



## 2016 Okinawa & Kyushu "Islands of Japan"

### HIGHLIGHTS

- \* **21 meals** are included - 8 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners.
- \* 4 days on the Island of Okinawa - Naha and the Beaches.
- \* Okinawan folkloric "Mingei" dinner, music & dances at a Teahouse.
- \* 4 days on Kyushu Island - Karatsu, Nagasaki, Kumamoto & Beppu.
- \* Boiling "Hells" of Unzen & Beppu of different colors, sizes & shapes.

Early bird deadline June 18, 2016 - save \$50 per person.

**OCT 18 - TUE - DEPART LOS ANGELES.** Flight to Osaka.

**OCT 19 - OSAKA/OKINAWA - NAHA.** Arrive Osaka Kansai Airport and connecting flight to Okinawa. Transfer to our Naha accommodations - home for the night. **SMILE HOTEL NAHA RESORT**

**OCT 20 - NAHA/OKINAWA BEACH.** After breakfast, visit the Memorials of the Pacific War, Shureimon Gate - the symbol of Okinawa, and Shuri Castle. Cross-island transfer to our beachfront resort, with coral reefs and sunny skies. **RENAISSANCE RESORT HOTEL [BLD]**

**OCT 21 - OKINAWA BEACH.** A restful day at Okinawa Beach - visit Ryukyu Village for a study in Okinawa life, culture music, dances & food. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at our resort - with many activities, or relaxing in the sun. Buffet dinner at the Sailfish Restaurant. **[BLD]**

**OCT 22 - OKINAWA BEACH/NAHA.** Return to Naha to explore Kokusai Dori (International Road) filled with many shops and restaurants - last chance for Okinawa souvenirs. In the evening a traditional Okinawa "Mingei" folkloric show of music & dances while enjoying a typical Okinawan dinner. **TOKYO DAIICHI NAHA [BD]**

**OCT 23 - FUKUOKA/KARATSU.** Morning flight to Fukuoka on the Island of Kyushu. Drive along the Japan Sea coast to Karatsu, once an important gateway to China & Korea. Visit majestic Karatsu Castle and the Hikiyama "Kunchi" Museum filled with giant festival floats. This evening enjoy tatami rooms with crisp "yukatas" and a Japanese "kaiseki" dinner. **KARATSU ROYAL HOTEL [BLD]**

**OCT 24 - NAGASAKI.** Countryside vistas of tea plantations, rice fields, & tangerine groves as we drive to Nagasaki. Visit Peace Park & Museum and Glover Mansion, reminding one of Puccini's opera "Madame Butterfly." **NAGASAKI TERMINAL HOTEL [BLD]**

**OCT 25 - KUMAMOTO/BEPPU HOT SPRINGS.** Enroute to Kumamoto, see the many hells of Unzen - a short ferry ride across Shimabara Bay to visit picturesque Suizenji Park in Kumamoto. Cross-island drive to Japan's most famous Hot Springs, Beppu. Beppu sightseeing tomorrow. Enjoy deluxe Japanese tatami accommodations at one of Japan's most famous hot springs resorts. **BEPPU SUGINOI HOTEL [BLD]**

**OCT 26 - BEPPU/FUKUOKA.** A visit to the many "boiling hells" of Beppu - blue Ocean Hell, ruddy red Bloody Hell & "Tatsumaki" Geyser. Then the speedy Expressway across Kyushu takes us to Fukuoka for our final evening on tour. Farewells at dinner. **NEW OTANI HAKATA [BLD]**

**OCT 27 - THU - FUKUOKA.** Tour disbands after breakfast. Flights from Fukuoka to Tokyo/Haneda-Narita to Los Angeles are included. **[B]**

Although not included, convenient transportation to Airports available at additional cost. Return flights to Los Angeles included.

COST PER PERSON	TAXES/FEES	SINGLE ROOM	DEPOSIT
\$4,595.00	+\$205.00	+\$850.00	\$200.00
Additional fuel surcharge, if any, to be assessed.			

## GENERAL CONDITIONS

### THE COSTS INCLUDE:

**EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT.** Deposits received by this date will qualify for the discount listed. Early reservations are recommended. Deadline does not guarantee space availability. Tours with less than 16 passengers by this date may be subject to cost increase.

**HOTELS.** Based on 2 persons sharing a room with private bath at selected hotels listed or of similar quality. A limited number of single and triple rooms is available. Single room supplement is listed. No discounts for triple rooms, unless offered at time of registration.

**MEALS.** Meals are included as specified in the itineraries. Full breakfast daily. Meals provided on the tour are listed as:

**B = Breakfast, L = Lunch and D = Dinner.**

**TRANSPORTATION.** Flights are based on roundtrip, economy class. Fuel surcharges by Airlines are not included. Touring is by chartered motorcoach. When included, tourist class passage on ferries, trains and boats. Kokusai does not own or operate any vehicles.

**TRANSFERS & BAGGAGE.** Transfer of passenger & portorage of **ONE** medium size suitcase (50 pound limit on flights) per person, between airport, station & hotel. Usually you will be asked to handle your own suitcase. Kokusai is not responsible for lost or damaged baggage. Airlines' responsibilities are limited. Airline baggage fees not included.

**SIGHTSEEING PROGRAMS.** Sightseeing activities listed are conducted in English and include admission fees unless otherwise noted.

**TIPS & TAXES.** Hotel & meal service charges, tips & taxes are included. Tips to baggage porters for standard services included. Tips to Tour Guides, local sightseeing guides and drivers are not included. U.S. usage taxes/foreign airport taxes are not included. Taxes listed are subject to change at any time.

**EXCLUSIONS.** Personal expenses e.g., but not limited to, travel document fees, visa fees, any insurance, telephone, laundry, meals not listed, bottled beverages, liquors, taxes as listed above, tips to tour guides & drivers, fuel surcharges, airline baggage fees are not included.

**PASSPORTS.** Tour application - full name as it appears on your Passport. Passport must be valid 6 months beyond time of travel.

**AIRLINE SECURITY CHECK.** For international flights - full name on flight ticket must match passport.

**U.S. CUSTOMS.** USA residents are allowed \$800 per person duty free.

**CURRENCY.** Traveler's checks are no longer accepted at many places. Money exchange services are available at many hotels. Credit cards may not be accepted at some places. Notify your credit card company that you may be using it in Japan.

**WEATHER.** Spring & Fall are ideal in Japan. Rain can be expected at any time. Summer in Japan is warm.

**JAPANESE CUSTOMS ALLOWANCES.** 1 liter of alcohol, 2 cartons cigarettes, 2 ounces perfume, etc.

**WHEN TOURS DISBAND IN JAPAN.** Return airfare Tokyo/Osaka/Los Angeles is included. (Tokyo stopover is available for additional charge.) Japan - hotel to airport transportation is not included, but available at a nominal cost.

**HOMEWARD FLIGHTS FROM JAPAN.** One may remain in Japan up to 60 days. If you plan to remain in Japan after the tour, it is urgent that your return date is noted in your application. Additional airfare for weekend returns (Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday).

**SMOKING.** Smoking is not permitted on flights or motorcoaches. Non-smoking hotel rooms are requested wherever possible.