Japan needs little introduction. From snow-capped mountains to bustling cities, it’s a realm of incredible beauty, history, culture and tradition. As pioneers of technology and infrastructure, Japan continues to evolve at a rapid pace, but hasn’t sacrificed its age-old traditions. Journey through Japan and experience its unique sights, sounds, and flavours on this trip of a lifetime.

**At a glance**

Experience the fantastic highlights of Japan on this 9 day tour of Osaka, Nara, Tokyo, Kyoto and much more. Visit the historic Osaka Castle Garden, known for its annual cherry blossoms, and enjoy the busy streets and neon lights of Shinsaibashi shopping district. Take in Mount Fuji, the Five Lakes District, Lake Yamanaka and the Great Buddha in Kamakura – just to name a few. With return flights, daily breakfast, English-speaking guides and 6 nights hotel accommodation, you’ll get everything you need and much more on this incredible journey.

From $2499* per person twin share

6 NIGHTS Japan HIGHLIGHTS OF 6 NIGHT OF TOKYO, KYOTO, MT FUJI, SHIZUOKA AND MORE, WITH FLIGHTS INCLUDED.

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Offer available for a limited time or until sold out.
The itinerary

Day 1
Australia – Osaka
Today you’ll depart from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth for Osaka, Japan (via Guangzhou, Shanghai or Beijing). Fly with China Southern Airlines, China Eastern Airlines or Air China (subject to availability) with all meals included.

Day 2
Welcome to Osaka
This is where your exciting journey begins. Once you arrive in Osaka, you’ll be met by your tour guide and taken to the hotel where you can relax and enjoy the evening in this vibrant city.

Overnight: Hotel Nikko Kansai Airport, Osaka.

Day 3
Osaka – Nara – Osaka
After breakfast, you’ll get to visit the famous Osaka Castle Garden that’s surrounded by greenery and hosts a beautiful view of the castle tower. Then enjoy some free time in Shinsaibashi, the main shopping area in Osaka, complete with trendy boutiques and luxury department stores. Afterwards, make your way to Nara to visit Tōdai-ji temple and enjoy free time before returning to Osaka.

† The city of Nara is shrouded in legend and overflowing with significant sites, including the ancient, 8th century Tōdai-ji temple. Home to some of Japan’s national treasures and 3,000 antique bronze and stone lanterns.

Overnight: Shin Osaka Washington Hotel Plaza, Osaka.

Day 4
Osaka – Kyoto – Toyohashi
You’ll be on your way to Kyoto where you can explore as you like until 4pm, or join an optional tour (not included) and see what Kyoto has to offer. The optional tour will visit sights including Fushimi Inari-taisha and Kinkaku-ji, before indulging in a traditional Japanese tea ceremony. After spending the day in Kyoto, you’ll be taken to your hotel in Toyohashi.

Overnight: Loisir Hotel, Toyohashi.

Day 5
Toyohashi – Shizuoka – Lake Yamanaka – Mt Fuji - Yamanashi
After breakfast drive to the capital of Japanese tea production, Shizuoka, where you’ll also visit a local tea house. Take in the countryside and mountains as you journey to Lake Yamanaka, the largest of all the Fuji Five Lakes with a great view of Mount Fuji. Once you’ve arrived you’ll climb aboard a scenic boat ride around the lake before heading to Mount Fuji 5th Station (weather permitting).

† The village of Yamanakako has a large population of swans, and has since been nicknamed ‘Swan Lake’. If you don’t catch a glimpse of a swan, you’re sure to get an amazing view of the Fuji Five Lakes from the Mount Fuji 5th Station, 2,300 metres above sea level.

Overnight: Route Inn Kawaguchiko, Yamanashi.

Day 6
Yamanashi – Tokyo
Visit the Great Buddha of Kamakura, a bronze statue of Amitābha Buddha that stands on the grounds of the Kōtoku-in temple. Then you’ll be off to Tokyo where you’ll get to visit Meiji Shrine, a key Shinto religious site that was dedicated to the Imperial Family in 1926. To round out your day head to Nakamise Shopping Street, a thoroughfare of food vendors and souvenir stores that lead to Asakusa Kannon Temple, one of Japan’s most important Buddhist sites.

Overnight: APA Hotel & Resort Tokyo Bay Makuhari.
Day 7
A day at your leisure in Tokyo
Explore the capital city however you like. Alternatively, you can join an optional tour to visit Nikko National Park (not included) with lunch, and feast your eyes on breathtaking countryside, sacred shrines and stunning temples.

† Home to over 11 million people, Tokyo has one of the largest populations in the world. Not just the political and economical centre of Japan, it’s also emerged as a centre of global economy and culture where tradition and modernity co-exist.

Overnight: APA Hotel & Resort Tokyo Bay Makuhari.

Day 8
Tokyo – Australia
Enjoy some free time in the morning before heading to Haneda or Narita Airport for your flight home via Guangzhou, Shanghai or Beijing) with all meals included.

Day 9
Arrive in Australia

With Hiroshima extension (pre tour only)

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Day 2
Arrive in Osaka
Upon arrival into Osaka Airport you’ll be greeted by your tour guide and taken to your hotel.

Overnight: Hotel Nikko Kansai Airport, Osaka.

Day 3
Osaka – Hiroshima – Osaka
This morning you’ll head to Shin-Osaka station where you’ll climb aboard a bullet train to Hiroshima. Once you’ve reached Hiroshima, you’ll continue your journey to Miyajimaguchi by coach or train before hopping on a boat to the majestic Miyajima Island. After lunch (not included) you’ll head back to Hiroshima and reflect on the regions history before returning to the train station and bulleting back to Osaka where you’ll meet the rest of your tour group.

