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2024 Japan Park Hopper Summer Fun

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June 1 - 9, 2024

7 Nights/ 9 Days

*Disneyland - DisneySea - Kyoto - Nara -
Osaka - Universal Studios - Kobe*

\$100 OFF PER PERSON
when you pay with a personal check/cash

\$3,798*

per person-triple occupancy

\$3,798*

per person-double occupancy

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to 65 days prior to departure
date for a FULL REFUND!

A minimum of 16 participants is
required for the tour to operate

Itinerary

Day 1: (Sat) Jun 1 – Honolulu Depart Honolulu via Hawaiian Airlines

→ Meet the Panda Travel representative 3 hours prior to departure at the Hawaiian Airlines check-in counters.

Day 2: (Sun) Jun 2 – Haneda-Disney Sheraton Grande Tokyo Bay Hotel (Free WiFi)

→ Meet your English speaking local guide at the arrival lobby before transferring to the hotel.

→ Welcome to Sheraton Grande Tokyo Bay Hotel, the official Tokyo Disney Resort® Hotel! Take advantage of the hotel's direct access to the Disney Resort Line monorail system. The monorail, which loops around the perimeter of the resort, will make several stops, including at the doorsteps of Tokyo Disneyland and DisneySea. If you'd like to explore Ikspiari—a vibrant shopping, dining, and entertainment hub—please let your local guide know and they will assist you. Enjoy your stay here for the next 3 nights.

Day 3: (Mon) Jun 3 – Maihama/Tokyo Disneyland (B) Sheraton Grande Tokyo Bay Hotel (Free WiFi)

→ Breakfast at hotel.

→ 8:15am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby for the monorail ride to Tokyo Disneyland.

→ Get ready for an exhilarating day at **Tokyo Disneyland!** Explore the many Tokyo Disneyland exclusive attractions like its glass covered Victorian-style indoor World Bazaar and the Beauty and the Beast mini-land that stretches from Belle's village square to Beast's Castle. Don't miss out on the spectacular PhilharMagic show (revamped in Sept 2022) and new rides like The Happy Ride with Baymax! In between attractions, snack on a chewy Stormtrooper mochi or hot, fresh popcorn featuring flavors like curry, cookie cream, and garlic shrimp. Enjoy making fun memories today!

→ **Return to hotel** – The monorail will transport you back to the hotel when you decide to return and rest up for the next day's Disney adventure.

Day 4: (Tue) Jun 4 – Maihama/Tokyo DisneySea (B) Sheraton Grande Tokyo Bay Hotel (Free WiFi)

→ Breakfast at hotel.

→ The day is yours at **Tokyo DisneySea**, the 4th most visited theme park in the world! Excitingly, you'll step foot in the park's newly opened Northern European inspired expansion: Fantasy Springs (projected to open in spring 2024). With rides, attractions, and foods from the massively popular Frozen, Tangled, and Peter Pan movies, you'll find

Arendelle Castle in Frozen Kingdom, the floating lantern festival in Rapunzel's Forest, a pirate ship in Peter Pan's Neverland, and more! But the fun doesn't end there...drift along the Mediterranean Harbor on a Venetian gondola, descend to the ocean's depths in the 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea submarine, explore caverns of mystery in a subterranean vehicle on the Journey to the Center of the Earth ride, and navigate a watercraft in Aquatopia. Fuel up with a gyoza dog, a tiramisu ice cream sandwich, or a tempura assortment plate. Have fun - Sea you later!

Day 5: (Wed) Jun 5 – Disney-Tokyo-Kyoto/Arashiyama (B/L)

Hotel Vischio Kyoto by Granvia (Free WiFi)

→ Breakfast at hotel.

→ 9:00am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby. This morning, we'll transfer by coach to Tokyo Station and take the bullet train ride to Kyoto. Your luggage(s) (2 pcs per person) will be delivered to your hotel in Osaka. Please prepare an overnight bag for 2 nights.

→ 12:23pm – We'll head to a Japanese style lunch after we arrive at Kyoto Station.

