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Prices start from :	£ 3,559
Travel between :	12 Nov 24 and 12 Nov 24
Board Basis :	As per Itinerary
Duration :	12 nights
Book by :	31 Jul 24
Includes :	International Flights from London Heathrow with 23kgs Baggage 4 Nights stay at Hotel Monterey Ginza in a Standard Room with Bed & Breakfast JR East-South Hokkaido Rail Pass 6 Days (Activate at Airport for Transfers, Covers the Trains on North Section Kamakura & Enoshima Day Trip Experience Edo Tokyo Walking Tour General Admission Tickets to Samurai Museum 3 Nights stay at Shousuke no Yado Takinoyu in a Japanese Room with Bed & Breakfast Ouchijuku Full Day Private Trip - Local Transport Costs not included Aizu Half-Day Walking Private Trip Japan Rail Pass 7 Days (use for Departure Transfer to Airport) 5 Nights stay at Hotel Monterey Kyoto in a Standard Room with Bed & Breakfast Kyoto Imperial Palace & Nijo Castle Guided Walk Path of Ninjas Private Tour Authentic Kyoto Tea Ceremony



Detailed Itinerary

Unification of Japan & Evolution of Samurai

Our History Tour takes you to the Edo Period where 3 Samurai Oda Nobunaga, Toyotomi Hideyoshi and Tokugawa Ieyasu battled to become the 1 ruler of Japan and Unite the Country after Centuries of Political Turmoil.

We travel to Three Key Areas in Japan - Tokyo, Aizuwakamatsu & Kyoto - The Three Epi Centres of the Struggle with Key Tours Included

Highlights: Tokyo ■ Aizuwakamatsu ■ Kyoto

Hotels Featured

- Hotel Monterey Ginza
- Shousuke no Yado Takinoyu
- Hotel Monterey Kyoto

Itinerary:

Tue 12 Nov 24: Tokyo
Flights from Heathrow to Abu Dhabi International Airport
Flights from Abu Dhabi International Airport to Tokyo Narita Airport, Japan

Wed 13 Nov 24: Tokyo
04 Nights stay at Hotel Monterey Ginza in a Standard Room with a Bed & Breakfast Basis

Wed 13 Nov 24: JR East - South Hokkaido Rail Pass
The JR East - South Hokkaido Rail Pass is one of the regional rail passes for Japan ideal for intensely exploring one area of the country. The pass allows for unlimited travel on JR East services within the Kanto, Tohoku, and southern Hokkaido regions. It allows you to use high-speed Shinkansen services, limited express trains, and even the unique themed Joyful trains. If you're landing at an airport in Tokyo and heading straight to the snowy landscapes of Sapporo, or want to explore the scenic beauty of Tohoku, this pass is a cost-effective option.

What is included?
With a South Hokkaido Pass, you have unlimited use of: JR trains in the Kanto and Tohoku regions, including Tokyo, Kanagawa, Chiba, Saitama, Gunma, Tochigi, Ibaraki, Fukushima, Miyagi, Yamagata, Akita, Iwate, and Aomori Prefectures. JR Hokkaido trains in southern Hokkaido, reaching as far as Sapporo.
All limited express and local trains operated by JR East and JR Hokkaido in the region (except for some "liner" trains), including most Shinkansen services. Joyful trains such as the Shirakami Resort train and the Pokemon with You train. BRT buses along the Sanriku Coast area. The pass is also valid for use on the following non-JR train lines:

The Tokyo Monorail connecting central Tokyo to Haneda Airport. Limited express trains between Shinjuku and destinations like Tobu-Nikko and Kinugawa Onsen. Local trains between Tobu-Nikko, Shimo-Imaichi and Kinugawa Onsen. Trains along the Izukyu Line between Ito and Izukyu-Shimoda on the Izu Peninsula. The Iwate Ginga Railway and Aoimori Railway (Morika to Ammori). The route between Sendai and Sendai Airport. Please note that when traveling on other services along a non-JR owned section of line, pass holders will have to pay the relevant fare. You should also be aware that the South Hokkaido Pass does not cover rides on the Tokaido Shinkansen.

