

# Spring Tour 2010 – Schedule Summary

March 27th – April 10th 2010



This tour includes the best of everything Japan has to offer. It is designed for newcomers to Japan who want first class hotels and follows a leisurely pace starting with 3 full days in Kyoto and Nara. There are no one night stays and your luggage is sent by courier between each location.

This is the most popular time to visit Japan. The delicate pink clouds of cherry blossom transform the temple gardens throughout the country. We also have a special chance to see the 'Miyako Odori' dancing Geisha in Kyoto, and dinner with a private Geisha performance in Tokyo.

All the details in the schedule and hotel accommodation will be reconfirmed 60 days before departure.

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### October Luxury Tour

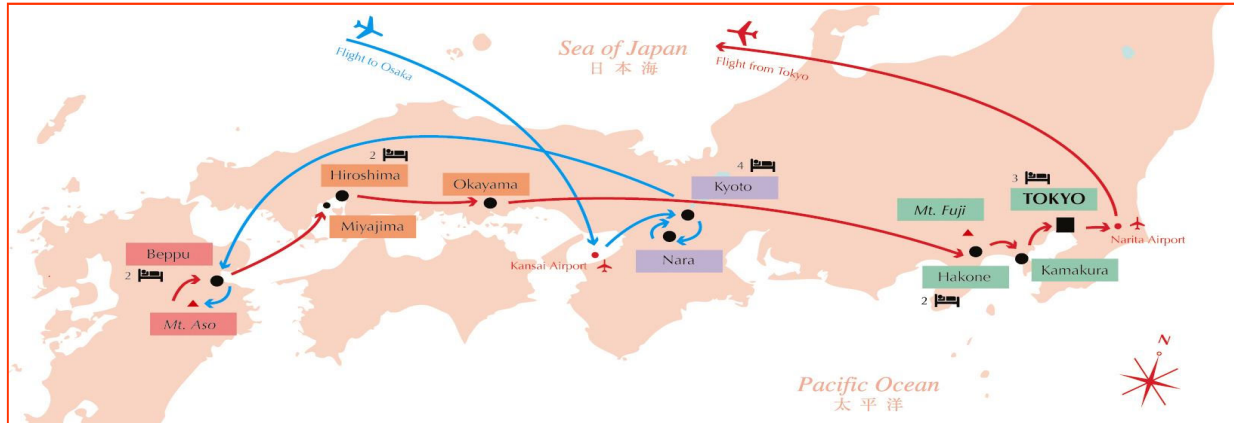
Featuring *Jidai* and *Kurama* fire festival in Kyoto

### November Luxury Tour

Featuring *Shichigosan* and illuminated *momiji* festival at Kiyomizudera temple

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**15 day tour to experience Japan's most spectacular locations**



Day	Suggested Schedule	Transport	Accommodation	Meals
1 Sat Mar 27th	All Nippon Airlines non-stop flight NH202 from Heathrow Airport Terminal 3, departing 19:00		Flight	D
2 Sun Mar 28th	Change in Tokyo for ANA flight NH2179, which we will board after customs and immigration, arriving at Osaka airport at 19:15 local time & reaching Kyoto about an hour later.	Coach	Kyoto Hotel	BL
3 Mon Mar 29th	We visit Gion home of the geisha before a walking tour of the temples and shrines around Maruyama Park. In the afternoon we go to the stilted Kiyomizudera and enjoy the views across and over Kyoto.	Walking / Taxi	Kyoto Hotel	B
4 Tues Mar 30th	The morning is spent at the Golden Temple and Ryoanji. In the afternoon we enjoy the seasonal spectacle of the dancing Geisha called the 'Miyako Odori'.	Coach	Kyoto Hotel	B
5 Weds Mar 31st	We spend a full day in Nara deer Park, visiting Todaiji Temple and the shrines on the wooded hillside.	Local Train Walking / Taxi	Kyoto Hotel	B
6 Thurs Apr 1st	Our first ride on Shinkansen (bullet train) takes us west and to Beppu. We see the devil's pools and try a sand bath in Japan's most famous hot spring town. Experience the hospitality and fantastic traditional food in our Japanese Inn.	Bullet Train Coach	Yufuin Japanese Inn	BD
7 Fri Apr 2nd	We visit Mount Aso taking our coach to the peak of the active volcano. From there we visit several vantage points to enjoy the spectacular views of the vast caldera surrounding it. After some free time in Yufuin we return to the ryokan to enjoy the hot spring baths in the evening before savouring the traditional cuisine.	Coach	Yufuin Japanese Inn	BD
8 Sat Apr 3rd	You have another opportunity to enjoy a traditional breakfast before the train journey back east towards Hiroshima. In the afternoon we spend the afternoon visiting the Atomic Dome and Peace Park.	Bullet Train Tram / Walking	Hiroshima Hotel	B
9 Sun Apr 4th	A leisurely day is spent on Miyajima island, visiting the famous temple and torii gate, with time to walk up to the island peak or browse through the village and shops.	Taxi / Train / Ferry/Cable car	Hiroshima Hotel	B
10 Mon Apr 5th	We stop by Okayama and the famous Korakuen, one of Japan's three famous stroll gardens, on our way to Hakone.	Bullet Train / Taxi	Hakone Hotel	BD
11 Tues Apr 6th	We have a day to enjoy the views of Mount Fuji. The 'Scenic' travel pass will allow us to take the cable car, tram and a steam boat ride on the lake.	Train/Cable Car/Steamer	Hakone Hotel	BD
12 Weds Apr 7th	We spend a few hours in Kamakura, visiting the giant buddha and enjoying views out to the Pacific Ocean, before our final destination, Tokyo.	Coach	Tokyo Hotel	B
13 Thurs Apr 8th	We drive through Ginza on our way to a walking tour of the Imperial Palace Gardens. After lunch we visit Tokyo's oldest temple, Asakusa Kannon. A boat on the Sumida river and a stroll through Hamarikyu gardens brings us back to our hotel. In the evening you will enjoy a special dinner with Private Geisha performance.	Coach / Walking / Boat	Tokyo Hotel	BD
14 Fri Apr 9th	An early morning at the Tokyo fish market before breakfast. After breakfast we visit Meiji Shrine and then explore the trendy Omotesando area. For the rest of the day you have the choice of sightseeing or you can take time to have your own adventure and make the most of the final chance for shopping.	Metropolitan train / Walking	Tokyo Hotel	B
15 Sat Apr 10th	We escort you to Narita airport and assist check-in on ANA Flight NH201 departing at 11:35 (non-stop) and arriving at Heathrow Airport at 16:00.	Airport Bus		BL