

JAPAN

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FEBRUARY / Namahage Sedo Festival / AKITA



FEBRUARY / Sapporo Snow Festival / HOKKAIDO



AUGUST / Akita Kanto Festival / AKITA

Festivals in JAPAN

Japan is a land of modernity and tradition. You will find a lifetime of treasures after being exposed to this beautiful and mysterious country.

SEPTEMBER / Okinawa All-Island Eisa Festival / OKINAWA



NOVEMBER / Karatsu Kunchi Festival / SAGA



SUMMER

Huis Ten Bosch Fireworks



AUGUST / Awa Odori Festival / TOKUSHIMA



INTRODUCTION & HANDY GUIDE

Climate & Times to Travel

Among Japan's four seasons, the most beautiful times are spring (March – May) and autumn (September – November). The rainy season is from June to July. In summer, the temperature is very high (approx. 40°C in Tokyo) and humid, while in winter most days are clear, cold and dry. The country extends from north to south, to a length of about 3,000km, and 70% of the land is mountains, which leads to changes in temperature depending on the location.

Clothing

Spring: light jacket, thin jersey. Summer: light clothes, short sleeves. Autumn: light jacket, thin jersey. Winter: winter coat, woolen jersey, jacket.

Surface

378,000km², archipelago with more than 6,800 islands

Population

124 million inhabitants

Capital

Tokyo, with a population of about 14 million inhabitants

Credit Cards & Cash Services

In the major cities, the generally accepted international credit cards are Visa, MasterCard, JCB, American Express and Diners. Plus and Cirrus cards can only be used at post office ATMs and at Seven Bank.

Religion

Shintoism and Buddhism are the main religions.

Passport & Visa

It will be necessary to carry your passport at all times. A visa is necessary for a stay of over 3 months.

Electricity

100V, frequency 50/60 HZ. The plug has two flat metal plates which are parallel to each other (American type A)

Telephones & Mobile Phones

It is possible to buy international telephone cards in advance. Mobile phone applications that utilize the internet can only be used in WiFi zones.

Official Language

Japanese (English is studied from junior high school)

Vaccination

No vaccinations are required.

Currency

Japanese Yen. It is possible to perform a currency exchange at banks, exchange offices, post offices and at the airports.

Tax Free

In shops where the "Tax Free" logo is displayed, customers holding a tourist visa can buy tax free goods starting from Yen 5,000 (consumables) or Yen 10,000 (general goods).

Tipping

Tipping is not expected in Japan. However, if you feel you have received excellent service from someone such as a guide or a driver, giving that person a tip will be an unexpected surprise.

Water

The tap water is drinkable.

Time Difference

EST: 19 hours (20 hours DST) CST: 18 hours (19 hours DST) MST: 17 hours (18 hours DST) PST: 16 hours (17 hours DST) AKST: 15 hours (16 hours DST) HST: 14 hours

WINTER



Jigokudani Onsen
Snow Monkey



MAY / Asakusa Sanja Festival / TOKYO



AUGUST / Morioka Sansa Odori Festival / IWATE

APRIL / Takayama Spring Festival / GIFU
 OCTOBER / Takayama Fall Festival / GIFU



AUTUMN

DURATION CHART by Shinkansen bullet train

*1 NOZOMI does NOT stop at Odawara Station. It will be necessary to take HIKARI or KODAMA.

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					*1 ODAWARA	35min (84km)
					NAGOYA	1h 40min (280km)
					KYOTO	2h (430km)
					SHIN OSAKA	2h 20min (468km)
					HIROSHIMA	2h 30min (514km)
					HAKATA	2h 30min (552km)
(1mile≒1.6km)						4h (810km)
						4h 10min (894km)
						5h (1,090km)
						5h 20min (1,174km)

From TOKYO to HAKODATE(Shin Hakodate Hokuto): Approx. 4.5 hours | Distance: 863 km

2027 HOLIDAY AND FESTIVAL CALENDAR IN JAPAN



Sapporo Snow Festival



Aomori Nebuta Festival



Nagaoka Fireworks Festival



Awa Odori Festival

DATES	NAME OF FESTIVAL	PREFECTURE
Feb 5-23	Nagasaki Lantern Festival	NAGASAKI
Feb 4-11	Sapporo Snow Festival	HOKKAIDO
Feb 12-14	Oga Namahage Festival	AKITA
Apr 14-15	Takayama Spring Festival	GIFU
May 3-4	Hakata Dontaku Festival	FUKUOKA
May 15	Kyoto Aoi Festival	KYOTO
May 21-23	Asakusa Sanja Festival	TOKYO
May 15-16	Sendai Aoba Festival	MIYAGI
Jun 10-13	Sapporo Yosakoi Soran Festival	HOKKAIDO
Jul 1-31	Kyoto Gion Festival	KYOTO
Aug 1-4	Morioka Sansa Festival	IWATE