🌟Thu 14 Nov 24: Kamakura & Enoshima

From Tokyo: Kamakura & Enoshima

Take a break from the fast-paced life of Tokyo and journey back to the ancient capital of Japan, Kamakura, which is home to the Samurai. Get a taste of the beautiful landscape, visit ancient shrines and stroll around Enoshima Island, all in a single tour! Visiting the Tsurugaoka Hachiman Shrine, Kamakura's most important shrine. Then, go down Komachi Street, a popular shopping street where you can enjoy local seafood, snacks, and souvenirs. Next up is one of the most iconic places in Kamakura, the Kotoku Temple with its huge bronze statue of Buddha. Moving on from Hase Temple, go to the Kotoku Temple, home to the famous eleven-headed statue of Kannon the Goddess of Mercy. The last step of the tour is Enoshima, a small island located west of Kamakura.

What's Included

Inclusions:

English-speaking guide

Air-conditioned vehicle

All Fees and Taxes

Entrance fees to temples

Meeting Point

GLOBAL RING CAF

Japan, 171-0021 Tokyo, Toshima City, Nishiikebukuro, 1-chme8

End Point

Shinjuku Post Office

1-chme-8-8 Nishishinjuku, Shinjuku City, Tokyo 163-8799, Japan

Near Shinjuku station

Duration : 10 hours

What to Expect

Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine

Get off the bus and start the tour by visiting the Tsurugaoka

Hachiman Shrine, Kamakura's most important shrine. Then, go down

Komachi Street, a popular shopping street where you can enjoy local seafood, snacks, and souvenirs.

Daibutsukiritoshi

Observe Kamakura's impressive Great Buddha statue with a height of more than 11 meters!

Hase-dera Temple

Next up is a visit of the Hase Temple, home to the famous eleven-headed statue of Kannon the Goddess of Mercy, which is considered one of the biggest wooden statues in Japan.

Enoshima Island

The last step of the tour is Enoshima, a small island located west of Kamakura. Access it by riding the Enoden train, an iconic single track train. On clear days you can enjoy stunning views of Mt. Fuji.

🌟Fri 15 Nov 24: Experience Edo Tokyo Walking Tour

Have you heard of the Japanese word "Edo"? Do you know what it exactly means and the stories behind it? In this walking and food tour, your knowledgeable and friendly guide will explore the Fukagawa area in Tokyo where you can experience the historical and cultural atmosphere of the Edo period of Japan (1603 - 1868) while learning the fascinating history of Japan and Tokugawa shogunate.

What's Included

Inclusions:

English-speaking guide

Transportation fee

Hotel pick-up and drop-off

Exclusions:

Foods and beverages

Gratuities

What to Expect

Duration : 4 hours

Fukagawa Edo Museum

Start your adventure at the Fukagawa Edo Museum. Fukagawa Edo Museum is a culture center which was established in 1986. This museum is all about Edo period and the exhibition hall is full of exciting features, such as a reconstruction of the streets of Fukagawa from days gone by as well as displays including everyday life items and plants. Later visit the Kiyosumi Teien Garden. The origin of this garden was the site of the residence of the famous Edo period business magnate, Kinokuniya Bunzaemon. When the great earthquake hit the Kanto area, this garden was greatly damaged, but it saved a lot of lives by providing shelter to the local people. See the beautiful miniature lake "Sensui" located in the central of the garden with three small islands. The water of the lake is currently financed by rainwater, but in the past water from Sumida River was used. For this reason the pond by the ebb and flow of the tide landscape is said to have changed subtly.

