







# One More Step from TOKYO English









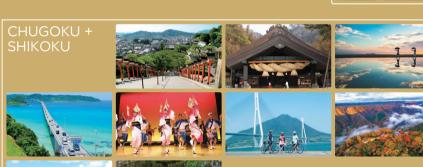




If you are already
in love with Tokyo
and want to know
more about Japan,
then it's time to plan
your next trip.

# Here are some hints for your trip!











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Japan's capital, Tokyo, is a stunning metropolis visited by people from all over the globe. It offers a wide array of gourmet food from different regions in Japan and is a great destination to experience authentic Japanese culture. However, what makes the city so special are the people and things happening there.

With convenient access to train stations and airports. Tokyo is the perfect gateway to the rest of Japan, meaning you can easily make your holiday more enjoyable by adding other destinations to your itinerary. Travel outside of Tokyo for a different experience, which will definitely give you more reason to fall in love with Japan.

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Research online various travel routes from Tokyo to the regions of TOHOKU, HOKURIKU, CHUGOKU, SHIKOKU and KYUSHU and read about the experiences of travelers prior to your visit. You should make full use of internet resources when making a travel plan in Japan.





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WILDNESS & STILLNESS



Zuihoden is a magnificent mausoleum built in 1637, the year after the passing of Date Masamune, the first feudal lord of the Sendai Domain. The mausoleum takes after the Momoyama style of architecture, which features intricate craftsmanship and luxury.

# Recommended scenic route HISTORY IN CITY

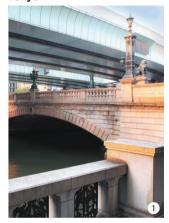
Sendai

Day 2: Tokyo Station ▶ Sendai Station ▶ Zuihoden Mausoleum 2 ▶ Sendai Mediatheque ▶ Sendai City Area

Day 3: Sendai City Area ▶ The Nikka Whisky Sendai Factory Miyagikyo Distillery ▶ Akiu Kogei no Sato (Akiu Craft Park) ▶ Akiu Onsen Area

Day 4: Akiu Onsen Area ➤ Sendai Station ➤ Kataribe taxi ➤ Sendai Station ➤ Tokyo Station

### Tokyo



Nihombashi flourished over 300 years ago as a town of merchants. Today the streets are lined with long-standing shops and high-end department stores.



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Recommended scenic route WATERSIDE BEAUTY

Day 1: Tokyo City View ▶ The Kimono Gallery ▶ SKY BUS TOKYO (Odaiba Night Course) 1 ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Hiroshima Airport ▶ Miyajima Sea Kayaking ▶ Hiroshima City Area

Day 3: Hiroshima City Area ▶ Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park ▶ Shimanami Kaido Cycling ▶ Onomichi U2 Hotel Cycle

Day 4: Onomichi U2 Hotel Cycle ▶ Onomichi Town ② ▶ Hiroshima Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

Onomichi is a small town facing the Seto Inland Sea. Built at the foot of three mountains and overlooking the sea, it is often chosen as the backdrop for movies. Buddhism is quite prominent in this part of Japan, making it a great location for touring old temples.

Onomichi Town

### Tokyo



The open top double decker bus tour gives passengers the chance to savor the stunning views and vibrant nightlife of Tokyo.



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Travel back in time in Hizen Hamashuku in Kashima city, a post station during the Edo period (1603-1868). Rows of samurai residences and sake breweries preserve the historic atmosphere and are designated as an "Important Preservation District for Groups of Traditional Buildings." Another must-see is Yutoku Inari Shrine, one of the three great inari shrines in Japan with its distinctive beautiful red lacquer.

### Recommended scenic route STREETS OF OLD JAPAN

Saga

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Saga Airport ▶ Saga City Mountain Area ▶ Ureshino Onsen Area

Day 3: Ureshino Onsen Area ► Kashima City 2 ► Tara Town ► Tara Town Area

Day 4: Tara Town Area ▶ Saga City ▶ Saga Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

### Tokyo



Step back in time in Shibamata as you visit the spectacular Taishakuten Temple and the nostalgic shops and restaurants while snacking on odango dumplings and rice crackers.



