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9-day tour link



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Package price starting from

9 Days **\$3,399** CAD

15 Days **\$4,699** CAD

43% OFF

Was \$8,249

9/15 Days

Enchantments of Japan & South Korea

Highlights of Nippon, Seoul with bullet train

Trip Code: TP15JK for 15 Days , TP09JP for 9 Days

- 13 Nights / 7 Nights
- Small Group (Avg. 26 pax)
- 17 Meals / 8 Meals
- Airfare included
- Escorted Tour
- Coach, Flight
- 4 Star Hotel
- Daily Sightseeing

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT

Immerse yourself on an incredible journey covering two fascinating countries, Japan and South Korea. From the "Land of the rising sun" to the the "Land of the morning calm". This voyage will take you on an Asia cultural adventure that is unlike any other.

- ✓ Visit spectacular Osaka Castle, which houses an incredible collection of art, armor, and collectibles
- ✓ In Nara, visit the most famous Todaiji and feed the gentle sika deer at Nara Park
- ✓ Travel to Kyoto on the famed shinkansen, or "bullet train"
- ✓ Visit Kinkakuji, World Cultural Heritage featuring a shining golden pavilion
- ✓ Cruise on Lake Kawaguchi, famed for its views of Mt. Fuji
- ✓ Enjoy natural hot spring and dress in Yukata robes during our Fuji dinner banquet
- ✓ Tour Tokyo, a metropolis of ancient traditions and cutting-edge technology
- ✓ Walk past the traditional homes to imagine the country in its past life in the Andong Hahoe folk village
- ✓ Delve into the many flavors of Korean cuisine – Korea BBQ & Chicken soup with ginseng
- ✓ In Busan, view the waves while looking down through the transparent Oryukdo Skywalk
- ✓ Immerse yourself in the bustling crowds of Myeongdong, one of Seoul's main commercial districts



Day 1: North America to Seoul

Day 2: Seoul

Day 3: Seoul - Andong - Busan

Day 4: Busan - Daegu

Day 5: Dageu – Gyeongju – Seoul

Day 6: Seoul

Day 7: Seoul

Day 8: Seoul-Osaka

Day 9: Osaka-Nara

Day 10: Osaka

Day 11: Osaka-Kyoto - Nagoya - Hamamatsu

Day 12: Hamamatsu - Gotemba - Mt. Fuji

Day 13: Mt. Fuji - Tokyo

Day 14: Tokyo

Day 15: Tokyo - North America



Day 1: North America to Seoul

Enjoy an overnight flight to Seoul.

Day 2: Seoul

After arrival, transfer to the hotel, and the rest of the day is on your own.

Day 3: Seoul - Andong - Busan

Visit the traditional village, Andong, which features traditional houses of the Joseon Dynasty period (1392-1897). Then transfer to Busan, stop at one of Korea's largest markets, Nampo Dong Gukje Market for a wide variety of goods at affordable prices. Then visit Nurimaru APEC House, a memorial hall and prestigious international conference hall located near Haeundae Beach, offering visitors spectacular views of the nearby natural landscape. Overnight in Busan.

Meal: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4: Busan - Daegu

In Busan, we visit Haedong Yonggungsa (East Sea Dragon Palace Temple), situated on the coast of the north-eastern portion of the city and overlooking the ocean. Afterwards, you will have an opportunity to view the waves while looking down through the transparent floor of the 15 metre high Oryukdo Skywalk, which is set over a 35 meter-high coastal cliff. Travel to Gamcheon Culture Village situated on the foothills of a coastal mountain and nicknamed 'Machu Picchu of Busan'. You will be thrilled by the many alleys cutting through this village, vibrantly decorated with murals and sculptures created by the local resident. Then transfer to Daegu to visit Gatbawi Shrine, which is a medicinal Buddha shrine and national treasure, some 850m above sea level and said to date back to AD 638.

Then take a stroll in Dongseongno Shopping District, a major fashion retail district. The streets are packed with hundreds of stores full of personality that reflect the city's fastpaced fashion trends.