Kiyosumi Teien you can walk around the beautiful traditional garden here. You will be picked up at your hotel in Tokyo in the morning and your informative guide will take you to the local areas in Tokyo with the atmosphere of Edo period. Edo is the former name of Tokyo and Edo Period is from 1603 to 1868. The period was the seat of power for the famous Tokugawa shogunate and grew to become one of the largest cities in the world at that time.

Tomioka Hachimangu

You will also visit the Fukagawa Fudosen Shrine and Tomioka Hachimangu Shrine. Fukagawa Fudosen Shrine has 300 years of history originated from the Naritasan Shrine located in Chiba Prefecture. What's unique about this shrine is the wall of the main hall. See Shingon (Mantra) of Acala written on the wall in a surprisingly modern style. People believe that this place is protected by the Shingon (Mantra) of Acala and prayer is held everyday at the main hall. Tomioka Hachiman Shrine is also known as the birthplace of Kanjin-zumo, founded in 1684, and origin of the current professional sumo. Two "basho" (Spring and Autumn) were held at the shrine every year under the permission of the shogunate. Also, the annual summer festival here was one of the three great festivals of Edo.

Pass By Sunamachi Ginza Shopping Street

🌟Sat 16 Nov 24: General Admission Tickets to Samurai Museum

From the early Heian period to the collapse of the Tokugawa shogunate the samurai and ninja always roamed the streets of Kyoto. Now they are back! The samurai and ninja museum brings back the history and helps you to have a glimpse of these heroes glorious lives. What is more, you can have a hands on experience including wearing a samurai armor, doing a shuriken (ninja star) throw and using a ninja blowgun all in one place, all included in the tour.

What's Included
Inclusions:
Professional guide
Exclusions:
Transportation to/from attractions

Meeting Point

Samurai Museum Gift Shop & Sword Shop 1-chme-8-13 Nishiasakusa, Taito City, Tokyo 111-0035, Japan

Your ticket includes:

Guided tour of the Tokyo Samurai Ninja Museum: Explanation of the samurai and ninja history by a knowledgeable tour guide in ENGLISH
Ninja experience: Throwing ninja stars
Samurai experience: Dressing up like a samurai, wearing a real samurai helmet and holding a metal samurai sword

✳Sun 17 Nov 24: Nikko Walking Tour - Toshogu Shrine

World Heritage Nikko Walking Tour - Toshogu Shrine, Kanmangafuchi

A sacred place for Japan's mountain worship, Nikko is home to the "Shrines and Temples of Nikko," a registered World Heritage Site. On this tour, walk around World Heritage component sites such as Nikko Toshogu Shrine together with a National Government Licensed English Guide Interpreter. In small groups, customers go on a course where they can learn more about Japan while listening to explanations in English about Nikko's history, culture, and faith. Japanese-style lunch: This option includes standard Japanese-style lunch 11:40

What's Included

Inclusions:
National Government Licensed English Guide Interpreter
Admission fees and transportation costs included in the tour
Admission to Nikko Toshogu Shrine
Lunch (only if you select Standard/Vegetarian Lunch option when booking)

Exclusions:

Hotel pick-up/drop-off
Gratuities
Meeting Point
Tbu-nikk Station
4-3 Matsubaracho, Nikko, Tochigi 321-1406, Japan

End Point

Tbu-nikk Station
4-3 Matsubaracho, Nikko, Tochigi 321-1406, Japan
Please be at the meet-up by 11:40 a.m. The meeting point is Tobu Nikko Station. Please meet the guide by 11:30am, the tour departs at 11:40am.

What to Expect

Duration : 5 hours
Kanmangafuchi Abyss is a small gorge formed by an eruption of Mt. Nantai. There is a row of approximately 70 stone statues of Jizo (a Bodhisattva who is the protector of children) along the river, and legend says they mysteriously change in number each time they are counted. A botanical garden lies on the opposite side of the Jizo statues, where visitors can enjoy the scenery of the season.
Nikko
Enjoy a Japanese-style lunch.

