

Majestic Japan - Globus

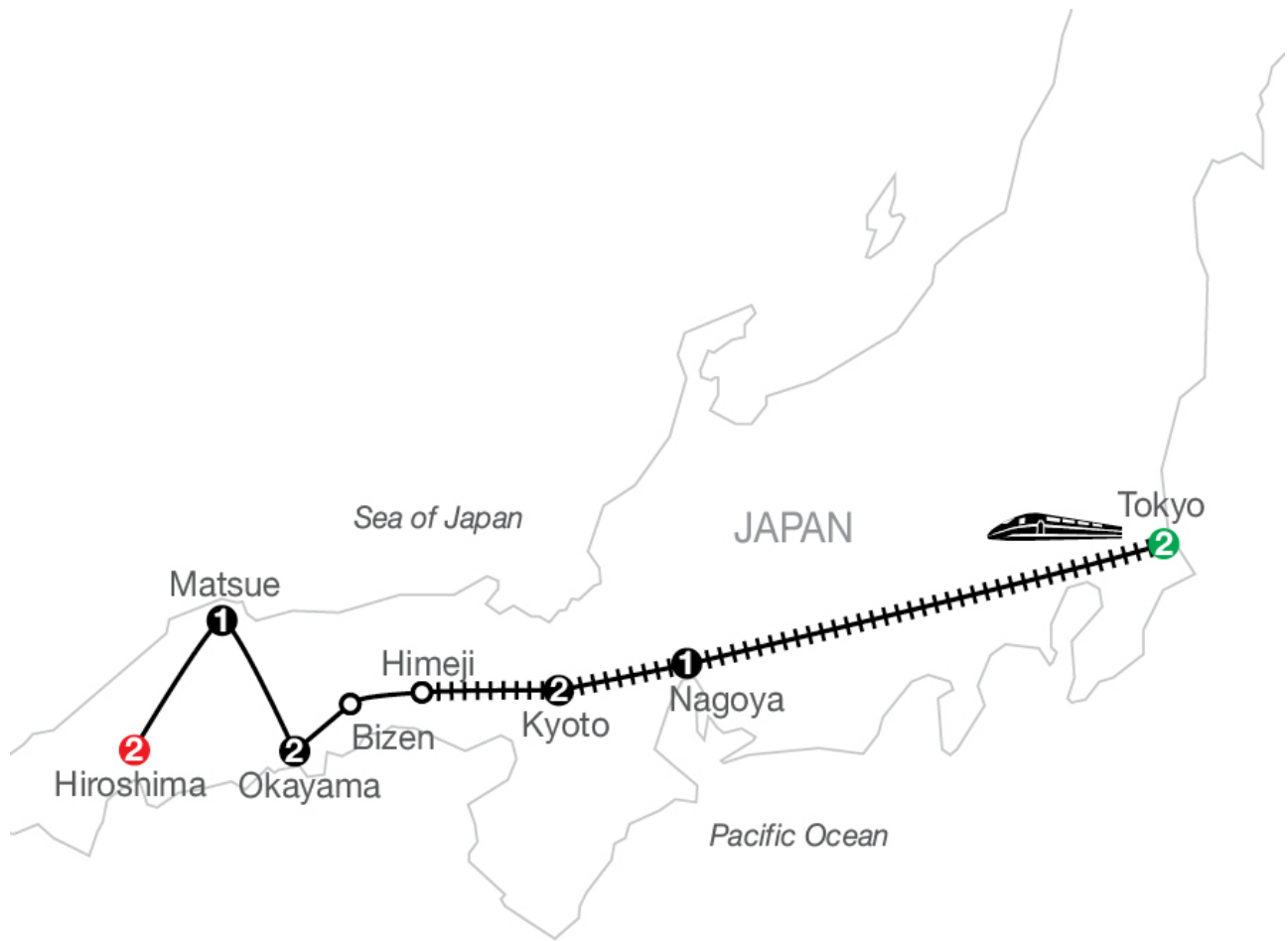
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Small groups lead to big experiences on this Small Group Discovery tour of Japan. From its heaven-piercing skyscrapers to its heavenly gardens down below, Tokyo is a feast for mind, body, and soul. From the lush man-made forest surrounding the magnificent Meiji Jingu Shrine to vibrant nightlife, vintage teahouses, and venerable temples, Tokyo comes to life with spring's first cherry blossoms and the first catch of the day in its sushi houses. Be whisked away by Shinkansen (bullet train) to Nagoya for more adventure, including a traditional sake tasting. Continue by high-speed rail to captivating Kyoto where thousands of brightly hued Torii Gates welcome you to the Fushimi Inari Shrine. Step into ancient bliss at the Golden Pavilion (and "zen" some!) with a traditional Japanese tea ceremony. Glide into tranquility on the serene waters lapping the shores of the Amanohashidate sandbar and ponder the power of nature in Koraku-en Garden. Your tour of Japan takes you to the hallowed grounds of Hiroshima's Peace Memorial Park and Memorial, preserved just as it was on August 6, 1945. So much history, mystery, and magnificent beauty awaits you on this fascinating Small Group Discovery tour of Japan.