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**Fukushima** 



Tsuruga-jo Castle is the symbol of the Samurai City Aizu. The last battle between the Aizu domain and Imperial forces took place here in 1868. Though damaged during the war, the castle was reconstructed in 1965.

### Recommended scenic route MIRAI & SAMURAI

Day 1: Roppongi Art Complex (complex665) ▶ Miraikan — The National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation **1** ▶ Corridor Gai ► Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Tokyo Station ► Koriyama Station ► Tsuruga-jo Castle 2 ► Aizu Higashiyama Onsen Area

Day 3: Aizu Higashiyama Onsen Area ▶ Ouchi-juku ▶ Walking around Kitakata ▶ Iwaki-Yumoto Onsen

Day 4: Iwaki-Yumoto Onsen ▶ Shiramizu Amida-do ▶ Iwaki Station ▶ Tokyo Station



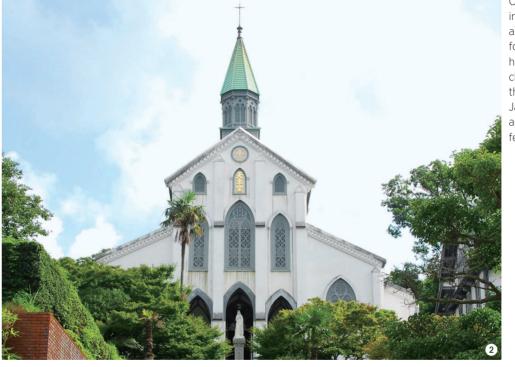
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### Tokyo



Experience the future at this museum, which holds an amazing array of exhibitions about cutting-edge science and technology.

# Nagasaki



### Recommended scenic route HISTORIC BEAUTY OF ARTS AND BUILDINGS

- Day 1: Meiji Jingu Shrine ▶ UNESCO World Heritage Site The National Museum of Western Art, Tokyo 1 ▶ Ameyoko (Shopping Street) ► Tokyo Metropolitan Area
- Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Nagasaki Airport ▶ UNESCO World Heritage Site Hashima Island (Gunkanjima, Battleship Island) ▶ Nagasaki City Area
- Day 3: Nagasaki City Area ▶ UNESCO World Heritage Site Oura Cathedral 2 ▶ Matsura Historical Museum ▶ Hirado City Area
- Day 4: Hirado City Area ▶ Kujukushima ("Ninety-Nine Islands") ▶ Nagasaki Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

Oura Cathedral is the oldest existing church in Japan. It was completed at the end of 1864 and opened for prayer in February of the following year. One month later, a group of hidden Christians from Urakami visited the church to proclaim their faith 250 years after the harsh persecution of Christianity in Japan. Constructed by French missionaries and Japanese architects, the cathedral features both Eastern and Western styles.

### Tokyo



Located in Ueno Park, The National Museum of Western Art, Tokyo was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. It features a great collection of paintings and sculptures from the Renaissance to the early 20th century.



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Toyama





Chūson-ji was originally founded in the 9th century by a monk named Jikaku Daishi. In the 12th century, the first Ōshū Fujiwara lord, Kiyohira, commissioned the construction of a massive temple complex here. Though many of the completed temples were burned down in the 14th century, the area is still a treasure trove of Heian art.

# Recommended scenic route PROSPERITY STILLNESS & MOTION

Day 1: Kichijoji ► Shibuya 1 ► Shinjuku Gyoen ► Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Tokyo Station ▶ Ichinoseki Station ▶ Geibikei Gorge ▶ UNESCO World Heritage Site Chūson-ji Temple 2 ▶ Hanamaki Onsen Area

Day 3: Hanamaki Onsen Area ▶ Koiwai Farm ▶ Morioka Station ▶ Tokyo Station





Shibuya is where the latest trends in Japanese fashion and entertainment begin. Feel the vibrant, youthful atmosphere by taking a stroll here.



