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Escorted from Honolulu • Includes an English-Speaking Local Guide
June 12 – 22, 2027 • Tour Manager: Sandra Lum

OVERVIEW: The Tokaido (Eastern Sea Road) was the most important of the Five Routes of the Edo period. It connected Kyoto to Edo (modern-day Tokyo), traveling along the sea coast of eastern Honshu (the largest of Japan's four main islands), hence the route's name.

VISIT: Tokyo, Oshino, Hakone, Hiroshima, Miyajima, Okayama, Kurashiki, Himeji, Kyoto, Uji & Osaka

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS: Meiji Shrine, Sensoji, Nakamise, Ameyoko, Oshino Hakkai, Lake Ashi Cruise, Itsukushima Shrine, Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, Atomic Bomb Dome, Children's Memorial, AEON MALL Okayama, Kurashiki Bikan Area, Himeji Castle, Koko-en Garden, Kinkakuji (Temple of the Golden Pavilion), Nijo Castle, Chazuna, Byodoin, Byodoin Omotesando & AEON MALL Rinku Sennan

HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES: Sushi Making, Japanese Tea Ceremony, Yuzen Dyeing & Matcha Grinding

UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITES: Itsukushima Shrine, Atomic Bomb Dome, Himeji Castle & Kinkakuji

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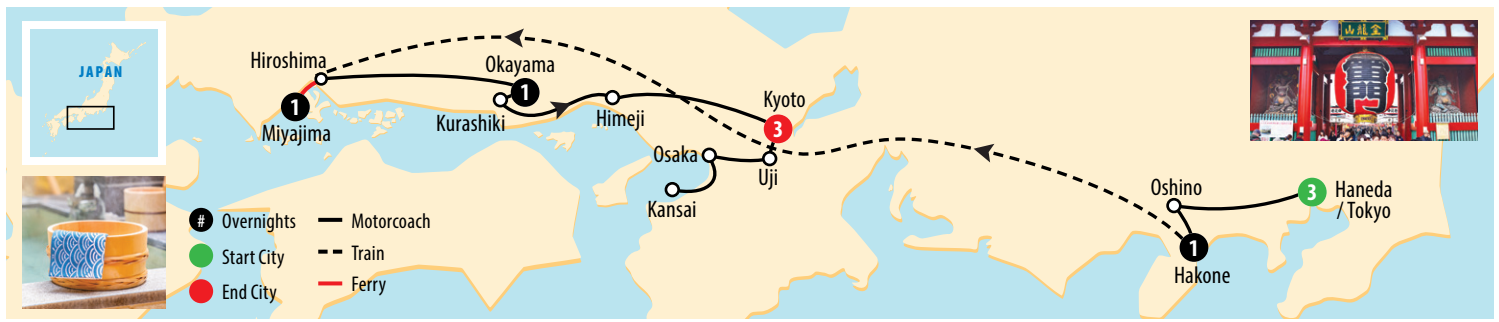
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Day 1: Sat, Jun 12 — HONOLULU. Depart Honolulu via Japan Airlines flt #73 at 12:45 pm.

Day 2: Sun, Jun 13 — HANEDA — TOKYO. Arrive at the Haneda International Airport at 3:55 pm. After entry formalities, transfer by coach to your hotel in Tokyo. The evening is at your leisure to explore the area around the hotel, which is filled with various dining and shopping opportunities. **KEIO PLAZA HOTEL TOKYO** (3 Nights)

Day 3: Mon, Jun 14 — TOKYO. Begin the day with a visit to **Meiji Shrine**, a prominent Shinto shrine dedicated to the deified spirits of Emperor Meiji and Empress Shoken, the imperial couple who led Japan through the Meiji Restoration, a period of rapid modernization. Today's highlight is a hands-on **sushi making** class, which will yield your delicious lunch. After, explore the Asakusa district and its star attraction, **Sensoji**, a beloved 7th century Buddhist temple, also known as Asakusa Kannon Temple. Leading up to the temple is **Nakamise**, a lively shopping street lined with traditional snacks and souvenirs. Finally, stop in **Ameyoko**, a bustling market street that features over 400 shops and stalls known for offering significant bargains on various products such as clothes, bags, cosmetics, dried seafood, spices, and more. Return to the hotel for a buffet dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Tue, Jun 15 — TOKYO. Full day at leisure. The perfect day to relax and/or visit family and friends in Tokyo! Enjoy shopping and dining in the bustling Shinjuku area where your hotel is located, or venture out on an adventure of your own. Your Local Guide will be available to assist as needed. (B)

Day 5: Wed, Jun 16 — TOKYO — OSHINO — HAKONE. After breakfast, depart Tokyo for Hakone. En route, visit **Oshino Hakkai**, eight spring-fed ponds fed by melting snow from the nearby slopes of Mt. Fuji. For decades, the snow has filtered through porous lava to create crystal-clear water cherished by locals, and visitors can drink the cool water straight from the source. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before enjoying a **boat ride** on the beautiful **Lake Ashi**. Continue on to your hotel in Hakone, a region largely considered an active volcanic zone since its creation from Mt. Hakone about 3,000 years ago, and enjoy a buffet dinner there. Be sure to have a relaxing soak in the **onsen hot springs**, which are divided for men and women, can be enjoyed indoors or outdoors. **HAKONE KOWAKIEN HOTEL** (1 Night) (B, L, D)

*Baggage will be sent from Hakone to Okayama, skipping Miyajima. Prepare an overnight bag for one night.

