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EXPLORATIONS

March / April 2027

TOUR OF JAPAN

LE JACQUES CARTIER CHARTER CRUISE

Three Exclusive 13-Day Voyages



The ultimate French vacation
— life in a French mansion at sea.

PONANT's intimate luxury ship brings French fine dining
and elegance to the seas of Japan.
A hybrid voyage
— French ship, Japanese discovery —
lets you rediscover the archipelago amid the aromas
and flavors of France.

HANKYU TRAVEL
INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD.





Le Jacques Cartier —
the luxury expedition ship that sails to
— arrives in Japan in spring 2027,
Embark on a new adventure and dis-
(Luxury Expedition)



Cartier —
the Antarctic, the Arctic, even the Amazon
the country's most beautiful season.
cover a side of Japan few ever see.







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FOUR WAYS PONANT STYLE SHINES

Learn about Ponant's Ship Le Jacques Cartier

01 PONANT STYLE

AN EXPEDITION CRUISE SHIP WITH ZODIACS

Le Jacques Cartier's Zodiacs reach the smallest, most secluded harbors, coves, and beaches —— places even tender boats can't go.



02 PONANT STYLE

GUIDED TOURS BY NATURALISTS WITH EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE

{ Flora & Fauna / History / Astronomy / Geology / Oceanography }

Expert naturalists join every voyage to share the nature, flora, and fauna of each port and the waters between. Onboard seminars run throughout the cruise.


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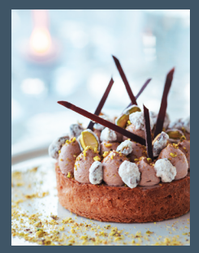

RYO IJICHI


NOZOMI TAKEYABU


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03 PONANT STYLE

A MICHELIN-STARRED RESTAURANT AT SEA, SUPERVISED BY WORLD-RENOWNED MICHELIN-STARRED CHEF ALAIN DUCASSE







Gourmet cuisine only a French ship can offer, with dishes inspired by each port of call and Grand Cru wines to match.



04 PONANT STYLE

THE GRANDEUR OF A LARGE SHIP, THE CARE OF A SMALL ONE

The warm, attentive feel of a private yacht, tailored to every guest —— opulent living on board, with room for your adventurous spirit.



EXCLUSIVE EVENTS

ONLY POSSIBLE ON A CHARTERED CRUISE

Watatsumi Shrine
(Tsushima)
arrive by Zodiac for a Shinto blessing for safe passage.



Hagi Hakkei
land at the Hagi Hakkei in the historic castle town to explore on foot. More ports and onboard events inside.





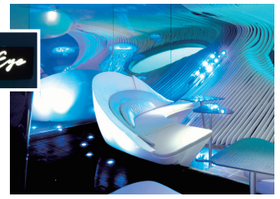


* Other port calls and onboard events are planned. Please see inside the booklet. *

BLUE EYE

IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE BLUE EYE

On Deck 0, below the waterline,
this yacht-style lounge brings you face to face with the sea.
Large windows reveal the underwater world ——

























EXPEDITION CRUISES

AN MAJESTIC EXPLORATION OF JAPAN





Itsukushima Shrine photo courtesy of Hiroshima prefecture



Aso Bay



Nagasaki Gekko



Seiganto-ji Temple





Kumamoto - Castle

DESTINATION

PORT of CALL

From Setouchi ／
Remote Islands (Kyushu) ／
Shizuoka to Mt. Fuji

A unique voyage that will change your life.





photo courtesy of Hiroshima prefecture



• MIYAJIMA

[Setouchi]

Experience tranquility and solemnity on the island of the gods

Disembark by tender early in the morning, before the regular tourist ferries arrive and the crowds gather.

Cultural experiences and inner tranquility at Daishō-in Temple

Visit Daishō-in, the island's oldest Buddhist temple, for a quiet moment of prayer and Zen meditation guided by a monk.

• MITARAI

[Setouchi]

Live performance of Gagaku (classical Japanese court music)

This port town has preserved the atmosphere of the Edo period for centuries. Here the sounds of traditional court instruments, carried on the sea breeze, create a timeless and blissful harmony.





Kikugahama Beach

photo courtesy of Yamaguchi Prefectural Tourism Federation

• HAGI

[Western Honshu]

Take a stroll through a castle town brimming with historical charm

A Ponant cruise grants a rare privilege: direct access to the historic castle town by Zodiac. When it is time to return, you board again from scenic Kikugahama Beach.

• IKI

[Remote Islands (Kyushu)]

The island where Japan's hidden treasures lie in wait

Surrounded by emerald seas, Iki is home to the historic Sumiyoshi Shrine, where you can witness Iki Kagura — a sacred performing art handed down as part of Shinto worship. ↗



photo courtesy of Nagasaki Prefecture Tourism Association

Enjoy a private boat tour of Tatsunoshima to view this stunning uninhabited island

An uninhabited island of emerald seas and white sand, untouched by development. Crystal-clear water meets the shore along a shoreline of perfect stillness.



