



**Magical Asia
Vacations**



Magical Grand tour of Japan – 15days from \$4,598

(departing every Sunday from Canada, except 29Jul & 05Aug 2007) Tour code : MJP15-O (English speaking tour)

Day one: Departure from Vancouver

Board your transpacific flight to the Capital city of Japan, Tokyo.

Day two: Arrival at Tokyo

Arrive at Tokyo Narita Airport. You will be met and assisted to board the airport limousine bus and transferred to the hotel. Stay at Shiba Park Hotel or similar.

Day three: Tokyo

Visit Tokyo Tower Observatory, Imperial Palace Plaza, drive through Akihabara, Asakusa Kannon Temple, Nakamise Shopping Arcade & The Tasaki Pearl. Afternoon, free at leisure, back to hotel on your own. Stay at Shiba Park Hotel or similar.

Day four: Tokyo – Kamakura – Tokyo

Full day tour by local train and on foot. Morning, Visit Great Buddha, Hase Kannon Temple. After lunch at local restaurant, visit Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine.

Tour disband on arrival at Tokyo Station between 17:00-18:00., free at leisure after the tour, back to your hotel on your own. Stay at Shiba Park Hotel or similar.

Day five: Tokyo – Nikko - Tokyo

Full day excursion to Nikko by motorcoach.

Morning, visit Toshogu Shrine and Irohazaka zigzag driveway up to the mountains

After Japanese-style lunch at local restaurant, visit Lake Chuzenji and Kegon Waterfall. Irohazaka zigzag driveway down the mountains and drive back to Tokyo. Tour disband on arrival at Ginza or Shinjuku between 19:00-20:00. Back to hotel on your own. Stay at Shiba Park Hotel or similar.

Day six: Tokyo – MT. Fuji - Hakone

Deluxe motor coach to the foot of Mt. Fuji. Drive halfway up Japan's highest mountain to enjoy a spectacular view from a height of 2,300 meters. Enjoy Japanese style lunch. Afternoon, cruising on Lake Ashi and Mt Komagatake Aerial cableway in Hakone. Stay at Hakone Hotel Kowaki-en or similar.



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Day seven: Hakone – Nagoya - Toba

Transfer to Odawara station and board a Shinkansen (the bullet train) for Nagoya, visit Toyota Commemorative Museum of Industry and Technology and Nagoya castle. Transfer to Nagoya station and board a local train for Toba. Stay at Toba Hotel International or similar.

Day eight: Toba – Ise - Toba

Visit Mikimoto Pearl Island and Ise Jingu Shrine. Return to Kyoto by limited express. Stay at Karasuma Kyoto hotel in Kyoto or similar.

Day nine: Kyoto – Nara - Kyoto

Morning sightseeing in Kyoto, visiting Golden Pavillion, Nijo Castle with gorgeous interiors (When Nijo Castle is closed, visit Ryoanji Temple instead), and Kyoto Imperial Palace (when closed, visit Kitano Tenmangu Shrine or Higashi Honganji Temple instead). After lunch at Kyoto Handicraft Center, excursion to Nara, the first permanent capital of Japan. Visit Todaiji Temple housing Great Buddha, colorful Kasuga Shrine with 3,000 lanterns, and Deer Park. Return to Kyoto after the tour.

Stay at Karasuma Kyoto hotel in Kyoto or similar.

Day ten: Kyoto

Free to explore Kyoto on your own. (Walking map will be provided). Stay at Karasuma Kyoto hotel in Kyoto or similar.

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Day twelve: Kyoto – Takayama

Take a Shinkansen for Nagoya. Transfer to a limited-express for Takayama, an ancient, tranquil city called "Little Kyoto". Afternoon, stroll through Takayama, visiting Yatai Kaikan Hall, where colorfully decorated traditional festival floats are displayed; Kusakabe Folkcraft Museum, formerly the residence of powerful merchants under government patronage; and the streets of Kami Sannomachi, which preserve traditional Japanese wooden houses. Accommodation at Hida Hotel Plaza.

Day thirteen: Takayama – Shirakawago – Kanazawa

Visit the famous morning market of Takayama. Scenic drive by Lake Miboro and along Shokawa River to Shirakawago, designated in 1995 as part of the World Heritage. Its highlights are unique structures called Gassho-Zukuri, or joined-hands farmhouses. Then visit Gokayama, another World Heritage village, where you can experience making Gokayama Washi, traditional Japanese paper. Continue to Kanazawa.

Accommodation at Kanazawa Miyako hotel in Kanazawa.



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Day fourteen: Kanazawa – Kyoto

Morning sightseeing in Kanazawa, visiting Kenroku-en Garden, one of Japan's three most beautiful traditional gardens; Kutaniyaki Pottery kiln; and Higashi-chaya street and Former Guest House "Shima". Afternoon, return to Kyoto by limited-express. Transfer back to your hotel in the evening. Stay at Karasuma Kyoto hotel in Kyoto or similar.

Day fifteen: Kyoto – Kansai Airport – your next destination/home

Free at leisure until departure.

(Departure time is announced to your hotel on the before departure.)

Transfer to Kansai Airport by seat sharing van.

Tour Price per person: CAD4598 + applicable air tax and fuel surcharge

Single room surcharge: CAD880

(departure in shoulder season air fare add on \$300)

(departure in high season air fare add on \$500)

Tour package includes: -

**9 night hotels accommodations.

**Sightseeing tour with 7 lunches included in the above itinerary.

**Professional English speaking tour guide services in each city.

**Narita Airport and Kansai Airport pick up and drop off services by limousine bus or airport bus.

**Shinkansen (the bullet train) as mentioned in the itinerary.

** Your baggage will be transported by land from Hakone to Kyoto on Day 7. For the overnight stay in Toba, we recommend you to carry a light overnight bag with you.(for extra baggage, ¥2,200 will be charged per piece.)

** International transpacific flight either by Japan Airlines or Air Canada economy class air fare, ticket validity good for 21days, unless going on beyond Japan.

Tour package excludes: -

**air fare surcharge from other cities in Canada, or go beyond Japan after the tour.

**Japan visitor visa whenever applicable

**Tips to guide/driver/hotel porter

**Personal expenses

**Travel Insurance

Guaranteed departures, subject to availability.

Casual clothes or Casual smart with comfortable walking shoes are recommendable.

We reserve the right to change our itinerary whenever the normal operations are not possible due to the unpredicted situations. All rates are subject to change without prior notices.

Air tickets are 100%nonrefundable once ticketed. (See our terms and conditions for more details) All travelers are strongly advised to purchase comprehensive travel/medical insurance in order to travel in peace of mind.

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