

10 Day Japan Golden Route with Hiroshima Tour

Osaka - Hiroshima - Kyoto - Shizuoka - Tokyo

From **\$3,299** Typically \$4,299 pp twin share



Enjoy modern hotel accommodation and a range of meals

Ride the exciting bullet train from Kyoto to Shizuoka

Explore the historic city of Hiroshima

Visit world-heritage sites, ancient towns, castles, parks, modern cities and much more!

Description



This fantastic package combines all Japan's highlights into one amazing itinerary. Experience the culture, cuisine, history and beauty of Japan as you wander through world-heritage sites, ancient towns, castles, parks and amazing modern cities.

Beginning in Hiroshima, you will be able to experience for yourself the tragic history of this city, visiting the monuments, ruins and museums and hearing first-hand accounts of the infamous atomic bomb attack during World War II. Onwards to Osaka, you can explore like a local, visiting markets and sampling local cuisine in the 'street food capital'.

Next, jump on your bullet train and head north to Tokyo, with stops in Kyoto, Nara and Mt Fuji along the way! Experience everything the amazing 'Golden Circle' has to offer in comfort, style and while enjoying Japanese hospitality at its finest.

Itinerary

Day 1

Osaka

Upon arrival at Kansai Airport, clear customs and immigration before boarding the transfer to your accommodation.

Accommodation: Stargate Hotel Kansai or similar, Osaka

Meals included: None

Day 2

Osaka Himeji Hiroshima

After breakfast, make the trip to the moving city of Hiroshima. Largely destroyed when the first atomic bomb was dropped over Hiroshima on August 6, 1945, the city became known worldwide for this unenviable distinction. Enroute, we stop in Himeji to visit the castle. The castle was registered in 1993 as one of the first UNESCO World Heritage Sites in the country. Enjoy your time here before heading to Hiroshima.

Accommodation: Grand Prince Hotel or similar, Hiroshima

Meals included: breakfast, dinner

Day 3

Hiroshima

Today, we begin with the Itsukushima Shrine on Miyajima Island. The shrine and its torii gate are unique for being built over water, seemingly floating in the sea during high tide. Then visit the Peace Memorial Park and Atomic Bomb Museum, which commemorates the victims of the atomic bomb used in WWII.

Accommodation: Grand Prince Hotel or similar, Hiroshima

Meals included: breakfast, lunch

Day 4

Hiroshima Osaka

Make the journey back to Osaka.

Accommodation: Hotel It a or similar, Osaka

Meals included: breakfast, lunch

Day 5

Osaka 🚶 **Nara** 🚶 **Kyoto** 🚶 **Osaka**

Visit Todaiji Temple, with its Great Buddha Hall housing the world's largest bronze statue of the Buddha Vairocana. Wander through Nara Park, where over 1,200 wild sika deer roam free. Then travel to Kyoto, visit Nijo Castle, the Kyoto residence of the Tokugawa Shogunate and Kinkakuji: Golden Pavilion, a Zen temple and World Heritage site with two floors covered entirely in thin layers of pure gold and detailed architecture incorporating three distinct architectural styles of Shinden, Samurai, and Zen.

Accommodation: Hotel It or similar, Osaka

Meals included: breakfast, lunch

Day 6

Osaka 🚶 **Kyoto** 🚶 **Mt Fuji**

Today, visit Togetsu Bridge, the landmark of Western Kyoto's Arashiyama District for over four hundred years. Explore Sagano Bamboo Forest on the outskirts of Kyoto, where towering green stalks of the famously versatile plant sway in the wind, creaking eerily as they collide and twist, leaves rustling. After lunch, travel onwards to Mount Fuji by bullet train - Shinkansen (Max. speed 320km/h).

Accommodation: Hotel Mystays Fuji Onsen Resort

Meals included: breakfast, dinner

Day 7

Mt Fuji

Today, visit Oshino Hakkai. Known as the Springs of Mount Fuji, the eight ponds are fed by melting snow filtering down from the slopes of nearby Mount Fuji through porous layers of lava, resulting in very clear spring water that is revered by the locals. Later visit Mount Fuji's 5th Station, which is above the clouds, to view its enormous summit if weather permits. (Alternatively visit Gotemba Peace Park to capture a breathtaking view of Mount Fuji, and Hakone Checkpoint, which used to be an important checkpoint on the highway connecting Kyoto to Tokyo in the Edo period.) Take a cruise on Lake Ashi, and savour the numerous delights of nature.

Accommodation: Hotel Mystays Fuji Onsen Resort

Meals included: breakfast, dinner

Day 8

Mt Fuji Tokyo

Today, visit a Japanese Beer Factory to taste one of most popular Japanese beers on the way to Tokyo. Arrive Tokyo, the rest of the day is at your own leisure.

Accommodation: Sunshine City Prince or similar, Tokyo

Meals included: breakfast, lunch

Day 9

Tokyo

Spend today free at your own leisure. You may spend a day in Tokyo Disneyland or DisneySea (admission \$120), or you can join the Nikko Day Tour. Or alternatively, you can join our wide range of optional programs (tea ceremony, pottery making experience, golden joinery, kimono photo shoot, cooking class). All activities are not guided and transportation is self-arranged.

Accommodation: Sunshine City Prince Hotel or similar, Tokyo

Meals included: breakfast

Day 10

Tokyo

Today check out of your hotel and make your way home

Meals included: breakfast

Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- 9 nights four-star twin share hotel accommodation
- Meals as indicated (8 breakfast; 4 lunch; 3 dinner)
- Bullet train fee from Kyoto to Mount Fuji (including coach luggage transfer service from hotel to hotel)
- Dedicated Coach transportation
- Round trip airport and hotel transfers
- Professional tour guide
- All monument entrance fees as per the itinerary

Accommodation

Stargate Hotel Kansai, Osaka

Grand Prince Hotel or similar, Hiroshima

Hotel It or similar, Osaka

Hotel Mystays, Fuji Onsen Resort Sunshine City Prince Hotel, Tokyo

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Exclusions

- Travel insurance (Mandatory)
- Flights
- Optional recommended programs
- Optional tour extensions
- Personal expenditure
- Tipping/gratuities

Child Policy

No child discounts apply. A full priced voucher must be purchased for all children travelling. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Single Supplement

The additional supplement for a single traveller is \$1350.