure City Surcharges

Brisbane: $200 per person
Adelaide: $250 per person

Important Information

Perth: $100 per person
Auckland: $300 per person

International Flight(s)

Full-service airline(s) used
- 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.

Please note: From Australia / New Zealand, the flying journey to your destination may take up to 22 hours, with up to 1 stop. From Adelaide 2 stops may be required. One of those stops may be within Australia. This is provided as a guide only - actual flight duration can vary depending on availability and airline schedules. Your booking's final details will be confirmed to you via email once available.

Preferred Airline Surcharge

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Qantas: $550 per person

Please note:

- *Preferred airlines are subject to availability. If we are unable to fulfil your request, the above extra cost will be refunded.*
- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*
- *In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.*
- *Preferred airline refers to the marketing carrier and could include codeshare partners.*

Arrive Early and Stay Behind Options

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

Arrive Early

Tokyo, Japan - From $300 per person, subject to availability.

Stay Behind

Tokyo, Japan - From $300 per person, subject to availability.

Please note:

This option incurs a fee for adjusting the departure or return dates. This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals and/or airport transfers, which will be at your own cost.
In addition, airport transfers listed as an inclusion on the Travel Offer are considered void in the event that you select an Arrive Early/Stay Behind option. As such, you will need to arrange your own transfers at your cost.
We strongly advise against booking any pre or post-tour travel arrangements/ accommodation until TripADeal confirms your flight details. If you choose to book before confirmation, we recommend opting for refundable reservations or having backup plans in case the tour does not proceed.

Internal Flights:

If you select to Arrive Early or Stay Behind into a city other than the one where the tour begins or concludes (where applicable), the package will include an internal flight to your destination. This offer applies only to the cities listed in our Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options. If you wish to forfeit this flight, please advise our friendly team at the time of purchase. Please note that the package's cost does not change when you choose to forfeit your connecting flight.

Please note: If you request to fly into cities not listed in our "Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options", we may be able to customise your itinerary. If possible, the flight's cost will be charged as an extra.

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:
- 19th December 2026 - 3rd January 2027
- 4th January 2027 - 26th January 2027
- 19th March 2027 - 28th April 2027
- 19th June 2027 - 18th July 2027
- 11th September 2027 - 10th October 2027
- 10th December 2027 - 19th December 2027
- 20th December 2027 - 3rd January 2028
- 4th January 2028 - 31st January 2028
- 1st April 2028 - 30th April 2028
- 1st July 2028 - 23rd July 2028
- 16th September 2028 - 15th October 2028
- 9th December 2028 - 19th December 2028
- 20th December 2028 - 3rd January 2029

Stopover Packages

Not available.

Flight Class Upgrades

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

Please note:

- *Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).*

Important Information

- *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.

Trip Only Option

If you choose to remove international flights from your package, your holiday may be shorter, as travel days for flights are not included in the Trip Only package. You will receive an email confirmation when minimum numbers have been met and the departure is guaranteed.
We recommend making further travel arrangements, such as flights, after you have received confirmation of a guaranteed departure.
TripADeal assumes no liability for financial losses incurred due to travel arrangements made prior to confirmation of guaranteed departure.
Note: The Trip Only Package does not include return international airfares or airport transfers. At the conclusion of the tour, you will be responsible for booking your own onward travel.
Click here for full Trip Only terms and conditions (see section 4.1)

Cruise

Princess Cruises Sapphire Princess

The Sapphire Princess is a floating masterpiece, blending sophisticated elegance with world-class amenities. Spanning over 290 metres and featuring more than 700 balconies, this ship is designed to provide a premium sanctuary for every traveler.
A primary highlight is the extraordinary dining landscape. From the world-renowned Neapolitan-style slices at Prego Pizzeria—named "Best Pizza at Sea"—to the refined Sabatini's℠ Italian Trattoria, the culinary options are vast. Guests can indulge in premium cuts at the Crown Grill, enjoy the showmanship of the Churrascaria Brazilian Grill, or savour the innovative Japanese creations of Makoto Ocean. For an intimate experience, Ultimate Balcony Dining offers a multi-course meal with stunning private ocean views.
Beyond the plate, the ship offers a wealth of wellness and relaxation. The award-winning Lotus Spa® provides rejuvenating treatments, while The Sanctuary serves as an exclusive, adults-only oasis where Serenity Stewards cater to your every whim. Even rest is elevated through the Princess Luxury Bed, scientifically engineered to ensure you wake up refreshed for a new day of exploration.
Entertainment is equally dazzling. The Princess Theater hosts lavish original productions, and Movies Under the Stars® allows you to watch Hollywood hits poolside. For social evenings, Crooners transports guests to the Sinatra era with its classic piano bar atmosphere and signature martinis. Whether you are utilizing high-tech MedallionClass® features or exploring the Piazza, the Sapphire Princess ensures every moment at sea is spectacular.

