Tour Plan

Overview

Destination: Tokyo & Kyoto, Japan

• Travel Dates: May 20, 2024 - May 27, 2024

• Trip Duration: 8 days, 7 nights

• **Group Size**: 20 people (Group Tour)

• Tour Name: Cultural Japan Tour

 Cost: Approximately \$2500 per person (includes flights, accommodation, transportation, meals, and entry fees)

Main Objectives

- Visit major attractions in Tokyo, such as Senso-ji Temple, Tokyo Tower, and Akihabara.
- Explore Kyoto's cultural heritage by visiting Kinkaku-ji, Kiyomizu-dera, and Gion.
- Experience traditional Japanese tea ceremonies and wear a kimono.
- Savor authentic Japanese cuisine, including sushi, ramen, and wagyu beef.

Itinerary

Day 1 - May 20, 2024

- Morning: Meet at the airport and take the flight to Tokyo
- Afternoon: Arrive at Narita Airport, transfer to the hotel
- Evening: Group dinner featuring Tokyo's local specialties

Day 2 - May 21, 2024

- Morning: Visit Senso-ji Temple, experience traditional Japanese culture
- Lunch: Enjoy a sushi buffet

- Afternoon: Explore Tokyo Tower and enjoy the panoramic view of the city
- **Evening**: Free time for shopping or optional night tour in Akihabara

Day 3 - May 22, 2024

- Morning: Visit Ueno Park and the Tokyo National Museum
- **Lunch**: Traditional Japanese set lunch
- Afternoon: Explore Harajuku and Omotesando, experience Tokyo's modern fashion scene
- Evening: Group dinner with yakiniku (Japanese BBQ) and hot pot

Day 4 - May 23, 2024

- Morning: Take the Shinkansen to Kyoto
- Afternoon: Visit Kinkaku-ji (Golden Pavilion), admire its stunning architecture
- Evening: Explore Gion District, experience Kyoto's traditional atmosphere

Day 5 - May 24, 2024

- Morning: Visit Kiyomizu-dera Temple, learn about Japanese Buddhist culture
- Lunch: Enjoy a traditional kaiseki lunch (multi-course Japanese meal)
- Afternoon: Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine, walk through the famous thousand
 Torii gates
- Evening: Savor wagyu beef BBQ for dinner

Day 6 - May 25, 2024

- Morning: Tour around Kyoto, visit Ginkaku-ji (Silver Pavilion) and the Philosopher's Path
- Afternoon: Participate in a tea ceremony and learn about Japanese tea culture
- **Evening**: Free time to explore Kyoto or shop for souvenirs

Day 7 - May 26, 2024

- Morning: Visit the Arashiyama Bamboo Grove and enjoy the beautiful natural scenery
- Afternoon: Shop for traditional crafts and souvenirs in Kyoto
- **Evening**: Farewell group dinner with a special Kyoto-style meal

Day 8 - May 27, 2024

- Morning: Take the Shinkansen back to Tokyo and head to the airport
- Afternoon: Take the flight back home, concluding the Japan tour

Transportation

- **Flights**: Round-trip international flights to Tokyo
- Local Transportation: Private buses or group tickets for the subway and public buses
- **Shinkansen**: High-speed bullet train travel from Tokyo to Kyoto

Accommodation

- Tokyo: 4-star hotel with breakfast, free Wi-Fi
- Kyoto: Traditional ryokan (Japanese inn) with tatami rooms and hot spring facilities, includes breakfast and dinner
- Nightly Budget: Approximately \$150-\$200 per night, included in the tour cost

Meals

- Breakfast: Japanese or Western-style buffet provided at hotels
- **Lunch**: Traditional Japanese meals such as sushi, tempura, ramen, etc.
- Dinner: Group dinners featuring local specialties, including yakiniku
 (BBQ), kaiseki, and wagyu beef

• **Tipping**: Tips for restaurant service are included in the tour fee

Additional Information

- **Tour Guide**: English-speaking tour guide will provide detailed commentary throughout the trip
- Insurance: Basic travel insurance is included in the tour package
- Personal Expenses: It is recommended to bring \$100-\$200 for personal shopping and additional activities