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# Recommended scenic route WISDOM & VIRTUAL REALITY

Day 1: SKY CIRCUS Sunshine 60 Observatory 1 ▶ Akihabara ▶ Harajuku Takeshita Street ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Toyama Kitokito Airport ▶ Toyama Station ▶ Inami (Yokamachi Dori) ▶ UNESCO World Heritage Site Historic Village of Gokayama 2 ▶ Gokayama Gashonoyado Area

Day 3: Gokayama Gashonoyado Area ▶ Zuiryu-ji Temple, Takaokayama ▶ Mt. Tateyama Area

Day 4: Tateyama Kurobe Alpine Route ▶ Nagano Station ▶ Tokyo Station

The thatched roof houses built in the Gassho style are a very precious design of a traditional house which can only be found in this part of Japan, with 23 Gassho-style buildings in existence in Ainokura Gassho village. Why not forget about daily life and spend some quiet time taking in a traditional lifestyle in a small village in the mountains?

### Tokyo



More than just a view, SKY CIRCUS Sunshine 60 Observatory offers a full-sensory experience featuring 4D entertainment with cutting-edge virtual reality technology.



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### **Tottori**

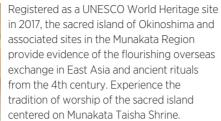




1,300 years, with locals praying for prosperity and good luck including IT professionals from nearby Akihabara.









Kanda Myojin Shrine has a history of nearly



Nageire-do of Mitokusan Sanbutsu-ji Temple Okunoin, built in the late

Heian period (1086-1184), is a designated National Treasure and famous for a rare structure built on a sheer vertical cliff face. Legend has it that the structure was thrown up ("nageire" in Japanese) from the ground by the spiritual power of En no Ozuno, the founder of the "mountain religion" Shugendo.

### Tokvo



The 333-meter Tokyo Tower celebrated its 60th anniversary in 2018 and has long been recognized as the city's symbol by not just Tokyoites but by visitors from around the world as well.

# Recommended scenic route >>> EXPERIENCE PAST AND FUTURE

Day 1: Tokyo Tower 1 ▶ Omotesando ▶ Yoyogi Park ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Tottori Sand Dunes Conan Airport ▶ Mitokusan Sanbutsu-ji Temple 2 ▶ Misasa Hot Springs Area

Day 3: Misasa Hot Springs Area ▶ Pear Picking ▶ The Tottori Sand Dunes, The Sand Museum ▶ Tottori City Area

Day 4: Tottori City Area ▶ Ishitani Residence ▶ Tottori Sand Dunes Conan Airport ▶ Haneda Airport





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Day 1: Kanda Myojin Shrine ▶ Akihabara Tokyo City View Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Fukuoka Airport ▶ UNESCO World Heritage Site Munakata Taisha Shrine 2 ▶ Tobata Gion Oyamagasa Festival ▶ Kitakyushu City Area

Day 3: Kitakyushu City Area ▶ Yatai (Food Stalls) ▶ Fukuoka City Area

Recommended scenic route HISTORY & RELIGION

Day 4: Fukuoka City Area ▶ Yame City ▶ Fukuoka Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

WORLD

HERITAGE



# Recommended scenic route LATEST TREND & TRADITIONAL CULTURE

Day 1: Shibuya ► Harajuku Takeshita Street 1 ► Daikanyama ► Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ► Izumo Enmusubi Airport ► Izumo Taisha Grand Shrine 2 3 ► Yunotsu Hot Springs Area

Day 3: Yunotsu Hot Springs Area ▶ UNESCO World Heritage Site Iwami Ginzan Silver Mine ▶ Matsue Castle ▶ Matsue City Area

Day 4: Matsue City Area ▶ Adachi Museum of Art ▶ Izumo Enmusubi Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

Izumo Taisha Grand Shrine is an ancient shrine documented in the Kojiki, the oldest historical chronicles of Japan. The shrine's Kagura Hall has a 13-meter, 5-ton twisted straw rope which cordons off a consecrated area. The rope is one of the largest in Japan.

### Tokvo



Takeshita Street is one of the most crowded streets in Tokyo, packed with visitors and locals looking for the trendiest items.





Hagurosan (Mt. Haguro) is one of the three holy mountains known collectively as Dewa Sanzan. The current 29-meter-high, five-storied, shingled wooden pagoda was rebuilt about 600 years ago. A total of 2,446 stone steps along an avenue of cedar trees serve to create a sacred atmosphere.

