

## JAPAN CHERRY BLOSSOM

Rs .224900

8 Nights 9 Days

### Destinations

Japan

### Overview

Tokyo - MT - Fuji - Kyoto - Nara - Osaka - Hiroshima

### Tour Highlights

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### Itinerary

#### Day 1 : COCHIN – SINGAPORE

Japan, the most beautiful country in the world and we are visiting Japan in spring, the best times of Cherry blossom (Sakura) season, when there is little rainfall, skies are clear, and temperatures are mild. What's more, the delicate cherry blossom of spring are visually stunning. The most famous and popular time to visit Japan is during spring to see the magical sight of the cherry blossoms in bloom. The trees start to blossom in the warmer south in late March and peak about a week after blooming. Within two weeks the blossoms start to fall from the trees. Fortune Tour,s Japan Cherry Blossom Tour begins. Assemble at Kochi International Airport at 18.20 hrs. Check in starts at 18.30 hrs. After emigration and customs formalities Silk Air Flight MI 463 depart to Singapore at 21.20 hrs.

#### Day 2 : SINGAPORE - TOKYO ( Welcome to Tokyo, the capital of Japan !! )

Tokyo, Japan's busy capital, mixes the ultramodern and the traditional, from neon-lit skyscrapers to historic temples. Arrive Singapore International airport at 04.25 hrs. Later connect Singapore Airways Flight SQ 632 at 08.00hrs to Tokyo,

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Japan and arrive Tokyo Haneda International airport at 15.55hrs. On arrival you will proceed to hotel. Free for leisure and leisure. Dinner and overnight stay at Grand Nikko Daiba Hotel or similar.

### **Day 3 : SHINJUKU CHERRY BLOSSOM TOUR**

Today begin your memorable journey through Japan and start your day with a buffet breakfast at hotel you will transfer to Shinjuku. Shinjuku Gyoen is one of Tokyo's largest and most popular parks. Located just a short walk from Shinjuku Station, the paid park's spacious lawns, meandering walking paths and tranquil scenery. In spring Shinjuku Gyoen becomes one of the best places in the city to see cherry blossoms. Shinjuku Gyoen is comprised of three different types of gardens: The oldest is a traditional Japanese landscape garden featuring large ponds dotted with islands and bridges. Well manicured shrubs and trees surround the water together with several pavilions and the Kyu Goryotei which was built on the occasion of the wedding of the Showa Emperor. The park's other main gardens include a symmetrically arranged formal French garden, and an English landscape garden featuring wide, open lawns surrounded by flowering cherry trees and with many tropical and subtropical flowers. Shinjuku Gyoen is home to a large number of cherry trees of more than a dozen different varieties. From late March to early April, more than 400 somei yoshino trees blossom around the English garden turning the lawns into one of Tokyo's most popular and pleasant hanami spots.

After lunch you will Chidorigafuchi near Tokyo. It is truly one of the best cherry blossom viewing spots in all of Tokyo. Here we visit Edo Castle's moat and scroll along the Imperial Palace, Chidorigafuchi. Chidorigafuchi's path is the most scenic spot around the moat, with a 700-meter-long tunnel of cherry trees in the spring. The pathway is a five-minute walk from Kudanshita Station or Hanzomon Station. From around the end of March to early April, the walkways around the moat are tinted pink by hundreds of cherry trees. The Chiyoda Sakura Festival is held at the same time, so for the duration of the cherry blossom season the trees are lit up at night. This magical sight draws Tokyoites and visitors alike. Enjoy an evening walk under the glowing tunnel of flowers and in season the surface of the moat is almost completely covered in petals, creating the illusion of an ethereal pink river.

Experience the wonderful feeling of spring season by drifting through a carpet of fallen pedals and into the pink trees. You will get an opportunity for a boating in the moat and enjoy the wonderful feeling of drifting through a carpet of fallen pedals and into the pink trees. As the trees are towering so high and bending so low, you can easily row underneath them and be completely surrounded by pink pedals. From above and below. It really is a dream all in pink! This spot is super popular but hasn't been discovered by most international tourists yet and is therefore still a great getaway. Around 260 Yoshino trees line the green Chidorigafuchi moat and bend over the quiet waters due to their heavy load of white and soft pink sakura blossoms. Later transfer to hotel. Dinner and overnight stay at Grand Nikko Daiba Hotel or similar.

