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*From the ancient shrines in Tokyo to the endless beauty of
Mount Fuji, uncover the heritage of the Land of the Rising Sun!*

12 DAY TOUR

DEPARTURE DATE

SEP 23rd, 2025

Toronto

C\$ **7399**

Single Supp.

C\$ **1599**



**'Early Bird Discount' of
CAD 200 until Mar 31st, 2025**



TOUR SUMMARY:

Get ready for an exciting journey through Japan's cultural treasures. Your trip starts in Tokyo, where you'll delve into the storied past of the Meiji Jingu Shrine, experience the bustling atmosphere of the Tsukiji Fish Market, and absorb the historical charm of Senso-ji Temple. The tour then takes you to Mount Fuji, where you'll enjoy a peaceful boat ride on Lake Kawaguchi, take a cable car up the Mt. Fuji Panoramic Ropeway for stunning views, and explore the picturesque Arakurayama Sengen Park and Oshino Hakkai before a relaxing night in Hakone. The next day, you'll venture to Takayama, where the Morning Market and Kusakabe Folk Museum await your exploration. The following day, unveil the enchanting village of Shirakawa-go and the captivating Gasshozukuri Minkaen Outdoor Museum before you end your day in Kanazawa. From here, you travel to Kyoto, which leads you to the natural splendour of Arashiyama, Kinkaku-ji Temple, and the Fushimi Inari Shrine. Before concluding this remarkable tour, you visit the Osaka Castle, a prominent landmark in Osaka. The last day bids farewell in Osaka, and you return to your home, carrying cherished memories of this Japan tour.



TOUR LODGING INFO:

10 Nights' Accommodation + 01 Night on board flight
Accommodation will be provided on a twin sharing basis

CITY	NIGHTS	STANDARD HOTELS
Tokyo	03 Nights	Shibuya Tokyo REI Hotel / The B Ginza
Hakone	01 Night	Tokinoyu Setsugetsuka
Takayama	02 Nights	Tokyu Stay Hida Takayama Musubinoyu
Kanazawa	01 Night	Mitsui Garden Hotel Kanazawa
Kyoto	02 Nights	Hotel Intergate Kyoto Shijo Shinmachi
Osaka	01 Night	Shin-Osaka EsakaTokyu REI Hotel

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Discover the rich history and spiritual essence of the iconic Senso-ji Temple in Tokyo
- Soak in the beauty of Lake Kawaguchi and ride the Mt. Fuji Panoramic Ropeway
- Experience the relaxing atmosphere of Hakone in a ryokan with hot spring pools
- Sail on a Japanese Yakatabune boat and enjoy the view of the Togetsukyo Bridge
- Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, known for its thousands of vermilion torii gates in Kyoto
- Enjoy shopping at Shinsaibashi District, a vibrant retail hub in the city of Osaka

TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- International flights from Toronto
- 10 Night's accommodation at listed hotels or similar
- Daily buffet breakfast at the hotel
- 01 Special Dinner as per itinerary
- Arrival and departure transfers with private bus
- Transportation as per detailed itinerary by private bus
- Services of English-speaking guide daily from 9 AM to 5 PM
- Entrance fees as per itinerary
- All locally applicable taxes

TOUR PACKAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Items of a personal nature, tips & gratuities
- Optional tours
- Baggage fees may apply and vary by carrier
- International airfare for land only passengers
- Items not mentioned as included

TOUR ITINERARY:

DAY 01: TORONTO - TOKYO

Today make your own way to the airport to depart on your overnight flight to Japan. Enjoy in-flight meals and services. Overnight onboard

DAY 02: TOKYO ARRIVAL

Welcome to Tokyo! Upon arrival at Narita International Airport today, you will be met by our representative and assisted to board transfer to your hotel (standard Check-In time is 14:00 hrs. Early check-in is subject to availability). Spend the rest of the day at leisure
Overnight in Tokyo

DAY 03: TOKYO

(B/-/-)

