



Nishiki Market, Kyoto



Kenrokuen garden, Kanazawa

DAY 10 • Kanazawa • Home-Hosted Visit: Tea with a local family • Train to Kyoto

Enjoy a **Home-Hosted Visit** with a local family, sitting down for tea and a firsthand glimpse of Japanese life. Some of our hosts are accomplished tea ceremony masters, are skilled in Japanese calligraphy, cultivate *bonsai* trees, or fold *origami*. After, ride the rails to Kyoto, Japan's ancient imperial capital. This city remains an important cultural center today, and has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Meals: B,L,D | Hotel Vista Premio Kyoto Nagomitei or similar

DAY 11 • Kyoto • Arashiyama Bamboo Grove • Kinkakuji • Nijo Castle

Explore the Arashiyama Bamboo Grove before we visit Kinkakuji, the Temple of the Golden Pavilion. Then, visit Nijo Castle this afternoon.

Meals: B,L | Hotel Vista Premio Kyoto Nagomitei or similar

DAY 12 • Kyoto • Nara • Matcha tea experience

Explore Nara, visiting Todaiji Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and home to an awe-inspiring, 52-foot Buddha statue. You may even meet the tame and friendly "bowing" deer that roam here. Then,

visit a local tea company for a matcha tea-making demonstration and a hands-on experience of grinding your own green tea using a mill stone.

Meals: B,L,D | Hotel Vista Premio Kyoto Nagomitei or similar

DAY 13 • Kyoto • Zen Temple

Head to Senkoji Temple to practice Zen meditation with a monk.

Meals: B,L | Hotel Vista Premio Kyoto Nagomitei or similar

DAY 14 • Kyoto • Fushimi Inari Shrine • Meet a sushi chef

Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine this morning, one of Japan's most iconic sites. Comprised of a winding path of 10,000 vermilion *torii* (gates), the shrine snakes its way up a heavily forested mountain. Then, take part in a sushi-making lesson.

Meals: B,L,D | Hotel Vista Premio Kyoto Nagomitei or similar

DAY 15 • Return to U.S.

Transfer to the airport in Osaka for your flight home. Travelers taking our optional *Hiroshima: City of Peace* post-trip extension will transfer to Hiroshima by bullet train today, while travelers taking our optional *NEW! Osaka to Hiroshima by Bullet Train* post-trip extension will transfer to Osaka via private motorcoach.

Meals: B

ADVENTURE HIGHLIGHT



On Day 7, board the legendary *shinkansen*, or **bullet train**, and watch Japan's rolling countryside as you travel at speeds of up to 200 mph



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IT'S INCLUDED

- 3 nights accommodation
- 6 meals—3 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 1 dinner
- 2 small group activities
- Services of a local O.A.T. Trip Experience Leader
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers, and luggage porters
- All transfers

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Atomic Bomb Dome, Hiroshima, Japan

This destination is only available as a trip extension

Extend your discoveries of Japan in the lively international city of Hiroshima, a living monument to the human spirit after its total destruction.

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- Bullet train transfers from Kyoto to Hiroshima
- 3 nights accommodation
- 6 meals—3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, and 2 dinners
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ARRIVE EARLY

We recommend that you relax after a long flight or explore more in depth before your trip. Price shown includes accommodations and private airport transfer.

- Arrive early in **Tokyo** before your Tokyo pre-trip extension or your main adventure from **\$310** per room, per night



Shinjuku City