### **Day 4 : TOKYO CITY TOUR ( Sens?-ji Temple )**

Historic temple to the goddess of mercy

After buffet breakfast at hotel and soak in the sights of this magnificent Tokyo City on a guided city tour. The sight seeing will start from Sensoji, the historic temple to the goddess of mercy, a very popular Buddhist temple, built in the 7th century. Adjacent to the temple is a five-story pagoda, Shinto shrine, the Asakusa Shrine and here we can see many women in Kimono. Later visit Rainbow Bridge, Nakamise-d?ri Shopping Arcade, Akihabara and Ginza., ..etc.

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## Tokyo Skytree Landmark of Tokyo

Later visit Tokyo Skytree, the landmark of Tokyo is a huge television broadcasting tower and World's tallest freestanding broadcasting tower with an observation deck boasting 360-degree views. It is the centerpiece of the Tokyo Sky Tree Town in the Sumida City Ward with a height of 634 meters and it is the tallest structure in Japan and the second tallest in the world at the time of its completion. You will get a chance to get a bird eye view of Tokyo city from Tokyo Skytree.

## TOKYO TOWER

After lunch view the Tokyo Tower(Photo stop) Standing 333 meters high in the center of Tokyo, Tokyo Tower is the world's tallest, self-supported steel tower and 13 meters taller than its model, the Eiffel Tower. It is the second-tallest structure in Japan. The structure is an Eiffel Tower-inspired lattice tower that is painted white and international orange to comply with air safety regulations. A symbol of Japan's post-war rebirth as a major economic power, Tokyo Tower was the country's tallest structure from its completion in 1958 until 2012.

## TOYOTA MEGAWEB

Then visit Toyota's Mega Web if time permits. Mega Web is a giant Toyota showroom that shows off all of Toyota's latest models, car accessories and technologies. Attractions include test driving of cars (requires driving license valid for Japan) and a museum exhibiting cars from past decades. Later transfer to hotel. Later you transfer to Hakone, Fuji mountain area . Dinner and overnight stay in Tominoko or Motosu View Hotel, Fujikawaguchiko or similar

## Day 5 : MT. FUJI TOUR

After the continental breakfast you will proceed to the Mount Fuji, in Japan. Mount Fuji is the tallest mountain in Japan, standing at 3,776 meters (12,380 feet) and is the single most popular tourist site in Japan, for both Japanese and foreign tourists. Discover the highest mountain in Japan on this delightful day trip from Tokyo to Fuji . More than 200,000 people climb to the summit every year, mostly during the warmer summer months. Mount Fuji has been a sacred site for practitioners of Shinto since 7th century and commonly called "Fuji-san," and it's the country's tallest peak, at 3,776 meters. A pilgrimage site for centuries, it's considered one of Japan's 3 sacred mountains, and summit hikes remain a popular activity.

Later we transfer to Hakone to visit Mt.Fuji, Lake Ashi. Hakone is the mountain range in Japan within the vast crater of extinct volcano that features Mt.Fuji, Fuji-San and Lake Ashi. Lake Ashi also referred to as Hakone Lake or Ashinoko Lake, is a scenic lake in the Hakone area in Honshu, Japan. Take a short boat cruise on Lake Ashi for its views of Mt. Fuji, its numerous hot springs, historical sites, and ryokan and it is located on the Tokaido road, the main link between Kyoto and Tokyo. A number of pleasure boats and ferries traverse the lake, providing scenic views for tourists and passengers. Several of the boats are inspired by the design of sailing warships.

## Hakone Volcano Tour

After lunch you will transfer to Owakudani. Much of the area is in an active volcanic zone filled with sulfurous fumes and hot springs. We are able to see Hakone Volcano if weather permits. From Owakudani, there is a ropeway visitors can ride to get better views of the mountains (subject to the availability and weather permits). On a clear day, Owakudani is a great spot to view and take pictures of Mt. Fuji. In addition to riding the ropeway, eating Kuro-Tamago or black eggs are a

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popular Owakudani past-time. The eggs are hard boiled in the hot-springs, resulting in the black color from the sulfur. These eggs are so healthy, eating one is said to add seven years to your life. Only available in Owakudani, these eggs are a popular souvenir for domestic and international travelers alike. The ropeway has two sections: one from the Sounzan station to Owakudani station, the other from Owakudani station to Togendai station. The Owakudani station will take you to a little over 1000 meters above sea level during the ride from the bottom to top station. From top to bottom, the ropeway takes about 30 minutes to travel. Along the way, you can enjoy the view of Owakudani Valley, the famous active, sulfuric valley which heats many of the hot springs around the area. If you are lucky and visibility allows, you can also see Mount Fuji and Lake Ashi on the way down as well.