After breakfast, start your Tokyo city tour from Meiji Jingu, a shrine built in 1920 to commemorate Emperor Meiji and Empress Shoken. Although located in Tokyo's bustling city center, just a few minutes' walk away from Harajuku, the shrine's surrounding forest creates a peaceful, tranquil vibe. If you happen to enter from the Yoyogi entrance, you can see a massive torii gate standing in the road leading to the main shrine. In addition to making offerings and praying at the main shrine, just like the locals do, you can also visit the Meiji Jingu Museum to see the treasures from the shrine's collection. Perhaps there is no better place to learn about Japan's culinary culture in Tokyo than the centrally located Tsukiji Outer Fish Market. Dating all the way back to the Edo Period, it was moved to the current location after the Great Kanto Earthquake of 1923. Around 400 shops and restaurants are crammed into the narrow

lanes here, trading all kinds of fresh and dried seafood, traditional snacks, and cooking ingredients. Roam around the market as your guide explains Japan's culinary culture and stop at a restaurant to try some fresh seafood for breakfast or lunch if you wish. Step into the East Gardens of the Imperial Palace, the only place open to the public in the palace. The garden sits on the grounds of the former Edo Castle, featuring seasonal flowers, lush green lawns, water features, teahouses, and guardhouses. You can also take in the sight of the double-arched Nijubashi Bridge, which originally was built with wood but later rebuilt with steel. Please note East Gardens of the Imperial Palace closes on Monday and Friday. Afterward, visit Senso-ji Temple, one of Tokyo's most significant Buddhist temples with a history dating back to the 7th century. After slipping past the giant lanterns on the Kaminarimon, which is the outer gate of the temple, stroll along the lively Nakamise-dori, a 250-meter-long street lined by shops bursting with traditional souvenirs, snacks, and sweets. Then, arrive at the second gate Hozomon, beyond which stands the temple's main hall and a five-story pagoda. You can pray to the Kannon enshrined in the main hall just like the locals do, pick up an omikuji (random fortunes written on strips of paper), and get a temple seal stamp at the Yokodo located next to the main hall. Overnight at Tokyo.

DAY 04: TOKYO (B/-/-)

Today is yours to explore this charming city at your own pace. Apart from numerous historic spots, you can step into some popular neighbourhoods for a glimpse of Japanese daily life. Ramble around the Harajuku district - the centre of teenage fashion and cosplay culture or enjoy shopping at Ginza where the streets are lined up with high-end fashion boutiques, art galleries, and designer brand stores. Overnight at Tokyo

Optional tour: Full day Tokyo city tour Tokyo Skytree, Shibuya Castle, Team Lab – Approx 06 hrs: CAD 265 Per Person (Based on Min 08 pax travelling)
Includes: Private Transportation, services of English-Speaking Guide, Entrance charges.

Start at Team Lab, an interactive art exhibition on the island that gives new meaning to the term "modern art"-be prepared to follow art as it moves along the walls. The nearby Miraikan Museum (officially the National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation) is a fantastic place to learn about everything in future tech in a fun and interactive way. In the afternoon, visit Tokyo Skytree. It was completed in 2011,



offering some fantastic views of the city from the tower itself and boasting also a large shopping complex, planetarium, and aquarium to enjoy as well. We recommend heading up until the Tembo Deck in the Skytree to make the best of the 360-degree view of Tokyo. Afterward, you can get some souvenir shopping done in the many shops that are part of the tower complex (make sure to check out some of the shops selling locally made Japanese goods!). Before back to the hotel, have fun in Shibuya Crossing, the world's busiest crosswalk. The best way to experience it is to follow the crowd, dodging people, crossing from side to side and corner to corner. With its many stores like Shibuya 109, karaoke bars, and Izakaya pubs, it's a great place to enjoy late into the night.

Optional tour: Authentic Sumo Experience and enjoy meal – Approx 04 hrs: CAD 335 Per Person (Based on Min 06 pax travelling)

Includes: Private transportation, services of English-Speaking Guide, Entrance charges, Lunch or Dinner

There are three sumo shows held every day from noon to night. Enjoy an impressive sumo show performed by former sumo wrestlers right in front of your eyes. Explanations will be provided in easy-to-understand terms in Japanese and English. A set of delicious chicken chanko nabe Japanese food set supervised by a former sumo wrestler and one drink! When you leave, you will receive an original souvenir and a photo with a former sumo wrestler.