### Tokvo



Founded in 730, the historic Kanda Myojin Shrine is dedicated to a deity known as the guardian of prosperity within family, marriage. business and protection

### Recommended scenic route HEART & WORSHIP

Day 1: Hatonomori Hachiman Shrine ▶ Kanda Myojin Shrine 1 ▶ Jimbocho Used Book Town ► Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Shonai Airport ▶ Somaro ▶ Yunohama Onsen Hot Springs Area

Day 3: Yunohama Onsen Hot Springs Area Fruit Picking ▶ Atsumi Onsen Hot Springs Area

Day 4: Atsumi Onsen Hot Springs Area ▶

Hagurosan Goju-no-to (five-storied pagoda) 2 ▶

Shonai Airport Haneda Airport



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# Recommended scenic route **EXPERIENCE THE QUINTESSENTIAL**

The main sanctum for the more than 40,000 hachiman shrines across Japan, Usa Jingu Shrine and the surrounding

Kunisaki Peninsula have a deep history as the birthplace of the Rokugo Manzan culture, a fusion of Shinto and

Day 1: Kappabashi Kitchenware Town ▶ Sushi Making Experience (Hassan) 1 ▶ Ameyoko (Shopping Street) ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Buddhist cultures. The main hall of Usa Jingu Shrine has been designated a National Treasure.

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Oita Airport ▶ Usa Jingu Shrine ② ▶ Bungo-Ono City Area

Day 3: Bungo-Ono City Area ▶ Usuki Stone Buddhas ▶ Usuki City Area

Day 4: Usuki City Area ▶ Beppu Jigoku Meguri (hell tour) ▶ Oita Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

### Tokvo



Learn about the history of sushi, Japan's famous traditional dish, and watch the fish being prepared and get lessons on making your own sushi by skilled chefs. After enjoying lunch, you'll receive a certificate to show that you've completed the sushi experience.





Matsushima features an exceptional view of approximately 260 islands, all of different sizes. The appearance of these islands changes according to season, time of day and point of observation, making them a unique natural wonder. A sightseeing cruise is a great way to enjoy the views here.

### Recommended scenic route >>> FEEL THE TRADITION THROUGH FIVE SENSES

Day 1: Tea Experience at Jugetsudo 1 ▶ Tsukishima (Monja) ▶ Sake Tasting Experience at the Japanese Sake and Shochu Information Center ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Tokyo Station ▶ Sendai Station ▶ Matsushima 2 ▶ Otaka-Mori ▶ Oku-Matsushima

Day 3: Oku-Matsushima ▶ Tsukihama Public Beach ▶ Sendai Station ► Tokyo Station

Miyagi



### Tokyo



Enclosed by 3,000 pieces of bamboo, the chic café Jugetsudo provides a popular Japanese tea tasting experience in English.

Ishikawa



Tsunoshima Ohashi bridge is one of the longest toll-free public roads in Japan, extending over a length of 1,780 meters. Hanging over a beautiful cobalt blue sea, the bridge has been used as a location for numerous movies, commercials and television programs.

### Recommended scenic route PANORAMIC VIEW

- Day 1: Tokyo Panorama Drive 1 ▶ Tokyo City View ▶ Shinjuku ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area
- Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Iwakuni Kintaikyo Airport ▶ Kintaikyo Bridge ▶ Hagi Hot Spring Village
- Day 3: Hagi Hot Spring Village ► Hagi Castle Town and Hagi Meirin Gakusha (school house) ▶ Tsunoshima Ohashi 2 ▶ Nagato Yumoto Onsen Area
- Day 4: Nagato Yumoto Onsen Area ► Karato Fish Market ► Yamaguchi Ube Airport ► Haneda Airport



### Tokyo



A one hour ride on this double decker bus takes you to see major attractions such as Tokyo Tower and the Rainbow Bridge.

