

BLOSSOMS OF JAPAN

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April 2020



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APR 2020 YOUR HOLIDAY ITINERARY

THU 02	Depart Australia on your flight to Japan		
FRI 03	Osaka - Kyoto - on arrival join your coach for a half-day sightseeing tour of Kyoto including the Fushimi Inari Shrine with lunch. Itinerary may vary dependant on airline arrival times. Welcome dinner is at your hotel tonight. Overnight: New Miyako Hotel, South Wing (or similar) (L,D)		
SAT 04	Kyoto - Full day tour exploring the Golden Pavilion, Arashiyama bamboo walk and the Togetsukyo Bridge. Lunch is at a local restaurant. Enjoy a traditional tea ceremony followed by dinner and a Maiko performance. Overnight: New Miyako Hotel, South Wing (or similar) (B,L,D)		
SUN 05	Kyoto - Nara - Kyoto - Travel to Nara to visit the Todaiji Temple (Giant Buddha) and the Nara Deer Park. Lunch at a local restaurant then explore the Kasuga Shrine Treasure House before returning to Kyoto. Dinner tonight is in the Gion area. Overnight: New Miyako Hotel, South Wing (or similar) (B,L,D)		
MON 06	Kyoto - Hiroshima - Travel by bullet train to Hiroshima. Transfer to the Miyajima Ferry for a short ride to enjoy lunch and a visit to the Itsukushima Shrine. Return by ferry to Hiroshima to visit the historic Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum. Overnight: Hotel Granvia Hiroshima (or similar) (B,L)		
TUE 07	Hiroshima - Hakone - Arrive in Hakone by bullet train and have lunch at a local restaurant. Visit the Hakone Open-Air Museum. Dinner at your hotel tonight. Overnight: Yumoto Fujiya Hotel (or similar) (B,L,D)		
WED 08	Hakone to Tokyo - Take in the views from the Hakone Ropeway then a cruise on Lake Ashi. After lunch visit the iconic Mount Fuji (5th station). Overnight: Akasaka Excel Hotel Tokyu (or similar) (B,L)		
THU 09	Tokyo - Today explore the Imperial Palace with it's double bridge followed by lunch and a sumo demonstration. Afternoon visit to the famous Akasaka Senoji Temple. Overnight: Akasaka Excel Hotel Tokyu (or similar) (B,L)		
FRI 10	Tokyo - Take in the stunning views from the Tokyo Tower then try your hand at making your own sushi for lunch. In the afternoon explore the Ginza District known for its fabulous shopping and the Hamarikyu Garden. Overnight: Akasaka Excel Hotel Tokyu (or similar) (B,L)		
SAT 11	Tokyo - Yokohama - Visit the Sankeien Garden then board Diamond Princess.	ARR	DEP 5pm
SUN 12	At sea		
MON 13	Busan - South Korea	1pm	8pm
TUE 14	Sakaiminato - Japan	10am	8pm
WED 15	Tsuruga - Japan	7am	6pm
THU 16	Kanazawa - Japan	7am	6pm
FRI 17	Niigata - Japan	7am	6pm
SAT 18	Sakata - Japan	7am	4pm
SUN 19	At Sea		
MON 20	Yokohama - disembark Diamond Princess. 6.30am Join your coach for a tour of Yokohama including China Town with lunch at a local restaurant. Take in a Japanese Indigo Dyeing experience then transfer to the airport for your flight home to Australia. (L)		
TUE 21	Arrive Australia		



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- Welcome aboard function
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