



Japan's Cultural Treasures

Small Group Travel:
No more than 16 travelers

February 2026

Travel to Japan with us and discover a spectacular Asian land, both modern and ancient. *On this adventure, you'll delve into the heart and soul of each destination, interacting with local people and gaining insight into their culture. We explore the team in streets of Tokyo, where commercial high rises and ancient palaces intermingle. Then travel to Hakone, famous for its Hot Springs and views of iconic Mount Fuji. From there, we travel by train to Kanazawa. Renowned for its samurai influence and exquisite gardens.*

Then conclude our adventure in traditional Kyoto ancient Imperial capital and home to some of Japan's most impressive Buddhist and Shinto shrines. We've also witnessed Japan's natural beauty via aerial gondola enjoying views of the pristine lakes, volcanic peaks and lush valleys of the Hakone region. Marvel at snowcapped Mount Fuji. Delve into Japanese culture from an immersive Tyco drawing experience in Tokyo to a traditional tea ceremony for the local family in Kyoto. You'll also observe quiet scenes of pastoral life.

Along the way, you'll dive into Japan's complex culture through a variety of activities, such as visiting a gold leaf master in Kanazawa and strolling amidst the idyllic landscapes of Kenrokuen garden as we celebrate more than 2000 years of Japanese culture. Examine a complex society whose talent for adapting is unparalleled. Admire the unique aesthetic that informs every aspect of Japanese life and share new experiences. New tastes. New friends and new connections. All in a fascinating land of the rising sun.

*Your program director will give you insight on personal favorites and local specialties. As you travel, you'll enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow travelers as you dine in a variety of settings. **Space on this adventure is truly limited, so reserve your place today [on our website](#) or call (269) 209-5889.***



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Snapshot Itinerary: Japan's Cultural Treasures

Travel Dates: *February 2026 (exact dates TBA)*

Day 1 – Depart U.S.

Day 2 – Arrive Tokyo, Japan

Day 3 – Explore Tokyo • Meet former sumo wrestler

Day 4 – Tokyo • Taiko drumming experience • Explore Asakusa

Day 5 – Travel overland to Hakone • A Day in the Life of Ashigara

Day 6 – Hakone • Boat ride on Lake Ashi • Wood workshop visit • Controversial Topic: Unraveling the mystery of the Japanese geisha

Day 7 – Hakone • Overland to Tokyo • Bullet train to Kanazawa

Day 8 – Kanazawa • Visit Kenrokuen Garden • Explore Omicho Market • Visit gold leaf factory

Day 9 – Kanazawa • Optional Gokayama tour

Day 10 – Kanazawa • Home-Hosted Visit: Tea with a local family • Train to Kyoto

Day 11 – Kyoto • Arashiyama Bamboo Grove • Kinkakuji • Nijo Castle

Day 12 – Kyoto • Nara • Matcha tea experience

Day 13 – Kyoto • Visit Zen Temple

Day 14 – Kyoto • Visit Fushimi Inari Shrine • Meet a sushi chef

Day 15 – Return to U.S

REMINDER: *Space for this special journey is available on a first-come, first-serve basis and is truly limited. To reserve your place today, please call Curtis Whitaker at (269) 209-5889. Welcome!*



COVID-19 UPDATE: Good news! COVID-19 vaccines are no longer required for trips departing on or after 1/1/24. To learn more about our COVID vaccine policy, which is set by our providers, call us at (269) 209-5889. As always, we will be happy to answer your questions and provide more information. Thank you!



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Pricing Summary & Trip Dates

Trip Name: Japan's Cultural Treasures
Trip Dates: February 2026 (*exact dates TBA*)
Base Trip Cost: \$5,195 (*final price TBD*)

Rd. Trip Airfare: \$1,200 (*from Detroit Metro Airport*)

Trip Cancellation Coverage – Trip cancellation insurance is not required but is highly recommended. For details, please visit www.gct.com or call Curtis Whitaker at (269) 209-5889.

Reservation Deposit: The deposit to reserve your space on this trip is \$500 per person, fully refundable until 90 days prior to departure.

Need Help? For personal assistance or more information about this trip in the meantime, call Curtis Whitaker at (269) 209-5889 during regular business hours.

TOUR RESERVATION POLICY:

Reservations can be made by calling Curtis Whitaker at (269) 209-5889. A \$500 deposit is required to guarantee your place (credit cards accepted). Remaining balance due 90 days before departure.

Note: The information, dates and prices provided in this document are estimates only based on currently available information. All prices and itinerary details are subject to change pending the release of 2026 dates and pricing. All pricing is listed per person.

Pricing Disclaimer: Every effort will be made to provide accurate pricing information. Operator reserves the right to correct promotional or pricing errors at any time, or to increase the trip price in the event of cost increases, currency fluctuations, venue fee increases, taxes, or fuel surcharges, or other reasons, unless you pre-paid according to the terms of the Good Buy Plan prior to the cost increase going into effect. For more information, please call Curtis Whitaker at (269) 209-5889.



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