• KOSHIKISHIMA ISLANDS

[Remote Islands (Kyushu)]

A townscape of cliffs and samurai residences welcomes you

Arrive by Zodiac at a remote island off western Kagoshima. Explore dramatic geological formations, meet islanders offering local wares, and walk among samurai residences preserved as a traditional district.

• TSUSHIMA

[Remote Islands (Kyushu)]



An island where gods reside

Prayers for safe voyages have been offered at Watatsumi Shrine since ancient times. Landing on this sacred site by Zodiac is a rare privilege. Receive the priest's blessing, then cruise Aso Bay over lunch.

• YAKUSHIMA

[Remote Islands (Kyushu)]



An island where ancient forests beckon you to experience the mysteries of life

Walk at an unhurried pace through the Yakusugi cedar forest, the enduring symbol of Yakushima. Among trees that have stood for millennia, the grandeur of nature and the mystery of life feel close enough to touch.



photo courtesy of Yakushima Tourism Association



• AMAKUSA

[Kyushu]

A World Heritage Site where the culture of village life and prayer still live and breathe

Land by Zodiac in the tranquil fishing village of Sakitsu and discover the living heritage of Japan's Hidden Christians. Later, as Le Jacques Cartier sails onward, savor nigiri sushi on board by a local sushi master using freshly cut tuna.

• TAGONOURA

[Mount Fuji]



A port town where Mount Fuji, the sea, and art intersect

Tagonoura, the fishing port closest to Mount Fuji and depicted in Hokusai's "Thirty-Six Views of Mount Fuji," is the very embodiment of Japan's traditional landscape.





• YAIZU

[Mount Fuji]

A glimpse into Japan's coastal culture

At first light, meet local fishermen and witness the morning catch being brought ashore, accompanied by stories of life at sea. Later, journey into the heart of Shizuoka's tea country, where the art of matcha unfolds beneath the timeless majesty of Mount Fuji and across a landscape of endless emerald tea fields.

Onboard theater & events at ports of call

PONANT × 心に届く旅 福急交通社 Direct to your heart

Special events on board and at ports of call

carefully selected by Hankyu Travel,

A company that knows the hidden gems of Japan

• [About the events]

These events are available to the course numbers listed to the right. They are not available to courses that are not listed.



01

• Onboard Theater

Performance by a sushi chef

A live sushi performance by Yoshi, who has presented Japanese culinary culture on stages around the world.

Yoshinori Tezuka (Yoshi)

Fourth-generation owner of Matsuno Sushi, established in 1910. He has served the British Royal Family and the First Ladies' sushi dinner 2019 G20 Summit.

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02

• Yaizu

Observe a fish auction and a bara-zushi demonstration

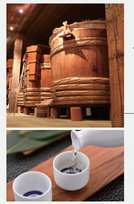
Yaizu Port opens its auction — normally closed to the public — The morning's catch comes aboard, and master chefs prepare exquisite bara-zushi in the theater.

Naoki Maeda

Fifth-generation owner of Sasue Maeda Fish Shop, whose customers include Michelin three-star chefs.

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*Since P392 falls on a Saturday, the auction will not be held that day.



03

• Onboard Bar

Sake relay

Enjoy complimentary tastings of carefully selected sake from local breweries, including rare bottles. Exclusive to Hankyu charter cruises.

Available to all courses



photo courtesy of Kumamoto Prefecture Tourist Federation

04

• Amakusa

Traditional dance / Haiya-bushi

Born in the late Edo period. The dance gives thanks for the bounty of the sea and celebrates safe voyages.

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photo courtesy of Yamaguchi Prefectural Tourism Federation

05

• Shimonoseki [Onboard Theater]

Performing art / Jōrō Dōchū

Performers in the opulent robes of imperial court ladies (jōrō) offer a ceremonial dance mourning the young Emperor, lost at the Battle in the 12th century.

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06

• Koshikishima Islands [Onboard Theater]

Traditional Music / Gottan (Ikos shamisen)

Performing the Gottan, a box shamisen from southern Kyushu. Its simple, warm tones resonate long after the last note.

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Photo Provided by Kumamoto Castle Office

07

Private Party at Kumamoto Castle

Held after regular hours, it offers the castle at its most serene — with no other visitors in sight.