Enjoy the scenic view of Mt. Fuji

Then we take you to Mt. Fuji 5th station in for scenic view of Mt. Fuji which is unbelievable!. Enjoy the ease of comfortable transportation and a knowledgeable guide, who will accompany you to the revered Mt Fuji's 5th Station. This cable car brings you up the 220 meters to the observation point and offers fantastic views of the lake as you ascend and you'll be rewarded with panoramic views and the perfect shot of Mount Fuji on a clear day. Mt. Fuji attracts hikers and climbers from the world over, and most of them start their ascents at the 5th station, halfway up the mountain. If climbing Mt. Fuji to its summit doesn't fit into your travel schedule but you want to experience the atmosphere of this symbol of Japan, you can climb or drive to Fuji Subaru Line 5th Station for spectacular views.

Spectacular view of Mt. Fuji, a beautiful five-story pagoda, and cherry blossom from Arakurayama.

Later we transfer to Arakurayama to visit Arakurayama Sengen Park and pagoda. Arakurayama Sengen Park in Yamanashi is known as one of the best spots to see Mt. Fuji, a beautiful five-story pagoda, and cherry blossom trees. April is the best time to take photos of this iconic scenery during the cherry blossom festival. Located in Fuji Yoshida City in Yamanashi, Arakurayama Sengen Park is known for being a spectacular spot to see Mt. Fuji, cherry blossoms, and a five-story pagoda all at once. An ideal time to visit is during the cherry blossom season around early April. Catering to visitors who come for the stunning view, the park started the Arakurayama Sengen Park Cherry Blossom Festival since 2016. Later we transfer Hakone. Dinner and overnight stay in Tominoko or Motosu View Hotel, Fujikawaguchiko or similar

## **Day 6 : HAKONE - KYOTO**

After an buffet breakfast at hotel, check out and drive to Hakone and from Mishima station we will take bullet train to Kyoto. On arrival in Kyoto station we transfer to Gion District to visit Kiyomizu-dera. Kiyomizu-dera, is one of the most celebrated temples of Japan. It was founded in 780 on the site of the Otowa Waterfall in the wooded hills east of Kyoto, and derives its name from the fall's pure waters. The temple was originally associated with the Hosso sect, one of the oldest schools within Japanese Buddhism, but formed its own Kita Hosso sect in 1965. In 1994, the temple was added to the list of UNESCO world heritage sites

Later visit Nijo Castle is Kyoto's largest and best preserved castle. The Ninomaru Palace, the main fortification of the castle, and the ruins of the Honmaru Palace, the second fortification, as well as support buildings and gardens. The castle is surrounded by stone walls and moats. The castle is especially popular in Japanese history. The castle served as the shogunate's residence during his visits to Kyoto. The Ninomaru Palace is the main attraction of the castle. It is very well preserved, and has intricately decorated ceilings, elegantly painted sliding doors, tatami (bamboo mat) floors, and "nightengale floors," which squeak when walked on. The purpose of those floors was to serve as an alert against intruders. The tour route guides visitors past many of the rooms in the castle, and different types of rooms used for different guests of the shogun are on display. Outside of the Ninomaru Palace is the Ninomaru Garden, which is a

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traditional Japanese garden.

Arashiyama Bamboo Grove is one of Japan's most incredible sights.

Later we transfer to Arashiyama. The Arashiyama Bamboo Grove is one of Japan's most incredible sights. Located about 7km west of downtown Kyoto, Arashiyama is one of Kyoto's most popular sightseeing districts. The heart of the district is the Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, a mesmerizing grove of thousands of tall bamboo plants. A paved walkway runs through the middle of both sections, forming the famous "Bamboo Alley," one of Kyoto's most photographed sights. The combined length is about 500 meters, and the grove is about 140 meters wide. In the middle of the eastern section, near the main street, you'll find Nonomiya-jinja Shrine, a popular Shinto Shrine, while on the southern edge of the western section, you'll find the beautiful gardens and halls of Tenryu-ji Temple, one of Kyoto's most beautiful Buddhist temples. Many people wonder about the meaning or purpose of the bamboo grove. As a matter of fact, it's merely decorative. Arashiyama has been a favorite location of imperial and noble villas and temples from the days of classical Japan.