DAY 05: TOKYO – MT FUJI – HAKONE (B/-/D)

Enjoy your breakfast, and later, meet your local guide at the hotel lobby. Depart for Mount Fuji. Upon arrival, aboard a cruise on Lake Kawaguchi and appreciate Mt. Fuji from a distance. Afterward, take the Mt. Fuji Panoramic Ropeway to an observation deck near the peak of Mount Tenjo for a panoramic view of the lake below and Mt. Fuji. In the afternoon, drive to Arakurayama Sengen Park, where you can capture its beautiful pagoda with Mount Fuji as a backdrop. Immerse in the beauty of Oshino Hakkai, a set of eight ponds fed by snow melt from the slopes of nearby Mount Fuji. After the tour, transfer to Hakone and overnight in a ryokan with hot spring pools. Dinner is served in your hotel. Overnight at Hakone

DAY 06: HAKONE – TAKAYAMA BY TRAIN (B/-/-)

After breakfast, you will meet the driver/guide at the hotel reception and will be transferred to Odawara Station (Hakone), from where you'll board the Shinkansen to Nagoya Station (1h20min) and then change Express Train to Takayama Station (2h50min). Upon arrival in Takayama, you will meet the driver/guide and will be transferred to the hotel and have the rest of the day at leisure. Overnight in Takayama

DAY 07: TAKAYAMA (B/-/-)

Post breakfast, start your day at the Morning Market, where you can mingle with the locals, get a close look at their daily lives, and stop at stands selling local crafts, snacks, and fresh produce. Then, move on to Nakabashi, a traditional-styled crimson bridge spanning over the Miyagawa River with a dreamy cherry blossom vista in Spring. In the afternoon, visit the Kusakabe Folk Museum. An Edo-period merchants' house owned by the Kusakabe family, the museum now boasts a wide collection of folk crafts, including Hida ceramics. Roaming within the museum is like a journey back in time. Afterward, head to Kami-Sannomachi, located in the southern part of Takayama's old town, to discover traditional homes, shops, and sake breweries lining both sides of the narrow street. Overnight in Takayama

DAY 08: TAKAYAMA – SHIRAKAWAGO – KANAZAWA (B/-/-)

After having a delicious breakfast, get ready for a 1-hour drive to Shirakawa-go, the fairy tale world made of traditional gassho-zukur farmhouses hidden in the valley. Take off the shoes and explore the living room, guest room, butsuma, and so on inside Wada House to get an idea of how people lived back then. Thereafter, check out the great view of this area at Shirakawa-go Observation Deck. Before going to Kanazawa, you'll explore more farmhouses in gassho style in the Gasshozukuri Minkaen Outdoor Museum. Overnight in Kanazawa

DAY 09: KANAZAWA – KYOTO (B/-/-)

This morning, after breakfast, visit Kenrokuen Garden to appreciate its water features, bridges, teahouses, trees, flowers, and stones. Just a few steps from the garden is the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art. Spend time according to your interest inside the museum and then visit the reconstructed Kanazawa Castle. After the tour, your guide will drop you off at Kanazawa Station, from where you can take the Shinkansen to Kyoto Station. Find your way to the hotel upon your arrival and have a rest. Overnight in Kyoto

