

# 11 days Splendid Japan plus Hokkaido 2019: Weekly Friday arrival for a min party of 2

# Day01 Arrive Tokyo

Arrival into Tokyo Narita International Airport, where the representative of Amaztravel will bring you to the hotel (hours of shuttle operation 10:30-21:30). Your local guide will be present to assist with the hotel check in. If you miss the last shuttle (depart at 22:30), please proceed to

hotel on your own expenses. For guests arriving at Haneda Airport, please make own arrangement to Hotel.

Accommodation: Narita Hilton Hotel or similar

# Day02 Tokyo Sightseeing

After breakfast, transport to the Imperial Palace - residence of the royal family of Tokyo. Visit to the Nijubashi Bridge (which means the double bridge). Then proceed to Senso-ji

Buddhist Temple in historic Asakusa district. The Nakamise-Dori Street is the main approach to this ancient temple, and all along the road are traditional shop fronts for souvenir items and snacks. Then visit to Meiji Shrine, raised in the midst of a manmade primeval forest, to honor the memory of Emperor Meiji and Empress Shoken. Next, visit the Tokyo Tower (Exclude Admission Fee). We will conclude the day's tour with a visit to the Ginza where Tokyo's most famous department stores, entertainment district, boutiques, art galleries, restaurants, night clubs and cafes.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Tokyo Prince Hotel, Toshi Center Hotel or similar

### Day03 Tokyo - Hakone - Hamamatsu

After breakfast, we will head toward the foothills of Fuji Mountain, you will take a boat ride on the Lake Ashi, Lake Ashi also referred to as Hakone Lake or Ashinoko Lake. Next visit to Five Lakes District. Visit to Oshino Hakkai, a historic natural attraction comprising eight ponds that are all that remain of a former sixth lake dried up several hundred years ago. Next proceed on to Peace Park, established in 1955 to commemorate the atomic bombing of the city on August 9, 1945, final moments of World War II. Tonight, we will dine on local delicacies of the traditional multi-course Japanese dinner, or buffet. Enjoy all the facilities of the hotel and the varieties of hot springs spa.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Hamanako Royal Hotel or similar

#### Day04 Hamamatsu-Kyoto

After breakfast we will visit a jewelry workshop and see the work of the craftsmen. Then you will transfer to Kyoto, visit Temple of the Golden Pavilions, actually a pagoda made to house the sacred relics of the Buddha—has given this temple the popular name of Kinkaku-ji.Next, we will proceed to Gion. Gion is Kyoto's most famous geisha district, it is filled with shops, restaurants and ochaya (teahouses). The most popular area of Gion is

Hanami-koji Street from Shijo Avenue to Kenninji Temple. The street and its side alleys are lined with preserved machiya houses many of which now function as restaurants.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Rihga Royal Hotel, Crystal Hotel III or

similar

#### Day05 Kyoto - Osaka

After breakfast, we will visit to the UNESCO World Heritage Site. Kiyomizu-dera a Buddhist temple founded in 778AD, and its present buildings were constructed in 1633 by order of Tokugawa Iemitsu. In the afternoon, we will proceed to Fushimi-Inari Taisha. Fushimi Inari Shrine is an important Shinto shrine in southern Kyoto. The highlight of the shrine is the rows of torii gates this is called Senbon torii. In the afternoon we will proceed to Todai-Ji in Nara. Todai-



ji is currently still the largest all-wooden structure in the world. Following, we will arrive at Shinsaibashi in Osaka for some shopping. Dotonbori filled with theaters, restaurants bars, cafe and night is nearby please enjoying at your leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Star Gate Hotel Kansai, Hotel Nikko

Kansai or similar

Day06 Osaka- Sapporo

After breakfast, you will take a morning flight to Sapporo Chitose Airport. where the representative of Amaztravel will collect and deliver you to the hotel. Today is a free day for you to enjoy Sapporo at your own leisure.

**Meals: Breakfast** 

Accommodation: Tokyu Rei Hotel Sapporo or similar

# Day07 Sapporo- Biei -Sounkyo

After breakfast, the guided Hokkaido tour begins with an excursion to Furano, to visit Tomita Farm. There you will find over 150 types of flowers and plants, in heavenly array. The excursion continues on to Biei, with scenic landscape all along the drive. For lunch, a spread of Furano



specialities. After lunch, visit to the colorful Shikisai No Oka, with its wealth of seasonal flower blossoms. In the late afternoon, arrival at Mount Kurodake, Sounyo, and check in at hotel.

