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WITH GULLIVERS SPORT AND MUSIC TRAVEL



In the past 26 years Gullivers Sport and Music Travel have organised more than 2000 school tours to numerous destinations throughout the world.

It is through this experience that we continue to develop successful touring opportunities for School and Community Groups.

Gullivers now have a full time Japan Specialist as part of their team - Melissa Cramp.

Her diversity and product knowledge for Japan is immense due to numerous years' employment for a Japan Specialist. She would be delighted to recommend a suitable itinerary for your next tour to this unique destination.

The opportunities to explore Japan are endless....

Either for a cultural perspective or a ski trip to Hokkaido in some of the world's most incredible powder snow. Or discover the legacies that remain in the famous cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki after the Second World War and how these actions have changed the world and its views on nuclear warfare.

SCHOOL AND YOUTH TOURS

Enclosed are three set departure dates which take in the numerous elements of Japan. These tours will allow students the opportunity to witness and be 'hands on' with some of the latest technology that Japan is famous for or immerse themselves in the cultural aspects of cities such as Kyoto and Nara.

Flexibility to amend the tours to suit your schools requirements and travel dates is also important. Therefore if viewing a sumo match in Tokyo is high on the agenda then we at Gullivers Sport and Music Travel are happy to adapt the tour to capture such a memorable experience.

Gulliver's Sport and Music Travel would be delighted to assist in the preparation for your upcoming tour to Japan, either for cultural purposes or to play against a Japanese rugby team.

For further details please contact Melissa Cramp or Monika Fulton.

TOKYO: Peephole to the modern and past of Japan society



Whilst in Tokyo visit the following areas such as Asakusa, where the spirit of old Japan survives in this modern city. The spiritual heart of shitamachi is Asakusa and especially around Sensoji Temple commonly known as Asakusa Kannon the Goddess of Mercy. The neighbourhood is extremely old and the people who still live here take pride in their wooden houses, despite the cost of maintenance and the push to modernize.

Shinjuku is the main gateway to Tokyo's ever growing western suburbs. Shinjuku JR Station is Japan's busiest and around 3.7 million passengers per day use this station capturing a frenzied atmosphere. Visit Tokyo Metropolitan Government skyscraper which has a viewing deck on the top floor. On a clear day you can view Mt. Fuji in the distance. There are numerous department stores and entertainment areas all within easy access to the station. In the evening, around 6pm, millions of office workers depart for the day and begin pouring out onto the streets and into the thousands of bars and restaurants that in many cases are no bigger then a walk-in closet.

Harajuku is for the young and trendy and if you have the opportunity to visit on a Sunday afternoon you will be amazed!!

This is where groups of young teenagers flock from all over the city to Yoyogi Park to dance their well practiced routines to recorded music wearing some of the weirdest outfits you'll ever see.

Harajuku is also home to Meiji Shrine, one of Tokyo's most serene corners within Tokyo. A forest of trees and wide gravel paths lead to the shrine building dedicated to the memory of Emperor Meiji.

Enjoy a leisurely stroll at dusk through Akihabara when the sky is framed by the numerous neon signs flashing their commercial messages. This is a must for the electronic gadget freaks.

KYOTO & OSAKA: Traditional Japanese Taste

Travelling south from Tokyo by Shinkansen you will visit one of the most historical cities of Japan – Kyoto.

There is no better place to contemplate true Japanese culture than in Kyoto. Witness a traditional tea ceremony or catch a fleeting glimpse of a geisha as she scampers through the winding back alleys.

Kyoto still remains the headquarters for many Japanese Buddhist sects. This presence will be felt throughout your stay in Kyoto and around every corner there is something to stir the mind and heart. The people of Kyoto take much pride and joy in their old buildings and the tradition of Japanese culture.

Kyoto was not destroyed during World War II and therefore many of the temple buildings may not be the originals due to fire and its violent history. However the city has painstakingly recreated some of them and maintained what is left with pride.

Kyoto is also the gateway to Nara, Osaka and idyllic castle town of Himeji.

All of these three cities allow you to immerse in the distinct character and flavour of Japan.





SATURDAY 10 JANUARY

AUSTRALIA - TOKYO

Depart Australian Capital Cities.
Arrive in Tokyo and check into your hotel accommodation.

SUNDAY 11 JANUARY

TOKYO

Half day sightseeing tour of Tokyo including Shinjuku, Ginza and Asakusa.
Afternoon free at leisure to explore Tokyo.

MONDAY 12 JANUARY

TOKYO

Full day tour to Mt Fuji and Hakone including lunch.

TUESDAY 13 JANUARY

TOKYO

Day at leisure to explore Tokyo and its sights.
Why not make an early morning visit to the famous Tsukiji Fish Market.

Optional Tour - Tokyo Disneyland

Optional Tour - Nikko

WEDNESDAY 14 JANUARY

TOKYO - KYOTO

Day 1 – Japan Rail Pass

Buffet breakfast at your hotel.
After breakfast please proceed to Tokyo JR Station to catch the bullet train to Kyoto.

THURSDAY 15 JANUARY

KYOTO

Day 2 – Japan Rail Pass

Half day sightseeing tour of Kyoto including the Golden Pavilion and Nijo Castle.
Afternoon free at leisure to explore Kyoto.

FRIDAY 16 JANUARY

KYOTO

Day 3 – Japan Rail Pass

Full day tour to Nara including a visit to Fushimi Inari Shrine.
View the famous Todaiji Temple, one of the largest wooden structures in the world and home to the Great Buddha.

