

Discover Japan: Tokyo & Kyushu

11 DAYS // 13 WITH EXTENSION

Experience a side of Japan that few travelers see. This unique educational journey takes students from the vibrant energy of Tokyo to the quiet resilience of Nagasaki and the dramatic volcanic landscapes of Kumamoto. Each region reveals its own rich story, inviting students to step into samurai history, Buddhist traditions, WWII legacies, and Edo-period culture. Along the way, they gain powerful insights into how communities can adapt, rebuild, and reflect together.



WHAT'S INCLUDED



Full-time Tour Director who's with you every step of the way



5 expert-led sightseeing tours in iconic destinations



All transportation, including 1 internal flight and 1 bullet train



18 tickets to bucket-list experiences and attractions



Daily breakfast, 3 lunches, and 7 dinners featuring regional cuisine



The option for students to receive academic credit



9 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms

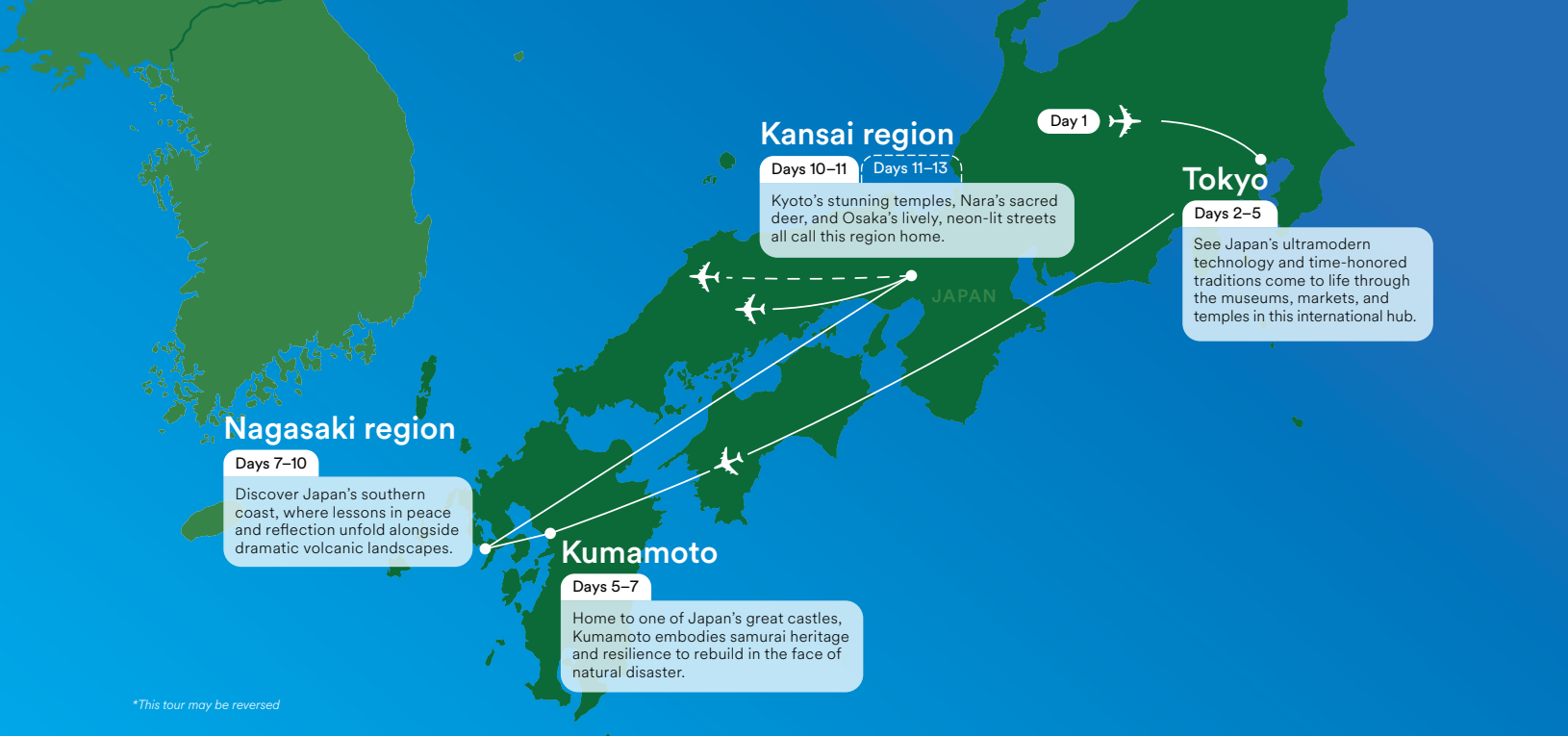


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YOUR TOUR NUMBER



Take in this tour's highlights

Tokyo

Visit Asakusa Kannon Temple, Tokyo's largest and oldest Buddhist site. Trace Japan's cultural evolution from the 7th century to today as you explore how ancient rituals and traditions continue to thrive beside modern urban life.

At a traditional glass cutting studio, learn how Edo Kiriko artisans have perfected their craft across the centuries. Guided by local experts, you'll uncover the history, technique, and cultural importance of this sparkling art form before creating your own etched-glass masterpiece to take home.

Walk through Shibuya and Harajuku, two of Tokyo's most vibrant neighborhoods. In Shibuya, experience the energy of the city's famous crossing and explore its role as a major commercial hub. Then, enjoy time to wander through Harajuku's colorful shopping streets to see where fashion, creativity, and self expression come to life.

Kumamoto

Visit Kumamoto Castle, one of Japan's most impressive fortresses. Set high above the city, its towering stone walls reveal how samurai era engineers designed for both strength and strategy. Explore the castle's resilience, from its 17th century origins to its restoration after the 2016 earthquakes.

Explore volcanology and earth science at the Aso Volcano Museum. From live video feeds of the nearby crater to interactive geology exhibits, gain firsthand insight into one of Japan's most active volcanoes and the communities shaped by its power.

Kumamoto (cont.) Examine preserved earthquake remains and learn the science behind Japan's seismic activity at the KIOKU Earthquake Museum, located on the former Tokai University Aso Campus. Through interactive displays, explore how education, preparedness, and creativity help communities rebuild after natural disasters.

Nagasaki region

Learn about the 1945 atomic bombing and its devastating impact at the Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum. Consider the consequences and lasting effects of nuclear war through the museum's moving exhibits and survivor stories. Then walk through nearby Nagasaki Peace Park to reflect on remembrance, resilience, and the shared pursuit of peace.

Relax at Japan's longest foot bath, naturally heated by local hot springs. Soak your feet, take in the ocean views, and experience firsthand how geothermal energy shapes daily life and wellness traditions in Japanese culture.

Enjoy a guided tour of the geothermal Unzen Jigoku area, where steam and sulfurous gases rise from the earth. Learn how volcanic energy affects the surrounding landscape and reflect on its history as a site of persecution during Japan's early encounters with Christianity.

\$ Groups have the option to extend their tour by three days

Spend more time in Kyoto to visit the Fushimi Inari Temple, stroll through the Arashiyama Bamboo Forest, and participate in a hands-on Yuzen dyeing workshop.

