

Q & A
w/Sasha
Tuesday,
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8:30 pm EST
2024 via Zoom



*Check our website for Jookender "First come-first served" discounts and optional tours/days on the trip



with Jookender

Tour To Japan



July 7-14, 2024

\$ 2600

included airport transfers, hotel, bus, tour guide, all admissions, 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 dinner

Destinations :

- Mount Fuji
- Imperial Tokyo
- Osaka Castle
- Kyoto Fushimi Inari-taisha Shrine
- Iwatayama Monkey Park
- and much more (see the full itinerary)



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FREE Breakfasts in all hotels

Hotel Villa-Fontaine Tokyo-Kayabacho

(Pre-stay, and the first 2 nights on the tour)

Modern, spacious, close to the attractions)



Hotel Okuyumoto - Japanese Style Experience



Oustat International Hotel Tajimi



Vessel Hotel Campana Kyoto Gojo (2 nights)



Hotel Elseraine Osaka

(This is also a Post-stay hotel in Osaka, for those who takes Hiroshima Optional Tour, or just want another night before flying back)



👁️ SIGHTSEEING IN TOKYO:

Tsukiji Outer Market /
Imperial Palace / Akihabara / Asakusa
Sensoji Temple & Nakamise District)



Kamakura (Great Buddha of Kamakura / Hase Temple / Tsurugaoka Hachimangu / Komachi-dori shopping street)

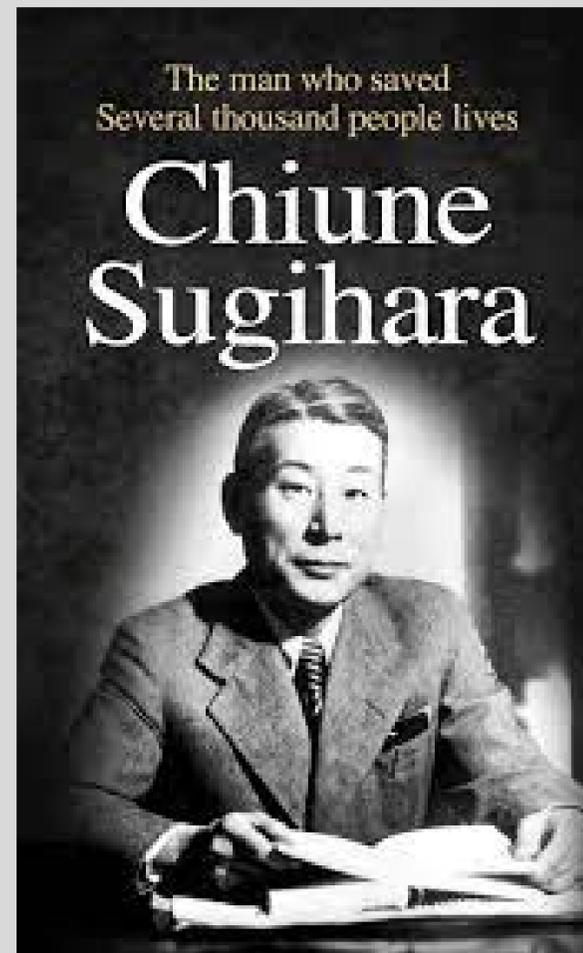




Hakone - Mt Fuji - Tajimi



Tajimi - Yaotsu - Tsuruga - Kyoto



Kyoto (Kiyomizu Temple / Golden Pavilion / Sagano
Bamboo Forest / Iwatayama Monkey Park / Green Tea
Ceremony with Maiko / Gion Geisha District)



Kyoto (Fushimi-Inari Shrine), Nara (Todaiji Temple / Deer Park), Osaka (Osaka Castle / Dotonbori)



**Optional Tour - Cat Island (Happens before the main tour begins, you'd need to come to Tokyo on July 6th instead of 7th)
Ishomaki - Tashiro-jima Island**



**Optional Tour - After the main tour ends: Hiroshima - Miyajima Island
(in this case, you need to stay an extra day in Osaka, leaving on July 15th
instead of 14th)**



Optional Workshops:

Sushi Making Class



Kimono Wearing Experience



Common Q&A

- **Is this tour suitable for Children?**

We do not recommend bringing Children under 11 y.o. for this trip at all. The flight will take a minimum of 14 hours (from Boston), the program is highly packed and intensive.