Nikko Toshogu

A registered UNESCO World Heritage Site, this sacred place with over 400 years of history is where Ieyasu Tokugawa, the founder of the Tokugawa Shogunate, is enshrined. Enjoy seeing the traditional beauty of the main hall, as well as the sleeping cat and 3 monkey carvings.

✳Sun 17 Nov 24: Aizuwakamatsu

03 Nights stay at Shousuke no Yado Takinoyu in a Japanese Room with Bed & Breakfast

✳Mon 18 Nov 24: Ouchijuku Full Day Private Tour

Ouchijuku Full Day Private Tour

If there's a place where you can feel the charms of ancient Japan and experience the ancient Japanese way of life, it's Ouchijuku. This small village of picturesque thatched-roof houses hidden among forested mountains in Fukushima Prefecture is so perfectly preserved you'll feel like you traveled back in time to the period of samurai. Your guide will start your day with a morning pickup at your hotel. Let us know what special requests you have for the day and we will customize your itinerary in advance

Inclusions:

Licensed Local Guide
Customizable Tour of your choice of 3-4 sites from 'What to expect' list

Exclusions:

Entrance Fee of Ouchi-juku Machinami Tenjikan(for yourself):Adults250JPY
Other personal expenses
For yourself
Private transportation
This private tour is a walking day tour. A private vehicle is not included. Public transportation or local taxis maybe used to transfer between sites. Exact transportation costs can be discussed with the guide after a reservation is finalized. Please have Japanese Yen on hand for your transportation costs. If you wish to arrange for a private vehicle, please contact us directly. Private vehicles must be booked 2 days before the tour date.

Ouchijuku

Ouchi-juku opened along the Aizu Nishi Kaido route around 1643. It flourished as a base for routes going from Aizu domain to Nikko Kaido and Edo (Tokyo). The most convenient way to reach Ouchi-juku is to use a rental car from Aizuwakamatsu City. Head south on National Route 121 and take the Prefectural Road 329 going along the mountain stream.

Ouchijuku Machinami Museum

The Ouchi-juku Machinami Tenjikan, which renovated the honjin (inn for government officials) from the inn town period and displaying historical materials. When you enter the building, there is a lit hearth on the floor with smoke floating into the ceiling, and many precious daily goods used during the Edo period are on display. It is a popular facility since you can experience the livelihood of the Edo period. Its the perfect place to learn about the old way of living in Japan.

🌸Tue 19 Nov 24: Aizu Half-Day Private Trip

Aizuwakamatsu is a former feudal capital featuring a number of historical attractions that you can visit during a leisurely cycle around its quiet streets. In addition, stop by the number of old-fashioned shops selling local crafts after touring the traditional villages along the rickety train lines in the countryside of the surrounding foothills. Let us know what you would like to experience and we will customize a four-hour tour that's best for you!

What's Included

Inclusions:

Licensed Local Guide

Customizable Tour of your choice of 2-3 sites from 'What to expect' list

Exclusions:

Other personal expenses

Entrance fee (for yourself)

Transportation fee (for yourself)

Lunch

Private transportation

This private tour is a walking day tour. A private vehicle is not included. Public transportation or local taxis maybe used to transfer between sites.

Exact transportation costs can be discussed with the guide after a reservation is finalized. Please have Japanese Yen on hand for your transportation costs. If you wish to arrange for a private vehicle, please contact us directly. All Private vehicles must be booked 2 days in advance. Maximum number of passengers: 7.

Tsuruga Castle Gymnasium

Tsuruga Castle (, Tsurugaj) was built in 1384 and changed hands many times between the different rulers of the Aizu region. It was destroyed after the Boshin War of 1868, a rebellion against the newly formed Meiji government, which had taken over control from the Tokugawa shogun and put an end to Japan's feudal era. Tsuruga Castle was one of the last strongholds of samurai loyal to the shogunate. The castle was rebuilt as a concrete reconstruction in the 1960s. In renovation works completed in 2011, the color of the roof tiles was reverted from grey to the original red, a unique color among Japanese castles. Visitors can climb to the top floor of the castle keep and look out onto the surrounding city. The inside of the building is an interesting museum with attractive displays about the history of the castle and the samurai lifestyle.