DATES	NAME OF FESTIVAL	PREFECTURE
Aug 2-3	Nagaoka Fireworks Festival	NIIGATA
Aug 2-7	Aomori Nebuta Festival	AOMORI
Aug 3-6	Akita Kanto Festival	AKITA
Aug 5-7	Yamagata Hanagasa Festival	YAMAGATA
Aug 6-8	Kiryu Yagibushi Festival	GUMMA
Aug 9-12	Kochi Yosakoi Festival	KOCHI
Aug 12-15	Awa Odori Festival	TOKUSHIMA
Aug 28	Omagari Fireworks Festival	AKITA
Sep 11-12	Kishiwada Danjiri Festival	OSAKA
Oct 9-10	Takayama Fall Festival	GIFU
Oct 22	Kyoto Jidai Festival	KYOTO

*Dates are subject to change.

☐ : Peak Season ☐ : High Season ☐ : Low Season

Please refer to each program page in regards to rates in the high and low seasons. As for the peak seasons, please confirm with Hankyu Travel International for each case.

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Blue numbers : Saturdays Red numbers : Sundays and National holidays in Japan

TOKYO

The Capital City Of Japan



SHIBUYA

Tokyo: A Global Hub of Innovation and Tradition Tokyo is Japan's dynamic capital, a world-class metropolis where ancient heritage meets futuristic innovation. It offers an endless array of discoveries, from serene shrines to vibrant city lights and a renowned culinary scene.

HIGHLIGHTS

Tokyo Sky Tree, Shibuya Crossing, Tokyo Tower, Asakusa Kannon Temple, Meiji Shrine, Imperial Palace Plaza, Shinjuku, Harajuku, Akihabara, Tsukiji Outer Market, Ginza Shopping District



TOKYO TOWER



ASAKUSA KANNON TEMPLE

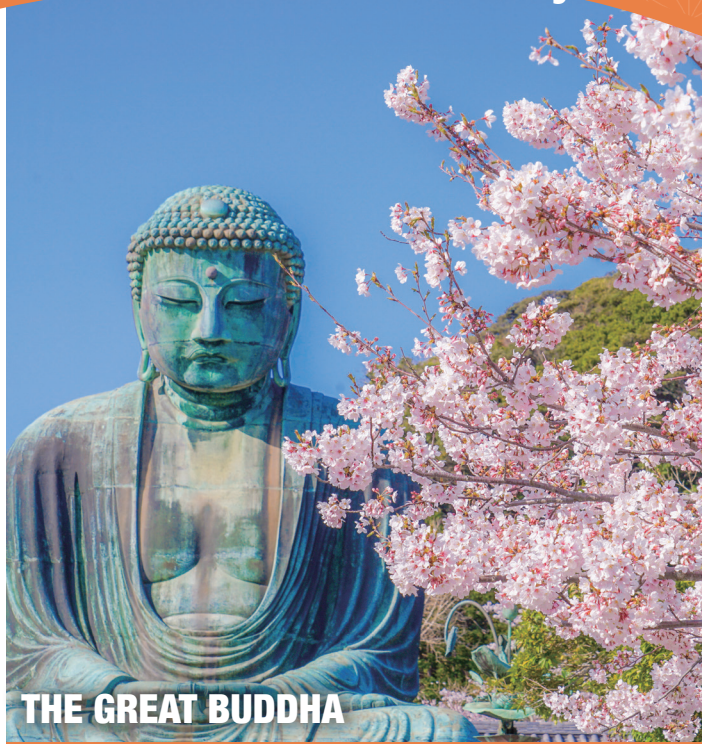
DATA Population : Approx. 14 million
Total Area : Approx. 2,100 km²

KAMAKURA

A Beautiful Seaside City With
A Great Sense Of History



Kamakura



THE GREAT BUDDHA

Kamakura: The Coastal Capital of Zen and Samurai Heritage Often referred to as the “Kyoto of Eastern Japan,” Kamakura is a charming seaside city that served as Japan’s political center in the 12th century. Just an hour from Tokyo, it offers a peaceful blend of ancient Zen temples, lush nature, and refreshing coastal views.

