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# ***Classic Japan***

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**9 Day from \$3799 inc airfare.**

**Book by 15 June 2018**

*Departs very Monday in Aug, Oct & Nov 2018. 21 Jan, 11 Feb & 25 Mar, 2019.*

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## ***Escorted Package Includes***

- Return economy airfares from ALL Australian Capital Cities to Tokyo & Osaka
- 7 nights accommodations
  - 3 nights Tokyo
  - 2 nights Osaka
  - 2 nights Kyoto
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges
- Hotel portorage
- All transfers
- High-Speed Bullet Train: Tokyo-Osaka
- 9 meals: 7 breakfasts, 2 dinners with wine
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Entrance fees per itinerary

## **Special Features**

- Tour dazzling Tokyo, a city of ancient traditions coupled with state-of-the-art technology

- View the serene Meiji Shrine honoring the first Emperor of modern Japan and his Empress
- Board the famous *Shinkansen*, or "bullet train" that whisks you from Tokyo to Osaka
- Visit dramatic Osaka Castle with its extraordinary collection of art, armor and collectibles
- In Osaka, walk through bustling Kuromon Market, with vendors selling fast-food Japanese-style
- Discover Kyoto, founded in the 7th century, one of the early capitals of Japan
- Climb to the hilltop Kiyomizu temple, for astonishing views over the city of Kyoto
- Stand before the celebrated gold-gilded Kinkakuji Temple, known as the "Golden Pavilion"

**Note:** Gratuities for tour manager and coach driver are included.

### **DAY 1, Monday - Depart for Japan**

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### **DAY 2, Tuesday - Arrive in Tokyo**

Arrive in dynamic Tokyo and transfer to the hotel. Time to settle in and rest before tonight's Welcome Dinner and briefing with your Tour Manager and travel companions. We recommend that you select flights which arrive in your destination no later than 4 pm, in order not to miss the orientation meeting and welcome dinner

**Overnight:** Tokyo

**Meals:** Dinner

### **DAY 3, Wednesday - Tour of Tokyo**

On today's tour of Tokyo, witness the contrast of this city of ancient traditions coupled with state-of-the-art technology. The tour begins at the Imperial Palace, a huge parkland with magnificent gardens, residence of Japan's Imperial family. Continue to Asakusa, once Tokyo's leading entertainment district. Here, enter the massive gates to the ancient Buddhist temple of Sensoji built in the 7th century and the Kannon Temple, one of the most visited spiritual sites in the world. Stroll along bustling Nakamise Street; see endless rows of traditional local snacks and souvenirs. Make a photo stop at the impressive Tokyo Tower, a symbol of Japan's post-war rebirth. Continue through trendy Harajuku to the serene Meiji Shrine, nestled in a beautiful forested area that honors the first Emperor of modern Japan and his Empress. Next, to the frenetic Ginza district, Tokyo's celebrated shopping, dining and amusement area – time to linger and discover on your own

**Overnight:** Tokyo

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 4, Thursday - Full Day in Tokyo**

Spend the day at leisure to explore all of the delights of Tokyo on your own, or, participate in the *optional* full day tour to Mt. Fuji and Hakone that promises a day of breathtaking natural scenery. Upon arrival, ascend by cable car to the 5th Station of Mt. Fuji, located at an elevation of 7,545 feet (weather permitting) pausing to admire the gorgeous panorama of the park and lake. After a buffet lunch, enjoy a picturesque boat cruise around pristine Lake Ashi. Later, take off to the summit by cable car to marvel at the sweeping views of Hakone National Park. Spend time at leisure to explore the surrounding area on your own. Afterwards, return to Tokyo

**Optional:** Full day Mt. Fuji & Hakone with lunch

**Overnight:** Tokyo

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 5, Friday - Bullet Train to Osaka, City Tour**