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Bespoke Charter Cruise Japan 2027

ITINERARY 1

Course No. P391

Sat, Mar 13 — Thu, Mar 25, 2027

Embarkation **Kobe** —
Disembarkation **Yokohama**

Estimated Boarding Time 17:00 at KOBE
Estimated Disembarkation Time 8:00 at YOKOHAMA



Year 2027	Port of Call	
Sat, Mar 13 Estimated Boarding Time 17:00	Kobe	Onboard (overnight)
Sun, Mar 14	Inujima	Z Onboard (overnight)
Mon, Mar 15	Mitarai	Z Onboard (overnight)
Tue, Mar 16	Miyajima	T Onboard (overnight)
Wed, Mar 17	Hagi	Z Onboard (overnight)
Thu, Mar 18	Busan, South Korea	Onboard (overnight)
Fri, Mar 19	Shimonoseki	Onboard (overnight)
Sat, Mar 20	At Sea (Full Day Sailing)	Onboard (overnight)
Sun, Mar 21	Katsuura	Z Onboard (overnight)
Mon, Mar 22	Toba	T Onboard (overnight)
Tue, Mar 23	Yaizu	Onboard (overnight)
Wed, Mar 24	Tagonoura	Onboard (overnight)
Thu, Mar 25 Estimated Disembarkation Time 8:00	Yokohama	

ITINERARY 2

Course No. P392

Thu, Mar 25 — Tue, Apr 6, 2027

Embarkation **Yokohama** —
Disembarkation **Kobe**

Estimated Boarding Time 17:00 at YOKOHAMA
Estimated Disembarkation Time 8:00 at KOBE



Year 2027	Port of Call	
Thu, Mar 25 Estimated Boarding Time 17:00	Yokohama	Onboard (overnight)
Fri, Mar 26	Tagonoura	Onboard (overnight)
Sat, Mar 27	Yaizu	Onboard (overnight)
Sun, Mar 28	Toba	T Onboard (overnight)
Mon, Mar 29	Katsuura	Z Onboard (overnight)
Tue, Mar 30	At Sea (Full Day Sailing)	Onboard (overnight)
Wed, Mar 31	Hagi	Z Onboard (overnight)
Thu, Apr 1	Busan, South Korea	Onboard (overnight)
Fri, Apr 2	Shimonoseki	Onboard (overnight)
Sat, Apr 3	Miyajima	T Onboard (overnight)
Sun, Apr 4	Mitarai	Z Onboard (overnight)
Mon, Apr 5	Inujima	Z Onboard (overnight)
Tue, Apr 6	Kobe	

ITINERARY 3

Course No. P393

Tue, Apr 6 — Sun, Apr 18, 2027

Embarkation **Kobe** —
Disembarkation **Kumamoto**

Estimated Boarding Time 17:00 at KOBE
Estimated Disembarkation Time 8:00 at KUMAMOTO



Year 2027	Port of Call	
Tue, Apr 6 Estimated Boarding Time 17:00	Kobe	Onboard (overnight)
Wed, Apr 7	Inujima	Z Onboard (overnight)
Thu, Apr 8	Mitarai	Z Onboard (overnight)
Fri, Apr 9	Miyajima	T Onboard (overnight)
Sat, Apr 10	Hagi	Z Onboard (overnight)
Sun, Apr 11	Tsushima	Z Onboard (overnight)
Mon, Apr 12	Busan, South Korea	Onboard (overnight)
Tue, Apr 13	Nagasaki	Onboard (overnight)
Wed, Apr 14	Yakushima	Z Onboard (overnight)
Thu, Apr 15	Koshikishima Islands	Z Onboard (overnight)
Fri, Apr 16	Ikishima	Z Onboard (overnight)
Sat, Apr 17	Amakusa	Z Onboard (overnight)
Sun, Apr 18 Estimated Disembarkation Time 8:00	Kumamoto	

*[Dress Code] Two to three formal events are included. Ponant's formal evenings, however, offer a refined sense of freedom, and a necktie for gentlemen is entirely optional.

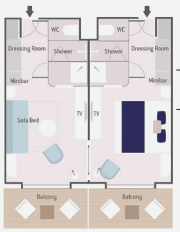
Z = Zodiac Landing T = Tender Boat Landing

SUITE & STATEROOM

All staterooms feature a private balcony.

Other stateroom types are also available. Please inquire for more details.





PRESTIGE SUITE (38 sqm)

Private Balcony (8 sqm)

- Max. occupancy: 4 guests
  One king-size bed (can be separated into two single beds), one sofa bed for two.
- The two rooms are connected by a sliding door.





PRESTIGE STATEROOM (19 sqm)

Private Balcony (4 sqm)

- Max. occupancy: 2 guests

One king-size bed (can be separated into two single beds).

