



PRE- AND POST-PROGRAM OPTIONS

Ancient Traditions of the Inland Sea of Japan

May 19 to 30, 2020

We are pleased to offer you these Pre- and Post-Program Options to further enhance your journey.

To book your Pre- and/or Post-Program Options, please complete the enclosed reservation form. Reservations and payment in full are due in the offices of Gohagan & Company no later than **February 13, 2020**. The Pre- and/or Post-Program Options may not be available for purchase after this date.



Admire the peaceful East Garden and Plaza of Tokyo's Imperial Palace featuring the Nijubashi (Double Bridge), originally a wooden structure with two levels.

ICONIC TOKYO PRE-PROGRAM OPTION

May 16 to 20, 2020

A city that stuns with contrasts, Tokyo is the perfect introduction to the rich traditions, elegant rituals and insatiable appetite for trends that defines Japan. Beneath the city's endlessly fascinating layers of bold innovation and enthralling pop culture, traditional wooden houses, secluded alleyway shrines and Zen gardens evoke Japan's centuries-old aesthetics and quiet serenity.

Begin with a panoramic tour of the city and see the Imperial Palace and Gardens, claimed for the imperial family after the 1868 Meiji Restoration. Discover the leafy precincts of Ueno Park, home to several museums including Tokyo National Museum, one of the world's most prestigious repositories of East Asian art and archaeology with over 110,000 objects and 87 of Japan's National Treasures. See spectacular samurai pieces and exquisite examples of sculpture, metal works, pottery, Japanese lacquer ware (urushi) and textiles from the Edo Period (1603-1867). Enjoy a full-day excursion to Hakone, Tokyo's favourite mountain retreat where breathtaking scenery forms the backdrop for myriad cultural attractions. View the classic UNESCO World Heritage-designated Mt. Fuji (weather permitting)—the tallest peak in Japan—and take in glorious mountain scenery on a sightseeing tour of Lake Ashi where the Shinto torii shrine of Hakone-jinja, the "Peace Gate," rises from placid



Pass by picturesque Mt. Fuji, Japan's highest mountain, while traveling from Tokyo to Kyoto aboard the famous shinkansen.

waters. Walk through lively Asakusa, the center of Tokyo's historic *shitamachi* (downtown) district, and the wellspring for practically everything that we associate with Japanese culture. Tour the seventh-century Senso-ji Temple, Tokyo's most venerated Buddhist temple, and explore Asakusa's low-slung back streets where kimono-clad waitresses shuffle through generations-old soba shops, bustling storefronts purvey traditional crafts, and the charm and feel of old Tokyo prevails.

Experience a high-speed transfer aboard the legendary *shinkansen* (bullet train) to charming Kyoto. On board, enjoy an included bento box lunch—the quintessential fare when traveling by *shinkansen*.

Accommodations are for three nights in the prestigious, Five-Star ANA INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL TOKYO.

Day 1 Depart the U.S. and cross the International Date Line

Day 2 Arrive Tokyo, Japan

Day 3 Tokyo

Day 4 Tokyo/Hakone/Tokyo

Day 5 Tokyo/Bullet train transfer to Kyoto

Included Features:

- ◆ Transfers and luggage handling if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- ◆ Accommodations for three nights in the Five-Star ANA INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL TOKYO, inclusive of taxes and service.

- ◆ Breakfast each morning.
- ◆ Panoramic tour to see Tokyo's Imperial Palace Plaza and visit Tokyo National Museum, Japan's largest art museum.
- ◆ Excursion to Hakone for views of Mt. Fuji (weather dependent), a UNESCO World Heritage site, with lunch, a scenic cruise on Lake Ashi and a visit to the Hakone Shrine.
- ◆ Visit to Asakusa, the heart of the *shitamachi* district, and its seventh-century Sensō-ji Temple.
- ◆ Travel between Tokyo and Kyoto on board the high-speed *shinkansen*, with Japanese bento box lunch included.
- ◆ Experienced local guides for included excursions.
- ◆ Gratuities to local guides and drivers.
- ◆ Complimentary bottled water provided on motorcoaches during excursions.
- ◆ Hospitality desk in the hotel.
- ◆ Experienced Gohagan & Company Travel Program Director at your service.
- ◆ Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.

\$1695 USD per person, double occupancy.
\$2545 USD per person, single occupancy.