HIGHLIGHTS

*Great Buddha at Kotoku-in Temple,
Tsurugaoka Hachiman Shrine,
Hase Kannon Temple, Enoshima Island*

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Distance from Tokyo : Approx. 60km
By Bus : Approx. 1 hour



Nikko

NIKKO

Historic Town Full Of Heritages From
The Tokugawa Shogunate

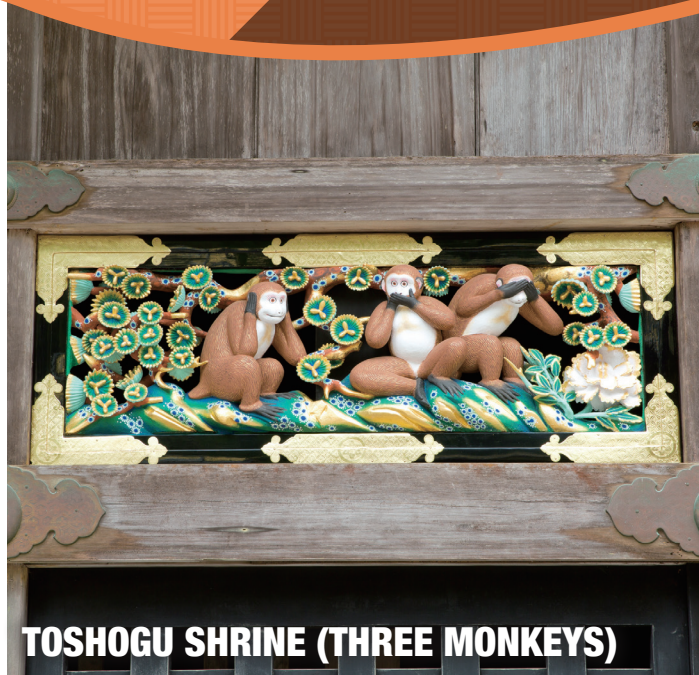
Nikko: A Masterpiece of Nature and Architectural Splendor Nestled in the mountains, Nikko is a UNESCO World Heritage site renowned for its lavishly decorated shrines and breathtaking landscapes. It is a place where the artistic brilliance of the Tokugawa shogunate meets the raw beauty of Japan’s national parks.

HIGHLIGHTS

*Toshogu Shrine, Kegon Waterfall,
Lake Chuzen-ji, Shinkyo Bridge*

DATA

Distance from Tokyo : Approx. 150km
By Bus : Approx. 2.5 hour



TOSHOGU SHRINE (THREE MONKEYS)

HAKONE

Volcanic Landscape Of Scenic Crater Lakes And Therapeutic Hot Springs



Hakone



LAKE ASHI

Hakone: A Premier Hot Spring Resort with Volcanic Wonders Part of the Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park, Hakone is one of Japan's most popular hot spring destinations. It offers a unique combination of stunning volcanic landscapes, world-class art museums, and breathtaking views of Mount Fuji.

HIGHLIGHTS

Lake Ashi, Hakone Ropeway, Owakudani Boiling Valley, The Hakone Open-Air Museum

DATA

Distance from Tokyo : Approx. 85km
By Bus : Approx. 2.5 hour



Mount Fuji

MOUNT FUJI

The Majestic Symbol Of Japan And A UNESCO World Heritage Site

Mount Fuji: The Majestic Symbol of Japan As Japan's highest peak and a sacred UNESCO World Heritage site, Mount Fuji is the ultimate icon of the nation. Its perfect symmetrical cone has inspired artists for centuries and offers awe-inspiring beauty in every season.

HIGHLIGHTS

Mt.Fuji 5th Station, Lake Kawaguchi, Oshino Hakkai

DATA

Distance from Tokyo : Approx. 120km
By Bus : Approx. 3 hour



MT. FUJI

TAKAYAMA

A Beautifully Preserved Old Town In The Heart Of The Japanese Alps

Takayama



Experience the timeless charm of the Edo period through its historic streets, traditional crafts, and lively morning markets.

HIGHLIGHTS

Sanmachi Street (Old Town), Takayama Jinya (Historical Government Office)

DATA

Distance from Nagoya : Approx. 160km
By Train : Approx. 3 hour



SANMACHI SUJI

Shirakawago



SHIRAKAWAGO

Iconic UNESCO Village Famous For Its Traditional Thatched-Roof Farmhouses



SHIRAKAWAGO

A world-renowned mountain village offering a glimpse into rural Japanese life through its unique gassho-zukuri architecture.

HIGHLIGHTS

Ogimachi Village, Shiroyama Observatory

DATA

Distance from Takayama : Approx. 80km
By Bus : Approx. 1 hour

KANAZAWA

A Center Of Traditional Arts And Home To One Of Japan's Finest Gardens

Kanazawa



Discover a rich cultural heritage, from stunning landscape gardens to historic samurai and geisha districts.