Meals:Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Accommodation: Sounkyo Kankou Hotel or similar

Day08 Sounkyo - Abashiri - Gun - Akankohan

After breakfast, transport to Sounkyo Valley. Sightseeing at the two beautiful cascades of Ginga Waterfall and Ryusei Waterfall in the valley of Oobako. Continue to Abashiri and, en route, visit the Ryuhyo Museum. This museum houses a simulated drift ice experience in a space maintained at - 15c°so you can meet the small creature called 'sea angel' which can only be found under the drift ice of Hokkaido. Next, sightseeing of Lake Mashu, said to be the clearest lake in the world. Proceed to Lake Kussharo, where according to rumor a sea monster once lived. Onward to the hotel, and check in.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: New Akan Hotel or similar

## Day9 Akankohan-Tokachi-Gawa

After breakfast, enjoy a cruise on Lake Akan to explore the scenic shoreline that offers up

remarkable views in every season. Continue to Kushiroshi Tanchozuru Natural Park inhabited by the iconic red-crown crane. Proceed to Tokachi, check in to hotel. The evening meal will feature Toyonishi beef and variety of seasonal vegetables.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Grandvrio Hotel or similar

# Day10 Tokachi-Gawa-Toyako-Jozankei

After breakfast, visit to Jigokudani, the so-called 'Hell Valley.' Its landscape is a vast expanse of hot steam vents, sulfurous streams and other such volcanic activity. For lunch, a delicious Japanese seafood hotpot or bento. The afternoon will feature a visit to Bear Park to see the

charismatic Ussuri Brown Bears. Afterwards, a ride along the Usuzan Cableway with its panoramic views of Showa-shinzan, and a close-up view of the Showa-Shinzan volcano. Back to the hotel, to enjoy a dinner of local delicacies.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Jozankei View Hotel or similar

## Day11 Jozankei-Otaru-Sapporo- Home

After breakfast, visit the Otaru Canal for a pleasant stroll along the walkway under the Victorian street lamps. Continuing on, you will discover the Kitaichi Glass Pavilion, where Kitaichi glass has been made since 1901. Here there are several stores and art galleries to peruse. If you wish, you may experience the making of the Kitaichi glass in the workshops. Then it is time to transfer to Chitose airport for your flight home, recollecting on all the wonderful memories of your trip. (Please arrange departure flight after 13:30PM)

**Meals: Breakfast** 

Land package: CAD3880 per person (based on twin/double sharing)

Single supplement: CAD1840 Subject to high season surcharge

#### **Price Includes**

Narita 1 night, Narita Hilton Hotel or similar.

Tokyo 1 night: Tokyo Prince Hotel, Toshi Center Hotel or similar

Shizuoka 1 night, Hamanako Royal Hotel or similar.

Kyoto 1 night, Rihga Royal Hotel, Crystal Hotel III or similar

Osaka 1 night, Star Gate Hotel Kansai, Hotel Nikko Kansai or similar.

Sapporo 1 night, Tokyu Rei Hotel Sapporo or similar

Sounkyo 1 night, Sounkyo Kankou Hotel or similar

Lake Akan 1 night, New Akan Hotel or similar

Tokachi 1 night, Grandvrio Hotel or similar

Jozankei 1 night, Jozankei View Hotel or similar

Domestic flight, Osaka - Sapporo.(Exclude expenses on luggage transportation, \$25/luggage)

All transfers, sightseeing per itinerary in air-conditioned motor coach.

English-speaking tour guide for the entire portion of your scheduled trip.

23 meals: 10 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 5 dinners.

Administration & Entrance fees as per itinerary.

#### **Price Excludes**

International flights Canada - Tokyo, Sapporo - Canada.

Airline taxes & fuel surcharges

Exclude expenses on luggage transportation from Osaka - Sapporo, USD25/luggage

Optional tours and Extension Tours. Personal expenditure

Prepaid gratuities to tour guides and drivers: CAD210 p/p

Airport Shuttle transfer are NOT included in the itinerary.

