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November 10 – 23, 2026 • Tour Manager: Andy Lau

VISIT: Kansai, Hiroshima, Miyajima, Fukuoka, Nagasaki, Arita, Beppu, Yawatahama, Dogo, Matsuyama, Takamatsu, Naruto & Osaka

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS: Shinkansen Bullet Train Ride, Peace Memorial Park, Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, Atomic Bomb Dome, Children's Memorial, Peace Bell, Ferry Ride to Miyajima, Itsukushima Shrine, Miyajima Ropeway, Ohori Park Japanese Garden, Kushida Shrine, Hakata Machiya Furusato Kan, Dazaifu, Stroll Around Nagasaki's Chinatown, Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum, Nagasaki Peace Park, Aritayaki Ceramics Kiln, Beppu "Hells," Ferry Ride to Yawatahama, Michi-No-Eki Yawatahama Agora Marche, Ishiteji Temple, Matsuyama Castle, Ritsurin Park, AEON MALL Takamatsu, Aizome Kogeikan, Michi-no-Eki Kurukuru Naruto, Naruto Whirlpool Cruise, Abeno Harukas 300 Observatory, Dotonbori Shopping, Shinsaibashi Shopping Arcade & AEON MALL Rinku Sennan

HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES: Momiji Manju Making, Okonomiyaki Making, Sake Brewery Tour and Tasting, Persimmon Picking, Hakata Doll Painting, Udon Noodle Making & Aizome Dyeing

UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE: Itsukushima Shrine

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Day 1: Tue, Nov 10 – HONOLULU. Depart Honolulu via Japan Airlines flt #799 at 11:25 am.

Day 2: Wed, Nov 11 – KANSAI. Arrive in the Kansai International Airport at 3:55 pm. After entry formalities, walk to the hotel located within the airport. Enjoy dinner at the hotel. HOTEL NIKKO KANSAI AIRPORT (1 Night) (D)

*Baggage will be sent from Kansai to Hiroshima, skipping Miyajima. Prepare an overnight bag for two nights.

Day 3: Thur, Nov 12 – KANSAI – HIROSHIMA – MIYAJIMA. After a sumptuous buffet breakfast, we drive to Shin-Osaka train Station. Take a ride on the **Shinkansen Bullet Train** to Hiroshima Train Station. Enjoy lunch upon arrival. After, visit the **Peace Memorial Park**, **Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum**, **Atomic Bomb Dome**, **Children's Memorial**, and the **Peace Bell**. After a **short ferry ride**, arrive on the island of Miyajima, considered sacred by many. This evening, enjoy a traditional, multi-course **Kaiseki Dinner** featuring Hiroshima's local and seasonal ingredients, including fresh seafood from the Seto Inland Sea. Enjoy a soak in the relaxing atmosphere of the hotel's **onsen hot springs**. You can enjoy the beauty of the primeval forests and gentle sound of mountain streams while taking a bath. IWASO INN (2 Nights) (B, L, D)

Day 4: Fri, Nov 13 – MIYAJIMA. After breakfast, walk to the nearby **Itsukushima Shrine**. At high tide, the vermilion torii gate looks like it's floating in the middle of the sea. The shrine complex has been selected as one of Japan's three most scenic places. **Learn how to make momiji manju**, a specialty of the area. Enjoy excellent shopping and numerous choices for lunch (on your own) down Omotesando Street, the main street of Miyajima. Then, take in the view from the **Miyajima Ropeway**, the cable car and gondola system linking Miyajima township to Mt. Misen. The remainder of the afternoon is at your leisure. This evening, enjoy a different variety of **Kaiseki Dinner**. Be sure to enjoy the **onsens** before and after your dinner. (B, D)

Day 5: Sat, Nov 14 – MIYAJIMA – HIROSHIMA. After breakfast, board the **ferry** back to Hiroshima and transfer to the Hiroshima Train Station. Then, **learn how to make okonomiyaki (savory pancake)**, and have it for lunch. After, walk to the nearby hotel. The remainder of the day is at your leisure. The Local Guide will have many suggestions for dinner tonight. HOTEL GRANVIA HIROSHIMA (1 Night) (B, L)

Day 6: Sun, Nov 15 – HIROSHIMA – FUKUOKA. After breakfast, walk to the nearby Hiroshima Train Station and take a ride on the **JR Super Express Train**. Upon arrival in Fukuoka, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. After, stop at the **Ohori Park Japanese Garden** for some views of the fall foliage. Then, head to **Kushida Shrine**, a Shinto shrine affectionately referred to as "Okushi-san" by local. This shrine is deeply loved by the citizens of Fukuoka and is the starting location of two of Fukuoka's famous summer festivals: the Hakata Gion Yamasaka and Hakata Okunchi. Next, spend some time exploring **Hakata Machiya Furusato Kan**, a folk museum that showcases the lifestyle and culture of life in Hakata (Fukuoka) during the Meiji and Taisho periods. Arrive at the hotel for an evening of leisure. The Local Guide will have many suggestions for shopping and dinner tonight. THE ROYAL PARK HOTEL FUKUOKA (2 Nights) (B, L)

