

Conejo Ski & Sports Club presents

Japan 2026

Land of the Rising Sun



CHERRY BLOSSOM SEASON!

\$5,900- Land Package13 Nights • 4 Cities • 29 Meals

3 Departure Dates: March 28, 30, & 31 2026

Japan is a country of contrasts and contradictions - from the beauty and serenity of the area surrounding Mount Fuji to the frenetic energy of Tokyo's subways and business district. It's where technology meets tradition and convenience meets mindfulness. The Japanese culture shares its reverence for nature in their exquisite gardens and works of art. Shinto Shrines and Buddhist Temples evoke serenity and reflection. Japan also brings us Samurai, Shogunate, Sumo wrestling, anime (like Pokemon, Astro Boy, and Sailor Moon), car manufacturers, Hello Kitty, and an advanced technology in robotics. And then there are the Geishas, in a category all of their own!

Our tour begins with 3 nights in Japan's busy capital, Tokyo, known as Edo until 1869. Tokyo is a modern city with neon lights and skyscrapers. We'll learn about sumo wrestling how they maintain their competitive physique. We'll explore Tokyo using their subway, world renowned for its comprehensive and efficient network of 280 stations. The next city we'll visit on our itinerary is Hakone in the Mt. Fuji region. During our 2 night stay you may want to enjoy our hotel's mineral hot springs, but...be prepared to shed ALL your clothes and inhibitions! We will return to Tokyo and board the Shinkansen (bullet train) traveling at 200mph to our next destination of Kanazawa, located in the Japanese Alps along the coast of the Sea of Japan. During our 3 night stay we will visit the historic part of town with its well preserved Edo era districts from 300 years ago. Kanazawa is known for its Geishas, Gardens, and Gold Leaf. For the last leg of our journey we will take a local train to Kyoto, for our final 5 nights on the trip. Kyoto was the nation's capitol for over 1000 years and is often described as the "heart and soul" of Japan, and is very rich in tradition.

Hotels: Shizutetsu Hotel Presio Tokyo Tamachi, Hotel Recove Hakone, Hotel Kanazawa, & Hotel Vista Premio Kyoto Nagomite (or similar)

Our 2 week adventure is designed for people who want a different kind of travel experience - one that emphasizes active exploration and a unique cultural experience, often in places where ordinary tours don't go.

SUMO WRESTLING DEMONSTRATION • SUBWAY • TAIKO DRUMMING • ASAKUSA SHOPPING DISTRICT • ASAKUSA TEMPLE
ASHIGARA • LAKE ASHI • BOAT RIDE • MT. FUJI • ONSEN (HOT SPRINGS) • BULLET TRAIN • SETO COMMUNITY HOUSE
SAMURAI • COOKING LESSON: MISO SOUP & RICE BALLS • HAMAMATSUYA • WOODWORK • KENROKUEN GARDEN
GEISHA • MEET & DISCUSS WITH A MADAM • HIGASHI CHAYA DISTRICT • OMICHO MARKET • GOLD LEAF LESSON
HOME HOSTED VISIT • ARASHIYAMA BAMBOO GROVE • TEA HOUSES • NIJO CASTLE • NARA • TODAJI TEMPLE • SAKI
50 FT BUDDHA STATUE • TEA MAKING DEMONSTRATION • ENKOJI TEMPLE • ZEN MEDITATION WITH A MONK
TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN PAVILION • FUSHIMI INARI SHRINE • SUSHI-MAKING LESSON • SHOGUNATE • KINKAKUJI

Sign-ups begin now and end at 7:00pm October 2, 2024 at the meeting.

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