- **May a College Student attend this tour without a Parent?**

Any person 18+ may attend this tour without a Parent.

- **Would you recommend this tour to an elderly person?**

We do not recommend this tour to anyone older than 67.

Common Q&A

- **What is your refund policy? Do I need to purchase a Travel Insurance?**

Our refund is 100% until registration is over (April 28th, 2024).

When it's over, we will not be able to refund anything. It's not an advise, it's a request to purchase a Travel Insurance for the entire cost of the Trip - including the Land Tour (our part) and your tickets to the airplane.

- **I want all optional trips and workshops, but it's very expensive to pay all at once. May I purchase the main trip now and add other options later?**

Yes, in fact, this is what we suggest. Pay for the main tour now - especially, if you want that discount for the first 5 families. You'll be able to add various packages later on (but also, before the registration ends (April 28th, 2024)).

Common Q&A

- **I am traveling by myself, but I don't want to pay extra for a single-occupancy room. Will you be able to find me a travel buddy?**

Unfortunately, we will not be able to help you with that. If you're registering alone, for us it means that you will be paying an extra fee for a single-occupancy. You'd better first find someone to travel with, and then, register together.

- **What language will be used during the tour?**

All our Bus Tours are in English. We will have an English-speaking Guide. The Adult Group Participants will probably speak Russian - their native tongue, switching (when/if necessary to English) for the non-Russian-speaking attendees. Children/Teens attending the tour will probably all lean to speaking English whenever it's possible.

Common Q&A

- **I'd like to choose the hotels on my own. What is the price for the tour without hotels?**

Unfortunately, on this tour, everything comes together. We cannot separate the program from the hotels. We picked a good quality hotels, close to the attractions, with free Wi-Fi, Breakfasts, and private bathrooms. If you like our tour, please, accept all aspects of it.

- **The optional tours are way too expensive. Can't you find something cheaper?**

Well, first, they are priced as if only 3-5 people go to the optional tour. The more people go, the less expensive they are. However, the Bullet Train is still expensive, and you need it on the both tours. Please, take into consideration, that the price also includes an extra night in the hotel and an extra airport transfer. if you add it all up, you'll find out that the price is actually cheaper than what you see around with Viator, GetYourGuide, or Toursbylocals. Plus, with our tour, it's only our group, and with the tour purchased elsewhere, you might be a part of 60-80 people's tour.

Common Q&A

- **Will the participants get to know each other before the tour?**

Once you pay for the main tour, you'll be added to Facebook chat of participants. There, you may discuss all extra trips, various options, compare the prices and get to know the participants. We will also try to schedule a zoom meeting before we go, so you get to know each other before the trip.

- **Can you explain once again how the Tour discounts work?**

Yes. the first 5 families (5 transactions) get up to \$1000 off per family, and this has already been built into the registration form. If there are 3 or more people traveling together, then the discount is the full \$1000. If there are 2 or 1 traveler only, then the discount is \$300 per person. This only works on the first 5 families. Then, our group can be as small as 13 people, and as large as 30 people. However, if we get to the point where we have 26 people on the tour, then, each participant will receive another \$200 off the price of the tour, upon returning from the trip.

Common Q&A

- **I want to come before the tour begins, and/or I want to stay longer, after the tour finishes. But I don't want any optional tours. Can I still stay at the same hotels?**

Yes, to stay in Tokyo a few nights before the tour begins, it'll be \$70 p/p (based on double or tripled occupancy). To stay in Osaka, after tour ends, it'll be \$90 p/p (based on double or tripled occupancy). We would actually recommend doing so, at least, at the beginning of the tour, to deal with 12 hour difference (Jet lag)

- **Do I need a visa to go to Japan?**

US Citizens do not require a visa to go to Japan right now. Just make sure your Passport will not expire in the next 6 months after visiting Japan. If you're a citizen of any other country, you should contact the Japan Embassy to figure out what you need. Moreover, if you're planning to have such fun, as go karting (F1) in Japan - very popular is Mario Karting in Tokyo, you need to present International Driving permit, that can be obtained in AAA office. Permit's Pictures are free to the AAA+ members.

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More questions? Contact Sasha [**jookender@gmail.com**](mailto:jookender@gmail.com)