Meal: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5: Dageu – Gyeongju – Seoul

Today we explore the many archaeological sites and temples, royal tombs, and monuments of Gyeongju, the capital of the ancient Silla Kingdom (57 BC – 935 AD). Visit Cheomseongdae Astronomical Observatory, Royal Tumuli Park, Gyeongju National Museum, Bulguksa Temple, and Seokguram Grotto Temple. Enjoy the special Samgyetang Lunch (Chicken soup with ginseng). Then transfer back to Seoul.

Meal: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 6: Seoul

This morning, visit Changdeokgung Palace, one of the 'Five Grand Palaces' built by the Kings of the Jeon Dynasty, and Insadong, a street full of traditional Korean antique and art shops, restaurants and tea houses. Here we will visit the Ginseng Centre and Cosmetic Shop. Continue to Cheonggyecheon Stream and admire this urban oasis before visiting Myeongdong, one of Seoul's main commercial districts.

Meal: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 7: Seoul

Today is your free leisure or you may join the optional DMZ half day tour with traditional lunch (US\$115). After pickup at your Seoul hotel in the morning, drive to the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ). En route, visit Imjingak Park to see artillery and war artifacts before proceeding to Freedom Bridge, where nearly 13,000

Korean POWs crossed on their return back home to South Korea. If permitted, we'll venture into the mysterious 3rd Tunnel. Descend deep underground and explore this secret passage, discovered in 1978, that was designed by North Korea for a potential invasion of the South. See where the South Koreans have blocked the actual Military Demarcation Line with concrete barricades, and browse photographs and war artifacts at the DMZ exhibition hall. At Dora Observatory, prepare for a breathtaking panoramic view of the Demilitarized Zone. Peer through telescopes and catch a glimpse of the North Korean border, witnessing firsthand the stark contrast between the two Koreas. Listen to your guide explain daily life in the village of Kijongdong across the river to conclude the lovely day. Then transfer back to the hotel in the afternoon. A traditional lunch is included.

Meal: Breakfast

**Due to the high demand of this site, daily number of visitors are limited. Entry permit will only be granted in first come first serve basis. If there's an unannounced official event or unforeseen situation in the DMZ, the program will be cancelled & replaced by Paju tour. Tripoppo will have the right to adjust the itinerary on spot accordingly.*

**Reroute to Paju where you will visit the Imjingak Nuri Peace Park. It was built in 1972 as a security tourist site with a view to reflecting upon the painful history of national division and showing aspirations to national reunification. Imjingak, as well as other symbolic sites such as the Imjingang Railroad Bridge, the Bridge of Freedom, Mangbaedan Alter where displaced North Koreans pay salute to their families in the North and Peace Bell, attract as many as millions of tourists every year. Then you will be experiencing the city's best view at Odusan Unification Observatory. It rests on a mountain where you can actually see North Korea with the naked eye. Listen to your guide explain daily life in the village of Kijongdong across the river to conclude the lovely day. Then transfer back to the hotel in the afternoon. A traditional lunch is included.*

Day 8: Seoul-Osaka

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and fly to Osaka. Upon arrival at Osaka Airport, you will meet our representative with the name board at the airport exit. We will assist you to board an airport shuttle and then transfer to your hotel on your own. After hotel check-in, the rest of the day is at leisure on your own.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 9: Osaka - Nara - Osaka

This morning, you will move to Nara, now known as Nara remains full of iconic sites. Then see Todai-ji Temple, one of Japan's most famous and historically significant temples, constructed in the 8th century. In its huge area houses various national treasures of Japan. Step foot in the Daibutsuden (Great Buddha Hall), housing the world's largest bronze statue of the Buddha Vairocana. Wander through Nara Park, where over 1,200 wild sika deer roam free, before travelling back to Osaka. Visit the Osaka Castle, which played a major role in the unification of Japan during the Azuchi-Momoyama period in the sixteenth century, before being dropped off at Donburi, which exemplifies Osaka's vibrant food culture. **Meal:** Breakfast