### Recommended scenic route THE LIVING LEGACY OF SAMURAI CULTURE

- Day 1: Todoroki Valley ▶ Sake Tasting Experience (Meishu Center Sake Shop Ochanomizu) ▶ Shinjuku Gyoen 1 ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area
- Day 2: Tokyo Station ► Kanazawa Station ► Kenroku-en Garden 2 ► Korinbo Area
- Day 3: Korinbo Area ▶ Nagamachi Samurai Residences District ▶ Cycling Tour at Notojima island ▶ Notojima Island Area
- Day 4: Notojima Island Area ▶ Wajima Morning Market ▶ Noto Satoyama Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

Kenroku-en Garden is a strolling garden rated as one of the three most beautiful gardens in Japan. During the Edo period (1603-1868), Kenroku-en Garden was founded and extended over generations by the feudal lords of Kaga as a typical Daimyo (feudal lord) garden. Various views from season to season in the garden are a feast for visitors' eyes.

### Tokyo



Completed in 1906 as an imperial garden, Shinjuku Gyoen was opened to the public in 1949 and has since been a place for rest and relaxation, an oasis in the city.



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### Tokyo



The 634-meter TOKYO SKYTRFF® offers sweeping views of the metropolis and beyond from the observatory, and a modern shopping complex and retro shopping streets at its feet.

Enchantingly known as the "Castle, in the Sky," Bitchu Matsuyama Castle is the only mountaintop castle among the 12 castles with existing castle towers in Japan and offers magnificent views from its setting near the mountain peak. With luck, you may witness the rare sight of the castle floating above the clouds in early morning during the autumn to spring seasons.

### Recommended scenic route CITYSCAPE FROM THE SKY

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Okayama Momotaro Airport ▶ Okayama Korakuen Garden and Okayama Castle ▶ Okayama City Area

Day 3: Okayama City Area ▶ Bitchu Matsuyama Castle 2 ▶ Fukiya Furusato Village ▶ Kurashiki City Area

Day 4: Kurashiki City Area ▶ Kurashiki Bikan Historical Quarter ▶ Okayama Momotaro Airport ▶ Haneda Airport



# Recommended scenic route SUN, SKY & SERENITY

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# Day 1: Mt. Takao 1 ▶ The Sumida Hokusai Museum ▶ Chanko Nabe (sumo wrestlers' stew) ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Takamatsu Airport ▶ Takaya Shrine ▶ Chichibugahama Beach 2 ▶ Kotohira Town Area

Day 3: Kotohira Town Area ▶ Yashima ▶ Shodo Island Area

Kagawa

Day 4: Shodo Island Area ▶ Shodoshima Angel Road ▶ Takamatsu Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

Lauded as one of the "Top 100 Sunset Spots in Japan." the calm and shallow beach of Chichibugahama offers an incredible view, especially at sunset. If there is no wind to disturb the sea, at low tide you can see the sky reflected beautifully on the water's surface, creating a magical water mirror.

### Tokvo

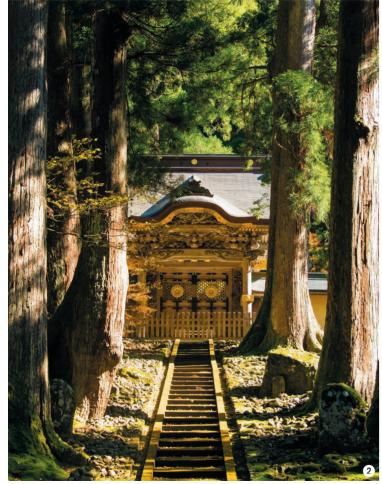


Mt. Takao is only 50 minutes by train from Shinjuku Station, making a wonderful day trip for some great hiking in the stillness of nature.



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Founded nearly 770 years ago as a training monastery for Zen Buddhism, Daihonzan Eiheiji Temple continues to be a key training ground with over 200 monks devoting themselves to the strict practice of Zen meditation. Stroll the cleanly swept, quiet temple premises surrounded by ancient cedar trees and experience the spirit of Zen.

### Tokvo



The Sumida Hokusai Museum introduces works of ukiyo-e wood block print artist Katsushika Hokusai, along with a life-size model of his art studio that lets visitors get a glimpse of the final years of the artist's life.

