

# Land of the Rising Sun

10 Nights



### Summary

Japan is the perfect combination of the past and the future being ancient and futuristic at the same time. Japan's mountainous landscapes, hidden valleys, traditional gardens, onsens (hot springs), and ancient temples are a must see. Traveling Japan is richly rewarding, offering a wonderful practical and knowledgeable experience into key elements that orm and preserve the Japanese culture and tradition

#### Day 1: Arrival – Tokyo

Arrive at new Tokyo int'l airport, meet and assist guests boarding an airport bus

# Wild Discovery Advantages

- A proven expertise in organizing successful
- Experienced and knowledgeable staff
- High quality service & strong commitment to customer satisfaction
- Permanent assistance from Wild Discovery Head Office at any moment
- Attention to details that make the difference

# Overview

Interest: Group – Family-Couples
Level of Comfort: 3/5
Minimum # of passengers: 2
Maximum # of passengers: 20

# Information about the destination

- Currency: Yen
- Language: Japanese
- Dialing Code: 81
- Recommended vaccines: none
- Banks & currency exchange: Currency can be exchanged at major banks, exchange offices or authorized hotels

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Arrive at the hotel, and check-in Free time at leisure

#### Day 2: Tokyo

The day will begin with a stroll through Tokyo Tower, one of the popular city's landmarks

Neighboring Tokyo Tower is Hama-Rikyu Teien, a former private garden of an Edo Period lord

You will then have a chance to view Tokyo from a different angle as you take a boat cruise along the Sumida River

In the afternoon, the next stop will be Asakusa, part of Tokyo's Shitamachi, or old town

Asakusa is home to Sensoji Temple, Tokyo's oldest Buddhist temple, and is also the city's oldest Geisha district

From Asakusa, take the metro to Ginza, Tokyo's most famous upmarket shopping, dining and entertainment district

The next stop is The National Diet of Japan, located in the same area as the popular Imperial Palace Gardens and the picturesque red brick-walled building of the Ministry of Justice

#### Day 3: Tokyo

Enjoy a full day tour around Mt. Fuji and the beautiful town of Hakone, famous for its onsen (natural hot springs) and its abundance of natural beauty

Before moving from Mt. Fuji to Hakone, take your time to enjoy a Japanese-style lunch

Then, the bus will whisk you off to Hakone, where a boat is waiting for you at Ashinoko (Lake Ashi)

Hop on and go for a sightseeing cruise on this lake, which was formed by a volcanic eruption 3000 years ago

The ferry will drop you off at the bottom of Mt. Komagatake, where a cable car will take you from the lake up to the peak

At the end of your visit, your bus will take you back to Central Tokyo, conveniently reaching Shinjuku Station in time dinner

#### Day 4: Tokyo

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In the morning, gather in Hamamatsucho Bus Terminal, from where you will depart to Nikko, and discover the Unesco World Heritage-lister, Toshogu Shrine complex

Visit the Toshogu Shrine Complex, the Tamozawa Imperial Villa and Kirifuri Falls

Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant then spend your afternoon visiting Kegon waterfall and Lake chuzennji

#### Day 5: Tokyo

Day free at leisure

#### Day 6: Tokyo-Kyoto

Transfer to Tokyo station, and assist in boarding super express "Shinkansen" to Kyoto Arrive at Kyoto station, meet and assist boarding a taxi to your hotel

# Day 7: Kyoto

Start your day with a tour of Kyoto visiting Nijo Castle. This ornamental castle, surrounded by stunning gardens, was built by the founder of the Edo Shogunate as his Kyoto residence. Continue to Kinkakuji, or the Golden Pavilion, which was originally built as a retirement villa for the Shogun

After your morning visits relax with a Japanese lunch in the heart of traditional Japan

In the afternoon, your exploration of Japan's ancient capital will continue with the Heian Shrine. A relatively modern landmark of the city (it was founded in 1895), it is famous for its bright colors and for the beautiful gardens surrounding it. Later you will pay a visit to Sanjusangendo Temple, an impressive structure where 1001 statues of the goddess Kannon are kept. 120-meter long, this is also one of the largest wooden structures in Japan

# Day 8: Kyoto

Morning at leisure for you to discover Kyoto





In the afternoon, your guide will meet you at hotel then take you go out of town with a short train ride to Nara For 74 years during the 8<sup>th</sup> century, Nara was Japan's capital and many of the temples and shrines built at that time

still remain

We recommend visiting Todaiji Temple, the world's largest wooden building and home to Japan's largest Buddha; or Kasuga Taisha, Nara's most celebrated shrine

#### Day 9: Kyoto

Free day at leisure

# Day 10: Kyoto - Tokyo

Transfer to Kyoto station, and assist in boarding Super express "Shinkansen" to Tokyo Upon arrival at Tokyo station, meet and assist boarding a taxi to the hotel Rest of the day at leisure

# Day 11: Tokyo – Departure

Assist in boarding an airport bus Limited express to Narita airport for departure flight

This is a product sheet elaborated in order to give you a quick overview of package suggestions our destination specialists can propose. Make an appointment to order to customize it as per your needs and get a detailed quotation.

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