



Discover Japan - 15 Days - 14 Nights

Day 1: Day 1 – SAT : TOKYO

Welcome to Japan! After completing customs procedures, you'll then be transferred to your hotel by shared shuttle bus. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure. In the afternoon, you'll receive details about the start of your tour.

Overnight stay at TOKYO

Day 2: Day 2 – SUN : TOKYO

In the morning, we'll enjoy an extensive guided tour of this truly mesmerizing city, lasting approximately five hours. Tokyo's vibrant energy and cutting-edge neighborhoods coexist beautifully with its tranquil, serene spaces. We'll begin with a brief stop at Zojoji Temple, where you'll capture one of the most iconic views of the Tokyo Tower. The temple grounds are adorned with hundreds of Jizo statues, intricately carved stone figures believed to be protectors of children, dressed in colorful knit caps, bibs, and windmills. Next, we'll head to the famous Shibuya Crossing, often hailed as the busiest intersection in the world, followed by a visit to the Meiji Shrine, dedicated to the spirits of Emperor Meiji and his wife. Our journey will continue by bus along the elegant Omotesando Avenue. We'll then see the most picturesque parts of the Imperial Palace and its gardens and stop to admire the iconic Nijubashi Bridge. As we proceed, we'll pass through the vibrant Akihabara district, also known as the "Electric Town," a

hub for Japanese manga and anime culture. We'll also drive past the Kokugikan, Japan's renowned sumo wrestling arena. We'll conclude our tour in Asakusa, visiting the historic Sensoji Temple and the famous Nakamise Street. Lunch will be included at a local restaurant. Afterward, we'll return to the hotel.

At 6:30 p.m., we'll meet our guide in the hotel lobby and take the metro (tickets included) to the lively Shinjuku district. Here, we'll enjoy a stroll through its bustling streets, renowned for their vibrant nightlife, as we head to a local restaurant for dinner (included). Afterward, we'll return to the hotel by metro, accompanied by our guide.

Overnight stay at TOKYO

Day 3: Day 3 – MON : TOKYO - MOUNT FUJI - KAWAGUCHIKO

Day 3 – MON : TOKYO – MOUNT FUJI – KAWAGUCHIKO

We'll journey to the stunning Mount Fuji area, traveling through picturesque landscapes along the way. Our first stop will be the Arakurayama Sengen Park, home to beautiful pagodas and offering the most iconic views of Mount Fuji. From here, we'll continue to Kawaguchiko, a charming town surrounded by mountains, vibrant flowers, and its namesake lake. Upon arrival, we'll visit the Fuji Sengen Shrine, a serene site nestled among towering trees, which marks the traditional starting point for pilgrimages up Mount Fuji. During our visit, we'll take a moment to express gratitude for experiencing such a magical place.

The tour will also include a delightful boat ride on Lake Kawaguchiko, where you can soak in the area's tranquil beauty. After, we'll ascend Mount Fuji via the scenic road to the Fifth Station, at 2,305 meters, surrounded by breathtaking forests and vistas.

Note: In winter, the ascent to Mount Fuji may be closed due to snow or adverse weather conditions. During this season, we will go as far as permitted.

We'll return to Kawaguchiko, with time to enjoy a leisurely stroll along the lake. Tonight, we'll stay in a ryokan, a traditional Japanese inn, where you can relax in the onsen (public bath). Dinner will be included.

Note: At the planned ryokan, some rooms feature traditional Japanese-style tatami mats, while others are Western-style. Occasionally, accommodation may be arranged in a Western-style hotel.

Overnight stay at KAWAGUCHIKO

Day 4: Day 4 – TUE : KAWAGUCHIKO - IYASHI NO SATO NENBA - TOYOTA - KYOTO

In the morning, we'll follow a scenic road that winds around picturesque lakes to visit Iyashi no Sato

Nenba, a small village that was destroyed by a typhoon in 1966 and later restored as an open-air museum. Its traditional houses have been converted into arts and crafts shops, restaurants, and cultural exhibits, offering a glimpse into Japan's past.

Next, we'll visit the breathtaking Shiraito Falls, one of Japan's most stunning natural attractions, with cascading water that spans a height of 20 meters.

From there, we'll continue to Nagoya, where we'll visit the Toyota Museum (admission included), a must-see destination for car enthusiasts and those curious about automotive innovation.

Finally, we'll proceed to Kyoto

Overnight stay at KYOTO .

Day 5: Day 5 – WED: KYOTO

We'll spend the entire day exploring Kyoto, Japan's capital from 794 to 1868 and home to the Imperial Court. Remarkably, Kyoto was the only major Japanese city spared from bombing during World War II, allowing it to retain its rich artistic heritage. Notably, the Kyoto Protocol, aimed at limiting greenhouse gas emissions, was signed here in 1997.