### Recommended scenic route TIMELESS ARTISTRY

Day 1: The Sumida Hokusai Museum 1 TOKYO CRUISE Sumidagawa Line ▶

Happo-en: Enju ► Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Komatsu Airport ▶ Tojinbo ▶

Awara Onsen Area

Day 3: Awara Onsen Area ▶

Daihonzan Eiheiji Temple 2 Overnight Stay Program at Temple

Day 4: Daihonzan Eiheiji Temple ▶ Echizen Washi Village

Kanazawa Station ▶ Tokyo Station



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Awaodori is one of the best-known dances of Japan with a 400-year history, and over a million dancers and spectators take part in the annual Awaodori Dance Festival in August. At this museum, experience Awaodori year-round through demonstrations and learn about the history of this passionate dance.

# Recommended scenic route FESTIVE MOMENT

**Tokushima** 

Day 1: Koishikawa Korakuen Gardens ▶ Ninja Experience (Ninja Trick House) 1 ▶ Shinjuku ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Tokushima Awaodori Airport ▶ Naruto Whirlpools ▶ Awaodori Kaikan ② ▶ Tokushima City Area

Day 3: Tokushima City Area ▶ Tairyuji Ropeway ▶ Anan City Area

Day 4: Anan City Area ▶ Hiwasa Hachiman Shrine Autumn Festival ▶ Tokushima Awaodori Airport ▶ Haneda Airport





Shinjuku's Ninja Trick House offers fun for the whole family with sword trick and ninja star throwing experiences in addition to photo sessions with ninjas.



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Matsudai Nohbutai is a cultural facility and one of the bases for the Echigo-Tsumari Art Triennale, a worldclass art festival held every three years with a novel approach to present regional assets through art. The museum and surrounding areas also house many works by acclaimed artists, including Yayoi Kusama.

# Recommended scenic route THE BEAUTY OF JAPAN'S TRADITION

Day 1: Shunkaen Bonsai Museum 1 ▶ Shibuya ▶ Daikanyama ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Tokyo Station ► Echigo-Yuzawa Station ► Matsudai Nohbutai 2 ► Echigo Yuzawa Area

Day 3: Echigo Yuzawa Area ▶ Uonumanosato ▶ Senami Onsen Area

Day 4: Senami Onsen Area ▶ Walking around Murakami ▶ Gotokuya Jube Photoshoot (Geisha Style) ▶ Niigata Station ▶ Tokyo Station



### Tokyo



The Shunkaen Bonsai Museum displays various remarkable bonsai miniature trees for all seasons. Visitors are warmly welcomed by the beautiful nishikigoi pond and over 1,000 bonsai pots elegantly arranged in a Japanese garden.



The Phoenix Seagaia Resort encompasses a variety of hotels, a golf course and amusement facilities in a superb location right by the ocean. Indulge yourself in the resort experience complete with splendid beaches, sumptuous local and international cuisine, a hot spring and various activities to enjoy the great outdoors.

# Recommended scenic route RELAXATION & CULTURE

Miyazaki

- Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Miyazaki Bougainvillea Airport ▶ Kirishima Factory Garden ▶ Saito City Area
- Day 3: Saito City Area ▶ Saitobaru Kofun-gun (Saitobaru Burial Mounds) ▶ Aya Teruha Suspension Bridge ▶ Sheraton Grande Ocean Resort
- Day 4: Sheraton Grande Ocean Resort ▶ Phoenix Seagaia Resort ② ▶ Miyazaki Bougainvillea Airport ▶ Haneda Airport





Ochanomizu Origami Kaikan is a multi-functional space dedicated to the art of origami and hosts regular workshops that allow visitors to experience the joy of creating various shapes out of paper.



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Recommended scenic route FEEL THE EARTH

Day 4: Kagoshima City Area ► Kagoshima Airport ► Haneda Airport

Kagoshima City Area

Day 1: The Tokyo Sakura Tram (Toden Arakawa Line) ▶ The Sumida Hokusai Museum 1 ▶

Day 3: Kagoshima City Area ▶ Express Ibusuki no Tamatebako ▶ Chiringashima ▶ Sunamushi Onsen ▶

SKY BUS TOKYO (Odaiba Night Course) ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ► Kagoshima Airport ► Sakurajima 2 ► Kagoshima City Area



Sakurajima, 1,117 meters above sea level with a circumference of 52 kilometers, is a renowned active volcano in Japan, which is surrounded by Kinkowan Bay in Kagoshima Prefecture. Tourists come not only for the scenic beauty of the smoldering volcano but also for hot springs and sand baths (Ibusuki City) heated by the active volcano.