Onboard currency:

USD$

Cabins/Staterooms:

Interior Stateroom: From 14.6m^2 to 15m^2

Interior Staterooms come with comfortable queen or twin beds with 100% cotton, high-thread count linens. In-room refrigerator, flat-panel TV. Private bathroom with shower, hairdryer and bathroom amenities. 24-hour room service (charges apply). Your own spacious closet, desk with chair, and digital security safe.

Oceanview Stateroom: From 13.5m^2 to 19m^2

All Oceanview Staterooms come with a spacious picture window or porthole for memorable views. A comfortable queen or twin beds with 100% cotton, high-thread count linens. In-room refrigerator, flat-panel TV. Private bathroom with shower, hairdryer and bathroom amenities.
24-hour room service (charges apply). Your own spacious closet, desk with chair, and digital security safe.

Balcony Stateroom: From 19.8m^2 to 20.6m^2 including balcony

All Balcony Staterooms come with your own personal balcony with 2 chairs and a table. Floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors. A comfortable queen or twin beds with 100% cotton, high-thread count linens. In-room refrigerator, flat-panel TV. Private bathroom with shower, hairdryer and bathroom amenities. 24-hour room service (charges apply). Your own spacious closet, desk with chair, and digital security safe.

Mini Suite: Approximately 30m^2 including balcony

All Mini Suites come with your own balcony with 2-4 chairs, table and ottoman. Floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors. Separate sitting area with sofa bed and coffee table. Complimentary welcome glass of bubbly on embarkation day. Bathroom tub and massage shower head, hair dryer and bathroom amenities. Two flat-panel TV's. Comfortable queen or twin beds, with luxury mattress topper and pillows and 100% cotton, high-thread count linens. 24-hour room service (charges apply). Your own spacious closet, desk with chair, and digital security safe.

Please note:

- *All cabins are subject to availability; some cabins may have restricted views.*

Important Information

- *Cruise cabins are booked on a guaranteed basis and are assigned by the cruise line prior to departure.*

Cruise Arrival and Departure Times:

Please keep in mind that the provided cruise arrival and departure times are an approximate and will be finalised upon receipt of your cruise tickets.

Accommodation

Accommodation Used:

4-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

Tokyo, Japan: Hotel Gracery Shinjuku

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.

Accommodation Location

To ensure a comfortable and convenient experience for everyone, we've carefully selected hotels that best suit the size and specific needs of each group. While this means your accommodation may not be in the city centre, you can rest assured that our hotels are typically located near public transportation and a variety of local restaurants and attractions.

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

ITINERARY 1:

Day 1: Private Transfer From Airport To Hotel - $150 per person (twin share), $300 per person (solo)
Day 4: Private Transfer From Hotel To Port - $150 per person (twin share), $300 per person (solo)
Day 16: Shuttle Transfer From Port To Airport - $110 per person

ITINERARY 2:

Day 1: Private Transfer From Airport To Hotel - $150 per person (twin share), $300 per person (solo)
Day 4: Private Transfer From Hotel To Port - $150 per person (twin share), $300 per person (solo)
Day 14: Shuttle Transfer From Port To Airport - $110 per person

ITINERARY 3:

Day 1: Private Transfer From Airport To Hotel - $150 per person (twin share), $300 per person (solo)
Day 4: Private Transfer From Hotel To Port - $150 per person (twin share), $300 per person (solo)
Day 26: Shuttle Transfer From Port To Airport - $110 per person

Please note:

- *Optional arrival or departure transfers cannot be booked when an Arrive Early or Stay Behind has been arranged.*
- *Prices are based per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions*
- *The optional tours listed above must be purchased on checkout or over the phone before submitting your passenger information form (subject to availability).*
- *Some tours or shore excursions require minimum numbers to operate.*
- *Shore excursions can be booked/reserved directly with the cruise line before travel (subject to availability)*
- *Shore excursions can also be booked whilst onboard (subject to availability).*
- *Shore excursion programmes and itineraries may vary depending on local conditions and/or any unforeseen events concerning the timing on the day of the tour. Some excursions are very popular, and therefore availability cannot always be guaranteed, it is advisable to book in advance to avoid disappointment.*

Upgrades:

Princess Plus Optional Upgrade:

- Plus Beverage Package: Indulge in a wide selection of cocktails, spirits, wine, beer, fountain soft-drinks and specialty coffees (includes 15 drinks up to $15 USD / $22 AUD each)
- Bottled Water: Up to 12 x 500ml bottles per day
- Enjoy a 25% discount on wines by the bottle, large bottles of water & cans of soft drink
- Onboard Wi-Fi: Stay connected with 1 device per guest
- Casual Dining Package: Includes 4 casual dining meals per guest
- Ocean Now Delivery: Why wait for anything when it can come to you?
- Room Service Delivery: Dine in the comfort of your room with room service included
- Crew Appreciation Included: Daily gratuities for the onboard team are fully covered, saving you out-of-pocket automated charges

Princess Premier Optional Upgrade:

The best value of all with everything Princess Plus offers and more.

