

# Japan Heritage

Semi-escorted tour

JAPAN HERITAGE

## Explore the *classic* sights of Japan

Explore Japan's classic sights, starting in the exciting capital city of Tokyo, famous for its fresh sushi. Journey on the famous bullet train through scenic central Japan. Visit Takayama, a mountaintop town, which features authentic markets, culture and preserved traditional Japanese wooden houses. Enjoy time at the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Shirakawago. See classic landscape designs, gardens, castle and art museums in Kanazawa. Visit the Gion district in Kyoto, spend time in the historic city of Hiroshima. Finish your tour in the vibrant city of Osaka.



## Locations *you will* be visiting



Tokyo, Japan

Tokyo, Japan's busy capital, mixes the ultramodern and the traditional

3 Days



Takayama, Japan

Takayama, has a riverside setting and is surrounded by nature

1 Days



Shirakawago & Gokayama, Japan

The historic UNESCO-listed villages of Shirakawago and Gokayama are home to Gassho-zukuri style houses...

1 Day



Kanazawa, Japan

Kanazawa is referred to as "little Kyoto" due to its ancient streets and well-preserved neighborhoods

1 Day



Kyoto, Japan

Kyoto, Japan's former capital, is home to 17 UNESCO World Heritage sites

3 Days





#### Mount Koya, Japan

Mount Koya is the name of mountains in Wakayama Prefecture, that are the centre for Shingon Buddhism

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1 Day



#### Hiroshima and Miyajima, Japan

Hiroshima, rebuilt after World War II, and stunning Miyajima island, are among the most visited spot...

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2 Days



#### Osaka, Japan

Osaka is known for its modern architecture, vibrant nightlife and tasty street food.

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1 Day

### YOUR TOUR ITINERARY

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##### 15 day Tour Itinerary

*An overview of your trip*

#### DAY 1 UK to Tokyo

Take a scheduled flight from your regional airport to Tokyo.

- Transport: Flight

#### DAY 2 Arrive Tokyo

Arrive at Narita or Haneda Airport, where you will be met by your guide and taken to the shuttle bus for your accommodation transfer.



#### DAY 3 Tokyo Morning City Tour

Today, you will be picked up from your accommodation to join a Tokyo Morning City Tour, with an English speaking guide. Visit the Meiji Shrine, a famous Shinto shrine nestled in a peaceful area in Shibuya. Continue to the Imperial Palace East Garden and Asakusa. The tour ends at Tokyo Station. Afternoon is at leisure.

- Meals included: Breakfast

#### DAY 4 Mount Fuji and Hakone

After breakfast, you will be picked up from your accommodation to join a Mt. Fuji and Hakone Day tour by coach. The tour includes a trip to Mt. Fuji's 5th station, a Japanese style lunch, Hakone Ropeway and a cruise across tranquil Lake Ashi. Arrive back to Tokyo in the evening.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch
- Transport: Drive



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#### DAY 5 Tokyo to Takayama

Your main suitcase will be transferred directly from Tokyo to Kyoto, but keep the luggage you need for your nights in Takayama, Shirakawago and Kanazawa. Make your own way to the station for your bullet train to Nagoya and onward train to Takayama. Upon arrival, make your own way to your accommodation.

- Meals included: Breakfast
- Transport: Train

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#### DAY 6 Takayama to Shirakawago

Morning at leisure. Why not explore the morning market along the Miya-gawa River, Takayama Jinya, the Yatai Kaikan Hall, Kusakabe Folk Craft Museum and the streets of Kami Sannomachi, where you can see traditional Japanese wooden houses. In the afternoon, take a Nohi bus to Shirakawago, and upon arrival, make your way to your accommodation for an overnight stay with dinner. The historic village of Shirakawago was registered as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1995, and is famous for preserving the traditional gassho-zukuri style houses with their iconic thatched roofs, some of which are more than 300 years old.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner
- Transport: Drive

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#### DAY 7 Shirakawago to Kanazawa

Take a bus from Shirakawago to Kanazawa, and on arrival, make your way to your accommodation. Afternoon free at leisure.

- Meals included: Breakfast
- Transport: Drive

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## DAY 8 Kanazawa to Kyoto and Nara

The day is free at leisure before catching your express train to Kyoto. Upon arrival, you will be met by an English speaking assistant and transferred to your accommodation. In the afternoon, join the tour to Nara to visit the Todaiji Temple with Great Buddha, Nara Park, home to over 1,200 wild shika deer, and the Kofuku-ji Temple, before returning to Kyoto.