### Tokvo



Katsushika Hokusai is a world-renowned ukiyo-e wood block print artist. The Sumida Hokusai Museum showcases paintings by Katsushika Fuji, a symbol of Japan.



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Hokusai including the iconic work portraying Mt.

Akita



Tazawako Skiing Area is famous among skiers for its silky powder snow. You can find courses with moguls and deep powder, for beginners as well as for professionals, so take this opportunity to enjoy the adrenaline rush of sliding down the slopes!

### Recommended scenic route **EXPERIENCE ILLUMINATION & POWDERSNOW**

- Day 1: Omotesando ► Marunouchi Naka-Dori Street ► Tokyo Tower 1 ► Tokyo Metropolitan Area
- Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Akita Airport ▶ Tazawako Skiing Area ② ▶ Nyuto Onsen Area ▶ Tazawako Area
- Day 3: Tazawako Area ▶ Kakunodate Bukeyashiki-dori Street ▶ Paper Balloon Festival of Kamihinokinai ▶ Kakunodate Area
- Day 4: Kakunodate Area ▶ Akita Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

### Tokyo



Tokyo Tower features a 250-meterhigh observation deck where you can see the expanse of Tokyo and its evening lights.



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# Recommended scenic route STONE & WATER

Day 1: Todoroki Valley ► Meiji Jingu Shrine 1 ► Yoyogi Park ► Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Tokyo Station ▶ Shin-Aomori Station ▶ Oirase Stream Cycling ② ▶ Lake Towada Canoe Tour ▶ Oirase Keiryu Area

Day 3: Oirase Keiryu Area ▶ Tsuta Onsen Area ▶ Hakkoda Ropeway ▶ Shin-Aomori Station ▶ Tokyo Station

Oirase Stream is a 14-kilometer-long picturesque stream of the Oirase River that flows from Lake Towada to Mt. Yakeyama. Cycling is the best way to enjoy Oirase. The cycling path is relatively flat and about the same height as the adjacent river. Electric bikes are available for rental.

### Tokyo



Established in 1920, Meiji Jingu Shrine is dedicated to Emperor Meiji and his consort Empress Shoken. The shrine is surrounded by an extensive forest and attracts a large number of visitors especially during the New Year period.



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The Shimanami Kaido is a 70-kilometer "sea road" spanning across nine bridges and six islands that connects Ehime Prefecture to Hiroshima Prefecture. Its bicycle road is highly regarded by cyclists as one of the world's best routes for its spectacular views. The numerous bicycle rental shops along the route allow cyclists to easily rent/ return bicvcles.

# Recommended scenic route SISLANDS & SKYSCRAPERS

**Ehime** 

Day 1: Tokyo City View 

▶ The Kimono Gallery ▶ SKY BUS TOKYO (Odaiba Night Course) ▶ Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Matsuyama Airport ▶ Matsuyama Castle ▶ Dogo Onsen Area

Day 3: Dogo Onsen Area ▶ Shimanami Kaido 2 ▶ Dogo Onsen Area

Day 4: Dogo Onsen Area ▶ Iyonada Monogatari (sightseeing train) ▶ Matsuyama Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

### Tokyo



Located on top of Roppongi Hills. Tokyo City View features an indoor observation gallery at 250 meters above sea level and a 360-degree-view outdoor Sky Deck, one of the highest open-air observatories in the Kanto region at 270 meters above sea level, with commanding views of various landmarks from the heart of the city.



www.chushikokuandtokyo.org/route 26/







Tokyo Metropolitan Area

Day 4: Shimanto City Area ▶ Walking the Town of Nakatosa ▶ Kochi Ryoma Airport ► Haneda Airport

an infinite number of ways to enjoy the beauty of the river.

Recommended scenic route BLUE RIVER & URBAN BEACH Day 1: Asakusa ▶ The Kimono Gallery ▶ Odaiba Marine Park 1 ▶

Known as the "last pristine river in Japan." the Shimanto River stretches 196 kilometers with numerous fun

spots to immerse yourself in nature. Whether it be a slow and easy ride on a bicycle or canoeing, there are





www.chushikokuandtokyo.org/route\_27/

### Tokyo



Enjoy a grand day out at the family-friendly Odaiba Marine Park with a white sandy beach and great views of Tokyo Bay and the Rainbow Bridge.