Aizu Old Samurai Residences

The Aizu samurai residence (, Aizu Bukeyashiki) served as the quarters of the region's most important and highest ranked samurai, as well as his family, employees, and servants. The original complex was burnt down during the Boshin War in 1868, but has since been reconstructed and furnished to replicate its appearance in the Edo Period. Because of the prestige of the samurai and the size of his retinue, the samurai residence is quite expansive. There are dozens of different rooms and sections, including gardens, guest rooms, a tea house, an archery range and a rice mill. Inside many of the rooms there are mannequins of the former inhabitants portraying either typical scenes of daily life or dramatic historical events.

Fukushima Museum

The Fukushima Prefectural Museum (, Fukushima Kenritsu Hakubutsukan) in Aizu has an extensive permanent exhibition that illustrates Japan's entire history, stretching from archaeological finds from the Jomon Period (300 BC) to artifacts of daily life in the 1950s. The building is big and spacious, allowing the museum to feature quite large and impressive displays. In addition to the permanent exhibition, there is space devoted to hosting varying temporary exhibitions that pass through. The Fukushima Museum presents an interesting and informative survey of Japanese history and culture, as well as the particularities of Fukushima Prefecture. A thorough English pamphlet is available which explains most of the permanent exhibition.

Imoriyama

After the fall of the shogunate in 1867, forces still loyal to the shogun were concentrated in the northern Tohoku region. They attempted to resist the new government, but suffered a decisive defeat at Tsuruga Castle in 1868. Looking out from Imoriyama Hill, a group of young Aizu soldiers in a unit called the Byakkotai (White Tiger Corps) saw their castle engulfed in flames and committed seppuku. The twenty boys, aged 14 to 16, had made a grave error. The castle had not actually been taken; the flames they had seen were from outside the castle walls. Nevertheless, the story of their loyalty and devotion has become well known, and numerous movie and manga adaptations have been made of their tale. Imoriyama (, the site of the boys' suicide, has become a popular tourist attraction. Among the souvenir shops around the base of the hill are two museums devoted to the Byakkotai. The Byakkotai Memorial Hall is the larger and is located beside the main path up the hill. The second, the Byakkotai Folklore and Historical Museum, is much smaller and can be found a bit off the main path. Customizable Tour of your choice of 2-3 sites from 'What to expect

🌸Wed 20 Nov 24: 7 DAY JAPAN RAIL PASS

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Discover Japan by train with the Japan Rail Pass

The Japan Rail Pass is a multi-use rail ticket. It gives you unlimited access to all Japan Rail National trains, bus services, ferry services, and airport transfers. The JR Pass offers you the opportunity to discover the whole country in an affordable way. Compared to the full price of train tickets in Japan, the price of the JR Pass represents an attractive discount on Japanese public transport. It allows you to travel easily and save time during your stay, including on Shinkansen trains, without having to buy a new ticket for each journey.

🌸Wed 20 Nov 24: Kyoto

05 Nights stay at Hotel Monterey Kyoto in a Standard Room with Bed & Breakfast

Fri 22 Nov 24: Kyoto Imperial Palace & Nijo Castled Walk

Kyoto Imperial Palace & Nijo Castle Guided Walking Tour

Private Tour with a private tour guide. Discover two of Kyoto's amazing attractions with a warm and knowledgeable local guide by your side. Step into the Kyoto Imperial Palace, once home to Japan's imperial family, and learn about its history. Explore Nijo Castle on a guided tour to admire its exquisite feudal-era architecture.