Day 6: Thur, Jun 17 — HAKONE — HIROSHIMA — MIYAJIMA. This morning, transfer to Odawara Train Station and pick up a bento box lunch to enjoy onboard the shinkansen bullet train rides. Upon arrival in Hiroshima, continue by motorcoach to Miyajima-guchi Station, then take a short ferry to the island of Miyajima, which is considered sacred by many. Walk through the island's small town to the ryokan (traditional Japanese inn). In the evening, enjoy a traditional, multi-course **Kaiseki Dinner** featuring Hiroshima's local and seasonal ingredients including fresh seafood from the Seto Inland Sea. Unwind in the soothing **onsen hot springs** amid the island's primeval forest and mountain streams before and/or after dinner. **IWASO INN** (1 Night) (B, L, D)

Day 7: Fri, Jun 18 — MIYAJIMA — HIROSHIMA — OKAYAMA. Begin with a visit to **Itsukushima Shrine**, where the vermilion torii gate appears to float in the sea at high tide. Designated as one of Japan's Three Most Scenic Places, the shrine offers one of Japan's most iconic views. Then, take a short ferry ride back to Hiroshima. After lunch, visit **Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park**, **Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum**, **Atomic Bomb Dome**, and **Children's Memorial**. Continue to

Okayama and enjoy an evening of shopping and dining (on your own) at **AEON MALL Okayama**, a large shopping mall with over 300 stores. **HOTEL GRANVIA OKAYAMA** (1 Night) (B, L)

Day 8: Sat, Jun 19 — OKAYAMA — KURASHIKI — HIMEJI — KYOTO. After breakfast, transfer to **Kurashiki** to explore its beautiful **Bikan area**. In its merchant days, this scenic town thrived as a port for rice shipments, and several old rice granaries and historic buildings remain along the stone-lined canal. Continue to Himeji for lunch at a local restaurant, then visit **Himeji Castle**, Japan's largest and most visited castle. Afterward, walk to the nearby **Koko-en Garden**, which spans over eight acres and includes nine distinct Edo-period gardens, featuring a pond with a waterfall, a pine tree garden, and a bamboo garden. Upon check in at your hotel in Kyoto, the remainder of the evening is at your leisure. The Local Guide will have suggestions for nearby dining and shopping opportunities. **MIYAKO HOTEL KYOTO HACHIGO** (3 Nights) (B, L)

Day 9: Sun, Jun 20 — KYOTO. This morning, experience a **Japanese tea ceremony**. Then, enjoy a visit to the iconic **Kinkakuji (Temple of the Golden Pavilion)**, a Zen temple whose top two floors are completely covered in gold leaf. After lunch at a local restaurant, explore **Nijo Castle**. Its buildings are among the best surviving examples of Japan's feudal-era architecture. Today's hands-on experience is **yuzen dyeing**, one of Kyoto's traditional craft techniques. Because patterns are dyed by placing a stencil over a piece of fabric, such as a tote bag, you can create an authentic piece even if it's your first time. A great souvenir of this tour! Return to the hotel a buffet dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Mon, Jun 21 — KYOTO. Full day at leisure. A perfect day to fulfill your shopping list! Your hotel is just a five-minute walk from the JR Kyoto Station, which is packed with shopping and dining options. Your Local Guide will be available to assist as needed. (B)

Day 11: Tue, Jun 22 — KYOTO — UJI — OSAKA — KANSAI — HONOLULU. After breakfast, enjoy a full day of sightseeing. Begin at the Tea and Uji Community Center, **Chazuna**, where you'll **learn how to grind matcha** (green tea leaves) with a grinding millstone. Then, visit **Byodoin**, a temple and garden that is best known for its Phoenix Hall, which is featured on the back of the 10-yen coin. After lunch at a local restaurant, explore **Byodoin Omotesando**, a lively shopping street lined with Uji matcha cafés, souvenir shops, and local specialty stores. A final shopping stop will be made at **AEON MALL Rinku Sennan**, before transferring to Kansai International Airport and checking in for the flight home. Depart Kansai via Japan Airlines flt #790 at 10:00 pm and arrive in Honolulu at 11:00 am on the same day. Aloha and welcome home! (B, L)

UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Itsukushima Shrine (1996), Atomic Bomb Dome (1996), Himeji Castle (1993), Kinkakuji (1994)

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