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- ① = Overnights
- = Start City
- = End City

Notes:

Miyajima Island cable-car ride is dependent upon weather conditions.

Due to limited space on the bullet train to Nagoya, please plan to pack an overnight bag while main luggage will be sent via complimentary 2-day luggage service.

Itinerary

Day 1

ARRIVE IN TOKYO, JAPAN Your Small Group Discovery tour begins! Welcome to Tokyo, Japan's capital city. Hotel check-in is available mid-afternoon.

Day 2

TOKYO Monumental Metropolis Hop on Tokyo's subway system to explore this fascinating city with guided sightseeing, featuring the Meiji Shrine, Asakusa Kannon Temple, and Nakamise shopping arcade. . Tonight, join your travel companions at a welcome dinner hosted by your Tour Director.

 Breakfast  Lunch  Dinner

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

SMALL GROUP EXCLUSIVE Exploring Tokyo on the metro starts with a visit to Meiji Shrine, a magnificent 20th-century Shinto monument set in a man-made forest. Then, visit Asakusa Kannon Temple and Nakamise shopping arcade, the oldest of their kind in Tokyo.

ENHANCED FREE TIME

EXPLORE MORE Tokyo has something for everyone so visit one of the city's unique neighborhoods like Ginza or Shibuya districts, dine at the street food markets, or catch a game at the Tokyo Dome.

Day 3

TOKYO–NAGOYA Fourth with a Bullet Today, travel by shinkansen (bullet train) to Nagoya, Japan's fourth-largest city. Visit Nagoya Castle, a proud symbol of the city, then enjoy a sake tasting.

 Breakfast

LOCAL FAVORITE

SMALL GROUP EXCLUSIVE Celebrate with your small group with a sake tasting in Nagoya's yokocho, traditional Japanese alleyways, today hosting many small restaurants, pubs, and shops.

Day 4

NAGOYA–KYOTO Textiles & Temples This morning, visit the Toyota Commemorative Museum, showcasing the rise of the company's start as a textile machinery manufacturer to a worldwide industrial superpower. Then, board a train for Kyoto. Upon arrival, visit the

Fushimi Inari Shrine, renowned for the thousands of brightly hued Torii Gates.


 Breakfast  Dinner

FREE TIME TIPS

EXPLORE MORE Join your Tour Director for a walking tour through Gion or visit more of Kyoto's historic temples.

Day 5

KYOTOA Golden Gift Cruise on the tranquil waters surrounding the pine-covered Amanohashidate sandbar, home to one of Japan's three most scenic views. Return to

Kyoto and visit to stunning Kinkakuji, the Temple of the Gold Pavilion, then partake in a  tea ceremony.

 Breakfast  Lunch

LOCAL FAVORITE

PLANNED TO A TEA Participate in a tea ceremony, the ancient tradition and carefully choreographed ritual of preparing and serving Japanese green tea.

Day 6

KYOTO–HIMEJI–BIZEN–OKAYAMA Palace Aisles & Pottery Styles Take the shinkansen bullet train to Himeji to visit Himeji Castle. Drive south to Bizen, where you'll visit a traditional pottery workshop to learn more about Bizen-yaki, one of Japan's six ancient pottery styles dating back over 1,000 years. Continue to Okayama.

 Breakfast

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

HISTORIC SIGHTS Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Himeji Castle to marvel at the finest surviving example of early 17th-century Japanese castle architecture.

Day 7

OKAYAMA. EXCURSION TO KURASHIKI. Garden Sights & City Whites This morning, visit Koraku-en Garden. Journey to Kurashiki, to visit the Ohara Museum and Bikan Historical Quarter, once the political and commercial center of the city. The canal-lined, white-washed,

stone streets reflect the Edo period (1603-1867) and are quintessentially Japanese.

