

## Saturday - Day 1 (October 1, 2016)

## Arrival in Tokyo, Youkoso!



Leave home city on Friday, Sep 30 for arrival at Tokyo's Narita Airport on Saturday, Oct 1. Attendees book their international airline of choice.

Ms. Jean Wei (ticketing agent) based in LA can assist with booking your airline ticket.

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Welcome dinner with traditional Japanese cuisine.

*Hotel New Otani, D*

## Sunday - Day 2 (October 2, 2016)

## CE, Old to New



**BREAKFAST:** International breakfast buffet included for both doctor and travel companion for the entire trip.

**LECTURES:** Morning

**AFTERNOON:** Visit Asakusa, for a feel of old Tokyo, including Sensoji Temple, Tokyo's most famous and popular temple, built in the 7th century and reconstructed after World War II; Asakusa Shrine, built during the Edo Period; and the Nakamise shopping street. Then tour the Imperial Palace, located on the former site of Edo Castle which was the seat of the Tokugawa shogun who ruled Japan from 1603 to 1867. Jump to today's luxury Japan, with a visit to the Ginza District, including the Sony Building showroom of the latest electronics, Paris-based Printemps department store, and the Mitsukoshi department store which opened in 1930.

*Hotel New Otani, B L*

## Monday - Day 3 (October 3, 2016)

## CE, Sea to Sky



**EARLY MORNING:** Rise early to see the tuna auction at the Tsukiji Fish Market, one of the world's largest fish markets.

**LECTURES:** Morning

**AFTERNOON:** Experience a Tea Ceremony, visit the Meiji Shrine dedicated to the first emperor of modern Japan, and then view the panorama of Tokyo from the Roppongi Hills City View observation deck at the top of the 54-story Mori Tower, along with the contemporary and international Mori Art Museum.

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## Tuesday - Day 4 (October 4, 2016)

## Scenic Japan



**MORNING:** After breakfast, ride a chartered coach from Tokyo to Hakone, part of the Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park famous for hot springs, natural scenery, and the view of Mt. Fuji. Board a pirate ship to sightsee around Lake Ashinoko.

**AFTERNOON:** If open, take the Hakone Ropeway and walking trail in the Owakudani Valley, an area around the crater formed during the last eruption of Mt. Hakone some 3,000 years ago. Visit Hakone Shrine at the foot of Mt. Hakone along the shores of Lake Ashi.

*The Prince Hakone Lake Ashinoko Hotel, B D*

**Wednesday - Day 5 (October 5, 2016)****Mt. Fuji**

**MORNING:** After breakfast, ride a chartered coach from Hakone to Mt. Fuji, at 3,776 meters Japan's highest mountain and still active volcano, which last erupted in 1708. A scenic road up the northern slope goes to the Fuji Subaru Line 5th Station, approximately halfway from the base to the summit. At 2,300 meters, the 5th Station provides a view of the Fuji Five Lakes area below and offers restaurants, shops and provisions for climbers heading higher. The Fuji Visitor Center includes a museum about the formation, ecology and history of Mt. Fuji.

**LATE AFTERNOON:** Ride the shinkansen, Japan's bullet train, to Kyoto, and sample a bento box dinner.

*Kyoto Tokyu Hotel, B D*

**Thursday - Day 6 (October 6, 2016)****CE, Classical Kyoto**

**LECTURES:** Morning

**AFTERNOON:** Tour the grounds of the Imperial Palace, the residence of the Imperial Family until relocation to Tokyo in 1868, and Tenryu-ji Temple, ranked first among Kyoto's five great zen temples and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Walk through Arashiyama's famous bamboo forest.

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**Friday - Day 7 (October 7, 2016)****CE, Gods and Geishas**

**LECTURES:** Morning

**AFTERNOON:** Visit Kiyomizudera, one of the most celebrated temples of Japan and a World Heritage Site, which derives its name from the pure waters of the Otowa Waterfall. Take to heart, figuratively but not literally, the meaning of the phrase, "leaping from the veranda of Kiyomizu". Stroll the preserved historic streets of the surrounding Higashiyama District, including the Sannenzaka steps and Ninenzaka steps, while sampling all sorts of traditional desserts. While away dusk and evening in Gion, Kyoto's most famous geisha district, replete with shops, restaurants, and teahouses in traditional wooden machiya merchant houses.

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**Saturday - Day 8 (October 8, 2016)****Shrines and Shoguns**

**MORNING:** Witness the thousand-torii gates of the Fushimi Inari Shrine, dedicated to the Shinto god of rice. Gaze at the zen temple, Kinkaku-ji, or Golden Temple. Explore Nijo Castle, a World Heritage Site built in 1603 as the Kyoto residence of the first shogun of the Edo Period,

**LATE AFTERNOON:** Ride the shinkansen to Tokyo.

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Depart from Japan via Narita Airport.

*Itinerary subject to change.*



## 20 Hours of COPE CE

**Registration Fee: \$1000 per OD**

**Program Package Price: \$4500 per person\***

Includes: luxury accommodations, 14 out of 23 meals, gratuities, travel within Japan, and all tour activities

Not included: international air to/from Japan, visa/passport service, personal services

*\*Pricing based on double occupancy*

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