



Asia OSAKA

6 DAYS TOUR



Group Tour DETAILS

TOUR FARE: from ***US\$3,388**

Based on TWN/TRP Sharing

Departure Dates: March 26, April 18, May 21, June 08
Single Supp: US\$ 1,200

Via (PR/BR)

Visit: Osaka, Kyoto Arashiyama, Wakayama, Universal Studios

TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 01 MANILA / OSAKA (D)

Assemble at the airport for your departure flight to **OSAKA, JAPAN**. Upon arrival, meet by our local representative and transfer to **Osaka Castle** for photo stop. Osaka Castle was first built between 1583 and 1585 by the warlord Toyotomi Hideyoshi who ruled over Japan at that time. During Hideyoshi's lifetime the castle was constantly enlarged and improved and the town of Osaka grew with it becoming an important center of trade and politics. Much of the castle was destroyed in the wars of the early 17th century, rebuilt again in 1620, and then lost again to a fire caused by a lightning strike in 1665.

Lunch own arrangement. Balance of the afternoon visit **Dotonbori or Shinsaibashi Namba** area for shopping (if time permits). Lastly, transfer to hotel and check in. Dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight stay at **Hilton Osaka or The Westin Osaka** or similar class.

DAY 02 OSAKA / KYOTO / OSAKA (B.L.D.)

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning proceed for **Kyoto** excursion tour. **Kyoto** is the capital of **Japan** for more than a thousand years from 794 to 1868. **Kyoto** is endowed with an almost overwhelming legacy of ancient **Buddhist temples**, majestic palaces and gardens of every size and its richest cultures and its most refined cuisine. Sightseeing including visit to **Fushimi Inari Shrine**, an important **Shinto shrine** in southern **Kyoto**. It is famous for its thousands of vermilion **Torii gates**, which straddle a network of trails behind its main buildings. The trails lead into the wooded forest of the **sacred Mount Inari**, which stands at 233 meters and belongs to the shrine grounds. Then proceed to **Gion**, which is **Kyoto's** most famous **geisha** district, located around **Shijo Avenue** between **Yasaka Shrine** in the east and the **Kamo River** in the west. It is filled with shops, restaurants and **ochaya (teahouses)**, where **geiko (Kyoto dialect for geisha) and maiko (geiko apprentices)** entertain.. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit **Arashiyama**, which draws many visitors for its world-renowned **Bamboo Gorge** and **Togetsukyo Bridge**. Arashiyama is a pleasant, touristy district in the western outskirts of Kyoto and has been a popular destination since the Heian Period (794 – 1185). The area is dotted with temples, old Imperial villas, and famous historical sites, many of which are National Treasures. The **Arashiyama Bamboo Grove** is one of the most photographed sights in the city. But no picture can capture the feeling of standing in the midst of this sprawling bamboo grove. Togetsukyo, is a 155 meter bridge built across the Katsura River, which flows leisurely through Saga Arashiyama. Dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight stay at **Hilton Osaka or The Westin Osaka** or similar class.

DAY 03 OSAKA / WAKAYAMA / OSAKA (B.L.D)

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning proceed to **Wakayama**. Wakayama Prefecture is located south of Osaka in the Kansai Region. Sightseeing including visit to **Awajima Shrine**, which is well-known for the "Hina Nagashi" ritual that takes place on March 3 every year. Many women visit this shrine to make prayers related to female matters such as childbirth and fertility.

It is famous for its dolls which have been dedicated from all over the country and are lined up in the vermilion-lacquered front hall. Then proceed to **Wakayama Marina City**, it is an artificial island in Wakayama City Bay. On the island there are **Porto Europa Theme Park** (not including entrance), **Kuroshio Fish Market**, a hotel with a beautiful view of a harbor, Kishu Kuroshio Hot Spring and a fishing park. At Kuroshio Fish Market, tuna cutting shows are held three times a day. Watch in awe as a giant tuna is skillfully cut right in front of guests. Kuroshio Market is also home to many fresh seafood restaurants and souvenir shops with a wide selection of local products. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit **Wakayama Castle** which was first built on the orders of warlord Toyotomi Hideyoshi (1536-1598) in 1585. Wakayama Castle did not survive World War II, unfortunately, and most of the present buildings are a 1958 post-war reconstruction. Transfer back to Osaka. Buffet dinner or similar. Lastly, back to the hotel. Overnight stay at **Hilton Osaka or The Westin Osaka** or similar class.

DAY 04 OSAKA UNIVERSAL STUDIOS (B.D)

Breakfast at the hotel. Today begin with full day tour of "**Universal Studios Japan – USJ**". USJ was the first theme park under the Universal Studios brand to be built in Asia. Opened in March 2001 in the Osaka Bay Area, the theme park occupies an area of 39 hectares. It currently has ten sections: **Hollywood, New York, San Francisco, Jurassic Park, Waterworld, Amity Village, Universal Wonderland, Minion Park, The Wizarding World of Harry Potter and Super Nintendo World**.

(Note : Newly open and very crowded. Need to buy extra special express pass to have the chance to go in). Lunch at own arrangement. Buffet dinner at Universal Port Restaurant or similar. Lastly, transfer to the hotel in Kansai Area. Overnight stay at **Hilton Osaka Hotel or The Westin Osaka** or similar class.

DAY 05 OSAKA (B.)

Breakfast at the hotel. Wholeday free time for own leisure or do some shopping. Lunch and dinner at own arrangement. Overnight at **Hilton Osaka Hotel or The Westin Osaka** or similar class.

DAY 06 OSAKA / MANILA (B.)

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning proceed to Kansai Airport in time for your departure flight back to Manila.

*** END OF TOUR ***



PPTC TOUR CONDITIONS

Inclusions

- International Airfare
- Deluxe Hotel Accommodation with breakfast
- Meals indicated in the itinerary
- Transfer via coach
- Tours and admission fees indicated in the itinerary
- English Speaking Guide

Exclusions

- Airline Taxes, Ph Travel Tax (PHP1620)
- Guide and driver tipping
- Visa fee (if any) or personal expense
- Travel Insurance
- Other services not mentioned in the itinerary.

Remarks:

- Rates are in USD per person unless specified. No refund for any unused portion of the package.
- A deposit of USD800 per person is required to secure slots.

**Minimum of 15 paxs to push thru

LEGEND: B - Breakfast L - Lunch D - Dinner

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