→ 2:30pm – This afternoon, we'll explore **Arashiyama**. Located in the outskirts of Kyoto and set against the backdrop of mountains, bridges, and ponds, this picturesque destination is teeming with natural beauty and culture. Some suggestions for exploring this tranquil area:

→ Venture into the internationally recognized cultural and picturesque landmark, **Sagano Bamboo Path**. Rooted in Japanese belief, bamboo has the power to ward off evil and deliver good fortunes, protecting the nearby Buddhist temples and Shinto shrines. When you walk through the tunnels of bamboo, you can feel the energy of the forest. Wander around and marvel at the soaring stalks of bamboo that surround you. Don't miss out on this breathtaking and meditative experience!

→ Or take a half an hour uphill hike to reach **Iwatayama Monkey Park**. There, you'll find mischievous monkeys scurrying about in their natural habitat or munching on a bag of apples that visitors can purchase. Another benefit of making this trek is the astounding panoramic views of Kyoto atop.

→ If **shopping** is on your to-do-list, there are plenty of shops to collect items like traditional fans, bamboo goods, and specialty snacks.

→ This is also a great opportunity for you to take a break from walking and hitch a ride on a **rickshaw!**

→ 5:30pm – Arrive at **Hotel Vischio Kyoto by Granvia**, our accommodations for the next 2 nights. Conveniently located

across the street from the Kyoto JR Station and about 12 mins away on foot from the Aeon Mall, you'll find a wide variety of food and shops in every direction.

Day 6: (Thu) Jun 6 – Kyoto-Nara-Kyoto (B)

Hotel Vischio Kyoto by Granvia (Free WiFi)

→ **Breakfast at hotel.**

→ **8:00am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby.**

→ **9:15am** – Our morning begins with a visit to **Todaiji Temple** (Great Buddha), a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a cultural landmark of Nara. Completed in the year 752, the temple once served as Japan's head Buddhist temple. Its most notable feature is Daibutsuden (Big Buddha Hall), which houses one of Japan's largest Buddha statues: a bronze figure towering at nearly 50 feet and weighing an impressive 121 tons. Inside the hall, you can find a pillar with a large opening carved at its base that's said to be the size of Daibutsu's nostril. According to legend, those who are able to squeeze through will be granted enlightenment in their next life. Outside the Tōdai-ji Temple, you can find over 1,000 wild deer roaming about at **Nara Deer Park**. Believed to protect the temple grounds as messengers of the gods, the Nara deer can be found sniffing the pockets of passersby for food or happily snacking on shika senbei (deer crackers) that visitors can purchase.

→ **11:45am** – Perhaps the most important of shrines dedicated to Inari (Shinto god of rice), **Fushimi Inari Shrine** is a recognizable network of thousands of brightly colored vermilion torii gates that lead into sacred Mount Inari's wooded forest. Throughout the shrine grounds, you'll notice statues of foxes, animals believed to be Inari's messengers.

→ **1:45pm** – Welcome to the bustling **Nishiki Market!** This 400 year old hub for food vendors features over 100 shops and restaurants selling a wide range of traditional Japanese foods and handmade crafts. Sample fresh seafood, matcha, mochi, and other local specialties! Enjoy lunch on your own.

→ **3:45pm** – Onto our next adventure, **Kyoto Aquarium**, which offers an impressive glimpse into the underwater world. As you journey through the exhibits, you'll come face to face with dolphins, mesmerizing jellyfish, playful penguins, majestic sea otters, and much more!

→ **5:30pm – Return to hotel.** The rest of the evening is yours at leisure.

Day 7: (Fri) Jun 7 – Kyoto-Osaka/Universal Studios Japan (B)

Hotel Monterey Grasmere Osaka (Free WiFi)

→ **Breakfast at hotel.**

→ **8:15am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby to get ready for exciting Universal Studios.**

→ **9:30am** – Ranked Japan's best theme park, **Osaka Universal Studios** sets itself apart as ever evolving, but consistent in delivering unique Japanese specific character shows and foods. In February 2021, the park opened the world's first ever Super Nintendo World. In addition to Minions, JAWS!, and the Wizarding World of Harry Potter, other character world attractions unique to this park are Snoopy Studios, Hello Kitty, and Sesame Street.

Just outside the park's gates is **Universal Citywalk Osaka**, a shopping mall with eateries and stores selling Universal Studios merchandise and Osaka souvenirs. On the mall's 4th floor, you can find the Osaka Takoyaki Museum, a food theme park with popular Takoyaki vendors and exhibits.

