Japan Discovery - 9 nights – 10 days

Day	Destination
3 nights	Tokyo
2 nights	Kyoto
2 nights	Hiroshima
1 night	Himeji
1 night	Osaka

Day 1: DAY 1: ARRIVE IN TOKYO

‘Konnichiwa’ and welcome to dazzling, **futuristic Tokyo**, Japan’s incredible capital city. One of the most culturally rich cities on Earth, Tokyo is the kind of place where every day is a new adventure, and where no two neighborhoods are the same. Some are deeply connected to the past, all glowing lanterns and low-slung rustic buildings, whilst others only have eyes for the future. To say Tokyo is eclectic would be a disservice to a city that prides itself on having something for everyone. This evening, meet up with your Travel Director and fellow travelers for your first taste of Japanese cuisine.

Day 2: DAY 2: TOKYO

Tokyo’s got variety, and today you’ll see just that. Start with sky-high views from the Tokyo Metropolitan Observatory**,** then take a breather at the peaceful **Meiji Jingu Shrine**. Wander through **Asakusa**, shop for traditional treats along Nakamise Street, and **visit the centuries-old Sens?-ji Temple**.

(Senso-ji Temple glows at night in Asakusa, showcasing its vibrant red architecture and lantern-lit entrance.)

This afternoon, choose your own adventure:

- Explore Japan’s art, armor, and ancient treasures on a Choice Experience to the Tokyo National Museum, with bonus shopping time in Ameyoko and glitzy Ginza.
- Or join a foodie-favorite Choice Experience and master the art of takoyaki—Japan’s famous snack balls—before diving into a tasty spread of yakitori, ramen, edamame, and unlimited soft drinks.

Optional Experiences:

1. Tokyo National Museum, Ameyoko & Ginza
2. Takoyaki Making

Day 3: DAY 3: TOKYO – MT. FUJI – HAKONE - TOKYO

You may have seen glimpses of its snowcapped peaks, but today’s the day you get up close and personal when you **visit Mt. Fuji**, the highest volcano in Japan. Drive up to the Fuji Subaru Line 5th Station (weather permitting) and catch your breath as you take in the scenery from 2,300 meters above sea level. Enjoy spectacular **views of the Fuji Five Lakes** area below and some free time for lunch in the shadow of Mt. Fuji’s iconic peak.

(Mount Fuji rises majestically above a tranquil lake in Japan's Fuji Five Lakes region.)

Not done with incredible scenery just yet? **Opt for a ride on the Komagatake Ropeway** for equally impressive **views of Lake Ashi**, a crater-formed lake. On the drive back through Hakone, soak in the mountain landscapes and traditional buildings of this tranquil city getaway before returning to your hotel, where the evening is all yours to relax or explore the streets on your last night in Tokyo.

Day 4: DAY 4: TOKYO – KYOTO

Board the **bullet train this morning** and speed towards the atmospheric **city of Kyoto** at a staggering 320 kilometers per hour. Known for geishas, gorgeous temples, and traditional teahouses, Kyoto will undoubtedly charm you in an instant, then continue to impress on your **sightseeing tour this afternoon**. Starting at the iconic **Golden Pavilion of Kinkaku-ji**, gaze in wonder at this gold leaf-covered beauty that shines like a beacon above its reflecting pond.

(The stunning Kinkaku-ji Golden Pavilion shining above a serene pond in Kyoto, Japan.)

Heading on to the visually stunning **Heian-jingu Shrine**, discover the history of this Shinto masterpiece

and visit the **25-meter-high tori gate** that is equally, if not more beautiful than the shrine itself. From here it will be on to a **traditional handicraft centre** to browse the Japanese crafts, before finally arriving at your hotel. No doubt hungry from an action-packed day, dinner tonight will be at a local restaurant.

Day 5: DAY 5: KYOTO

Waking up this morning, the **day is free to explore** your way, and beautiful Kyoto is a prospect that will surely fill you with excitement. Perhaps start your day surrounded by lush greenery at the **Ginkaku-ji shrine**, or head over to the **Gion district** in the hopes of catching a glimpse of a geisha.

Think of yourself as something of a foodie? You're in the right place. Kyoto is a huge culinary destination where you can enjoy fresh sushi, steaming bowls of ramen, or creamy matcha ice cream to your heart's content, most likely at the Nishiki Market.

This morning, we imagine that you'll find our **optional visit to Nara** hard to resist. Known as a place that specializes in the art of bokusho (ink making), you'll watch talented artisans create these beautiful masterpieces and even have a go yourself before heading on to **Todaji Temple and Nara Park**, an area taken over by hundreds of cute, free-roaming deer.

(The magnificent Todai-ji Temple in Nara is home to the Great Buddha and one of Japan's most iconic landmarks.)

Keen to see a Kyoto icon? You could join our **optional trip** to the **Fushimi Inari Shrine**. It's instantly recognizable for its tunnel of thousands of orange vermilion tori gates stretching upwards through a thickly wooded mountain towards the shrine.

Optional Experiences:

1. Nara Visit and Ink Making Experience
2. Fushimi Inari Shrine and Kiyomizu Temple
3. Traditional Tea in Wazuka Village

4. Japanese BBQ Experience with Unlimited Drinks

Day 6: DAY 6: KYOTO - KURASHIKI – HIROSHIMA

Leaving Kyoto behind, your first stop today will be **Kurashiki**, where you'll meet up with a Local Guide for a **sightseeing tour** of the historic **Bikan Quarter**. With black-and-white warehouses converted into contemporary museums, old wooden houses, and winding laneways, this area exudes a timeless elegance. You'll learn stories about the trading history of the district before heading on to Hiroshima, a place that needs little introduction and a city where peace and hope resound.