Day 10: Osaka

Spend today free at your own leisure. You may join the optional Kansai Culture Tour with lunch (US\$179). Which consist of visit the Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, a mesmerizing grove of thousands of tall bamboo plants. A paved walkway runs through the middle of both sections, forming the famous "Bamboo Alley," one of Kyoto's most photographed sights. Japanese traditional lunch will be included at a local Japanese restaurant. After that, we will visit one of the most sacred and impressive destinations – Fushimi Inari-Taisha Shrine and walk through the famous vermilion Torii Gates, the most picturesque location on tour. In the afternoon, you will get a chance to experience a unique Tea ceremony and Wakashi making, which will make your travel memorable. You will make Japanese sweets called nerikiri perfect for the tea ceremony and ideal for taking back home as a souvenir. Then return to your comfortable vehicle for the relaxing journey back to your hotel. The rest of the day is free at leisure on your own.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 11: Osaka - Kyoto - Nagoya

This morning experiences a true modern marvel by riding the Shinkansen (bullet train) to Kyoto Station. Kyoto was Japan's capital and the emperor's residence from 794 until 1868. Countless temples, shrines, and other historically priceless structures survive in the city today. Visiting Higashi Hongan-ji, which is a religious complex of the Pure Land (Jodo Shinshu) Buddhism. Its monumental architecture renowned for being sheltered by the largest wooden roof in the world. Here we can also take a great picture of Kyoto tower. Visit Kinkakuji (Golden Pavilion), World Cultural Heritage featuring a shining golden pavilion and a pond-centered garden. Visit the shining Kinkaku with two floors covered entirely in thin layers of pure gold and detailed architecture incorporating three distinct styles of Shinden, Samurai, and Zen. Then we will visit Nishiki market and experience local life. Rich with history and tradition, the market is renowned as the place to obtain many of Kyoto's famous foods and goods. Travel to Nagoya to visit Toyota Commemorative Museum of Industry and Technology. Here you will learn about the history of Toyota which started out as a textile machinery manufacturer and how it became a successful mass exporter and manufacturer of automotive technology, including robots. Continue our trip to Hamamatsu and stay overnight.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 12: Hamamatsu- Mt. Fuji

Today, visit visit Gotemba Peace Park to capture a breathtaking view of Mount Fuji, Oshino Hakkai. Known as the springs of Mount Fuji, the eight ponds are fed by melting snow filtering down from the slopes of nearby Mount Fuji, through porous layers of lava, resulting in very clear spring water that is revered by locals. Afterwards, and Sengenjinja Shrine. Enjoy the picturesque view of Mount Fuji from a distance onboard the cruise on Lake Kawaguchi, a crater lake famous for its views of the famous peak. Finish the day with a true cultural experience in our hot spring hotel. Dress in Yukata bath robes and enjoy a traditional dinner.

Meal: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 13: Mount Fuji - Tokyo

Visit Meiji Shrine in the morning, dedicated to the deified spirits of Emperor Meiji and his consort, Empress Shoken. Your next stop today is Tokyo Metro to enjoy a panoramic view of enormous Tokyo city. Later, stroll through the Sensoji Temple (Asakusa Kannon Temple), one of Tokyo's most colorful and popular temples. You may also choose the optional Kimono Rental (US\$55) and explore great photo opportunities along the ancient street in Japan's beautiful national dress. Then walk along the famous 820-ft long Nakamise shopping street where you can explore the lines of stalls selling different Japanese-styled goods and souvenirs.

Meal: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 14: Tokyo

Spend today free at your leisure. Enjoy a free day to explore and enjoy bustling Tokyo at your leisure. Perhaps discover Japanese history and art at a museum or indulge in some retail therapy at Tokyo's cutting-edge stores – the choice is yours. Alternatively, you may join our optional day trip to Kamakura and Yokohama (min 10 pax US\$169). Explore two of Japan's most captivating cities on a full-day Kamakura and Yokohama trip from Tokyo. After pickup from your Tokyo hotel, travel southwest by coach to Kamakura, a picturesque seaside city nestled in forested hills on Sagami Bay renowned for its Buddhist temples, Shinto shrines and rich history. Next, continue to Yokohama, Japan's second-largest city. Visit Sankeien garden and the Red Brick Warehouse, where early-20th century custom buildings now house stylish shops, and stroll in waterside Yamashita Park and China town. **Meal:** Breakfast

Day 15: Tokyo-North America

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to board your flight to Canada.