- Meals included: Breakfast
- Transport: Train



## DAY 9 Kyoto and Full Day Tour

Join the full day tour of Kyoto after breakfast, and enjoy the panoramic views of the city from the impressive Kiyomizu-dera Temple. Continue to the Buddhist Sanjusangendo Temple, home to 1001 statues of Kannon, and the intriguing Fushimi Inari Shrine with its brightly coloured Torii gates. At Arashiyama, visit the Tenryu-ji Temple, and marvel at the beautiful Zen garden. Stroll through the scenic Sagano Bamboo Grove, as the atmospheric bamboo towers above you, and gaze in awe at the stunning Kinkaku-ji Temple (Golden Pavilion), where the top two floors are completely covered in gold leaf. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch



## DAY 10 Kyoto

Day at leisure. Should you want to, there are many optional tours available to pre-book. Home to 17 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, Kyoto was the centre of politics for 1,100 years, and this culturally rich city offers many interesting places to visit including museums, art galleries, shrines and temples. During your time in Kyoto you may come across a Geisha and Maiko (apprentice Geisha) wearing traditional kimono in Gion, one of the main downtown districts in Kyoto.

- Meals included: Breakfast

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## DAY 11 Kyoto to Mount Koya

Your main suitcase will be transferred directly from Kyoto to Osaka. With your overnight bag you will be met by an English speaking assistant at your accommodation who will take you to the station for your train to Mt. Koya, followed by cable car via Gokurakubashi. Tonight you will stay in a temple

lodging. Afternoon at leisure. Dinner will be served at your lodging.

- Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner
- Transport: Train/cable car



## DAY 12 Mount Koya to Hiroshima

Leave Mt. Koya for Hiroshima via Osaka, and on arrival, make your way to your accommodation. Afternoon at leisure.

- Meals included: Breakfast
- Transport: Train



## DAY 13 Hiroshima

Day free at leisure to explore Hiroshima and Miyajima, with optional tours available to pre-book. Discover Hiroshima Atomic Bomb Dome, Peace Memorial Park and Itsuku-shima-jinja, located on Miya-jima Island, which is said to be one of the three most beautiful sights in Japan.

- Meals included: Breakfast

## DAY 14 Hiroshima to Osaka

Leave Hiroshima for Osaka by train and make your own way to your hotel. The rest of the day at leisure

- Meals included: Breakfast
- Transport: Train

## DAY 15 Fly to UK

Day at leisure until your transfer to Kansai International Airport by airport shuttle bus for your flight to the UK.

- Meals included: Breakfast
- Transport: Flight

## Optional Extras - Cultural Experiences

There is some free time in your itinerary for you to explore on your own, or treat yourself to an excursion. Use the links below to create a to-do list, or, if you'd prefer us to book you onto one of these or any other excursions, please let us know when booking your tour.



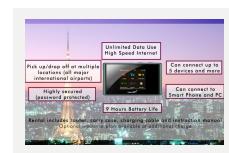
Japan: Tokyo Sumo



Japan: Kyoto Sagano



Japan: Samurai



Ninja Wifi, Japan

## Experience & Chanko Lunch

Be a sumo wrestler for a day! Learn from the Sumo wrestlers about the history, practice and the tournaments. Try on a Sumo costume and challenge a Sumo wrestler to a match. Enjoy the traditional and symbolic meal Chanko-nabe.

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## Bamboo Grove and Arashiyama Walking Tour

Take a walk through the scenic Sagano Bamboo Grove visiting Jojakko-ji Temple and Togetsu Bridge over Katsura River. Enjoy Japanese style lunch on a Yakatabune Boat in Arashiyama.

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## Experience, Osaka

Be a Samurai for a day! Learn about the Samurai (old Japanese soldier) in Kimono or Ninja costume!

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### YOUR HOLIDAY DETAILS

#### Japan: Japan Heritage

price from **£4,099**

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#### WHAT'S INCLUDED:

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hotel accommodation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal spending
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English speaking guides	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travel insurance
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Departures are available everyday

Price from **£4,099**

Single room supplement **£990**

(sole passenger prices on request)

Land only from **£3,299**

(excluding international flights)

Prices and products are subject to availability at the time of booking.

The deposit for these arrangements is £300 per person. Balance is due 12 weeks before departure

When making an enquiry or reservation we will request your contact details, however no payment will be required at this stage. We will contact you for payment details and to confirm your booking, your details and the details of those travelling with you along with any extras you'd like to add.

#### TOUR MAP



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