† Also known as Itsukushima or Divine Island, Miyajima Island is hailed as one of Japan’s most beautiful landscapes. You’ll discover the natural and cultural treasures of this UNESCO World Heritage Listed Island. Plus, visit the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and Atomic Bomb Dome to learn of the tragedy that took place during the final stages of World War II.

Please see important information for more details.

*Please note: all vouchers/booking dates must be confirmed within 7 days of purchase.
Inclusions

9 Day standard tour:

Flights
- Return economy flights from from SYD/MEL/BNE/ADL/PER.

Accommodation
- Six nights hotel accommodation.

Dining
- Enjoy daily breakfast.

Highlights
- Explore the highlights of Osaka, Nara, Kyoto, Shizuoka and Tokyo.
- Visit the historical Osaka Castle Garden.
- Visit the Shinsaibashi shopping district in Osaka.
- Explore Nara, a city known for its temples and shrines.
- Enjoy free time in Kyoto.
- Try green tea in a local Japanese tea house in Shizuoka.
- Discover breathtaking Mount Fuji and the Five Lakes District.
- Take a short cruise on Lake Yamanaka.
- Visit the Great Buddha in Kamakura.
- Explore Meiji Shrine in Tokyo.
- Wander Nakamise Shopping Street.
- Visit Sensō-ji, Tokyo’s oldest Buddhist temple.
- Enjoy a day free at leisure to explore Tokyo.
- Explore UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Tour essentials
- Professional English-speaking tour guide.
- Airline taxes and surcharges.

Transport
- Transportation by A/C vehicles.

Transfers
- All transfers.

10 day standard tour with Hiroshima extension

All of the above plus the following:
- One additional breakfast.
- One extra night hotel accommodation in Osaka.
- Take a return bullet train ride from Osaka to Hiroshima.
- Enjoy a sightseeing tour of historical Hiroshima.
- Enjoy a boat ride to Miyajima Island, also known as ‘Divine Island’.
- Admire the elaborate Itsukushima Shrine.
- Take a tour of the UNESCO Listed Peace Memorial Park.
Things you should know

Booking information
After purchase, you’ll receive your travel voucher via email. This email will direct you to an online booking form, which must be returned within 7 days of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras must be clearly stated in your online booking form. Any change requested after submitting your online booking form cannot be guaranteed as it’s subject to availability, and will incur surcharges as outlined in the schedule of fees below.

On purchasing this offer you’re bound by the supplier’s standard Terms and Conditions in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this important information.

Please note: all additional charges are payable direct to the NRMA (unless otherwise stated).

Offer essentials
Voucher valid for travel on selected departure dates below.
Voucher valid for one person based on twin share.

Single supplement
For solo travellers a mandatory single supplement applies of $800 for the 9 day package, or $950 for the 10 day package.

Departure dates
26 October 2017
20 March 2018*
24 March 2018*
24 April 2018
9 May 2018

Surcharges
Please note: dates with a * incur a land high season surcharge of $450 per person/voucher.

Departure cities
Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide* or Perth*.

Interstate surcharges
‘Adelaide or ‘Perth: $300 per person/voucher.

Flights
Airline(s) used
China Southern Airlines, China Eastern Airlines or Air China plus any codeshare partners (subject to availability).

Arrive early in Osaka
$300 per person/voucher subject to availability.

Please note:
• This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
• No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.
• Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Stay behind in Tokyo
$300 per person/voucher subject to availability.

Please note:
• This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
• No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.
• Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Flight upgrades
Not available.
Things you should know

Accommodation
3-4 Star (self-rated)
- Osaka: Hotel Nikko Kansai Airport.
- Osaka: Shin Osaka Washington Hotel Plaza.
- Toyohashi: Loisir Hotel.
- Yamanashi: Route Inn Kawaguchiko.
- Tokyo: APA Hotel & Resort Tokyo Bay Makuhari.

*Please note:* Rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed, no later than two weeks prior to travel.

Extra nights
- Osaka (pre tour): Not available.
- Tokyo (post tour): $190 per room including breakfast.

*Please note:* Extra nights are subject to availability until the time of booking. Airport transfers are not included if you wish to arrive early or stay behind.

Maximum room capacity
2 people

Child policy
- No child discounts apply; a full priced voucher must be purchased for all children travelling with their parents.
- Strictly valid for children/infants 2 years old and over.

*Please note:* Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

Triple share
Not available.

Bedding configuration
Double or twin bedding (subject to availability).

Adjoining rooms
Subject to availability and at the hotels discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

General tour information
Minimum group size 10, maximum group size 44 per coach.

Optional tours and activities
Day 4:
- Kyoto Tour: $99 per person.

Day 7:
- Nikko National Park: $239 per person.

*Please note:* Prices are based on per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions, and are payable direct to the tour operator in the currency specified. Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.

Exclusions
- Visa fees and requirements (a visa for Japan is not required if travelling on an Australian passport).
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary.
- Recommended gratuities/tipping $10 per person/day.
- Optional activities/tours.
- Personal expenses.
- Travel insurance (mandatory).

*Please note:* A comprehensive travel insurance policy must be organised before all details can be finalised with the NRMA.
Things you should know

Visas

A Tourist Visa for Japan is not required if travelling on an Australian passport.

Please note: Passengers who aren’t Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or a visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.

Schedule of fees

Voluntary changes
This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring airline ticket or travel voucher reissue.

1st change - $100.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

2nd change - $150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

Subsequent changes - $250.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

Changes within 30 days of departure $350.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

Changes within 14 days of departure $500.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

Name changes due to passenger error
If the incorrect name has been advised to the NRMA, charges of $150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider will apply.