# Recommended scenic route WILDNESS & STILLNESS

Day 2: Haneda Airport ▶ Aso Kumamoto Airport ▶ Seeing the Aso Volcano Crater 2 ▶ Aso City Area

Day 3: Daikanbo Paragliding Experience ▶ Cycling Experiences ▶ Kurokawa Onsen Area

Day 4: Kurokawa Onsen Area ▶ Aso Kumamoto Airport ▶ Haneda Airport

The first crater of Mt. Nakadake, part of the five peaks surrounding the Aso Volcano, is one of the few tourist destinations in the world where you can experience volcanic activities up close. The spectacular emerald green caldera lake is a must-see. Enjoy Kumamoto's world-class natural beauty in

### Tokvo



Constructed on land given to the Shogun in 1695. Rikugien Gardens feature beautiful manmade landscapes in the Edo period (1603-1868) strolling garden style.









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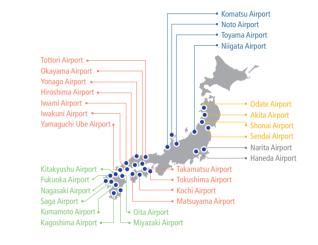
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### Other inexpensive and convenient passes are also available. Great range of products!!

Product name	Validity		
		Purchasing outside Japan	Purchasing in Japan
Kansai WIDE Area Pass	5-day	¥9,000	¥10,000
Kansai-Hiroshima Area Pass	5-day	¥13,500	¥14,500
Osaka-Hakata 'Setouchi Area Pass'	5-day	¥17,000	¥18,000
Osaka-Hakata 'Sanyo-San'in Area Pass'	7-day	¥19,000	¥20,000
Sanyo-San' in Northern Kyushu Pass	7-day	¥22,000	¥23,000
Hiroshima-Yamaguchi Area Pass	5-day	¥11,000	¥12,000
Okayama-Hiroshima-Yamaguchi Area Pass	5-day	¥13,500	¥14,500
San' in-Okayama Area Pass	4-day	¥4,500	¥5,500
Kansai-Hokuriku Area Pass	7-day	¥15,000	¥16,000
Hokuriku Area Pass	4-day	¥5,000	¥5,500
Osaka-Tokyo 'Hokuriku Arch Pass'	7-day	¥24,000	¥25,000
Osaka-Nagoya 'Takayama-Hokuriku Area Tourist Pass'	5-day	¥14,000	¥15,000

Product information as of July, 2018

www.westir.co.jp/global/en/ticket/





### Shikoku Railway Company



The Shikoku Railway Company, more commonly known as JR Shikoku, operates railways in all four prefectures of Shikoku, as well as Kojima Station in Okayama Prefecture. Very popular for its low price and ease of use, the company offers an "ALL SHIKOKU Rail Pass" that allows unlimited rides on all private railways (including JR Shikoku railways) in all areas of Shikoku. For trips in Shikoku, use the "ALL SHIKOKU Rail Pass" and enjoy traveling by train.

### ALL SHIKOKU Rail Pass

Eligibility: Use of this pass is restricted to foreign nationals visiting Japan on short-term visas that meet the following conditions:

1. Possession of a non-Japanese

Visiting Japan for sightseeing on a short-term visa of 90 days or less upon entry.



shikoku-railwaytrip.com/





### **Kyushu Railway Company**



Kvushu has a wealth of hot springs to enjoy, such as the famous sand baths of Ibusuki and Beppu, which boasts the most amounts of hot water in Japan, JR Kyushu is very convenient for touring the region as it operates a rail network that spans Kyushu.

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### JR Kvushu Rail Pass

This is an unlimited rail pass on the Kvushu Shinkansen and Limited Express Trains in the area. There are 3 types, All Kyushu Area, Northern Kyushu Area and Southern Kyushu Area.





www.jrkyushu.co.jp/english/ railpass/railpass.html



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www.nishitetsu.jp/en/ticket/