Here we visit Togetsukyo Bridge. Arashiyama becomes most attractive around early April when the cherry blossom seasons usually peak. The Togetsukyo Bridge is Arashiyama's most iconic landmark. It was originally built during the Heian Period (794-1185) and most recently reconstructed in the 1930s. Built over Kyoto's former commerce center along the Oi River – which literally translates to "Moon-Crossing Bridge" – is Arashiyama's scenic landmark straight from a ukiyo-e painting. With a backdrop of fall foliage and full-blown cherry blossoms in the spring, this emblematic structure spans 155 meters – as if the wooden path would literally stretch to the moon. The poetic name was in fact inspired by the Emperor Kameyama, who witnessed a luminous moon rising above the upper reaches of the river, appearing as though the moon itself was crossing the bridge. Later we transfer to Kyoto. Dinner and overnight stay at Miyako Hotel Kyoto Hachijo or similar in Kyoto.

## **Day 7 : KYOTO - OSAKA**

After an buffet breakfast at hotel, check out and drive to Nara by coach. Nara is a spectacularly picturesque city which is second only to Kyoto for the richness and beauty of its temples, shrines and gardens. Here we visit Todaiji Temple & Nara Park. Nara Park is a public park located in the city of Nara, Japan, at the foot of Mount Wakakusa. Established in 1880 it is one of the oldest parks in Japan. The park is one of the "Places of Scenic Beauty". While the official size of the park is about 1,240 acres, the area including the grounds of T?dai-ji, K?fuku-ji, which are either on the edge or surrounded by Nara Park.

### **Osaka Castle and Park**

Later we transfer to Osaka and after lunch we visit Osaka Castle and park. The Osaka Castle Park is just one of the many places in Japan that offers venue perfect for viewing picnics during hanami season. The 10-day deluge of cherry blossoms sets off a wave of delight among the locals, who celebrate the temperate weather and gorgeous sights with cherry blossom picnics. Osaka Castle, completed in 1586, was ordered built by famed Japanese warrior and politician Toyotomi Hideyoshi and was, at the time, the largest castle in Japan. Highlights include the five-story, 42-meter-tall main tower containing a great museum with exhibits related to the history of the castle and the city and it also offers superb views over Osaka from its upper floors.

Later we visit the Umeda Sky Building, a stunning landmark consisting of two office towers joined at the top by a large platform-like structure. It's this rooftop structure that draws visitors, due largely to the network of bridges and an escalator, which join the two towers, providing plunging views of 170-plus meters that send shivers down the spines of those sensitive to heights.

Umeda Sky Building – Floating Garden

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The views from the rooftop observatory and garden - aptly named the Floating Garden Observatory - are simply stunning. Afterwards, be sure to wander the urban garden at its base with its pleasant paths, fountains, and ponds, as well as a fun underground market designed to resemble early-20th century Osaka. Later free time for leisure and later transfer to hotel. Dinner and Overnight stay at Hotel Monterey Lasoeur Osaka or similar

## **Day 8 : OSAKA - HIROSHIMA**

After an buffet breakfast at hotel, check out and transfer to Hiroshima. Hiroshima, a modern city on Japan's Honshu Island, was largely destroyed by an atomic bomb during World War II. On arrival you will see the historical highlights of Hiroshima on a comprehensive full-day tour, led by a knowledgeable guide. Here we visit Hiroshima Peace Park and Atomic Bomb Dome and feel emotionally stirred by the magnificent Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and Museum, in which intriguing exhibitions speak eloquently of the atomic bomb dropped on the city in 1945. The Hiroshima Peace Memorial originally the Hiroshima Prefectural Industrial Promotion Hall, and now commonly called the Atomic Bomb Dome is part of the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park in Hiroshima, Japan and was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1996. The ruin of the hall serves as a memorial to the people who were killed in the atomic bombing of Hiroshima on 6 August 1945. Over 70,000 people were killed instantly, and another 70,000 suffered fatal injuries from the radiation and we will see Genbaku Dome, one of the few buildings that was left standing near ground zero. Later transfer to hotel. Dinner and Overnight stay at Grand Prince Hotel Hiroshima or similar

## **Day 9 : HIROSHIMA**

### **Return home with wonderful memories**

After an buffet breakfast you will transfer to Hiroshima International airport for your return flight to India. After emigration and customs formalities Silk Air Flight MI 867 depart to Singapore at 10.25 hrs and arrive Singapore International airport at 15.45hrs. Later connect Silk Air Flight MI 468 to Kochi at 20.00 hrs and arrive Kochi International airport at 22.00hrs with sweet memories of Fortune Tour's Japan Cherry blossom Tour.

## **Inclusions**

The tour cost includes travel Insurance upto 70 yrs., Airport taxes, Tips to the driver and guides, Mineral water and service tax.....etc. and no optional and extra tour expenses incurred.

## **Exclusions**

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Any expenses of personal nature like telephone charges, portorage, laundry expenses, excess baggage charges beverages, mini bars and anything not mentioned in the itinerary.