HIGHLIGHTS

Kenroku-en Garden, Kanazawa Castle Park, Higashi-chaya District

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Population : Approx. 460,000
Total Area : Approx. 470 km²



KENROKUEN GARDEN

KYOTO

Japan's Ancient Capital Of Tradition And Beauty

Kyoto



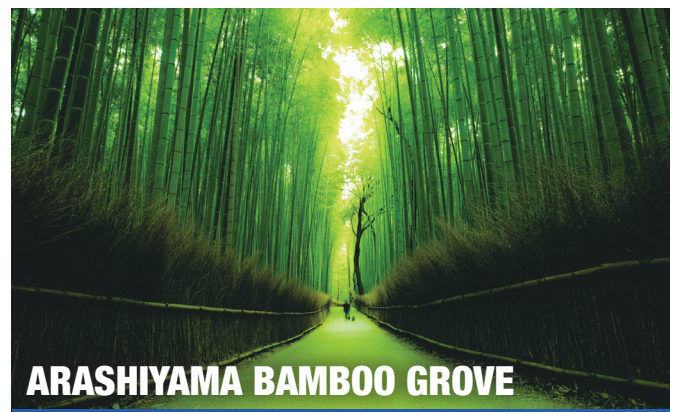
FUSHIMI INARI SHRINE

Kyoto: The Timeless Soul of Japanese Tradition Kyoto, the former imperial capital for over a millennium, is the heart of Japanese culture. This enchanting city is home to thousands of temples and shrines, serene Zen gardens, and historic wooden architecture. It is a place where the elegance of the past lives on, offering visitors a profound journey into the essence of Japan.

HIGHLIGHTS

Kiyomizu Temple,
Kinkaku-ji Temple (Golden Pavilion),
Ginkaku-ji Temple (Silver Pavillion),
Fushimi Inari Shrine, Heian Shrine,
Gion District, Nijo Castle, Kyoto Imperial Palace

DATA Population : Approx. 2.5 million
Total Area : Approx. 4,600 km²



ARASHIYAMA BAMBOO GROVE



GION

NARA

The Cradle Of
Japanese Civilization
And Serene Nature



TODAI-JI TEMPLE

Nara: Step into the Soul of Ancient Japan

Nara is a peaceful sanctuary where living history and friendly, free-roaming deer welcome you. Home to some of the country's oldest and most significant temples, this serene city offers an atmosphere that takes visitors back to the very roots of Japanese culture. It is a must-visit destination for those seeking spiritual depth and architectural wonders.



NARA DEER PARK

HIGHLIGHTS

*Todai-ji Temple (with Great Buddha),
Kofuku-ji Temple, Horyu-ji Temple,
Kasuga Grand Shrine, Nara Deer Park,
Nara National Museum*

DATA

Distance from Osaka : Approx. 30km

Distance from Tokyo : Approx. 470km



KASUGA TAISHA SHRINE

OSAKA

The Nation's Kitchen And
The Vibrant Hub Of
Entertainment

Osaka



Osaka: Japan's Dynamic Gateway to Food and Fun Known as the “Kitchen of Japan,” Osaka is a high-energy metropolis famous for its outgoing people and incredible street food culture. From the historic grandeur of Osaka Castle to the neon-lit excitement of Dotonbori, the city offers a perfect blend of rich heritage and cutting-edge urban entertainment. It is a city that never fails to charm visitors with its welcoming atmosphere and endless culinary discoveries.

HIGHLIGHTS

*Osaka Castle, Shitenno-ji Temple,
Sumiyoshi Taisha Shrine,
Universal Studios Japan (USJ),
Dotonbori District*

DATA Population : Approx. 8.8 million
Total Area : Approx. 1,900 km²



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HIROSHIMA

A City Of Peace, Resilience,
And World Heritage Wonders

Hiroshima



ITSUKUSHIMA SHRINE

Hiroshima: A Global Symbol of Peace and Timeless Beauty Globally recognized for its profound commitment to peace, Hiroshima is a vibrant city that beautifully balances its poignant history with stunning natural landscapes. Home to two distinct UNESCO World Heritage sites, the city offers visitors a unique journey through resilience, spiritual reflection, and exceptional island scenery. It is a destination that moves the heart and inspires the spirit.



HIGHLIGHTS

Atomic Bomb Dome, Peace Memorial Park and Museum, Itsukushima Shrine, Hiroshima Castle, Miyajima Island, Shukkei-en Garden, Hiroshima-style Okonomiyaki

DATA

Population : Approx. 2.8 million
Total Area : Approx. 8,500 km²

Experience Japan beyond what you see. **A Journey into the Heart of Japan**



Japan offers **authentic cultural experiences** that cannot be fully captured through photos or videos alone.

