



something for **LADIES**

16 DAYS / 15 NIGHTS - SMALL GROUP JOURNEY

From \$10,663* pp twin share

Explore the remarkable culture and customs of Japan, a land steeped in mythical traditions and modern wonders. Discover neon-lit Tokyo and stunning Mt Fuji; the beauty of Takayama and the spirituality of Kyoto

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

Explore Modern Tokyo and Asakusa, Tokyo's Old Town
View stunning Mount Fuji | Ride the world-famous Shinkansen bullet train | Visit the Miyagawa morning market
Visit UNESCO World Heritage Site, Shirakawago
Visit a Gesshin temple for a Japanese tea ceremony
Sit down for a special dinner with a traditional Geisha
15 breakfasts | 9 Lunches | 2 Dinners



DAY 1: WED 7 NOV 2018 ARRIVE TOKYO

Transfer to Hotel on arrival.

DAY 2: THURS 8 NOV 2018 TOKYO

Today we begin our exploration of Tokyo by visiting Meiji Shrine then strolling down the adjacent Omotesando shopping street and continue to the Roppongi Hills Observation Deck. Finish the day's activities by heading across town to Asakusa, Tokyo's old town where you can soak up the atmosphere of what Tokyo must have been like hundreds of years ago.

DAY 3: FRI 9 NOV 2018 TOKYO

Choose your own activity today, explore Tokyo at your leisure, or take an optional day excursion to Nikko

DAY 4: SAT 10 NOV 2018 TOKYO – HAKONE

This morning we travel to Hakone where our first stop will be the Hakone shrine. This shinto shrine was very popular among Samurai during the twelfth century and is hidden away in a dense forest. In fact the shrine is so well hidden that it would be easy to miss were it not for its magnificent torii gates.

After lunch, we travel to Hakonemachi where we will board a Pirate Boat taking us to Togendai, both are ports on the shores of Lake Ashi, which is an enormous volcanic crater created by an eruption 3,000 years ago.

DAY 5: SUN 11 NOV 2018 HAKONE - TAKAYAMA

Today we will ride the world-famous Shinkansen bullet train, which reaches speeds of up to 300km/h.

We then change onto the Limited Express Hida Wideview for the one of the most scenic train journeys in Japan, winding our way through tall mountains and stunning gorges to Takayama.

DAY 6: MON 12 NOV 2018 TAKAYAMA

Visit Miyagawa morning market, one of Japan's biggest morning markets with stalls selling various local crafts and produce. This is a great opportunity to try some of the region's delicious fruit and vegetables as the only people allowed to set up a stall are independent farmers and craftsmen.

We then head over to Takayama Jinya, also known as the Historical Government House. After lunch, we visit the Festival Floats museum, displaying the ornamental floats from the famous Takayama festival. The walk there will lead us through Takayama's beautifully preserved old town, where we will find breweries and tea houses that have been in business for centuries.

DAY 7: TUES 13 NOV 2018 TAKAYAMA – SHIRAKAWAGO - KANAZAWA

Today we will visit the village of Shirakawago located midway between Takayama and Kanazawa. It is famous for its traditional gassho-zukuri farmhouses, some of which are more than 250 years old and were declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1995.

DAY 8: WED 14 NOV 2018 KANAZAWA

Today we will visit Omicho Market, Kenroku-en Garden and then continue your journey on foot to the 21st Century Art Museum. In the Nagamachi district we will first witness a demonstration of the centuries-old Yuzen silk painting technique at a Yuzenkan followed by a visit to the Nomura Samurai House, a traditional Japanese home with tea-ceremony room, an interior courtyard garden and artifacts from the Edo period.

DAY 9: THURS 15 NOV 2018 KANAZAWA - KYOTO

We travel to Kyoto today but the true highlight is this evening as we sit down for a special dinner with a traditional Geisha. We will have a chance to ask the Geisha questions about their world, as well as play traditional drinking games. This is a special night of food, drink, traditional entertainment, and great photo opportunities.

DAY 10: FRI 16 NOV 2018 KYOTO – HIROSHIMA

Today we depart to the city of Hiroshima by high speed bullet train where we will visit the Peace Memorial Park. In the afternoon, we board a ferry to the island of Miyajima where we will find the most photographed site in Japan; The Floating Torii Gate which has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site is considered one of Japan's '3 Most Beautiful Views'.

DAY 11: SAT 17 NOV 2018 HIROSHIMA – KYOTO

The high speed bullet train will take us to Kyoto today, where we will visit Nijo castle, The Golden Pavillion, Tenryuji temple and Nonomiya shrine.

DAY 12: SUN 18 NOV 2018 KYOTO – NARA - KYOTO

During the eighth century Nara was Japan's capital for 74 years and many of the temples and shrines built at that time still stand today. From Nara we will travel to the Fushimi ward in Kyoto, visiting the Fushimi Inari Shrine. Featured in the movie *Memoirs of a Geisha*, this shrine is known for its thousands of red torii gates leading up and through the sacred forest of Mount Inari and has been voted number one must see spot in Kyoto by visitors.

DAY 13: MON 19 NOV 2018 KYOTO

Enjoy today at leisure.

DAY 14: TUES 20 NOV 2018 KYOTO - OSAKA

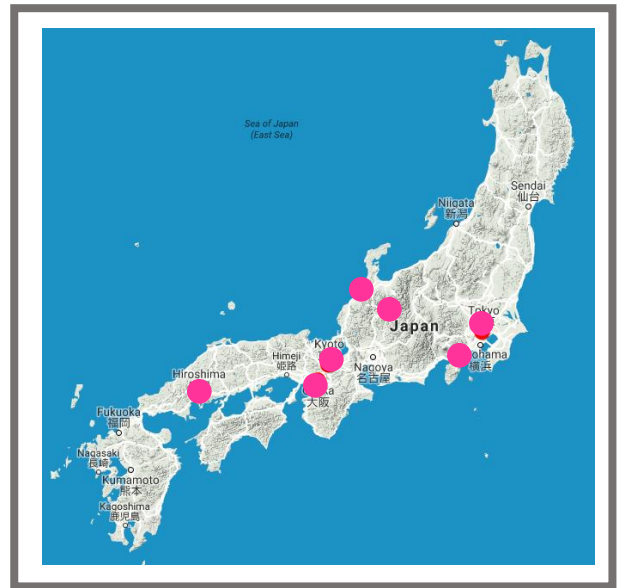
We begin our exploration with a visit to Osaka Castle and the bustling district of Dotonbori, a former pleasure district turned restaurant mecca that runs parallel to the Dotonbori canal. A place that never really closes as many of its restaurants and bars stay open until the early morning, and the streets remain lit all through the night by hundreds of neon lights and mechanized signs.

DAY 15: WED 21 NOV 2018 DEPART OSAKA

Spend the morning at leisure before our departure transfer to the airport

DAY 16: THURS 22 NOV 2018 ARRIVE ADELAIDE

Welcome Home!





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