**DAY 10: KYOTO (B/-/-)**

On this day-tour you will first visit Kinkaku-ji Temple, the famed Golden Pavilion shining above a peaceful pool with a forested hill as backdrop. Its top two floors are covered completely in gold leaf, with the first floor featuring white plaster walls and wood pillars, presenting a sharp contrast. And then, head to Arashiyama, on the outskirts of Kyoto is a popular spot for you to enjoy the beauty of nature. Today, post breakfast, you will embark on a journey to Arashiyama, a place that is filled with scenic beauty and cultural significance. Your first stop will be at Jojakko-Ji Temple, where you will witness the serenity of the Japanese garden and experience the spiritual ambiance of the temple. After that, you will take a leisurely stroll through the Sagano Bamboo Grove, where you will be surrounded by towering bamboo trees that sway gently in the breeze. Don't forget to capture some stunning photos of the bamboo grove, as it is one of the most photographed locations in Japan. Next, board a Yakatabune, a traditional Japanese pleasure boat, and admire the breathtaking view of the Togetsukyo Bridge from the water. Later, you will sit back and relax on the Sagano Scenic Railway, which will take you on a mesmerizing journey through the countryside. You will be able to hear the gentle rustling of the leaves and feel the cool breeze on your face. As you pass along the Hozugawa River, you will be mesmerized by the scenic beauty of the place. Finally, your guide will accompany you back to the city. Overnight in Kyoto

DAY 11: KYOTO – OSAKA (B/-/-)

Have your breakfast and later, your first stop today is Fushimi-Inari Shrine, famous for its red orange torii gates winding along the hike trail. Then travel to Nara. Your Nara discovery tour includes a visit to Todai-ji Temple boasting the big Dainichi Buddha. You also get the chance to interact with deer in Nara Park. Later, depart for Osaka and visit Osaka Castle, which is arguably Osaka's most prominent landmark and belies bloody power struggles leading up to the 1603 foundation of the Edo era. After that, you will free explore the Shinsaibashi shopping district. Overnight in Osaka

DAY 12: OSAKA – TORONTO (B/-/-)

After breakfast, have some time at leisure until your private driver escort you to the airport for your departure flight.

OPTIONAL POST-TOUR EXTENSION TO HIROSHIMA

TOUR DAYS: 02 DAYS / 01 NIGHT

TOUR STYLE: PRIVATE GROUP TOUR



TOUR SUMMARY:

On this extension, you will have opportunity to experience Hiroshima, one of the two cities to ever face the wrath of a nuclear bomb. Visit the Peace memorial Park home to the Atomic Bomb Museum and enjoy a short ferry to Miyajima Island. Enjoy bullet train ride to Osaka from where you will fly back home.

EXTENSION PRICE:

Per person on a twin-sharing basis:

CAD 1099 Per Person*

Single Supplement:

CAD 499 Per Person

*The extension cost is based on minimum 6 people travelling together. There may be an air deviation cost by the airline.

TOUR LODGING INFO:

01 Night's Accommodation

Accommodation will be provided on a twin-sharing basis

CITY	NIGHTS	SUPERIOR HOTELS
Hiroshima	01 Night	Hiroshima Tokyo REI Or Similar

TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 01 Night's accommodation at listed superior hotel or similar
- Daily Breakfast
- Departure and arrival transfers
- Transportation in AC deluxe motor coach
- Services of English-Speaking Tour Guide in Hiroshima
- Bullet train tickets from Shin Osaka to Hiroshima and back
- All local applicable taxes

TOUR PACKAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Items of a personal nature, tips and gratuities
- Baggage fees may apply and vary by carrier
- Visa fees, if applicable
- Items not mentioned as being included

Day 12: Osaka - Hiroshima (by Train, 1.5 hrs) (B/-/-)

Private transfer from Osaka hotel to Shin-Osaka Station, where you will take the Bullet train from Shin-Osaka to Hiroshima. Arrive Hiroshima, one of the two cities to ever face the wrath of an atomic bomb which destroyed it completely. Meet and greet followed by a short ferry ride crossing to Miyajima, the island where "man lives alongside the Gods". Visit the Itsukushima Shrine, dedicated to the guardian of the seas, it is famous for its "floating" tori gate that is built on the sea. Return to Hiroshima and visit the peace Memorial, which commemorates the time before and after the dropping of the nuclear bomb that changed the history of Hiroshima forever, The dome and the impressive Peace Memorial Museum
Overnight in Hiroshima.

Day 13: Hiroshima - Kansai International Airport (by train to Osaka and then transfer to the airport) (B/-/-)

Early morning transfer from Hiroshima hotel to the train station for a short Bullet train ride to Shin-Osaka. Arrive, pick up and transfer to the Kansai International Airport for onwards flight

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