At the Shinagawa Station, board the world-famous *Shinkansen*, or "bullet train" that whisks you to Osaka – a unique experience! Upon arrival, your sightseeing of Osaka begins with a visit to dramatic Osaka Castle built as a display of power in the 16th century, strategically looming over the surrounding park and moat. Inside, see an excellent collection of art, armor and collectibles. A quick photo stop at Umeda sky building, a strikingly unique high-rise structure, before continuing to the Kuromon Market, an Osaka landmark, with vendors selling fresh food and fast-food Japanese-style. Stop for lunch, or just try the tasty snacks. Then, free time to wander along the Shinsaibashi and Dotonbori shopping streets with an array of fabulous selection of fashionable boutiques. Continue to the hotel in Osaka for overnight

**Overnight:** Osaka

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 6, Saturday - Full Day in Osaka**

Time to discover Osaka on your own, or, join the fascinating *optional* tour to Hiroshima and Miyajima Island. After arriving by train, a tram takes you to the Peace Memorial, a historical site near where the atomic bomb exploded, dedicated to the many lives lost in Hiroshima. The burning flame that marks these graves "will only be extinguished when all nuclear weapons in the world are destroyed!" This park was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1996. After this solemn visit, a short ferry ride to Miyajima Island, not far from the coast. Enjoy views of the striking Itsukushima Shrine best known for its "floating" Torii Gate, dating back to the 6th century. Spend free time on the island with its many shrines and temples before boarding the train back to Osaka

**Optional:** Full day Hiroshima & Miyajima Tour

**Overnight:** Osaka

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 7, Sunday - Kyoto City Tour**

Journey today to historic Kyoto, founded in the 7th century, one of the early capitals of Japan and home of the country's most treasured remnants of Japanese imperial life. Here, start with a visit to the celebrated gold-gilded Kinkakuji Temple, known as the "Golden Pavilion" surrounded by trees and nestled on a reflective pond. After a stop at the hillside Kiyomizu Temple for astonishing views over the city of Kyoto. Next, to the Kitano Shrine, one of the greatest shrines of Kyoto. End the day with a walk in Gion, Kyoto's most famous Geisha district; visit the shops, restaurants and tea houses where Geisha entertain

**Overnight:** Kyoto

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 8, Monday - Full Day in Kyoto**

The morning is at leisure for personal pursuits. In the afternoon, enjoy this stunning city on your own, or, embark on the *optional* tour to the 8th century Imperial capital of Nara by train. In this repository of Japan's cultural heritage, there are eight UNESCO World Heritage Sites and a wealth of historic treasures including some of Japan's oldest Buddhist temples. Arrive at the exquisite wooden Todai-ji Temple, home of the impressive *Daibutsu* (Great Buddha) bronze statue, rising over 50 feet high and visit the famous and beautiful Kasuga Grand Shrine displaying over 3,000 antique hanging

bronze and stone lanterns. Continue to Nara Park to see the over 1,000 tame deer roaming freely in the peaceful park. Tonight, gather together for a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant

**Optional:** Imperial Capital of Nara (PM)

**Overnight:** Kyoto

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

### **DAY 9, Tuesday - Depart Japan**

Transfer to the airport in Osaka for your departure flight

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **Shinagawa Prince Hotel, Tokyo**



This first class hotel is located at the southern point of the city, 2.8 miles from the Tokyo Tower and 1 mile from Sengaku-ji Temple.

#### **Hotel Details**

### **Courtyard by Marriott Shin-Osaka Station, Osaka**



This superior first class hotel is located close to Shin-Osaka Station.

#### **Hotel Details**

### **Kyoto Century Hotel, Kyoto**



This first class hotel is located a short walk away from Kyoto Station.

[Hotel Details](#)

Kyoto Tokyu Hotel, Kyoto



This first class hotel is a short drive away from Kyoto Station.

[Hotel Details](#)

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- \$50 per person for all airline seat reservations and baggage charges plus any airline fees.
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- \$75 per person to reissue any travel documents lost in the mail.
- \$100 per person to process insurance claims when travel insurance has not been purchased from this office.

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Days' Notice	90 or more	75-90	65-75	65-1
	Loss of Deposit and 50% loss of fare	75%	85%	100%

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