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7 Days 5 Nights Discover The Hidden Gem of Central Japan

Departure date: 06 – 12 April 2018

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Experience:

- Hands-on experience - Wagashi Sweets Making / Sagano Train Ride

Shopping:

- Odaiba / DiverCity Malls / Shinjuku

Eat

- 99% meals Local flavours included
- Gala dinner / Sashimi / Kanseiki / Hida Beef / Crab Set / Shabu Shabu / Wakyu Beef

Stay:

- 3 Nights Hot Spring Bath – Relax your body and mind

Season Highlight – Cherry Blossom

Day 1 05 April 18 (Thu) SINGAPORE (MOB)

Check in at the Changi International Airport, Terminal 1

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Day 2 06 April 18 (Fri) OSAKA (L/D)

Osaka is Japan's second largest metropolitan area after Tokyo. It has been the economic powerhouse of the Kansai Region for many centuries.

Kuromon Ichiba Market is one of the most well-known central food markets in Osaka, Japan.

Let your taste buds lead the way on a market tour of Kuromon. With plenty of samples of street food and beloved Japanese staples, you'll learn fun facts about the country's cuisine and culture as you go. Follow your guide around the market stalls and try Michelin-rated octopus, yakisoba, toro (tuna) sushi, and more. You'll also hear the history of the vibrant Kuromon Market, which was founded some 200 years ago.

Osaka Castle

A symbol of Osaka which has been handed down through the dramas in history to the present day.

Accommodation – Hyatt Regency Hotel or similar



The Sagano Scenic Railway is a sightseeing train line that runs along the Hozugawa River between Arashiyama and Kameoka. It's charming, old fashioned trains wind their way through the mountains at a relatively slow pace, taking about 25 minutes to make the seven kilometer journey and giving passengers a pleasant view of the scenery as they travel from Arashiyama through the forested ravine and into rural Kameoka.



The Togetsukyo Bridge ("Moon Crossing Bridge") is Arashiyama's most iconic landmark. It was originally built during the Heian Period (794-1185) and most recently reconstructed in the 1930s. The bridge looks particularly attractive in combination with the forested mountainside in the background. A riverside park with dozens of cherry trees is located just adjacent to the bridge.

Bamboo Groves

The walking paths that cut through the bamboo groves make for a nice walk. The groves are particularly attractive when there is a light wind and the tall bamboo stalks sway gently back and forth. The bamboo has been used to manufacture various products, such as baskets, cups, boxes and mats at local workshops for centuries.

Tenryuji (built in 1339) is the most important temple in Kyoto's Arashiyama district. It was ranked first among the city's five great Zen temples, and is now registered as a world heritage site. Tenryuji is the head temple of its own school within the Rinzai Zen sect of Japanese Buddhism.

Accommodation: Minoya Taihei Castle Awara Onsen (Ashihara Onsen) or similar



Tojinbo is a one kilometre long stretch of rugged basalt cliffs along the Sea of Japan coast north of Fukui City. The rocky coastline has been carved out by the waves, leaving deep chasms and precipitous bluffs that tower up to 30 meters above the water below. The coarse, pillar-shaped rocks look like bundles of hexagonal and pentagonal rods and are a unique geological formation that can be seen in only three spots in the world and nowhere else in Japan.

Wagashi sweet making workshop – In this *wagashi* workshop, you will make a variety of three different types of seasonal sweets, from simple creations to more complex designs.

The Shirakawa-go and neighboring Gokayama regions line the Shogawa River Valley in the remote mountains that span from Gifu to Toyama Prefectures. Declared a **UNESCO world heritage site** in 1995, they are famous for their traditional gassho-zukuri farmhouses, some of which are more than 250 years old.

Accommodation: Takayama Hida Plaza or similar



Day 5 09 April (Mon) HIDA TAKAYAMA / NAGANO / YAMANASHI (B/L/D)

Jinya Morning Market

One of the biggest morning markets in Japan. It takes place at two locations: One is held in front of the Takayama Jinya, and the other at the Miyagawa River side.

