



Post-Convention Japan Tour

**Land Only Tour Price: \$3,849 Per Person, Based on Double Occupancy
For Single Room, Add - \$1,100**

Round trip Singapore Airlines Airfare: \$1,555.35
(Comprised of \$1340. base airfare and \$215.35 in taxes, fees and surcharges)

(See Land Only / Airfare pricing notes page 14)

Japan is steeped in history, culture, tradition, and grace. Embark on this exhilarating journey through the heart of Japan, where every step is a dance between past and present, tradition and innovation. This adventure is tailor-made for intrepid souls eager to rediscover or acquaint themselves with this captivating country. We explore the most popular and significant cities on Japan's main island of Honshu. If you have never been here before, give yourself a gift and join us on this journey.

Itinerary

Wed., May 22 – Depart Home:

Thu., May 23 – Cross the International Dateline:

Fri., May 24 – Arrive Singapore: You arrive a day before the Rotary Convention activities begin. Registration, hotel accommodations and transfers to the convention hotels are not included in the tour price.

Sat., May 25 — Wed., May 29 - Singapore: Attend the Rotary International Convention. No Howard Tours' events are scheduled in deference to the Rotary Convention activities.

Thu., May 30 – Singapore/Osaka: This afternoon, depart on a Singapore Airlines group flight to Osaka, Japan. Upon our evening arrival, we will transfer to our accommodations at the **Hotel Nikko Osaka**, which include daily breakfasts.



Fri., May 31 – Osaka: This morning, we begin our exploration of Osaka, including visits to Himeji Castle, a UNESCO world heritage site, followed by a walk through the beautifully manicured Japanese garden at Kokoen. The afternoon is free so you can explore this vibrant city. This evening we will enjoy a welcome dinner.

Sat., June 01 – Osaka/Kyoto: We depart Osaka and travel to Nara, Japan's 8th century capital; sightseeing includes visits to the Deer Park, and Kasuga Taisha shrine. Lunch is provided, after which we continue to the ancient city of Kyoto for sightseeing at the Heian Shrine, before arriving at our accommodations at the **Hotel Okura Kyoto**, which includes daily breakfasts.

Sun., June 02 – Kyoto: Kyoto is the fabled former capital of Japan, noted for its imperial palaces, Shinto shrines, Buddhist temples, and traditional wooden houses. This morning's city sightseeing includes Kinkakuji Temple, Nijo Castle, built by the founder of the Tokugawa Shogunate, and Nishiki Market, etc. Afternoon free.



Mon., June 03 – Kyoto/Hakone: This morning’s city sightseeing includes the Sanjusangen-do Temple and Kiyomizu, which is the veranda of the Temple’s Main Hall offering an amazing view of Kyoto. This afternoon, we board a Shinkansen bullet train bound for Odawara and Lake Hakone. Traditional bento box lunch onboard the train. Lake Hakone is a special, precious place with magnificent views and traditional Japanese hotels. Our accommodations are at the **Prince Hakone Ashinoko Hotel**, which includes tonight’s dinner and tomorrow’s breakfast. This evening, you can enjoy a traditional “onsen,” which are baths that use mineral water from the naturally heated hot springs.



Tue., June 04 – Hakone/Tokyo: All day sightseeing en route to Tokyo including a boat cruise on Lake Hakone and a cable car ride to the top of Mt. Komagatake for a magnificent view of the surroundings, including, on a clear day, Mt. Fuji. Lunch is provided as a tour service, before we continue our travels to Tokyo. Our accommodations are at the **Keio Plaza Hotel**, which includes daily breakfasts.

Wed., June 05 – Tokyo: Today’s all-day sightseeing takes us to Kamakura to witness the Great Buddha, a national treasure, Kasedera temple, and the historical Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine, etc. Lunch provided.



Thu., June 06 – Tokyo: This morning’s city sightseeing includes visits to the Tokyo Tower, Imperial Palace Plaza, and the Meiji Shrine. This afternoon and evening are free for your to explore Tokyo’s shopping, exciting street life, and famous restaurants.

Fri., June 07 – Tokyo: Today’s all-day sightseeing takes us to Nikko, to visit Toshogu Shrine complex, Lake Chuzenji, a stunning scenic lake, and Kegon Waterfalls. Lunch is provided before we return to Tokyo.

Sat., June 08 – Tokyo: Our final day of sightseeing includes Kamarikyu Garden, a boat cruise on the Sumida River, a visit to Asakusa Kannon Temple, etc.. This afternoon is free for final shopping and exploration. This evening, we will gather for a final dinner, provided as a tour service.

Sun., June 09 – Tokyo/Depart for Home: Today, our visit to Japan ends as we provide a motorcoach transfer for our members departing on our Singapore Airlines group flight.





LAND ONLY PRICES AND AIRFARE IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR 2024 ROTARY CONVENTION TOURS

All tour prices are offered “land only” so that our tour members have the freedom to decide if they want Howard Tours to include round trip airfares between the U.S. and Asia, or if you will secure your own international airline tickets.

Land Only prices include flights between the cities visited as needed. **The following information specifies, by tour, which airfares within Asia are included in our “land only” prices.**

Pre-Convention Tours Include the following flights in the Land Only Price:

- **Thailand:** Flights from Bangkok to Chiang Rai and Chiang Mai to Phuket are included in the Land Only Price.
- **Vietnam and Cambodia:** Flights from Siem Reap to Hanoi, Hanoi to Hue, and Hoi An to Saigon are included in the Land Only Price.

Post-Convention Tours Include the following flights in the Land Only Price:

- **Bali/Komodo:** Roundtrip Flights from Denpasar to Labuan Bajo are included in the Land Only Price.
- **Japan:** No intra-country flights are needed/included
- **Malaysia:** No intra-country flights are needed/included

Howard Tours can include Trans-Pacific Group Airfare in your booking.

For each tour, we have quoted a roundtrip, economy class airfare, from the West Coast which includes two components – the base fare, which is guaranteed, and the associated and required government security/tourism/airport/international transportation taxes and fees, and fuel surcharges dictated by the airlines. Howard Tours does not and cannot control any changes to these charges. The taxes and fee fees quoted are accurate at the time that this tour brochure was published. The amount each traveler will pay is the amount that is required to be charged by the airline at the time your air ticket is purchased. Howard Tours will provide you an itemization of any changes in the taxes and fees when we send your invoice to you approximately 90 days prior to departure.

Howard Tours will provide group transfers airport/hotel for tour members who purchase our tour flights. Airport/hotel transfers for members who arrive on different flights are NOT included in our tour prices. Airport transfers in Singapore are NOT included in our tour prices as the convention organizers will help attendees with these hotels.