We'll include a visit to Kyoto's most iconic landmarks. Our tour will begin in Arashiyama, where we'll admire the Togetsukyo Bridge, or "Bridge over the Moon." This spot offers a breathtaking panorama of the surrounding landscape.

We'll then visit the Tenryuji Temple, one of Kyoto's "five great Zen temples" and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, followed by a serene walk through its mystical bamboo forest.

Next, we'll explore the magnificent Fushimi Inari Shrine; the Imperial Palace; and the Kinkakuji Temple, also known as the "Golden Pavilion," surrounded by its spectacular gardens. (The order of the visits may vary.) After the tour, you can enjoy some time to stroll through Gion, Kyoto's vibrant traditional district, known for its lively atmosphere and geishas..

Overnight stay at KYOTO .

5 – WED: KYOTO

Day 6: Day 6 – THU : KYOTO - TSUMAGO - MATSUMOTO - NAGANO

We'll set out for Tsumago, enjoying the charming countryside scenery along the way. This small village, known for its wooden houses, is considered one of the prettiest places in Japan. You'll have free time to explore, and lunch will be included. Next, we'll continue to Matsumoto, a lively tourist city where we'll visit the impressive 16th-century castle, famously known as the "The Crow." Afterward, you'll have free time to explore this bustling city at your own pace. Our journey will then take us to Nagano, where we'll

spend the night . Overnight stay at NAGANO .

Day 7: Day 7 – FRI :NAGANO - MONKEY PARK - KUSATSU - IKAHO

In Nagano, we'll visit the Zenko-ji, a revered pilgrimage site housing the first Buddhist image brought to Japan. The Gomakuyo ceremony, included in your journey, will bring blessings and good fortune. Next, we'll travel to the stunning Japanese Alps, venturing into the mountains to visit the Jigokudani Monkey Park. Here, you'll enjoy lunch, followed by a serene stroll through forests, rivers, and hot springs, where colonies of Japanese macaques live and bathe.

We'll then ascend to breathtaking high mountain scenery, reaching altitudes of 2,172 meters, and pass semi-active volcanoes. Our journey will continue to Kusatsu, a charming spa town with a lively main square. We'll take a leisurely walk through the city park, home to an open-air onsen. Afterward, we'll proceed to Ikaho, a picturesque spa town where we'll wander its historic center, famed for its stair-stepped streets. Tonight, we'll stay at a ryokan, a traditional Japanese-style hotel, where you'll enjoy its baths and a traditional Japanese dinner will be included.

Note: During autumn, the movement of monkeys can be unpredictable depending on mountain fruit availability. If the macaques do not descend, the park may be closed. Additionally, the visit to Kusatsu may be canceled due to weather conditions from November to April.

Overnight stay at IKAHO

Day 8: Day 8 – SAT :IKAHO - NIKKO - SENDAI

We'll continue our journey to Nikko, a captivating town where we'll visit the impressive Nikko-Toshogu Temple, famed for its "room with the sound of a dragon." We'll also explore the serene Taiyuinbyo Mausoleum, a tranquil site that radiates peace. Afterward, we'll take a leisurely stroll along the Kanmangafuchi Abyss, where hundreds of Jizo statues quietly watch over the river.

You'll then have free time to explore the town center before we proceed to Sendai, a vibrant and modern city with over one million inhabitants. Here, you'll have the opportunity to discover the bustling streets and enjoy dinner in its lively city center.

Overnight stay at SENDAI

Day 9: Day 9 – SUN :SENDAI - MATSUSHIMA - HIRAIZUMI - MORIOKA

We'll depart for the marvelous city of Matsushima, located on the "Thousand Islands" Bay in the Pacific

Ocean, considered one of the most beautiful destinations in Japan. Upon arrival, we'll visit a magnificent tea house overlooking the sea, where we'll enjoy a cup of traditional tea as our guide shares fascinating insights about the city. Then, we'll embark on a 50-minute cruise and enjoy some lunch on board. After, our tour will continue to Hiraizumi, where we'll visit its historic temples, starting with the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Takkoku no Iwaya, carved into the rock in 801. We'll then explore the magnificent Buddhist temples of Chusonji and enjoy a peaceful moment in the gardens of Motsuji Temple, where passengers can participate in a Zen ceremony (admission included). conclude the day in Morioka, the charming capital of Iwate Province, where we'll settle into our hotel and enjoy some free time to explore.

Overnight stay at MORIOKA.