(Visitors stroll along the picturesque canal of Kurashiki Bikan Historical Quarter in Okayama Prefecture, famous for its preserved Edo-era architecture and charming atmosphere.)

Destroyed beyond recognition on the 6th August 1945 by the world's first atomic bomb attack, **Hiroshima** respectfully remembers its catastrophic past while looking to the future with optimism. It's a thriving cosmopolitan city with a lot to offer, including its delicious cuisine.

Day 7: DAY 7: HIROSHIMA – ITSUKUSHIMA SHRINE – HIROSHIMA

Today's **Hiroshima sightseeing tour** will begin with a **ferry ride** across the beautiful **Seto Inland Sea**, bound for the island of Miyajima. Considered one of Japan's most scenic spots, this is where you'll visit the 12th-century **Itsukushima Shrine** and see the famous orange tori gate, which appears to float above the sea.

(Experience the iconic floating torii gate of Itsukushima Shrine, one of Japan's most photographed landmarks.)

Heading back to Hiroshima, it will be on to the quiet, leafy space of the **Peace Memorial Park**. Dotted with memorials and tranquil spaces for reflection, visit the cenotaph displaying the names of all those who lost their lives in the catastrophe before heading on to the **Memorial Museum**. Exhibits such as ragged clothes, a melted lunchbox, and a watch frozen in time at 8.15 am bring home the horror of a day that changed history forever. Your tour will end at the **UNESCO-listed Peace Memorial**, the only building in the city to survive the bomb. This afternoon, perhaps **opt to join the 'Secrets of Hiroshima'** Choice Experience.

Optional Experiences:

1. Secrets of Hiroshima

Day 8: DAY 8: HIROSHIMA – HIMEJI

Heading on from Hiroshima, this morning you'll **journey on to Himeji**, a city best known for its beautiful and fairy tale-esque 400-year-old castle. After some **free time for lunch** and **exploring the city** your way, this **afternoon** you'll meet up with a Local Guide to visit the UNESCO-listed castle.

(The majestic Himeji Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage Site in Japan, is admired for its striking white exterior and beautifully preserved feudal architecture.)

Known as the **White Heron Castle**, this site is widely considered Japan's most spectacular castle, and looking up at its vast size, beauty, and stunning gardens, it won't be hard to see why. Learn about its history before heading on to your hotel for an **evening free** to spend however you choose.

Day 9: DAY 9: HIMEJI – OSAKA

On the last full day of your Japan tour package, perhaps start with a **visit to a sake brewery** led by your Local Guide. Made with a combination of quality rice, clean water, koji mould, and yeast, sake is the drink that complements just about anything in Japan. Learn about its history and brewing process before heading on to the **final destination of your Japanese adventure, Osaka**, a spirited and liberal city.

(Daimon Brewery in Katano City, Osaka Prefecture, is renowned for producing premium Japanese sake using traditional brewing techniques.)

With an **afternoon free to explore** your way, explore this neon sign-loving metropolis or take advantage

of our Choice Experience to the Umeda Sky Building and Osaka Castle. Standing at 170 meters tall, admire the views of the city from the Floating Garden Observatory before heading on to the striking castle to delve into the rich collection of paintings, samurai costumes, and historical artefacts that are housed within its walls.

This evening, and to see out your trip in style, you can opt to join a foodie inspired experience to Namba, Osaka's dining and entertainment hub, for a final feast of local delights.

Optional Experiences:

1. Umeda Sky Building & Osaka Castle
2. Dinner in Dotonbori

Day 10: DAY 10: OSAKA

Culturally satisfied after your incredible Japan journey. Leave with big smiles courtesy of Japan's faultless hospitality. Say sayonara to your fellow travelers.

Highlights

Discover the wonders of Japan on this immersive **10-day journey**, starting in vibrant Tokyo with highlights such as Sens?-ji Temple and Meiji Shrine, then visiting iconic Mount Fuji and scenic Hakone. Continue by bullet train to cultural Kyoto, explore historic Hiroshima and Itsukushima Shrine, then visit Himeji and conclude in lively Osaka, offering a perfect blend of tradition, history, and modern innovation.

Hotels

Hotels:

No. of Nights	Cities	Hotels
3	Tokyo	Shinjuku Washington Hotel Main or similar
2	Kyoto	Kyoto Tower Hotel Annex or similar
2	Hiroshima	Hiroshima Tokyo Rei or similar
1	Himeji	Hotel Nikko or similar
1	Osaka	Hankyu Respire Osaka or similar

Price in INR (USD 3,950) (RoE: 1 USD = 95 INR)

STARTING FROM INR 3,75,801 PER PERSON ON TWIN BASIS

Departure Dates

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Dates	Months
18	Apr.26
13	Jun.26
04	Jul.26
15	Aug.26
05	Sep.26
03	Oct.26
07	Nov.26
12	Dec.26

Tour Includes

- 9 nights’ accommodation at the selected hotel category
- Daily breakfast at the hotel
- Round-trip airport transfers
- All tours and transfers on a Private Basis (Depends on pax size)

- Services of an English-speaking guide
- Sightseeing specified as per the itinerary

Tour Excludes

- Airfares/Airlines taxes
- Visa
- Travel Insurance
- Meals (unless specified)
- Peak/festival period surcharge
- Beverages NOT included in the quotation
- Entrance Fee (unless specified)
- Driver & Guide Tipping
- Room service
- Early Check-in/ Late Check-out
- Luggage truck & Porter
- 5% GST & 2% TCS (The 2% TCS can be claimed by the guest while filing their ITR.)