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# 2026 Tokyo in Bloom: Festivals of Flowers

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**April 16 - 23, 2026**

6 Nights/ 8 Days

*Tokyo - Saitama - Mt. Fuji -  
Ashikaga - Hanyu*

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

# Itinerary

## Day 1: (Thu) Apr 16 – Honolulu Depart Honolulu

→ **Meet the Panda Travel representative 3 hours prior to departure at the airline's check-in counters.**

## Day 2: (Fri) Apr 17 – Haneda-Tokyo

Sunshine City Prince Hotel (Free Wi-Fi)

→ **Arrive at Haneda Airport, and meet your English speaking guide at the arrival lobby. We will then transfer to Sunshine City Prince Hotel.** Our hotel is directly connected to Sunshine City shopping center with many shopping and dining options available to you. Nearby, you'll also find a 24-hr Family Mart convenience store and a Seiyu supermarket for snack, bento, and beverage pickups. Enjoy your evening at leisure.

## Day 3: (Sat) Apr 18 – Tokyo (B)

Sunshine City Prince Hotel (Free Wi-Fi)

→ **Breakfast at hotel.**

→ **8:30am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby for a full day tour in Tokyo.**

→ **9:00am –** Our day begins with a visit to **Tsukiji Outer Market**. A renowned bucketlist spot, Tsukiji is the largest fish market in the world. While the inner auction market relocated to Toyosu in 2018, the charm remains in its outer market. Be sure to enjoy all that the outer market has to offer, from seasonal produce and candy tasting to knife-making artisan shops.

→ **11:30am –** Here we are at **Asakusa's iconic Sensoji Temple** and **Kaminarimon Gate** (aka "Thunder Gate") with its massive lantern. This spot is a "must see" in every guidebook and boasts over 30 million annual visitors. Traditionally, once you reach the top of the temple steps, you should clap twice and bow your head as a sign of respect. With the belief that coins trap the dangers of daily life, visitors also customarily make a small offering by tossing coins into a wooden rack, tossing away those dangers as well.

You'll also find the **Five Storied Pagoda** there. Regarded as one of the "Four Edo Pagodas," this nearly 174 foot monument stands to represent Tokyo's few remaining pagodas. As you roam through the temple grounds, you'll come across the **Nakamise Shopping Arcade**, a lively and extensive shopping street lined with good luck charms, traditional goodies, and Japanese snacks.

→ **1:30pm –** Explore the enchanting **Peony Festival** at **Ueno Toshogu Shrine**, which takes place mid-April until the end of Golden Week in early May. Organized in a maze-like formation, these carefully tended flowers thrive under the protection of dozens of paper umbrellas. To the Japanese,

peonies symbolize bravery and honor and are commonly seen in wedding decor for good fortune.

→ **2:45pm –** Now, a visit to **Ueno & Ameyoko Shopping Street**. This is the absolutely perfect place to get your omiyage. "Ameyoko" is short for "Ameya Yokochō" or "candy shop back alley" since candies were traditionally sold there. Alternatively, it is short for "America," a callback to the post-WWII era when American products were sold there illegally. Now, the street is lined with over 400 shops from cooked street food, snacks like dried squid, and fresh seafood to clothes, bags, accessories, cosmetics, and much more!

→ **5:00pm – Return to hotel.** Enjoy the evening of shopping and dining on your own.

## Day 4: (Sun) Apr 19 – Tokyo-Saitama-Tokyo (B)

Sunshine City Prince Hotel (Free Wi-Fi)

→ **Breakfast at hotel.**

→ **8:00am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby as we embark on a full-day tour for Saitama.**

→ **10:30am –** Nestled in the Chichibu Mountains, **Chichibu Hitsujiyama Park Shibazakura Hill** is known for its stunning pink moss phlox blankets Shibazakura Hill in shades of pink and purple during springtime. Unlike the classic sakura cherry blossoms that sway above, shibazakura blossoms from the ground, creating a colorful carpet beneath your feet. The flower petals resemble sakura's shape and may even have a striped pattern. The display of 400,000 shibazakura, representing 9 unique species, comes together to sit against the majestic backdrop of Mt. Buko, creating a picturesque scene of natural beauty.

→ **12:00pm –** Now, a fun **strawberry fruit-picking experience** at **Chichibu Fruit Farm**, famous in Saitama Prefecture.

→ **1:00pm –** Take some free time to explore and enjoy lunch on your own at **Matsuri no Yu**. Designed after Chichibu's famous festival, this exciting complex features shopping, and food areas. Check out the many eateries offering delectable Chichibu specialties like Waraji Katsudon (crispy pork cutlet rice bowl), Buta Miso Don (miso-marinated pork rice bowl), and miso potato.

→ **4:00pm –** Congrats, you've been enrolled in Soy Sauce School at **Kinbue Soy Sauce Park!** At this interactive facility operated by a well-known 230 year old soy sauce brewery, "students" (i.e., visitors) will learn all about the soy sauce production process. Be sure to also check out their unique and delectable selection of products.

→ **6:00pm – Return to hotel.** Enjoy your evening at leisure.

## Day 5: (Mon) Apr 20 – Tokyo-Mt. Fuji-Tokyo (B/L)

Sunshine City Prince Hotel (Free Wi-Fi)

→ **Breakfast at hotel.**

→ **8:00am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby as we embark on a full-day tour to Mt. Fuji.**

→ **10:00am** – Are you ready to join us on the ascent to Mt. Fuji via the **Mt. Fuji Panoramic Ropeway**? This cable car ride will take us to see breathtaking panoramic views of Mt. Fuji and Lake Kawaguchiko. Once there, try to spot the **Bell of Tenjo**. It's been said that this statue grants wishes to those who ring the bell while looking at Mt. Fuji through its heart shaped silver frame.