OSAKA AND NARA POST-PROGRAM OPTION

May 30 to June 1, 2020

Complement your journey through Japan with two compelling cities that embody the nation's dichotomy of the historic and modern: Osaka, the nation's second largest city where cutting-edge technology yokes with ancient cultural history, and Nara, deeply rooted in its ancient past as the birthplace of Japanese civilization.

In dynamic Osaka, visit the Osaka History Museum to learn more about the city's merchant past. Known as the "nation's kitchen," Osaka thrived as a trading port during the Edo Period, when affluent daimyo built personal warehouses throughout the city to store their surplus food; today, Osaka still has a winning gastronomic reputation, particularly on aromatic Dotonbori Street, known both nationally and internationally for its regional specialties. Continue to the Floating Garden Observatory at the peak of the landmark Umeda Sky Building for sweeping aerial views of the city.



Spend a day among UNESCO World Heritage-designated ancient monuments in serene Nara, Japan's oldest capital, where gentle sika deer roam Nara Park's rolling landscape. These monuments, carefully constructed in harmony with the surrounding sacred forest, vividly illustrate a period in the eighth century when a flourishing of Japanese art and culture was associated with the spread of Buddhism. Visit the significant "Great Eastern Temple" of Todai-ji, rebuilt in the 12th century, and Horyu-ji Temple, where a seventh-century, five-storied pagoda—considered one of the world's oldest wooden structures—is a masterpiece of early Japanese art and architecture. Experience the ancient tradition of creating gripped *sumi* (calligraphy inksticks) at the Kinko-en Workshop.

Accommodations are for two nights in the Five-Star INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL OSAKA.

Day 1 Disembark ship in Osaka, Japan

Day 2 Nara/Osaka

Day 3 Osaka/Return to the U.S.

Included Features:

- ◆ Transfers and luggage handling if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- ◆ Accommodations for two nights in the Five-Star INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL OSAKA, inclusive of taxes and service.
- ◆ Breakfast each morning.
- ◆ Tour of the fascinating Osaka History Museum.
- ◆ Visit to the Umeda Sky Building and Floating Garden Observatory for memorable panoramas of Osaka's skyline.
- ◆ Full-day excursion to Nara to learn more about ancient life in Japan, with visits to Todai-ji and Horyu-ji Temples and Nara Park; lunch is included.
- ◆ Opportunity to experience the unique local practice of gripped *sumi* making at Kinko-en Workshop.
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One of the Seven Great Temples—recognized for their influence and historical significance—Todai-ji Temple houses a massive bronze statue of the Daibutsu (Buddha Vairocana), the world's largest at 49 feet tall.

\$1095 USD per person, double occupancy.

\$1595 USD per person, single occupancy.

Please note: Each Pre-Program Option and/or Post-Program Option is sold as a separate package; individual services and/or Included Features of the Pre-Program Option and/or Post-Program Option cannot be purchased individually.

PRE-PROGRAM OPTION AND POST-PROGRAM OPTION CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

In the event you have to cancel your reservation, cancellation policies as outlined in your travel program brochure apply. **These policies are strictly enforced.** Cancellations for all or any part of the trip will not be effective until they are received **in writing** in the offices of Gohagan & Company.

A minimum of 35 participants per program is required for the Iconic Tokyo Pre-Program and the Osaka and Nara Post-Program Options to operate.





PRE- AND POST-PROGRAM OPTIONS RESERVATION FORM

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Please note: If you have already sent a deposit for the Pre- and/or Post-Program Options with your main program brochure reservation form, please disregard this form. Confirmation will appear on the enclosed RESERVATION CONFIRMATION. Final payment is due in the offices of Gohagan & Company February 13, 2020.

Insert the following information from your RESERVATION CONFIRMATION:

Reservation number

First passenger's name exactly as it appears on passport

Second passenger's name exactly as it appears on passport

Please make my/our reservation(s):

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Total: \$ _____

The Pre- and Post-Program Options may be paid by check or wire transfer.

- Enclosed is my payment of \$ _____ as **deposit** (\$200 USD per person Iconic Tokyo Pre-Program Option and/or \$200 USD per person Osaka and Nara Post-Program Option)
- Enclosed is my payment in full of \$ _____ (due February 13, 2020).

Please send reservation(s) and payment to:

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