 Breakfast  Dinner

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

THE POWER OF TRANQUILITY The 30-acre Koraku-en Garden features ponds, plum groves, and tea fields, earning its place as one of the “Three Great Gardens of Japan.” The wide lawns, believed to uplift the spirit and promote open mindedness, are unique to Koraku-en and not a traditional feature of Japanese gardens.

Day 8

OKAYAMA–MATSUE–YONAGO Picturing Japan Drive northwest to Matsue and visit Matsue Castle on the shores of Lake Shinji. After lunch, continue to the Adachi Museum of Art to view the renowned work of artist, Yokoyama Taikan. Your hotel tonight is in the city of Yonago on the coast of the Sea of Japan.

 Breakfast  Lunch

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

ART & ARTISTRY Revel in the Japanese-style gardens of the Adachi Museum of Art and admire the revolutionary style of painter Yokoyama Taikan. Considered one of Japan’s greatest painters, this major figure in pre-WWII Japanese painting helped create the stunning technique of Nihonga—ink and mineral pigments on silk or paper canvas.

Day 9

YONAGO–HIROSHIMA Serenity & Solemnity Drive south to Hiroshima this morning. Upon arrival, visit the 400-year-old Shukkei-en Garden, where natural landscapes are represented in miniature form. Also visit the moving Peace Memorial Park.

 Breakfast

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

MONUMENTS & MEMORIALS Peace Memorial Park is home to the Peace Memorial, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that has been preserved just as it was on August 6, 1945, immediately after the devastating bombing. You will also visit the Memorial Museum and Memorial Hall, which commemorate the lives lost that day.

Day 10

HIROSHIMA Travel by ferry to Miyajima Island. Visit Itsukushima Shrine and take cable-car ride to the top of Mount Misen for panoramic views of the Seto Island Sea, and on a clear day, Hiroshima city. Participate in a Japanese cooking class for lunch. Return to Hiroshima for some time on your own. Tonight, your Tour Director hosts a farewell dinner to celebrate your discovery of Japan.

 Breakfast  Lunch  Dinner

LOCAL FAVORITE

SMALL GROUP EXCLUSIVE Learn how to make Hiroshima-style okonomiyaki, delicious savory pancake layered with ingredients as you choose. This legendary dish of Japan comes from the words okonomi (as you like it) and yaki (to grill).

Day 11

HIROSHIMA Say it Ain't Sayonara Your tour ends with breakfast this morning.

 Breakfast

Tour Director

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KEIKO ONO

Escorting tours for more than 20 years

" Hello! My name is Keiko. I've been a licensed guide since 2002. I love cooking, walking, Japanese history, and singing karaoke! In Japan there is so much to see. Let me help you have a great experience in my beautiful country of unique culture."



TAKAKO SAN

Escorting tours for more than 20 years

" Hi I'm Takako. I have traveled extensively as a certified tour guide. In addition to being a Globus Tour Director, I've guided for government delegates from around the world. From high-tech industry to ancient tastes and rich nature, I'm excited to show my diverse country to you and share fascinating and educational insights throughout your journey."



Accommodations

TOKYO

HILTON TOKYO

Hotel as shown or similar

Moderate Deluxe

Free Wifi

NAGOYA

NAGOYA TOKYU HOTEL

Hotel as shown or similar

Moderate Deluxe

Free Wifi

KYOTO

THE HOTEL HIGASHIYAMA KYOTO

Hotel as shown or similar

First-Class

Free Wifi

OKAYAMA

ANA HOTEL OKAYAMA

Hotel as shown or similar

First-Class

Free Wifi

MATSUE

ANA CROWNE PLAZA YONAGO

Hotel as shown or similar

First-Class

Free Wifi

HIROSHIMA

HILTON HIROSHIMA

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Moderate Deluxe

Free Wifi

Optional Excursions

Contact your Travel Consultant for more information.

Price Ranges

\$ (\$50 USD and under)

\$\$ (\$51 - \$100 USD)

\$\$\$ (\$101 - \$150 USD)

\$\$\$\$ (Over \$150)

* The "Starting at" or listed price is based on the lowest price available to book. Price is per passenger based on double occupancy and does not include airfare; additional fees/charges are not included. If a price is crossed out, the new price includes a limited time promotional offer(s) – please review current promotions or deals for additional information. Some tours require intra-vacation flights (and in some cases intra-vacation segments must be purchased from Globus).

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