JAPAN IMPRESSIONS
Tokyo, Toyohashi, Kyoto, Nara, Osaka

DAY 3
Tokyo
Today you may enjoy at leisure, allowing you to explore the magnificent city at your own pace. We suggest you visit the Shibuya area to see the famed dog statue called Hachikun in front of Shibuya Station. The Harajuku Station and Takeshita Road is a great shopping area and is popular with Japanese teenagers. Meiji Shrine is also a must see, and so too is the Tsukuji Fish Market, which is perfect for sampling fresh seafood and sushi.
HOTEL: Sunshine Prince Hotel Ikebukuro or similar

DAY 4
Tokyo, Owakudani, Green Tea Field, Toyohashi
This morning will begin with a trip to the iconic Owakudani volcano, where you will have the best view of the iconic Mt Fuji. Here you will enjoy a scenic ride on the Hakone Ropeway. Your trip to Owakudani will be dependent on weather and if weather does not permit, alternative arrangements will be made. After lunch, you will continue on to the Green Tea Field at Maki No Hara, where you will taste authentic Japanese green tea. Afterwards, you will be transferred to Toyohashi city and check in to your hotel for the evening.
HOTEL: Loisiir Hotel, Toyohashi or similar

DAY 1
Narita Arrival
Upon arrival at Narita Airport you will be met by your tour manager and transferred to your hotel by hotel shuttle. You will have the evening to relax and prepare full day tour by next day.
HOTEL: Osaka Plaza Hotel or similar

DAY 2
Tokyo, Imperial Palace, Asakusa Kannon, Nakamisen
After breakfast you will travel to the beautiful capital city of Tokyo for a city tour. Your tour will include a visit to the Tokyo Tower. This iconic structure was first opened in 1958 and stands at 333 metres high. After learning about the tower you may choose to enjoy an optional trip up to the observatory which offers a fantastic view of the expansive city and of the iconic Mt Fuji. You will also visit the Imperial Palace, otherwise known as Edo Castle. After lunch you will visit the beautiful Rainbow Bridge, located at Tokyo Bay. You will then head to Asakusa Kannon Temple, also known as Sensoji Temple. The structure is a Buddhist temple built in the 7th century, and is the oldest temple in all of Japan. Your next stop will be at the famous Nakamise shopping street where traditional Japanese food, souvenirs and novelty items can be purchased. Afterwards, you will be escorted to the famous shopping district of Ginza.
HOTEL: Sunshine Prince Hotel Ikebukuro or similar

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DAY 5  Toyohashi, Kyoto, Kiyomizu Temple
After enjoying breakfast at your hotel you will continue on to Kyoto, a city renowned for its romance and traditional and new architecture and cultural life. The city was the country’s capital for almost 300 years. On your tour today you will visit the famous Kiyomizu Temple which was first constructed in the 7th century and rebuilt in 1633. On the journey to the temple you will walk through a beautiful shopping district where souvenirs, Kyoto ceramics, Japanese Mochi and snacks can be purchased. You may enjoy the rest of the day at leisure or choose to visit the nearby Hanakomachi.
HOTEL: Apa Hotel Kyoto Gion Excellent or similar

DAY 6  Kyoto
Today, following breakfast, you are free to explore the city at your own pace or join the optional city tour. During the optional tour you will visit Nijo Castle, the Golden Pavillion, Arashiyama Bamboo Forrest and enjoy a traditional kimono show at the Nishijin Textile Gallery. In the evening you will conclude the optional tour with a visit to the Nishiki Market, famous for its unique Japanese cuisine. Lunch will included if joining the optional tour.
HOTEL: Apa Hotel Kyoto Gion Excellent or similar

DAY 7  Kyoto, Nara, Osaka
Following breakfast, you will proceed to the city of Nara, which was the first capital of Japan. Your first stop will be to the Todaiji Temple which is home to the great bronze Buddha. The statue is the largest Buddha statue in the world and the surrounds are full of over 1,000 holy deer. You will also visit the beautiful Kasuga Taisha shrine. After lunch you will continue on to Osaka Castle and the Dotobori area. Dinner will be enjoyed at a local restaurant before you return to your hotel for the evening.
HOTEL: Best Western Joytel or similar

DAY 8 - 9  Depart Osaka
Today you will be transferred to Kansai International Airport for your flight home. We hope you enjoyed your journey to Japan with us!

PLEASE NOTE: Travel Asia reserves the right to modify the itinerary of your tour without prior notice based upon weather, traffic conditions and other unforeseen occurrences. Passengers that do not wish to join the scheduled tours will need to finance their own transportation back to the hotel if they wish to return immediately.

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**PACKAGE INCLUDES**

- International airfares
- All transfers to and from airports
- Sightseeing admissions
- Private coach transportation
- Experienced, English speaking guides
- 7 nights’ accommodation: hotels listed on itinerary are subject to availability
- Meals: 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinner

**PACKAGE EXCLUDES**

- Travel Insurance (highly recommended)
- Tipping, high season surcharge and single supplement
- Upgrades, add-on excursions, optional tours and evening entertainment
- Anything not listed above ie: laundry, personal items