## Package Cost and Date

Adult Rate : RS 224900/-

Child Rate : INR

Break up of Adult Rate : USD 2100 + Rs.77900 ( Rs. 2,24,900 - approx.)

Special Discount Rate : ~~Rs.2,24,900/-~~ Rs.2,19,000/-

Single Supplement Cost : USD 2900 + Rs.77900 ( Rs. 2,80,900 - approx.)

Child without Bed : USD 1600 + Rs.77900 ( Rs. 1,89,900 - approx.)

Infant Rate ( 0 years – 02 years) : Rs. 75000/-

## MEALS

Continental buffet breakfast at hotels. Lunch and Dinner will be in International, Japanese, Mexican and Indian.

## AIRLINE & VISA

Return economy class airfare in Silk air and Singapore Airways rates included.

Bullet train charges and Japan visa cost included. The decision of the Consulate of Japan will be final and we will not be responsible for any denial of visa. The visa fees and other expenses will not be refunded at any circumstances.

## HOTELS

All hotels will be of 4 Star Premium standards.

Multi Axle airconditioned coaches for transfers and sightseeings.

All entrance tickets and variety of Cablecars, Trolley buses, Ropeways cost included

## TOUR MANAGER

A professional, friendly, caring and well experienced Malayalee Tour manager will accompany the tour and the service of the local tour guides will be provided in all cities.

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## Terms & Conditions

The rate quoted is on the basis of 1 US Dollar @ 70 Rupees and the fluctuation in the exchange rate will reflect in the total tour cost. A person below 11 years is considered as child and above 11 years as an adult. Extra expenses will be

incurred for changing the route due to any unforeseen circumstances, forced majeure instances, natural calamities, political disturbances, flight delays, strikes etc and due to illness, accident, hospitalization or any Individual unforeseen cost incurring incidence. No refunds for any unused services. Tour cost is based on minimum 30 passengers travelling together in the group and If there is a drastic fall in the number, then the offered tour cost, meal plan, vehicle and other services may change accordingly and the difference amount has to be borne by the passenger. Twin and triple charges will be the same. For single passengers, you should share room either on twin or triple sharing basis depending on the bookings. Tour tariff is based on departure from Cochin. Tourists boarding from other airports and returning on different dates and airports that not mentioned in the itinerary have to pay additional expenses including airline difference, airport transfers, hotel stay... etc. The company reserves the right to postpone or cancel any of the tours advertised, without assigning any reason. In that case, money paid by the tour participant will be fully refunded but no compensation claim will be entertained. Due to certain unavoidable circumstances, the Company reserves the right to change / modify / vary and alter the tour itinerary if it becomes necessary. In such changes, compensations or claiming of refunds by the guests will not be entertained by the Company for limitation and also for the non- availability of certain services with entry tickets, restaurants, sightseeing shopping etc. even though included in tour itinerary. Air-conditioning, central heating and other facilities are provided by the hotels depending upon various factors including weather / climatic conditions..etc. Company takes care to select hotels and book the same on behalf of tourists at convenient locations subject to the availability. In case of non-availability of rooms in same hotel, Company has the right to split the accommodation in different hotels. As a Tour Operator, the company does not have any control over Airlines, Coach Companies, Hotels, Local Transport provided by the third parties. The company is not responsible for the delays or deficiencies in the services provided by outside agencies. Also please note that the company does not have any control on schedules of opening and closing timings of the tourist attractions and we will not be responsible for the cancellation of sight seeing points due to bad weather and other reasons. Fortune Destination Management India Pvt Ltd will not be responsible for any damage caused to the hotel rooms or coach from the guests and shall be payable by the passengers. Any disputes arising in respect of the tour shall be subject to Ernakulum Jurisdiction.

#### Cancellation Policy

A cancellation charge of 50% of the tour cost will be applicable for the passengers cancelling before 15 days of departure and 100 % of the tour cost will be levied as the cancellation charge within 14 days prior to the departure.

Period of Cancellation	Cancellation Charges
15 Days before departure	50% of the Tour Cost
Within 14 days prior to departure	100 % of the Tour Cost

#### Payment Terms and Conditions

Payments	INR	DOLLAR	Remarks
<b>Booking Advance</b>	<b>Rs.20,000/-</b>		
<b>First Installment</b>	<b>Rs.57,900/-</b>		Before japan visa submission
<b>Final Payment</b>		<b>Dollar 2100</b>	Before 15 days of departure
<b>Total</b>	<b>Rs.77,900/-</b>	<b>Dollar 2100</b>	