- Premier Beverage Package: Enjoy all the inclusions of the Princess Plus beverage package with additional top-shelf spirits, reserve wines by the glass and high-end crafted cocktails by Mixologist Rob Floyd included (up to $20 USD / $30 AUD each)
- Bottled Water: Up to 12 x 500ml bottles per day
- Enjoy a 25% discount on wines by the bottle, large bottles of water & cans of soft drink

Important Information

- Onboard Wi-Fi: Stay connected with up to 4 devices per guest using MedallionNet® Max Wi-Fi
- Unlimited Specialty Dining: Dine on premium seafood at Crab Shack, handmade pasta at Sabatini's or the specialties at other award-winning restaurants onboard (limited to 1 specialty dining meal per mealtime).
- Unlimited Casual Dining Package: Enjoy these restaurants, whether a gastropub or pop-up, as many times as you like.
- Shore Excursion Credit: Maximise your experience in port with a shore excursion credit based on the duration of your sailing:

(i) $100 per guest for voyages from 6 to 9 nights in length;
(ii) $200 per guest for voyages from 10 to 20 nights in length;
(iii) $300 per guest for voyages of 21 or more nights in length

- Ocean Now Delivery: Why wait for anything when it can come to you?
- Room Service Delivery: Dine in the comfort of your room with room service included
- Reserved Theatre Seating: You'll love the reserved seating section in the Princess Theater! In advance of the production show, just head to this special section, only for guests with Princess Premier®
- Photo Package: Get unlimited digital images taken by the onboard photographers and 3 prints of your favourites
- Crew Appreciation Included: Daily gratuities for the onboard team are fully covered, saving you out-of-pocket automated charges

Please note:

- *All cabins are subject to availability; some cabins may have restricted views.*
- *Cruise cabins are booked on a guaranteed basis and are assigned by the cruise line prior to departure.*

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Optional 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
- Mandatory city tax

Please note: Return international flights and transfers to and from the tour are not included in the Trip Only option.

Gratuities / Tipping

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.

Cruise

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the cruise staff's services throughout this tour's cruise component. Princess Cruises is an internationally registered company & operates to US & European standards, both of which have an economy driven by a tipping culture. Gratuities are expected on your cruise and will be charged to your onboard account from USD $17.00 per person per day (for Interior, Oceanview and Balcony Staterooms) or from USD $18.00 per person per day (for Mini-Suites). If you have any questions regarding the gratuities on your cruise, please speak to the guest services staff onboard the ship.

Other Important Information

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Japan

In March and April, Japan undergoes a beautiful transition from winter to spring, with temperatures varying significantly across its islands. In central hubs like Tokyo, Kyoto, and Osaka, the weather is mild and pleasant, with average highs climbing from 13°C in March to a comfortable 19°C in April. Further south in cities like Fukuoka and Kagoshima, you can expect slightly warmer conditions reaching up to 22°C, while the subtropical islands of Okinawa already feel like summer with temperatures hovering around 24°C. Conversely, northern Hokkaido remains crisp and cool, with March averages sitting at just 4°C before rising to 11°C in April. Because evening temperatures throughout the country can still drop to around 10°C, dressing in versatile layers is the best way to stay comfortable while exploring the blossoming landscapes.

Busan, South Korea

In Busan, South Korea, the spring weather is very similar to that of central Japan, offering a mild and refreshing climate as the cherry blossoms begin to bloom. In March, you can expect daily highs of around 13°C and lows of 5°C, though the coastal breeze can sometimes make it feel slightly crisper. By April, the city warms up beautifully, with daytime temperatures reaching a comfortable 18°C and evenings averaging around 10°C. Busan during these months is characterised by low humidity and clear skies, though a light-to-medium jacket is recommended for the cooler mornings and the sea air while on deck.

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

Important Information

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.

CRUISE

Embarkation / Disembarkation:

- Begins approximately 2 hours after docking.
- Due to security reasons, all guests must be on board 2 hours before sailing.
- Itineraries are subject to change at any time without notice.
- Check your specific sailing for exact departure and arrival times. All times are local to the port.

Cruise Loyalty Discounts:

Please note: Travellers must contact the cruise line directly upon receiving their travel documents in order to request any membership benefits they may be entitled to.

Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage to and from the cruise ship and hotel accommodation.

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 city tours, 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: Some areas may be inaccessible to wheelchairs or mobility scooters, with personal walking sticks and other aids required should they be needed. Although some assistance may be available, every traveller should be self-reliant during all aspects of their travel.

Please note: It is expected that every traveller must 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.

Please note: If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Yellow Fever:

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in many countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also common for your home country to request a Yellow Fever certificate upon arrival.
You must check with your doctor well before leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

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

Japan

Australian passport holders are visa-exempt for a stay of up to 90 days when travelling as a tourist.

South Korea

Australian passport holders can visit South Korea as tourists for stays of up to 90 days without applying for a K-ETA (or visa waiver) until 31 December 2026. Previously approved K-ETA applications will remain valid up to the granted expiry date. Australian passport holders travelling from 1 January 2027 may be required to apply for a K-ETA. Visit the official K-ETA website for more information.

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.*

Important 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.