



# 2025 KYOTO & OSAKA HOLIDAY ILLUMINATION SHOPPING TOUR

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December 09 – 15, 2025 • Tour Manager: Jo Lelepali

## VISIT:

Kyoto • Osaka

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

Tenryuji Temple • Arashiyama Bamboo Forest • Fushimi Inari Shrine

## ILLUMINATION HIGHLIGHT:

Osaka Castle Illuminage

## SHOPPING HIGHLIGHTS:

Arashiyama Shopping Street • Depachika Shopping • Gion Street Shopping  
Nishiki Market • Teramachi Shopping Arcade • Kuromon Ichiba Market  
Dotonbori Shopping • Shinsaibashi Shopping Arcade • AEON MALL

## HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE:

Yuzen Dyeing

## UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE:

Tenryuji Temple

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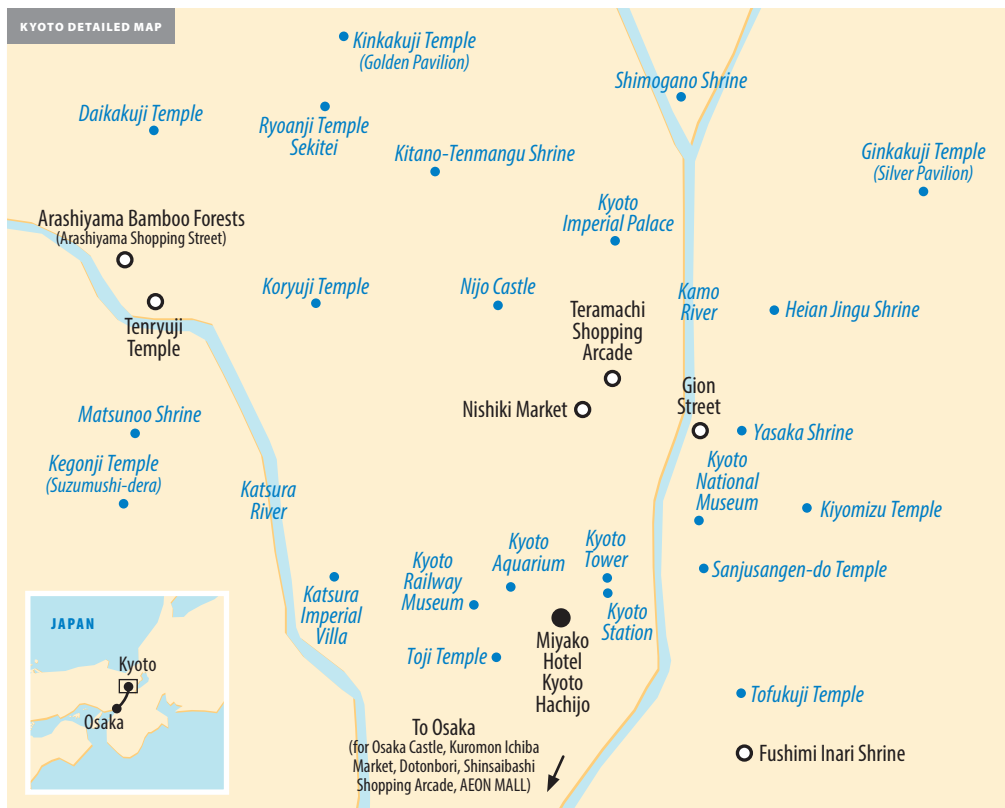
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**Day 1: Tue, Dec 09** – HONOLULU. Depart Honolulu via Japan Airlines.

**Day 2: Wed, Dec 10** – OSAKA – KYOTO. Arrive in the Osaka Airport. After entry formalities, transfer by coach to your hotel in Kyoto. MIYAKO HOTEL KYOTO HACHIOJO (3 Nights).

