

WINTER SPORTS TRAVEL

MID DECEMBER – END OF FEBRUARY/ EARLY MARCH



JAPAN

LAND OF THE RISING SUN

Connect the metropolises Osaka and Tokyo with the old, traditional Imperial Japan in Kyoto on the Japanese main island Honshu – experience endless ski runs in powder snow on the island of Hokkaido, which benefits from the Siberian storms, with its capital Sapporo. Preset itinerary possible – bookable for 2 persons and more – daily start on request possible. Travel period: approximately from mid-December till end of February/ early March.

Day 1: arrival

Flight Europe - Japan (Osaka). Arrival and transfer to a hotel of the upper middle class, (e.g. Washing-ton Hotel Osaka). Spent the afternoon at your own leisure or join the optional city stroll in Osaka Namba, Osakas leisure district.

Day 2: Kyoto

in the morning train ride Osaka-Kyoto (about 1h). From Kyoto Station, take the public bus to Kiyomizu Temple, the landmark of the city. Enjoy the magnificent view high above the city. Visit the Kodai-ji Temple and the Yasaka Shrine. Your tour ends in the old, traditional Gion district. With a little luck, you can spot a geisha among the teahouses and restaurants. In the evening return from Kyoto Station to Osaka incl. English-speaking tour guide from /to Kyoto train station

Day 3: Kyoto-Asari

After breakfast transfer to the airport and flight from Osaka to Sapporo to the North Island Hokkaido. Pick up and transfer to Asari. Driving time approx. 1.5h. Relax with an onsen bath, the traditional bath in volcanic, hot springs. Accommodation in a typical Japanese hotel with tatami mats (Western style rooms and beds available on request).

Day 4: Ski/Snowboard

After breakfast pick up by your ski / snowboard guide and drive to one of the surrounding ski areas of the Asari Dake mountain range. Driving time about 30-45min.

Here begins your love affair with the "Japanese pow" - the Japanese powder snow, which is due to its proximity to the sea and the resulting salinization of the snow crystals and the low temperatures of the North American champagne powder.

Day 5-8: Ski/Snowboard

Equivalent to description of day 4, tough the plans to ski or snowboard in another area every day.

Day 9: Sapporo

After breakfast hotel check-out and stowage of baggage in car. half day for skiing and snowboarding. Then drive to Sapporo. There you have the opportunity to stroll, shop and visit the city. Overnight stay at an upper middle-class hotel in the city centre (e.g. Washington Hotel Gracery Sapporo, or similar). On request it's also possible to spend the last night in Sapporo, Chitose Airport.

Day 10: Sapporo-Tokyo

After breakfast, travel by train to Chitose, Sapporo Airport (1 hour) and flight to Tokyo. Transfer to your booked hotel (e.g. Washington Shinjuku). Afternoon city tour of Shibuya with its legendary mixture, Akihabara - the electronics district of Tokyo and Shinjuku with its countless small shops and restaurants, the best way to end a trip and city.

Day 11: Tokyo

City tour half-day, optional morning or afternoon with english speaking tour-guide. (Attention! Different program points): The morning tour starts approx. 8:3 a.m. to 1 p.m. Drive to the Tokyo Tower on your own and start the tour with a beautiful panoramic view of Tokyo's city. Then visit the Meji Shrine, walk through the eastern gardens of the Imperial Palace. This tour ends in the Ginza district with its countless shops and restaurants. The afternoon tour starts about 1 p.m. and goes until 6 p.m. Your sightseeing tour of Tokyo begins at the Hama Rikyu Garden. Then, take a boat trip on the Sumida River to the traditional Asakusa area, where you can visit the Kanon Temple. Then drive / walk (changing) through the shopping mile Nakamise-dori, Kappabashi, Ueno or the electronics district Akihabara. This tour ends in the Ginza district.

Day 12: Journey home

After breakfast drive from hotel to international airport and flight from Tokyo to Europe. Arrival the same evening in Europe and end of the journey.

SERVICE INCLUDED

- Double room accommodation in hotels in Osaka, Hokkaido, Sapporo and Tokyo with bed and breakfast. Single rooms on request
- Hotel accommodation in Hokkaido in traditional style („Tatami“)
- English-speaking tour guide on pre-booked trips to Kyoto and Tokyo
- German-speaking tour guide in Hokkaido on ski runs and transfer rides*)
- Rides to ski regions in all-wheel drive cars with 7 or 9 seats

Not included:

- International flight Europe-Japan and return, current prices starting at 690,-
- Domestic flights Osaka-Sapporo-Tokyo, current price starting at 250,-
- Ski lift tickets in Hokkaido (about 35,- per Day
- Train ticket Osaka-Kyoto
- Private expenses
- Tips are not common in Japan and won't be accepted

PRICE

double room from | 3.990€