Day 10: Day 10 – MON MORIOKA - HIROSAKI - AOMORI - HAKODATE

In a region of beautiful scenery, we travel to HIROSAKI, where we will visit its castle in a beautiful park where more than 2,500 cherry trees blossom in the spring. After this we go on to AOMORI, the provincial capital of the Bay of Mutsu. We will see the Nebuta Museum where we will learn about the Japanese traditional parties that remind us of carnival, with their painted and lit up floats. Lunch included in a local restaurant. Then we board the ferry to HOKKAIDO Island. The crossing takes just over three and a half hours. HAKODATE –Arrival-. Time in the beautiful city pedestrian centre in which to admire the influence of other cultures in the city (Russian Orthodox and Christian churches).

Overnight stay at HAKODATE .

Day 11: Day 11 – TUE :HAKODATE - ONUMA - NOBORIBETSU - SAPPORO

In the morning we visit the impressive and busy fish market. Then we climb the GORYOKAKU Tower with its impressive views, from where we can make out the star-shaped fortress of Hakodate. Then we will take a stroll through the castle area before continuing to ONUMA. Free time in this wonderful tourist site, with its countless small islands in which to explore the islands, go on a boat trip and have lunch included. In the afternoon our journey takes us towards the ocean and NOBORIBETSU, an impressive volcano site, where we can walk amidst geysers in Jigoku Dani (Hell's Valley), admire the hot spring lake of Oyunuma and follow the path next to the hot spring to the site of the footbath.- Then we carry on to SAPPORO.- At the end of the day, we arrive at this beautiful city, the capital of North Japan.-

Overnight stay at SAPPORO.

Day 12: Day 12 – WED :SAPPORO

City tour (included) stopping at the clock tower and Odori Koen avenue-park, dominated by the telecommunications tower. We will see the beautiful Shinto shrine of Hokkaido Jingu. The visit includes a ceremonial Kito (prayer session) in which we give thanks for the journey. We will leave Sapporo, we know the HILL OF BUDDHA, new center of avant-garde architecture opened in 2015, the hill covered with lavenders keeps the giant statue of Buddha, in the complex we will also see the replica of the statues Moai (Easter Island). We then continue to OTARU, a small city with a European air and streets filled with shops, an old canal and tiny museums. Lunch included. We return to Sapporo at about 4.30 hrs. Free time in the afternoon. Overnight stay at SAPPORO.

Day 13: Day 13 – THU :SAPPORO - TOYAKO ONSEN - MOUNT USU - TOMAKOMAI - SENDAI FERRY

We visit the Pirko Kotan, the Ainu village museum. Here we will see the culture of the Eskimo people who inhabited this island before the Japanese. Amidst beautiful scenery in the interior of Hokkaido Island, we pass lakes and mountains and eventually come to the spa city of TOYAKO, at the foot of an impressive volcano, on the banks of a pretty lake that occupies a former crater. Free time to wander along the bank. We will visit the volcanology museum to learn about the eruptions suffered by this region. Then we will take the cable car to the summit of the USU Volcano with time to walk around the volcano and its awesome landscape. Lunch included. We then carry on to TOMAKOMAI where we take a modern ferry for a night crossing. Accommodation in double cabins with private bathrooms. Dinner included. We spend the night on board crossing the Pacific Ocean. Overnight stay at TOMAKOMAI .

Day 14: Day 14 – FRI : TOMAKOMAI - SENDAI FERRY - SENDAI - YAMADERA - AIZUWAKAMATSU

We arrive in Sendai port at around 10 in the morning and go on to YAMADERA, a very beautiful complex of temples founded more than 1,000 years ago in the mountain's, amidst forests of immense trees. Time to see this magical place. Lunch included. We then go on to YONEZAWA. We are in one of the main producer regions of Shake, we will visit the Sake Museum with its small distillery before carrying on through pretty scenery to AIZUWAKAMATSU. Accommodation.

Overnight stay at AIZUWAKAMATSU.

Day 15: Day 15 – SAT: AIZUWAKAMATSU - OUCHI-JUKU - TOKYO

In AIZUWAKAMATSU we visit the SAMURAI MANSION, a historical mansion where we will learn about the Samurai Warriors. After this we stroll in the Castle Garden and maybe we will see children doing martial arts on the Dojo. We will go up to Iimoriyama, where we will see the sculptures donated by Mussolini and they will tell us about the child martyrs of this city. We continue our route to OUCHI-JUKU, a very picturesque village of traditional houses with thatched roofs, where there will be time for lunch. After lunch we travel to the impressive former stone quarries of the OYA-MUSEUM. Return to TOKYO – Arrival at the end of the day-.

Our journey will come to an end, leaving you with wonderful lasting memories. Please check your flight time in case you require an additional night. While the departure transfer to the airport is not included, our guide will provide recommendations for the best public transportation options to suit your journey.