What's Included

Inclusions:

Drinking water

English-speaking tour guide
Entrance fees
3 hour walking tour
Exclusions:
Hotel pick up and drop off
Meals and other drinks
Personal expenses
Meeting Point
Nijojo-mae Sta.(Nijo-jo Castle)
Nijojocho, Nakagyo Ward, Kyoto, 604-8301, Japan

End Point
Imadegawa Station
Okamatsucho, Kamigyo Ward, Kyoto, 602-0032, Japan
This tour will end at Imadegawa Station

What to Expect
Duration : 3 hours

Nijo Castle
The historical city of Kyoto is one of Japans most famous cities. It was once the capital of Japan and the place of the emperors residence for more than a thousand years. In this guided walking tour, well explore the grandeur and rich history of Japans past with a visit to Nijo Castle. Admire the castles impressive architecture, beautiful gardens, and intricate interiors that offer a glimpse into the lives of Japans shoguns.

Kyoto Imperial Palace
Learn about the Kyoto Imperial Palace and how it was once the residence of Japans imperial family. Your friendly TripGuru will take you around the impressive structure, giving you time to admire the stunning architecture, beautiful gardens, and more.

🗨️ Sat 23 Nov 24: Path of Ninjas: Private Van History Tour

Path of Ninjas: Private Van History Tour
Spend the best day in Japan with this adventurous ninja tour from Kyoto! We will follow the real couse taken by the Shogun Ieyasu Tokugawas great escape led by a ninja Hanzo Hattori and his Iga Ninjas in 1562. Visit Iga City, home of the famous Iga-School Ninja, and explore an authentic Ninja house with hidden gimmicks like flipping doors, secret passages, and hidden sword shelters installed. You will also visit the shrines and temples worshipped by ninjas in wild nature, and find the mysterious roots of ninjutsu. Air-conditioned van, fully private Full-English guide with deep knowledge Variety of different types of vists, but all related to Ninja Book now to reveal the secrets of ninjas and learn the spirits of Japan through ancient ninja's life!
Pickup included

What's Included
Inclusions:
Private and air-conditioned Nissan Van (max 6) / Mini Cooper
Convertible (1 guest)
Direct pickup and dropping-off at your hotel in Kyoto
Detailed and insightful descriptions in English
Parking, highway and fuel fees

Exclusions:
Entry fees (800 Iga Ninja House + 600 Iga-Ueno Castle = 1400)

What to Expect
This is a Private Tour
Duration : 7 hours

Iga-ryu Ninja Museum
Iga, located in the middle of the mountain area reached an hour from Kyoto by car, is a historical city known to be the home of Iga-Ryu (style) Ninjas. This museum is truly authentic, built by a real ninja master of the Iga clan, so the traditional Japanese rooms you enter, which seem normal, are installed full of tricks and gimmicks to fight against invaders. Secret flipping doors, hidden sword shelters, and hidden paths between rooms, all of them you can use and actually experience them like ninjas and learn how they fought are not only entertaining to all the kids but very practical and wisely thought to fight against the enemies. The museum also displays many weapons, armor and cultural things which real ninjas of the Iga clan used. *1 hour transfer from Kyoto included

Iga Ueno Castle
Iga Ueno Castle is a beautiful castle located on the top of a hill in the center of Ueno City. This castle was originally built in 1585, the peak of the Japanese warring age, to be a fort-castle of Osaka Castle, after the original building, the guild house of Iga Ninjas, got burnt and destroyed by Shogun Oda. Even though it's a replica of the original one destroyed in the war, its fully wooden construction of the Japanese tradition brings tourists a time-slipping feel. Besides, its atmospheric wooden inside is a museum displaying many Samurai armor and weapons used by real Samurai Shoguns in wars.

