



2026 ARMA STUDY TOUR

HONG KONG, CHINA & JAPAN | 16 – 25 NOVEMBER 2026



The Australian Racecourse Managers Association (ARMA), in conjunction with the Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC) and the Japan Racing Association (JRA), is pleased to confirm the 2026 Hong Kong, China & Japan Study Tour.

This exclusive ten-day study tour has been developed specifically for racecourse managers and industry professionals, providing behind-the-scenes access to some of the world's leading racing and training facilities.

To enable ARMA to finalise flights, accommodation and host arrangements, delegates are now invited to confirm their participation.

Registration Fee - AUD \$7,400 per delegate

The registration fee has been calculated based on current supplier pricing and includes all components of the official Study Tour from departure in Australia through to the conclusion of the tour in Tokyo.

Registration Fee Includes

- Return economy airfares from your nearest Australian capital city via Hong Kong – Sapporo – Tokyo – Hong Kong – Australia.
- Nine (9) nights' accommodation.
- Breakfast where provided by the hotel. Not all Hotels include breakfast.
- Airport, coach and ground transportation associated with the official Study Tour.
- All official inspections, technical presentations and behind-the-scenes access hosted by the Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC) and the Japan Racing Association (JRA).
- Admission to the Happy Valley and Conghua race meetings.
- Hosted meals as detailed within the itinerary.
- Tour coordination by ARMA.

Registration Fee Does Not Include

- Travel insurance (mandatory).
- Meals not specifically identified within the itinerary.
- Alcoholic beverages unless provided as part of an official function.
- Personal expenses including laundry, minibar, telephone and incidental purchases.
- Passport, visa or entry permit costs (where applicable).
- Optional sightseeing or activities outside the official Study Tour program.
- Transfer from Hong Kong Airport to Royal Park Hotel, Sha Tin - Monday 16 November 2026.

Accommodation

Delegates will be accommodated at the following properties throughout the Study Tour:

Dates	Accommodation
16–18 November	Royal Park Hotel, Sha Tin, Hong Kong (3 nights)
19–20 November	Home2 Suites by Hilton, Conghua, China (2 nights)
21 November	Regala Skycity Hotel, Hong Kong (1 night)
22–23 November	Mercure Grand Hotel, Sapporo, Japan (2 nights)
24 November	Tokyo Accommodation (TBC) (1 night)

Study Tour Itinerary

Date	Location	Accommodation	Program	Hosted Meals
Mon 16 Nov	Hong Kong	Royal Park Hotel, Sha Tin	Delegate arrivals.	-
Tue 17 Nov	Hong Kong	Royal Park Hotel, Sha Tin	Morning inspection of Sha Tin Racecourse. Hosted lunch at Sha Tin Racecourse. Afternoon inspection of Happy Valley Racecourse. Evening at leisure.	Lunch
Wed 18 Nov	Hong Kong	Royal Park Hotel, Sha Tin	Morning inspection of the Beas River Equestrian Centre. Hosted lunch. Afternoon visit to Kai Tak Sports Park. Evening attendance at the Happy Valley Race Meeting and ARMA Dinner.	Lunch ARMA to fund casual Dinner
Thu 19 Nov	Conghua, China	Home2 Suites by Hilton Conghua	Coach transfer to Conghua. Afternoon inspections and presentations at the HKJC Training Centre.	HKJC Dinner
Fri 20 Nov	Conghua, China	Home2 Suites by Hilton Conghua	Full day of inspections and technical presentations at the Conghua Training Centre. Evening at leisure.	HKJC Lunch
Sat 21 Nov	Hong Kong	Regala Skycity Hotel, Hong Kong	Attend the Conghua Race Meeting. Hosted lunch. Afternoon coach transfer to Hong Kong and overnight accommodation adjacent to Hong Kong International Airport.	HKJC Race Day Lunch
Sun 22 Nov	Sapporo, Japan	Mercure Grand Sapporo	Flight to Sapporo. Coach transfer to hotel. Free afternoon and evening.	
Mon 23 Nov	Sapporo	Mercure Grand Sapporo	Full-day inspection of Northern Farm and other JRA facilities. Evening at leisure.	JRA Lunch
Tue 24 Nov	Tokyo	TBC	Morning inspection of Sapporo Racecourse. Afternoon flight to Tokyo (Haneda) and coach transfer to accommodation.	-
Wed 25 Nov	Tokyo	-	Early departure for the Miho Training Centre. Hosted breakfast. Afternoon coach transfer to Narita International Airport. Study Tour concludes approximately 4.00 pm.	JRA Breakfast

Hosted Meals

The following meals are included within the registration fee:

Location	Included
Hong Kong	Two (2) hosted lunches and ARMA funded casual Dinner at Happy Valley Racecourse.
Conghua	One (1) hosted dinner, one (1) hosted lunch and one (1) race day lunch.
Japan	One (1) hosted lunch and one (1) hosted breakfast.

All other meals are at delegates' own expense, providing the opportunity to experience the local dining options throughout Hong Kong, China and Japan.

Transport

The following transport is included within the registration fee:

- Return economy flights from Australia.
- Coach transfers throughout Hong Kong, Conghua and Japan.
- Coach transfer between Hong Kong and Conghua.
- Flight from Hong Kong to Sapporo.
- Flight from Sapporo to Tokyo.
- Airport transfers associated with the official Study Tour itinerary.
- Coach transfer from the Miho Training Centre to Narita International Airport upon conclusion of the Study Tour.

Important Information

- Delegates are responsible for ensuring they hold a valid passport and meet all entry requirements for Hong Kong, China and Japan.
- Comprehensive travel insurance is mandatory for all delegates.
- The itinerary may be subject to minor amendments due to operational requirements, airline schedules or host organisation requirements.
- ARMA, the Hong Kong Jockey Club and the Japan Racing Association reserve the right to make reasonable changes to the program while maintaining the overall Study Tour experience.

Confirmation of Participation

To enable ARMA to finalise flights, accommodation and hosted arrangements, delegates are requested to confirm their participation by **31 August 2026**.

As several components of the Study Tour have limited capacity, registrations will be confirmed upon receipt of payment and may close once capacity has been reached.

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