About The Tour

Embark on an unforgettable 15-day journey through Japan, where tradition and modernity blend seamlessly in every stop. Begin your adventure in Tokyo, a city of dynamic contrasts, where you'll visit iconic landmarks such as Zojoji Temple, Meiji Shrine, and the bustling Shibuya Crossing. Experience the beauty of Mount Fuji as you explore its surrounding lakes and ascend to the Fifth Station, then unwind in a traditional ryokan in Kawaguchiko. Continue your exploration of Japan's rich heritage with visits to Kyoto's stunning temples and serene bamboo forests, and discover charming villages like Tsumago and Matsumoto. Journey through the Japanese Alps, experience the playful monkeys at Jigokudani Monkey Park, and relax in the spa towns of Kusatsu and Iyama. Travel to the scenic northern regions, where you'll discover Matsushima Bay, the historic city of Sendai, and Hokkaido's volcanoes and lakes. Conclude your trip with a visit to the picturesque Ouchi-juku village and the Samurai Mansion, before returning to Tokyo, taking with you lasting memories of this diverse and captivating country.

Highlights

This tour covers a mix of vibrant cityscapes, serene temples, natural beauty, and cultural experiences throughout Japan. It's a comprehensive journey from Tokyo to Hokkaido, with highlights including Mount Fuji, Kyoto's historic sites, the Japanese Alps, and scenic views across Japan..

Price From

2,93,832/- rate per person in INR

Tour Includes

- **General Services:** Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance, hotel and breakfast buffet.
- Includes arrival transfer

- **City tour in:** Tokyo, Kyoto, Sapporo
- **Excursion:** Otaru and Hill of Buddha
- **Boat:** Kawaguchiko Lake, Cruise in Matsushima
- **Evening transfer:** Shinjuku, Traditional quarter of Gion
- **Ticket admission:** Metro, Zojoji Temple, Meiji Temple, Sensoji Temple, Arakurayama Sengen Park , Village Museum , Toyota Museum , Tenryu-ji Temple, Arashiyama bamboo forest in Kyoto, Fushimi Inari, Imperial Palace, Kinkakuji Temple , Matsumoto Castle , Zenko-ji Temple, Gomakuyo ceremony, Jigokudani Monkey Park in Nagano , Nikko Toshogu Shrine, Taiyuinbyo Mausoleum in Nikko , Traditional tea in Matsushima , Chusonji, Zen practice in Montsuiji, Takkoku no Iwaya Temple , Castle , Nebuta Museum in Aomori , Goryokaku Tower in Hakodate , Hill of Buddha, Sanctuary of Hokkaido Jingu and Kito prayer session , Ainu Village Museum (Pirko Kotan) in Sapporo, Volcanology museum in Toyoko Onsen , Complex of temples , Shake Museum in Yonezawa , Samurai Mansion Aizu Bukeyashiki in Aizuwakamatsu , Former stone quarries of the Oya Museum
- **Ferry:** Aomori Hakodate (Hokkaido Island), Tomakomai – Sendai
- **Funicular:** Summit of the Usu Volcano
- **9 Lunch included in:** Tokyo, Tsumago, Nagano, Matsushima, Aomori, Onuma, Sapporo, Mount Usu, Yama-dera
- **4 dinner included in:** Tokyo, Kawaguchiko, Ikaho, Tomakomai – Sendai Ferry
- Powered by europamundo

Tour Excludes

- Airfare / Visa / Insurance.
- GST 5%
- TCS at 5% (Tax Collected at Source)
- Any increase in Airfare, Visa fees, Airport taxes, Govt. Taxes, Fuel Surcharges and any applicability of new taxes from Govt.
- Any up gradation in Airline class or hotel room category

- Cost of Air ticket deviation charges
- Any Increase in the rate of exchange leading to an increase in all land arrangements which may come in to effect prior to departure
- Cost of pre or post tour hotel accommodation
- Any extra expense such as route change, Airline change, Date change, Accommodation facilities, etc incurred due to the unforeseen, unavoidable forced majeure circumstances during the tour
- Cost of insurance for 61years and above
- Porterage, laundry, telephone charges, shopping, wines & alcoholic beverages, items of personal nature and food or drink which is not part of a set group menu
- Any extra cost incurred on behalf of an individual due to illness, accident, hospitalisation, or any personal emergency
- Any services or activity charges other than those included in the group tour itinerary
- To and fro Air fare, Airport transfers, insurance, visa fees to join/leave the group for joining and leaving guests
- Anything specifically not mentioned in the 'tour price includes' column
- Conversion rate on the date of actual payment will be based on rate of euro on XE.com+INR 1.50.
- Air fare to be calculated at the time of booking as per actual .