Ujitawara
We go through a real historical path known as "The Great Escape over Iga of Ieyasu (Tokugawa)" in primeval forest areas of Kyoto's beautiful countryside, Ujitawara. Visit a super-spiritual waterfall with a shrine located in a stunning Japanese cedar forest worshiped and used for training by ninjas Ishitera Tea Plantation Often introduced as "The Most Beautiful Village of Japan" or "Green Tea Fields to the Heaven". Wide areas of Kyoto's Uji are known for the production of the best green tea brands in Japan as well as its first invention of "Matcha". You might wonder what's green teas related to ninjas, but ninjas were originally the farmers around this area. Ninjas used to farm in the morning and train in the afternoon in the mountains around here so they were very knowledgeable even in tea ceremonies used for diplomacy at that time. It's very reasonable that they were so good at making potions and poisons out of mountain herbs, which skill also made it easier to convert themselves to pharmacies after the warring age. *30 minutes transfer by car included Hozan-ji Temple
The origin of the ninja's mysterious sides is found in this Japanese mantra Buddhist temple. If you heard of a famous spell, "Kuji-Kiri" chanted before the battles by ninjas, monks of this temple still chant

exactly the same phrase until today. The atmosphere of this whole large temple complex is just like video games characterizing ninjas. Experience the roots of ninja's spirituality in this absolutely spiritual temple. *1 hour transfer by car included Iwatani Falls Daishoin A small waterfall as a sanctuary used for waterfall meditations by priests, monks and ninjas since the ancie

🌸Sun 24 Nov 24: Authentic Kyoto Tea Ceremony

Authentic Kyoto Tea Ceremony

Camellia Flower Teahouse

Private Tea Ceremony

We want your time with us to be a rich and enjoyable one, and to that end we encourage guests to not only participate but actively ask any questions they might have about Japan and tea ceremony. Our small team, fluent in English, are here to help make your time a memorable and authentic one. Tea ceremony is the perfect way to enjoy Japanese culture and experience a taste of Kyoto. Inclusivity is very important to us, and all are welcome. Chairs and tables are available for those that have difficulty sitting on the floor. All our sweets are vegan, nut free and gluten dress. Although we offer kimono rental, you do not need to wear kimono and please dress as you feel comfortable. Children are more than welcome. Feel free to take photos throughout the experience (please be mindful of other guests and please turn off the flash).

What's Included

Inclusions:

Tea bowls, tea scoops and tea whisks are provided so that guests can make their own bowl of Matcha.

Exclusions:

Pickups and drop-offs.

Kimono rental (this option can be requested by message for an additional charge).

Meeting Point: Tea Ceremony Camellia FLOWER

349-12 Masuyach, Higashiyama Ward, Kyoto, 605-0826, Japan

At the start of your session, your host will welcome you with a brief introduction to the world of matcha. Tea ceremony lies at the heart of Japanese culture, and to enjoy this centuries old ritual will provide a deeper understanding of the history, architecture and tastes of Kyoto. Before performing an authentic tea ceremony, your personal instructor will explain a little about the steps involved in the ceremony, the utensils used and the importance of the rooms decoration and layout. Guests will enjoy a seasonal sweet with their tea, and there is plenty of time for asking questions and chatting with the host. The experience ends with each guest having the opportunity to make their own bowl of frothy matcha, mastering the basics of tea making.

We want your time with us to be a rich and enjoyable one, and to that end we encourage guests to not only participate but actively ask any questions they might have about Japan and tea ceremony. All our instructors speak English fluently and hail from one of Kyoto's three main schools of tea ceremony. At Camellia authenticity and inclusivity are very important, and we strive to provide memories our guests will treasure.

🌸Mon 25 Nov 24: Departure

Prices & Departures:

Deposit £750pp

🌸Y31204 Heathrow from £3599pp

🌸Y31396 Manchester from £3599pp

🌸Y31404 Dublin from £3599pp

🌸Y31399 Glasgow from £3675pp

🌸Y31402 Newcastle from £3675pp

🌸Y31400 Edinburgh from £3885pp

Terms & Conditions:

🌸Based on 2 Adults Sharing