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**November 07 – 17, 2026 • Tour Managers: Steven & Naomi Lee**

**HIDDEN GEMS OF JAPAN:** There's more to Japan than the well-known destinations of Tokyo, Kyoto, and Osaka. After all, with over 43 prefectures, there are surely TONS of other hidden gems out there that will be worth your while! In fact, there is one stunning place that's yet to be discovered by foreign tourists, and that's a visit to Niigata Prefecture facing the Sea of Japan.

**VISIT:** Omiya, Niigata, Sado Island & Tokyo

**TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:** JR Super Express Train Ride, Niigata Furusato Village, Shirone Grape Garden, Yahiko Park, Yahiko Shrine, Yahiko Panorama Tower, Knife Factory Tour, Jet Foil Ride to Sado Island, Toki Forest Park, Oni Daiko Performance, Kirarium Sado, Sado Gold Mine, Tarai-Bune Boat Ride, Shukunegi, Jet Foil Ride to Niigata, Pier Bandai, Geiko Dinner, Northern Culture Museum, AEON MALL, TeamLab Borderless: MORI Building DIGITAL ART MUSEUM, Toyosu Senkyaku Banrai, Asakusa Sensoji Temple, Nakamise Shopping & Ameyoko Shopping

**HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES:** Apple Picking, Obata Sake Brewery Tour and Tasting, Soba Noodle Making, Mochi Pounding, Senbei (Rice Cracker) Making & Furin (Japanese Wind Chime) Painting

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**Day 1: Sat, Nov 07** — HONOLULU. Depart Honolulu via Japan Airlines flt #73 at 12:05 pm.

**Day 2: Sun, Nov 08** — HANEDA — OMIYA. Arrive at the Haneda International Airport at 4:05 pm. After entry formalities board motorcoach to your hotel in Omiya. The remainder of the evening is at your leisure. The hotel is conveniently located a six-minute walk from the JR Omiya Station. There will be various choices for shopping and dining at the station. DAIWA ROYNET HOTEL OMIYA-NISHIGUCHI (1 Night)

**Day 3: Mon, Nov 09** — OMIYA — NIIGATA. After breakfast, transfer to Omiya Station. Ride the **JR Super Express Train** to Niigata Station. Upon arrival in Niigata, spend some free time at the **Niigata Furusato Village**, where there are shops selling Niigata specialties, restaurants serving local cuisine, a sightseeing information area, and a corner providing historical and cultural information to visitors. You'll have time to shop and enjoy lunch here (on your own). After lunch, visit **Shirone Grape Garden** and **pick some apples**. Continue to the hotel, where you will have some time before your **Kaiseki Dinner** to relax in the **onsen hot spring**. HOTEL OYANAGI (2 Nights) (B, D)

**Day 4: Tue, Nov 10** — NIIGATA. Now this is what you've been waiting for! **Yahiko Park** is ablaze with fall foliage! You've never seen anything like it! Also, visit **Yahiko Shrine**. Then, take it all in from the amazing vantage point of the **Yahiko Panorama Tower**, a 100m high rotating observation tower that ascends and descends while rotating, offering a view of the Echigo Plain and, on clear days, as far as Sado Island in the distance. After enjoying lunch at a local restaurant, take a **tour of a knife factory**, before returning to the hotel for a different **Kaiseki Dinner**. (B, L, D)

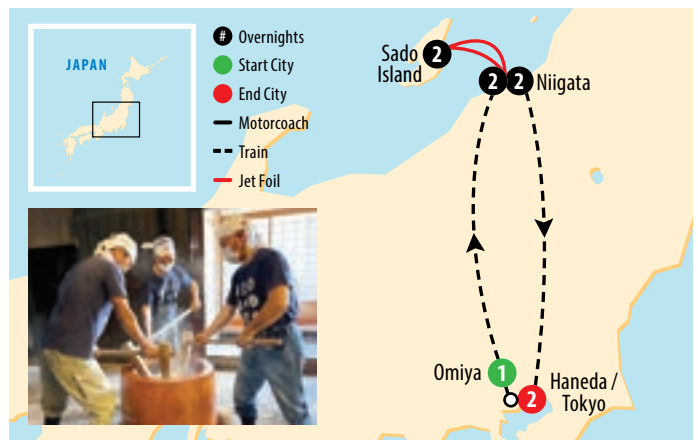
\*Baggage will be sent from Hotel Oyanagi to Hotel Nikko Niigata, skipping Sado Island. Prepare overnight bag for two nights.