SATURDAY 17 JANUARY

KYOTO

Day 4 – Japan Rail Pass

Half day sightseeing tour to Sagano Bamboo Forest. This bamboo forest is one of the most beautiful bamboo forests in Japan.
Afternoon is free at leisure to explore Kyoto.

SUNDAY 18 JANUARY

KYOTO - HIROSHIMA

Day 5 – Japan Rail Pass

Please make your way to JR Kyoto Station to catch the bullet train to Hiroshima.
View Himeji Castle on the way to Hiroshima.
On arrival in Hiroshima the remainder of the day is free at leisure to explore the historical city including the Peace Park and Museum.

MONDAY 19 JANUARY

HIROSHIMA

Day 6 – Japan Rail Pass

Half day sightseeing tour to Miyajima Island including lunch.
Visit Itsukushima Shrine which allows a perfect photo opportunity of the famous red Torii Gate.

TUESDAY 20 JANUARY

HIROSHIMA – TOKYO (NARITA) - AUSTRALIA

Day 7 – Japan Rail Pass

After breakfast free time until your midday departure back to Narita Airport Tokyo.

WEDNESDAY 21 JANUARY

AUSTRALIA

Arrival back into Australian Capital Cities.

TOUR COST:

Tour cost based on a minimum 21 passengers and 2 staff travelling together at all times on the above itinerary.

Ex Sydney / Melbourne / Brisbane from \$4470.00 per person plus departure taxes

• Accommodation for students based on Triple Share

• Accommodation for staff based on Twin Share

Single Supplement an additional \$950.00 per person

TOUR COST INCLUDES:

- Return economy airfare flying Japan Airlines or Qantas
- Meet and greet at Narita Airport
- 10 nights accommodation (4 nights Tokyo / 4 nights Kyoto / 2 nights Hiroshima)
- Daily breakfast and 2 lunches
- 7 day Ordinary Japan Rail Pass – Consecutive Days
- Half day sightseeing tour of Tokyo
- Half day sightseeing tour of Kyoto

- Half day sightseeing tour of Sagano Bamboo Forest
 - Full day sightseeing tour of Nara
 - Full day sightseeing tour of Mt Fuji and Hakone
 - Half day sightseeing tour of Miyajima Island (Hiroshima)
 - A Gulliver's Sport Travel bag
- All tours are based on a local guide using public transport, except for the Mt. Fuji and Hakone Tour.

TOUR COSTS DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Passport and Visa costs
- Departure taxes
- Entrance fees not mentioned in the TOUR COST inclusions
- **Travel Insurance** – Highly recommended and available through Gulliver's Sport Travel
- Meals other than stated
- Items of a personal nature eg: laundry, telephone calls, room service etc.
- Excess baggage

KIMONO & SUSHI TOUR

SEPTEMBER 2008 (Also 11 July 2009)

SATURDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

AUSTRALIA – TOKYO

Depart Australian Capital Cities.
Arrive in Tokyo and check into your accommodation.

SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

TOKYO

Half day sightseeing tour of Tokyo including Shinjuku, Ginza and Asakusa.
Afternoon free at leisure to explore Tokyo.

MONDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

TOKYO

Full day tour to Mt Fuji and Hakone including lunch.

TUESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

TOKYO

Day is at leisure to explore Tokyo and its sights.
Why not make an early morning visit to the famous Tsukiji Fish Market.

WEDNESDAY 01 OCTOBER

Day 1 – Japan Rail Pass

Optional Tour - Tokyo Disneyland

Optional Tour - Nikko

TOKYO - TAKAYAMA

After breakfast please proceed to Tokyo JR Station to catch the bullet train to Nagoya and then onto Takayama.
Stroll through Takayama's old streets especially Sannomachi Street.

THURSDAY 02 OCTOBER

Day 2 – Japan Rail Pass

TAKAYAMA

Visit Hida Folk Village an open air museum

FRIDAY 03 OCTOBER

Day 3 – Japan Rail Pass

TAKAYAMA – KYOTO

Free at leisure until your midday departure.
Explore the local morning markets.
Upon arrival into Kyoto please check into your accommodation.

SATURDAY 04 OCTOBER

Day 4 – Japan Rail Pass

KYOTO

Half day sightseeing tour of Kyoto including the Golden Pavilion and Nijo Castle.
Afternoon free at leisure to explore Kyoto.

SUNDAY 05 OCTOBER

Day 5 – Japan Rail Pass

KYOTO

Full day tour to Nara including a visit to Fushimi Inari Shrine.
View the famous Todaiji Temple, one of the largest wooden structures in the world and home to the Great Buddha.

MONDAY 06 OCTOBER

Day 6 – Japan Rail Pass

KYOTO

Half day sightseeing tour to Sagano Bamboo Forest. This bamboo forest is one of the most beautiful bamboo forests in Japan.
Afternoon is free at leisure to explore Kyoto.

TUESDAY 07 OCTOBER

Day 7 – Japan Rail Pass

KYOTO – TOKYO (NARITA) - AUSTRALIA

After breakfast free time until your midday departure back to Narita Airport Tokyo.

WEDNESDAY 08 OCTOBER

AUSTRALIA

Arrive back into Australian Capital Cities.

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- Full day sightseeing tour of Mt Fuji and Hakone
- Half day sightseeing tour of Hida Folk Museum Takayama
- A Gulliver's Sport Travel travel bag

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All tour costs are subject to alteration due to currency fluctuations and increases in land and air costs, which may arise between now and the date of departure. Costs will also depend on availability of hotels and flights quoted on. These costs are subject to the group travelling together throughout the tour. Any variation will incur an amendment fee and may also jeopardise the costs for the rest of the group.

Our thanks to the Japan National Tourist Office for some of the photos displayed.

For booking conditions please visit our website.



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