→ **7:30pm – Arrive at Hotel Monterey Grasmere Osaka for the next 2 nights.** Welcome to Osaka, Japan's third-largest city and the capital of commerce with a bustling street life in its arcades, markets, and byways. Osaka's citizens speak the Kansai dialect and are known for their outgoing nature, as well as for their abiding love of delicious street food. Our hotel is located just a few mins' walk to Osaka's most famous entertainment districts. Enjoy the evening of shopping and dining on your own.

Day 8: (Sat) Jun 8 – Osaka/Free day at leisure (B)

Hotel Monterey Grasmere Osaka (Free WiFi)

→ **Breakfast at hotel.**

→ **Today is yours to explore the wonderful city of Osaka!**

Day 9: (Sun) Jun 9 – Osaka-Kobe-Kansai-Honolulu (B/L)

→ **Breakfast at hotel.**

→ **8:30am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby before we make our way to Kobe, a historically significant port city.**

→ **9:30am** – Our first visit this morning is the **Kobe Nunobiki Herb Gardens & Ropeway**. Reachable via a 10 minute gondola ride, this Kobe landmark features panoramic views of Kobe, Kyoto, and Osaka. Atop, you'll find the Welcome Garden with flowers in bloom, a recreation area with free play equipment, a hammock section, a souvenir shop selling herbs and other aromatic products, and a veranda with 360 views where you can grab a drink and some snacks while

you enjoy the picturesque scenery.

→ **11:30am** – Reopened in 2020, the **Kobe Maritime Museum** celebrates Kobe’s history as a prominent international sea port and features a variety of ship models, a gantry crane simulator, a ship handling simulator, and much more! At **Kawasaki World**, which is adjacent to the first floor of the maritime museum, visitors leave Kobe’s past and enter into its future. Here, you’ll find the latest machineries that bring air, land, and sea technologies to life, as well as a motorcycle gallery, a flight simulator, and high-performance robots.

→ **1:00pm** – Time to try one of Kobe’s most significant culinary exports: **kobe beef**, a special grade of beef from Wagyu cattle raised in Kobe. These cattle are massaged with sake and are fed a daily diet that includes large amounts of beer. This process produces meat that is extraordinarily tender, finely marbled, and full- flavored.

→ **3:30pm** – Now a moment at **AEON Mall Rinku Sennan**, a large shopping mall with everything you need to round up any last minute shopping before the drive out to Kansai International Airport.

→ **5:30pm** – **Reach Kansai International Airport to begin our check-in process for the flight home.**

→ **Depart from Kansai via Hawaiian Airlines for Honolulu.**

→ **Arrive in Honolulu (same day).**

Thank you for traveling with us! 

Need to Know...



Payment Policy

- » Reserve with **\$75 per person deposit. Refundable up to 65 days prior to departure date, March 28, 2024.**
- » **Final payment due by April 12, 2024. Package is non-refundable after this date.**

* Fares and Fees (Priced in USD)

- » Are subject to change in light of fuel supplements, taxes, and differences in costs.
- » Air ticket fare is guaranteed, but taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges are subject to change until tickets are issued, approximately 50 days out.
- » We reserve the right to make changes to the itinerary with or without notice.



Special Assistance

- » You must inform us of any disability/impairment that requires special attention at the time of your making the reservation.
- » We reserve the right to cancel the reservation(s) if the disability/impairment is unsuitable for the tour.
- » You are also responsible for any costs and/or accommodations related to your disability/impairment, such as providing your own travel companion.



Travel Insurance

- » We highly recommend the purchase of trip insurance. Please ask our representatives for more information.



Travel Documents

- » A valid passport is required for all U.S. citizens and must be valid and not expire at least 6 months from the return tour date.
- » Non-U.S. passport holders must check with the Japanese Consulate to see if a visa is required.



Land Tour Operator & Costs

- » Land Tour Operator is Nippon Travel Agency.
- » Land Tour costs are based on current currency conversion rates, which are subject to change.



Other remarks

- » Not Included in the tour: Gratuities for local English speaking guide; additional baggage fee charges from the airlines; alcohol and soft drinks with meals.
- » A minimum of 16 participants are required for the tour to operate.
- » You are expected to abide by domestic and international government and accommodation policies related to health, safety, and welfare.