**Day 5: Wed, Nov 11** — NIIGATA — SADO ISLAND. Transfer to Niigata Port to take a **jet foil** to Sado Island. Upon arrival, tour the **Toki Forest Park**, a conservation park of the crested ibis that allows visitors to see the endangered species up close. Visit the **Obata Sake Brewery** for a **tour and tasting**. A special **Kaiseki Dinner** will be served at your hotel accompanied by an authentic **oni daiko (demon drums) performance**. HOTEL YAHATAKAN (2 Nights) (B, D)

**Day 6: Thur, Nov 12** — SADO ISLAND. Begin the day at **Kirarium Sado**, the Sado Gold Mine Welcome Center, where you will learn everything you need to know about the gold mine. Head over to **Sado Gold Mine** to learn about the 400+ year history of the largest gold mine in Japan. Full-size dolls and robots provide an accurate representation of the historic workings of the mine during the Edo period. In the museum, you can try to lift a pure gold bar — a value of over 100 million yen — out of a clear box. Many have tried, but few have succeeded! Next, learn to **make your own soba noodles** and eat your delicious creation for lunch. After, take a traditional **tarai-bune boat ride**. These 150cm diameter boats are constructed out of cedar wrapped with bamboo on the outside. Developed and used during Edo and Meiji periods, the tarai-bune boats were ideal for tight turns and stability amidst the abundant reefs and coves along the Ogi Peninsula. Then, visit the charming fishing village of **Shukunegi**, which is designated as a National Historic Site. Take a stroll along the narrow streets to feel the history and experience the living conditions of people living during the Edo period. Here, you will be able to find the popular sankaku-ya, which is a triangle-shaped house, built to fit the shape of the land available at that period of time. Enjoy a Western dinner at a local restaurant before returning to the hotel. (B, L, D)

**Day 7: Fri, Nov 13** — SADO ISLAND — NIIGATA. After breakfast, transfer Niigata via a **jet foil**. Upon arrival, stop at **Pier Bandai**, a food market that offers multiple food options — from vegetables and fruit delivered straight from farms, to Niigata-produced rice Koshihikari, fish caught from the Sea of Japan, high-quality sake brands from across the prefecture, and many other Niigata food specialties. Enjoy lunch while here (on your own). You're in for treat this evening!! Along with dinner, we are **entertained by an authentic Geiko**. Dancing, singing and playing fun games! HOTEL NIKKO NIIGATA (2 Nights) (B, D)

**Day 8: Sat, Nov 14** — NIIGATA. This morning, visit the **Northern Culture Museum**, where you'll have the chance to **pound mochi** and have lunch. It originally served as a mansion of Ito Bunkichi, who was one of the greatest landowners in Japan during the Edo Period. Nowadays, the museum houses



calligraphy, ceramics, lacquer ware, and documents related to Ito's family history. You can also visit its beautiful garden and pond. After lunch, **make your own senbei (rice cracker)**. Finally, stop at an **AEON MALL**, where you'll have time to shop and have dinner (on your own), before returning to the hotel for the night. (B, L)

**Day 9: Sun, Nov 15** — NIIGATA — TOKYO. Return to Tokyo via **JR Super Express Train**. Upon arrival in Tokyo, you'll get the chance to **paint your own furin (Japanese wind chime)**. A great souvenir of your trip! Then, explore **teamLab Borderless: MORI Building DIGITAL ART MUSEUM**, a world of artworks without boundaries. Artworks move out of rooms, relate to other works, influence each other, and at times intermingle, without boundaries, creating one continuous world without boundaries — wander, explore with intention, discover, and create a world with others in this immersive experience. After, transfer to hotel, where you will have time to relax before a buffet dinner. GRAND NIKKO TOKYO DAIBA (2 Nights) (B, D)

**Day 10: Mon, Nov 16** — TOKYO. Full day at leisure. A perfect day to shop, dine, and explore Tokyo on your own. Your Local Guide will be available to assist as needed. (B)

**Day 11: Tue, Nov 17** — TOKYO — HANEDA — HONOLULU. Begin the day exploring **Toyosu Senkyaku Banrai**, a shopping complex that recreates an Edo period neighborhood. Toyosu Senkyaku Banrai offers fresh food from the neighboring Toyosu Market and serves to showcase the best foods in Tokyo. Enjoy time for shopping and lunch (on your own), exploring the offerings at the numerous stalls. If you get tired, head up to the 8<sup>th</sup> floor and relax at the foot bath garden, which is free of charge to all visitors. Then, head to **Asakusa**, the center of Tokyo's shitamachi (literally "low city"). It is one of Tokyo's districts where an atmosphere of the Tokyo of past decades survives. Asakusa's main attraction is **Sensoji**, a very popular Buddhist temple built in the 7<sup>th</sup> century. The temple is approached via the **Nakamise**, a shopping street that has been providing temple visitors with a variety of traditional local snacks and souvenirs for centuries. Next is **Ameyoko**, a busy market street between Okachimachi and Ueno Stations. Various products such as clothes, bags, cosmetics, fresh fish, dried food and spices are sold along Ameyoko. Transfer to the Haneda International Airport for your flight home. Depart Haneda via Japan Airlines flt #74 at 9:00 pm and arrive in Honolulu at 9:00 am on the same day. Aloha and welcome home! (B)

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