→ **11:30am** – From here, a stop at the **Kawaguchi-Ko Music Forest** theme park and museum. With stunning Mt. Fuji prominently displayed in the background, this musical theme park aptly achieves its intended “European Alps” design. The inside of the museum houses a collection of automatic and antique musical instruments and a concert hall where classical musicians from around the world come to play. The park also features a scenic walking path, a winding canal, a rose garden, a chapel, a restaurant, and some shops. As a highlight of your visit, indulge in a **hands-on music box making experience**, where you'll craft your own musical masterpiece.

→ **1:00pm – Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant.**

→ **2:45pm** – Next, we'll visit **Oshino Hakkai**, a village in the Fuji Five Lake region and home to the famous 8 ponds, which are all fed by the snow melt from the slopes of Mt. Fuji. Here, you can drink the clear, fresh snow water trickling down the mountains and filtering through porous layers of lava. The area also has a variety of shops, restaurants, and vendors selling crafts, sweets, and local products. Enjoy a freshly roasted sweet potato or toasted senbei (rice cracker) at this traditional Japanese village with Mt. Fuji in the background.

→ **6:00pm – Return to hotel.** Enjoy the evening at leisure.

## Day 6: (Tue) Apr 21 – Tokyo-Ashikaga-Hanyu-Tokyo (B/L)

Sunshine City Prince Hotel (Free Wi-Fi)

→ **Breakfast at hotel.**

→ **8:15am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby as we are off for Ashikaga & Hanyu.**

→ **9:00am** – Our first visit this morning is the **Bonsai Art Museum**. Opened in 2010, this museum is the world's first publicly run museum dedicated to bonsai art. It boasts a splendid collection of over 120 bonsai masterpieces and works inspired by bonsai culture.

→ **11:30am** – Here we are at the **Ashikaga Flower Park**,

one of the best places to view **wisteria** (“fuji”), a beloved Japanese floral treasure. Most notably, the park features an enormous 100 year old fuji tree umbrella with branches of blue fuji flowers gracefully descending from above.

Another attraction is a 263 foot fully formed tunnel of white fuji flowers and a short tunnel of yellow kingusari still in its infancy. The pale red and great wisteria are also usually in full bloom during this time. In addition to the fuji, you'll find many other flowers, restaurants, and a shop selling local products.

→ **12:30pm - Bento box lunch will be provided at Ashikaga Flower Park.**

→ **2:15pm** – Next, a visit to the **Onihei Edo-dokoro** Parking Area, a unique and popular rest spot that was once a mini theme park. Travel back in time to the traditional Japanese townscapes of the Edo period. If you're a fan of the popular TV drama, “Onihei Hankacho,” you'll recognize this location as Heizo Hasegawa's home. You'll find eccentric souvenirs, with many related to the TV drama as well as other goods like wagashi Japanese sweets, pickles, tabi socks, and tenugui hand towels with traditional Japanese patterns.

→ **3:30pm** – Now, enjoy a **hands-on indigo dyeing experience** in the city of Hanyu, located in Saitama Prefecture.

→ **5:45pm – Return to hotel.** The remainder of the evening is yours at leisure.

## Day 7: (Wed) Apr 22 – Tokyo-Free day at leisure (B)

Sunshine City Prince Hotel (Free Wi-Fi)

→ **After breakfast, enjoy your free day to explore Tokyo!**

→ If you've already experienced Sunshine City shopping mall, take a visit to Ikebukuro station and hop on a rail line that will connect you to other popular areas like Shinagawa, Shibuya, Shinjuku, Ueno, and Akihabara. Ikebukuro station is also close to our hotel.

## Day 8: (Thu) Apr 23 – Tokyo-Haneda-Honolulu (B)

→ **Breakfast at hotel.**

→ **9:30am – Meet your guide at the hotel lobby.**

→ **10:00am** – Our morning begins with a visit to **Nezu Shrine**, a landmark dating back over 1,900 years ago. When spring rolls around, Nezu Shrine bursts with life, teeming with a remarkable crop of 3,000 blooming azaleas alongside a hilly landscape and a torii path. In Japanese culture, azaleas symbolize abundance and success, making them a thoughtful gift to confer good wishes onto someone. The annual **Bunkyo Azalea Festival** is the highlight of the year, attracting visitors from all over to celebrate springtime in Tokyo. Take some free time to explore and enjoy the astonishing scenery.



→ **11:30am** – Next, a stop at **Sugamo Jizo Shopping Street**. Affectionately called “Grandma’s Harajuku,” this half-mile arcade boasts over 200 shops specializing in goods seniors will love. From brand-name products to comfortable shoes and clothes at Takeshita-like bargain prices, you’ll find it all here. The most notable item is aka-pantsu (red underwear), believed to improve health, ward off evil spirits, and bring happiness.

→ **2:15pm** – Located on the artificial island of Odaiba, **Divercity Shopping Center** is a unique and massive landmark that is one of the best shopping, dining, and entertainment complexes in Tokyo. Don’t forget to take a moment to snap a photo in front of the famous Gundam Statue. Towering at nearly 80 feet high, this figure is the only life sized Gundam statue in the world. Enjoy some last minute shopping and sightseeing at this famous site!

→ **Transfer to Haneda Airport for our flight home.**

→ **Arrive in Honolulu on the 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 February 10, 2026.**
- » **Final payment due by February 22, 2026. 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.
- » 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.