From tea ceremonies and traditional crafts to encounters with local artisans, these hands-on activities allow you to feel the **spirit, techniques, and stories** behind each tradition.

By engaging directly with people, places, and practices, you gain a deeper understanding of Japan's rich heritage and way of life creating memories that resonate long after the journey ends.



Experience Menu

- 14 **SUMO**
- 15 **TEA CEREMONY**
- 16 **MAIKO · GEIKO**
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- 19 **ZAZEN MEDITATION / NINJA EXPERIENCE**

SUMO

TOKYO

OSAKA



Sumo Show Experience

Experience the power and tradition of sumo, Japan's national sport, with a history of over 1,500 years.

Led by former professional wrestlers, the show introduces the deep-rooted culture, rituals, and impressive techniques of sumo in an engaging and easy-to-understand way. Dynamic demonstrations and live commentary draw you into a fascinating world shaped by centuries of tradition. More than just a performance, this sumo show offers a rare opportunity to appreciate the spirit, discipline, and cultural significance that lie at the heart of sumo wrestling.

Prices

TOKYO: ¥17,000~ per person | OSAKA: ¥13,200~ per person

TEA CEREMONY

TOKYO

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Tea Ceremony Experience

Discover the essence of Japanese hospitality through the traditional tea ceremony, a refined cultural practice shaped over centuries.

Guided by an experienced tea master, guests learn the philosophy, etiquette, and mindful movements behind each gesture. The calm atmosphere, carefully prepared matcha, and seasonal setting create a moment of quiet reflection and cultural immersion.

More than simply enjoying tea, this experience offers a deeper understanding of Japanese aesthetics, harmony, and respect—values that continue to shape Japan's way of life today.

Prices

¥3,800~ per person

MAIKO GEIKO

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ISHIKAWA



Maiko & Geiko Dinner

Maiko and Geiko are traditional Japanese female entertainers.

They are highly trained artists, skilled in a wide range of traditional Japanese arts such as Nihon Buyo (classical dance), music, and refined conversation. Their role goes beyond performance, offering graceful hospitality through dance presentations, traditional games, and engaging interaction with guests.

Through this immersive experience, guests are invited to encounter the elegance and depth of Japan's cultural heritage, gaining an authentic appreciation of the artistry, etiquette, and timeless beauty that define traditional Japanese hospitality.

Prices

¥16,500~ per person

KIMONO WEARING



TOKYO

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Kimono Wearing Experience

Kimono is a beautiful item of traditional clothing and is immediately associated with Japan.

With the help of professional dressers, guests can enjoy wearing an authentic kimono and experience its elegance, craftsmanship, and cultural significance while creating lasting memories.

Prices

¥5,000~ per person

MAN-POWERED RICKSHAW



TOKYO

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Rickshaw Experience

Sit back and relax as knowledgeable rickshaw guides take you on a delightful journey through the town.

Along the way, they share local stories, capture memorable photos, and introduce both famous landmarks and hidden gems, making this extraordinary ride a truly special experience.

Prices

30min. ¥10,000~ per person

SUSHI MAKING

TOKYO



Sushi-Making Experience

Experience the essence of Japanese cuisine through a hands-on sushi-making session.

Under the guidance of experienced instructors, guests learn the fundamentals of sushi preparation, from selecting ingredients to shaping nigiri, while gaining a deeper appreciation for Japan's culinary traditions.

Prices

¥5,000~ per person

CYCLING TOUR

THROUGHOUT JAPAN



Cycling Tour

Explore the destination in an active and engaging way on a guided cycling tour.

Riding through city streets and scenic areas, guests discover local life, hidden spots, and iconic landmarks, all while enjoying a relaxed pace supported by expert guidance.

Prices

¥9,600~ per person

ZAZEN MEDITATION



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Zazen (Zen Meditation) Experience

Experience a moment of calm through Zazen, a traditional form of Zen meditation.

Under the guidance of a Buddhist monk, guests learn proper posture, breathing, and mindfulness, allowing them to step away from daily distractions and gain a deeper sense of inner balance.

Prices

¥8,500~ per person

NINJA EXPERIENCE



MIE

KYOTO



Ninja Experience

Discover the mysterious world of the ninja through an interactive cultural experience.

Guests learn about ninja history, techniques, and philosophy, and may try hands-on activities such as basic movements and tools, offering an engaging and memorable insight into this legendary aspect of Japanese culture.

Prices

¥6,000~ per person

WELCOME to JAPAN!



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