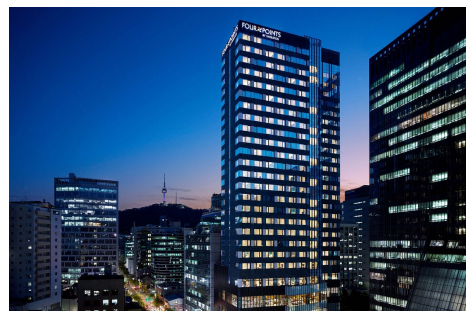
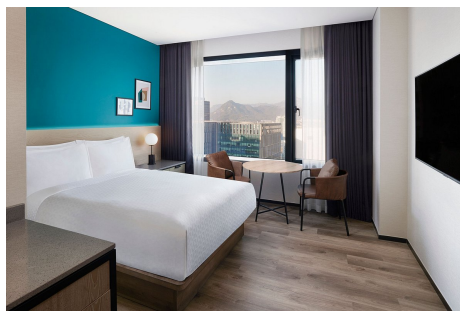
Meal: Breakfast

Optional Tours

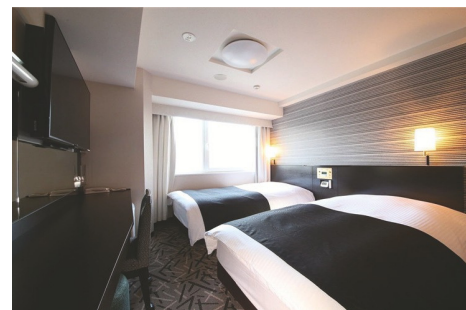
- DMZ Day Tour with traditional lunch USD\$115
- Kaiseki Dinner(min 8 pax) USD\$90
- Kansai Culture Day Tour (Pre-book, min 10 pax) USD\$179
- Kamakura and Yokohama Tour(Pre-Boo, Min 10 pax) USD\$169
- Kimono Dress Rental USD\$55



Star Gate Hotel Kansai Airport ★★★★★



Four Points by Sheraton Josun, Seoul Myeongdong ★★★★★



Tokyo Bay APA Resort ★★★★★

Package Includes

- Return international airfares from Vancouver (Add-on \$400 for departing from Toronto);
- Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- All intra-flights: Seoul - Osaka
- 7/13 nights 4 star First Class accommodations
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges
- Shinkansen ticket from Osaka to Kyoto (bullet Train)
- Lake Kawaguchi Cruise
- All transfers
- Meals and featuring regional delicacies mentioned in the itinerary
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour guides
- Entrance fees per itinerary

Package Does Not Includes

- Visa Fee
- Prepaid Gratuities:
15 Days: USD\$210/person
9 Days: US\$126/person
(includes gratuities for tour guides, drivers, cruise crew members, etc.)
- Travel insurance
- Personal expenditures

2023 15 Days Departures

Depart	5-Sep	19-Sep	3-Oct	10-Oct	17-Oct	24-Oct	7-Nov	14-Nov	30-Nov
2024 15 Days Departures									
Depart	19-Mar	26-Mar	02-Apr	09-Apr	07-May	14-May	04-Jun		

2023 9 Days Departures

Depart	11-Sep	25-Sep	9-Oct	16-Oct	23-Oct	30-Oct	13-Nov	20-Nov	6-Dec
2024 9 Days Departures									
Depart	25-Mar	01-Apr	08-Apr	15-Apr	13-May	20-May	10-Jun		

9 Days Package Price

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Price Notes

- Prices are per person based on twin share accommodation. Single room supplement fee: 9 Days: \$999 15 Days: \$1,699
- Add on airfare from other cities: Toronto from \$400, Ottawa, Montreal , Quebec City from \$500, Calgary, Edmonton \$500, Saskatoon, Regina, Winnipeg, Halifax, St. John from \$600
- Tour prices are subject to change without prior notice.
- Leading price is based on specific departure dates, please check with our website: <https://tripoppo.com> for the updated information.