Many stalls sell fresh green vegetables, dried foods, and homemade pickles, and they are happy to tell you how to eat and to preserve their foods. Unusual ingredients including stems of potato, carrot leaves and wild vegetables can be found.

Takayama Old town

The Town Village still stands on the east side of the Miyagawa River flowing through Takayama, and in the middle of it is Sanmachi, where Edo period houses remain. The rich atmosphere of Takayama castle town still lingers, and you can see sake breweries and merchants' houses with latticed bay windows standing in a row. This district was designated an area of important traditional buildings by the Japanese Government.

Hida Takayama Teddy Bear Eco Village

A much-loved museum that will delight visitors of all ages. With the theme of ecology, the 140-year-old traditional gasshozukuri-style building with a sloped- and thatched-roof houses a collection of 1,000 bears from across the globe.

Itakura Ramen Factory

Visitors can learn ramen production and packaging processing. You can enjoy a small bowl of Takayama soy sauce ramen after visiting.

Daio Wasabi Farm

The Daio Wasabi Farm is the largest wasabi farm in Japan. The wasabi is cultivated in flat gravel beds irrigated by water from natural water springs. The chilly mineral water is ideal for growing the wasabi. You can enjoy the beautiful watermills alongside the clear river running through the farm and views of the surrounding Japan Alps make it a popular tourist spot with the Japanese.

Accommodation: Wakamiro Hot Spring Resort or similar



Day 6 10 April (Tue) YAMANASHI / TOKYO**(B/L/D)**

The Mount Fuji 5th station also called the boarder of heaven and earth, and it is located at the forest limit. (Subject to weather condition)

Lake Kawaguchi is located in the border Fujikawaguchiko and Minobu, southern Yamanashi Prefecture near Mount Fuji, Japan. It is the second largest of the Fuji Five Lakes in terms of surface area, and is located at the lowest elevation.

Oshino Hakkai is set of eight ponds in Oshino, a small village in the Fuji Five Lake region, located between Lake Kawaguchiko and Lake Yamanakako on the site of a former sixth lake that dried out several hundred years ago. The eight ponds are fed by snow melt from the slopes of nearby Mount Fuji that filters down the mountain through porous layers of lava for over 80 years, resulting in very clear spring water that is revered by the locals.

Kabukichō is an entertainment and red-light district in Shinjuku, Tokyo, Japan. Kabukichō is the location of many host and hostess clubs, love hotels, shops, restaurants, and nightclubs, and is often called the "Sleepless Town" . The district's name comes from late-1940s plans to build a kabuki theatre: although the theatre was never built, the name stuck. (at own leisure)

Accommodation: Hotel – Keio Plaza Hotel or similar

**Day 7 11 April 18 (Wed) TOKYO / SINGAPORE****(B/L)****Flight: 12APR18****JL035****HND-SIN****0005-0615****Asakusa Temple**

Founded in 628, Sensoji Temple is the oldest temple in Tokyo. It was the epicenter for the development of Edo culture, and these traces still remain today.

Tsukiji Market is Japan's "Food Town," where one can encounter all kinds of Japanese traditional foods. A mixture of wholesale and retail shops along with numerous restaurants line the streets and new culinary trends are born here.

Shopping Sprees

Shop till you drop at below famous shopping mall and district
Odaiba Shopping / Divert City Tokyo Plaza / Shinjuku



Tour Fare (Per Person) – payment by cash / cheque / Internet Banking

CHOICE	SINGLE	TWIN / TRIPLE	TAXES	TIPPINGS
FULL PACKAGES	\$3898.00	\$3198.00	\$130	\$80.00
LAND TOUR	\$2898.00	\$2298.00	NIL	\$80.00

Exclusion: The above fare not including below:

- Individual Travel Insurance
- Others expenses not stated in the tour program
- Hotels portals fees
- Food and Beverages not listed in the tour program

For reservation:

- Full passport details required upon booking reservation
- 50% no refundable deposit required upon booking reservation,
- Full payment required 1 month prior to departure date.

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