Stateroom Amenities

- 24-hour room service
- Mini-bar
- Internet access (Wi-Fi)
  *available depending on sailing area and location.
- Individually controlled air conditioning
- Dresser, bathrobes, hair dryer
- French-brand toiletries
- Nespresso coffee machine
- In-room safe
- Telephone
- Bose™ Bluetooth speaker
- LCD TV with video-on-demand
- 110V power outlet (Type A, 2 flat pins)
- 220V power outlet (Type C, 2 round pins)
- 2 ADA (accessible) cabins

Other guest cabins



ALL INCLUSIVE

All-inclusive : every meal and drink on board

—French dining room or buffet — plus unlimited wines, spirits, coffee, tea, and soft drinks in every restaurant, lounge, bar, and your cabin, In-room minibar and 24-hour room service are all included.



Free onboard **Wi-Fi**, **Shore excursions** at every port of call, and port taxes are included



＊Some premium spirits excluded.

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Fare information for 3 charter cruises offered by Hankyu Travel

◆ Cruise Fare (per person)

Course No.	Embarkation / Disembarkation	Period
P391	Kobe ／ Yokohama	Mar 13 – Mar 25, 2027
P392	Yokohama ／ Kobe	Mar 25 – Apr 06, 2027
P393	Kobe ／ Kumamoto	Apr 06 – Apr 18, 2027

Cabin Category		Deck	Cruise Fare (JPY) Twin Occupancy	Cruise Fare (JPY) Single Occupancy
Owner's Suite	45sqm + Jacuzzi + Terrace 40sqm	5	JPY 6,900,000	JPY 12,420,000
Grand Deluxe Suite	45sqm + Terrace 30sqm	6	JPY 6,600,000	JPY 11,880,000
Privilege Suite	32sqm + Balcony 8sqm	5･6	JPY 6,300,000	JPY 11,340,000
Prestige Suite	38sqm + Balcony 8sqm	6	JPY 6,000,000	JPY 10,800,000
		5	JPY 6,000,000	JPY 10,800,000
Deluxe Suite	27.5sqm + Balcony 4～6sqm	3～6	JPY 4,300,000	JPY 7,740,000
Prestige stateroom	19sqm + Balcony 4sqm	6	JPY 3,100,000	JPY 5,580,000
		5	JPY 2,900,000	JPY 5,220,000
		4	JPY 2,900,000	JPY 5,220,000
Deluxe stateroom	19sqm + Balcony 4sqm	3	JPY 2,500,000	JPY 4,500,000

3rd & 4th Guest Policy – for Suite Cabins Only

Prestige Suite (Deck 5 & 6): **NO ADDITIONAL FARE** for 3rd & 4th guests
Other Suites (Owner's, Grand Deluxe, Privilege, and Deluxe): **50% DISCOUNT** on the applicable suite fare for 3rd & 4th guests

＊Please note that beds for 3rd and 4th guests are convertible sofa beds.

Common Course Information

＊Schedule Adjustments: Cruise schedules are subject to change without prior notice, including adjustments to departure/arrival times, shortened stays, or cancelled port calls. Such changes are at the captain's discretion due to unavoidable circumstances such as adverse weather, sea conditions, or port congestion. In such instances, no alterations or refunds to the cruise fare will be provided.
＊Transportation & Scenery: Schedules may also be modified due to unforeseen transportation or road conditions. Please be advised that the photographic scenery presented may differ from reality depending on the travel season and prevailing weather conditions. Thank you for your understanding.

● Booking Changes: For booking modifications, should the number of occupants in a stateroom decrease after cancellation fees have been incurred, the departing guest will be charged the stipulated cancellation fee. Guests then occupying a stateroom alone will be assessed the stipulated single supplement. ● Passenger Restrictions: Pregnant individuals are not permitted to board. ● Guests requiring wheelchair assistance must notify us in advance. ● Guest Responsibility for Expenses: In the event of cruise cancellation or schedule changes due to weather or other measures stipulated within the ship's passenger transportation terms and conditions ("Cancellation/Changes to Operations, etc."), any associated transportation, accommodation, or courier expenses will be borne by the guest.

■ Age Restrictions: Infants under 6 years of age are not permitted to board.
■ Individuals under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a guardian. ＊Passport Validity: A passport with a validity of at least six months remaining from the cruise disembarkation date is required.

● Cancellation / Passenger Replacement / Cabin Change Fee Policy Any cancellation, passenger replacement, or cabin change will be subject to the following fees: ・Within 14 days of the Contract Conclusion Date (reservation confirmation date): No fee ・From 15 days after the Contract Conclusion Date up to 181 days prior to cruise departure: JPY 25,000 per passenger, per cruise ・From 180 days to 91 days prior to cruise departure: 25% of the cruise fare ・90 days or less prior to cruise departure: 100% of the cruise fare Notes : The above fees apply equally to: Cancellation of a booking, Replacement of a passenger and Change of cabin category or cabin assignment. All dates are calculated based on the scheduled cruise departure date. Cruise fare refers to the total cruise amount applicable to the passenger concerned.