Day 7: Mon, Nov 16 – FUKUOKA. After a sumptuous breakfast buffet at your hotel, depart for a full day of sightseeing. Begin the day at a **sake brewery**, where you will **tour their facilities**, learn how sake is made, and **sample some of their tasty products**. **Dazaifu** was established in the late 7th century and served as the administrative center of Kyushu for over 500 years. Nowadays, Dazaifu is a small, quiet city on the outskirts of the large city of Fukuoka. Enjoy lunch here (on your own). Go to a **local farm** and **pick persimmons** at the peak of ripeness. Return to the hotel, for a short rest break, before walking to a nearby restaurant for a mizutaki (chicken hot pot) dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Tue, Nov 17 – FUKUOKA – NAGASAKI. Begin the day **painting a Hakata doll**. Hakata dolls are one of the major craft products of the Fukuoka prefecture and are known for their high-quality and realistic facial expressions. A great souvenir of your trip! After lunch, take a **stroll around Nagasaki's Chinatown**. Then, visit the **Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum** and **Nagasaki Peace Park**, an informative yet sobering look at the impact of the dropping of the "Fat Man" atomic bomb on Nagasaki on August 09, 1945 that destroyed wide parts of the city and killed tens of thousands of inhabitants. Transfer to the hotel for dinner. INASAYAMA KANKO HOTEL (1 Night) (B, L, D)

Day 9: Wed, Nov 18 – NAGASAKI – ARITA – BEPPU. Begin the day in Arita, where one of the most famous styles of **yakimono (Japanese pottery)** called **Aritayaki** originates. Visit a **kiln** while in Arita. We now drive east to a bather's paradise: the celebrated onsen resort of Beppu. Beppu is famous for its nine "hells"



– dramatic pools of bubbling water, mud, and geysers, which are ideal for viewing rather than bathing. Visit some of the **"hells" of Beppu** before heading to the hotel for a buffet dinner. Tonight, relax in the hotel's **onsens**. SUGINOI HOTEL SORA KAN (1 Night) (B, L, D)

Day 10: Thur, Nov 19 – BEPPU – YAWATAHAMA – DOGO. After breakfast at the hotel, we will board a **ferry to Yawatahama**. Upon arrival, stop at **Michi-no-Eki Yahatahama Agora Marche** for lunch (on your own). Not only do these roadside stations provide a clean and convenient rest stop, but local farmers and fisherman sell their products at rock-bottom prices. Then, visit to **Ishiteji Temple**, the city's most famous temple and one of the temples on the Shikoku Pilgrimage route. Tonight, relax in the **onsens** of the world-famous Dogo area. Don't forget to check out the nearby **shopping arcade** full of shops selling local products. If you time your visit right, you can watch the Botchan Karakuri Clock come to life like a cuckoo clock (every hour between 8:00 am and 10:00 pm). There is also a free foot bath at the base of the clock. DOGOKAN (1 Night) (B, D)

Day 11: Fri, Nov 20 – DOGO – MATSUYAMA – TAKAMATSU. Begin the day with a visit to **Matsuyama Castle**, one of the 12 original wooden castles in Japan that survived wars, fires, and the Meiji Restoration. Next, **learn how to make udon** and enjoy your creation for lunch. After, visit **Ritsurin Park**, a masterpiece of Japanese landscape 100 years in the making. This sprawling park features beautiful ponds and pavilions with a backdrop of the majestic Mt. Shiun. Enjoy some time shopping at the **AEON MALL Takamatsu** before transferring to the hotel for an evening of leisure. JR HOTEL CLEMENT TAKAMATSU (1 Night) (B, L)

Day 12: Sat, Nov 21 – TAKAMATSU – NARUTO – OSAKA. In the morning, we will visit **Aizome Kogeikan** and try **aizome (indigo) dyeing** a handkerchief. Stop for lunch at **Michi-no-Eki Kurukuru Naruto** for a chance to stretch the legs, get lunch (on your own), and get a little shopping done as well. After lunch, view the Naruto Whirlpools, which occur along the Shikoku Coast of the Naruto Strait, aboard a **Naruto Whirlpool Cruise**. Pass through the Naruto Ohashi Bridge and Awaji Island en route to Osaka. Arrive at the hotel for an evening of leisure. Your Tour Guide will have many suggestions for dinner and shopping. HILTON OSAKA (2 Nights) (B)

Day 13: Sun, Nov 22 – OSAKA. Full day at leisure. A perfect day to fulfill the remainder of your omiyage shopping list. Your Local Guide will be available to assist as needed. (B)

Day 14: Mon, Nov 23 – OSAKA – KANSAI – HONOLULU. After hotel checkout, start the day with a visit to **Abeno Harukas**. The **observation deck, called Harukas 300**, and occupies the building's top three floors. With large floor-to-ceiling glass panels, the 60th floor offers 360 degree views of Osaka, while the 58th floor offers an inner court with a wooden deck and café. Next, visit **Dotonbori**, one of Osaka's most popular tourist destinations. It is a popular shopping and entertainment district, and is also known as a food destination. At approximately 600m long, **Shinsaibashi Shopping Arcade** and the surrounding area is Osaka's premier shopping center. The unique area combines chain retail stores and trendy boutiques with department stores and top designer fashion labels. We then make a final shopping stop at **AEON MALL Rinku Sennan**, before transferring to the Kansai International Airport for our return flight home. Depart Kansai via Japan Airlines flt #790 at 10:10 pm and arrive in Honolulu at 10:25 am the same day. Aloha and welcome home! (B)

UNESCO World Heritage Site: Itsukushima Shrine (1996)