**Day 3: Thur, Dec 11** – KYOTO. After a sumptuous buffet breakfast, embark on a full day of discovery! First visit **Tenryuji Temple**, the most important temple in Kyoto's Arashiyama district. It was ranked first among the city's five great Zen temples, and is now registered as a world heritage site. Next, explore the famous **Arashiyama Bamboo Forests**. Then spend some time shopping at **Arashiyama Shopping Street** for some of the world-famous bamboo products while enjoying lunch on your own. Today's hands-on experience is **surikomi yuzen (brush dyed yuzen)**. Since the patterns are dyed by placing a paper stencil over a table mat you can make an authentic piece, even if this is your first time. Next, explore a **depachika**: markets located on the basement level of department stores. These popular shopping destinations offer a wide variety of ready-to-eat foods like side dishes, bento, and sweets, along with fresh ingredients such as meat and fish. Spend some time shopping and dining (on your own) before returning to the hotel for an evening of leisure. (B)

**Day 4: Fri, Dec 12** – KYOTO. Full day at leisure. Your hotel is surrounded by department stores, specialty stores, and restaurants. A perfect day to fulfill your shopping list. Your Local Guide will be available to assist as needed. (B)

**Day 5: Sat, Dec 13** – KYOTO – OSAKA. After breakfast, enjoy a **full day of SHOPPING!** This morning view the stunning vermilion colored **Fushimi Inari Shrine**, whose four kilometer long tunnel of scarlet torii gates was featured on the film *Memoirs of a Geisha*. Enjoy some time shopping around **Gion Street**, Kyoto's most famous geisha district, located around Shijo Avenue between Yasaka Shrine in the east and the Kamo River in the west. It is filled with shops, restaurants and ochaya (teahouses), where geiko (Kyoto dialect for geisha) and maiko (geiko apprentices) entertain. Next visit **Nishiki Market**, also known as "Kyoto's Kitchen," is a narrow, five block long shopping street lined by more than one hundred shops and restaurants. Specializes in all things food related, like fresh seafood, produce, knives and cookware, and is a great place to find seasonal foods and Kyoto specialties, such as Japanese sweets, pickles, dried seafood and sushi. Finally, explore one of the most popular shopping streets in all of Kyoto, **Teramachi Shopping Arcade**, located right in the middle of downtown Kyoto. Teramachi Shopping Arcade is a fascinating blend of history and modernity – from long established stores selling kimonos and traditional crafts to stores offering



**MIYAKO HOTEL KYOTO HACHIOJO – 4-STAR (3 NIGHTS):**  
One of the largest hotels in Kansai, with an excellent location in front of the Shinkansen, JR, and Kintetsu Kyoto Stations.



**HOTEL GRANVIA OSAKA – 4-STAR (2 NIGHTS):** Located in the center of the spirited and historic city of Osaka, the hotel is directly connected to the JR Osaka train lines.



the latest trendy fashion items. Take in the spectacular view of the **Osaka Castle Illuminage**! As night falls, Osaka Castle gardens come alive with a symphony of vibrant LED neon artwork – with each year focusing on a different theme. Transfer to the hotel in Osaka for an evening of leisure. HOTEL GRANVIA OSAKA (2 Nights) (B)

**Day 6: Sun, Dec 14** – OSAKA. Full day at leisure. Your hotel is surrounded by department stores, specialty stores, and restaurants. A perfect day to fulfill your shopping list. Your Local Guide will be available to assist as needed. (B)

**Day 7: Mon, Dec 15** – OSAKA – HONOLULU. After hotel checkout, start the day with a visit to **Kuromon Ichiba Market**, a lively covered market which stretches for 580 meters in Osaka's Chuo Ward. The market is famous for its fresh seafood, fruits and vegetables, meats, dried fish, pickles, and confectionery. Many stalls will prepare, cook, and serve their food to you right on the spot! An excellent place to stroll, sample, and snack on a delicious variety of fresh market foods. Next, visit **Dotonbori**, one of Osaka's most popular tourist destinations, this street runs parallel to the Dotonbori canal. It is a popular shopping and entertainment district and is also known as a food destination. Then enjoy time at **Shinsaibashi Shopping Arcade** – which is considered Osaka's premier shopping center. Approximately 600 meters long, this area is unique as it combines chain retail stores and trendy boutiques with expensive department stores and top designer fashion labels. A final shopping stop will be made at an **AEON MALL** before transferring to the Airport for the return flight home. Depart Osaka and arrive in Honolulu the same day. Aloha and welcome home! (B)

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