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# Essential Japan

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## 01 - SAT.Tokyo

Welcome to Japan! After completing customs procedures, you'll be transferred to your hotel by shared shuttle bus. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy at leisure. In the afternoon, you'll receive details about the start of your tour.

## 02 - SUN.Tokyo

In the morning, we'll enjoy an extensive **guided tour** of this truly mesmerizing city, lasting approximately five hours. Tokyo's vibrant energy and cutting-edge neighborhoods coexist beautifully with its tranquil, serene spaces.

We'll begin with a brief stop at **Zojoji Temple**, where you'll capture one of the most iconic views of the **Tokyo Tower**. The temple grounds are adorned with hundreds of Jizo statues, intricately carved stone figures believed to be protectors of children, dressed in colorful knit caps, bibs, and windmills.

Next, we'll head to the famous **Shibuya Crossing**, often hailed as the busiest intersection in the world, followed by a visit to the **Meiji Shrine**, dedicated to the spirits of Emperor Meiji and his wife. Our journey will continue by bus along the elegant Omotesando Avenue. We'll then see the most picturesque parts of the Imperial Palace and its gardens and stop to admire the iconic **Nijubashi Bridge**.

As we proceed, we'll pass through the vibrant **Akihabara district**, also known as the "Electric Town," a hub for Japanese manga and anime culture. We'll also drive past the Kokugikan, Japan's

renowned sumo wrestling arena.

We'll conclude our tour in Asakusa, visiting the historic Sensoji Temple and the famous Nakamise Street.

**Lunch will be included** at a local restaurant. Afterward, we'll return to the hotel.

At **6:30 p.m.**, we'll meet our guide in the hotel lobby and take the **metro** (tickets included) to the lively **Shinjuku district**. Here, we'll enjoy a stroll through its bustling streets, renowned for their vibrant nightlife, as we head to a local restaurant for **dinner** (included). Afterward, we'll return to the hotel by metro, accompanied by our guide.

## 03 - MON.Tokyo - Mount Fuji - Kawaguchiko

We'll journey to the stunning Mount Fuji area, traveling through picturesque landscapes along the way.

Our first stop will be the **Arakurayama Sengen Park**, home to beautiful pagodas and offering the most iconic views of Mount Fuji. From here, we'll continue to **Kawaguchiko**, a charming town surrounded by mountains, vibrant flowers, and its namesake lake. Upon arrival, we'll visit the **Fuji Sengen Shrine**, a serene site nestled among towering trees, which marks the traditional starting point for pilgrimages up Mount Fuji. During our visit, we'll take a moment to express gratitude for experiencing such a magical place.

The tour will also include a delightful **boat ride on Lake Kawaguchiko**, where you can soak in the area's



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tranquil beauty. After, we'll ascend **Mount Fuji** via the scenic road to the Fifth Station, at 2,305 meters, surrounded by breathtaking forests and vistas.

Note: In winter, the ascent to Mount Fuji may be closed due to snow or adverse weather conditions. During this season, we will go as far as permitted.

We'll return to Kawaguchiko, with time to enjoy a leisurely stroll along the lake. Tonight, we'll stay in a ryokan, a traditional Japanese inn, where you can relax in the onsen (public bath).

**Dinner will be included.**

Note: At the planned ryokan, some rooms feature traditional Japanese-style tatami mats, while others are Western-style. Occasionally, accommodation may be arranged in a Western-style hotel.

#### 04 - TUE. Kawaguchiko - Iyashi no Sato Nenba - Toyota - Kyoto

In the morning, we'll follow a scenic road that winds around picturesque lakes to visit **Iyashi no Sato Nenba**, a small village that was destroyed by a typhoon in 1966 and later restored as an open-air museum. Its traditional houses have been converted into arts and crafts shops, restaurants, and cultural exhibits, offering a glimpse into Japan's past.

Next, we'll visit the breathtaking **Shiraito Falls**, one of Japan's most stunning natural attractions, with cascading water that spans a height of 20 meters.

From there, we'll continue to **Nagoya**, where we'll visit the **Toyota Museum** (admission included), a must-see destination for car enthusiasts and those curious about automotive innovation.

Finally, we'll proceed to **Kyoto** for our over-night stay.

#### 05 - WED. Kyoto

We'll spend the entire day exploring **Kyoto**, Japan's capital from 794 to 1868 and home to the Imperial Court. Remarkably, Kyoto was the only major Japanese city spared from bombing during World War II, allowing it to retain its rich artistic heritage. Notably, the Kyoto Protocol, aimed at limiting greenhouse gas emissions, was signed here in 1997.

We'll include a visit to Kyoto's most iconic landmarks. Our tour will begin in **Arashiyama**, where we'll admire the Togetsukyo Bridge, or "Bridge over the Moon." This spot offers a breathtaking panorama of the surrounding landscape.

We'll then visit the **Tenryuji Temple**, one of Kyoto's "five great Zen temples" and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, followed by a serene walk through its **mystical bamboo forest**.

Next, we'll explore the magnificent **Fushimi Inari Shrine**; the **Imperial Palace**; and the **Kinkakuji Temple**, also known as the "Golden Pavilion," surrounded by its spectacular gardens. (The order of the visits may vary.)

After the tour, you can enjoy some time to stroll through **Gion**, Kyoto's vibrant traditional district, known for its lively atmosphere and geishas.

#### 06 - THU. Kyoto - Nara - Osaka

We'll depart for **Nara** to visit **Todaiji**, a magnificent Buddhist temple built in 752, home to a giant Buddha statue. Here, you'll also have the chance to take photos and interact with the friendly deer that roam freely in the surrounding park. **Lunch will be included.**

Afterward, we'll visit the **Horyu-ji Buddhist Temple**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that encompasses a seminary, monasteries, and temples. Its central pagoda is one of the oldest wooden structures in the world and holds the distinction of being Japan's oldest Buddhist temple, serving as an important place of worship.

Our journey will then take us to **Osaka**, where we'll arrive in the evening. Accommodation will be in this vibrant and modern city, known as Japan's second-largest urban area. Later, we'll visit **Dotonbori**, a lively and colorful district renowned for its bustling nightlife.

#### 07 - FRI. Osaka -

After breakfast, our journey will come to an end, leaving you with wonderful lasting memories.



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### Departure Dates

APR25: 05, 12, 19, 26  
MAY25: 03, 10, 17, 24, 31  
JUN25: 07, 14, 21, 28  
JUL25: 05, 12, 19, 26  
AUG25: 02, 09, 16, 23, 30  
SEP25: 06, 13, 20, 27  
OCT25: 04, 11, 18, 25  
NOV25: 01, 08, 15, 22, 29  
DEC25: 06, 13, 20, 27  
JAN26: 03, 10, 17, 24, 31  
FEB26: 07, 14, 21, 28  
MAR26: 07, 14, 21, 28



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### The price includes

- **Europamundo General Services:** Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance, hotel and breakfast buffet.
- **Includes arrival transfer**
- **City tour in:** Tokyo, Kyoto
- **Boat:** Kawaguchiko Lake
- **Evening transfer:** Shinjuku, Traditional quarter of Gion, Dotonbori in Osaka
- **Ticket admission:** Metro, Zojoji Temple, Meiji Temple, Sensoji Temple, Arakurayama Sengen Park, Village Museum, Toyota Museum, Tenryu-ji Temple, Arashiyama bamboo forest in Kyoto, Fushimi Inari, Imperial Palace, Kinkakuji Temple, Todai-ji Temple and Horyu-ji Temple.
- **2 Lunch included in:** Tokyo, Nara
- **2 dinner included in:** Tokyo, Kawaguchiko



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