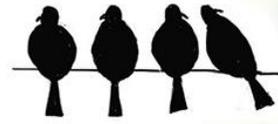


FRENCH FUSION TRAVEL

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TRAVEL SKETCHING J A P A N WITH KK CH'NG

MAY 8 - 19 IN 2020

TRAVEL SKETCHING TOUR JAPAN 2020

Join us on this 12 day adventure with daily travel sketching sessions as we explore Japan together.

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HOTEL STAYS

Tokyo	3 nights
Kanazawa	1 night in Ryokan
Kyoto	4 nights
Hiroshima	1 night
Okayama	2 nights

HOTELS

Accommodation is in **3 star** centrally located hotels. This standard is clean, comfortable and has ensuite bathrooms but can be considered quite small by Western standards in many hotels.

On the night we stay in a Ryokan the beds will be a traditional palette on the floor but with your own bathroom facilities.

TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- All accommodation whilst on tour
- One traditional Ryokan dinner
- One welcome dinner
- All daily breakfasts
- Transport whilst on tour
- Sumo wrestling visit
- Visit to an Owl Cafe
- Aoi Festival Kyoto
- English Speaking guide
- Tour Manager escorting you
- Sketch Tutor with daily demos and workshops

Japan's food is delicious beyond words. As a rough guide, factor in about \$60-\$90 AUD per day to cover your other meals whilst on tour.

Dates:

Begins in Tokyo in our hotel foyer at 6 pm on MAY 8 in 2020
Ends after breakfast in our hotel in Okayama on MAY 20 in 2020

DETAILS

Day 1: May 8. Group dinner in Tokyo

Day 2: Half day guided tour of some highlights of Tokyo using the Tokyo metro with our local guide. See the Sensoji Temple, and a possible visit to Tokyo Skytree for the view.

Afternoon free for Sketching demo and workshop at a site TBA maybe sketch the "Shibuyu Scramble" the busiest pedestrian crossing in the world.

Day 3: Excursion to Shinjuku Gyoen to sketch today. Afternoon free to explore.

Day 4: Train and private coach to Shirakawago to sketch in the mountains. Overnight in our traditional Ryokan near Kanazawa with a special Japanese food group dinner with Onsen (hot tub bath) and dressing in Geisha costumes.

Kanazawa was one of the largest cities in Japan to be spared bombing raids during World War II and its old town remains intact with narrow streets that run through old samurai and geisha districts, canals, beautiful temples, and modern museums.

The 17th-century Kenrokuen Garden, is widely considered to be one of the most stunning gardens in the country.

AND Kanazawa offers excellent shopping and dining.

Day 5: Train to **KYOTO**.

Kyoto is home to 17 UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Half day guided tour with our local guide then sketch activity and exploration time this afternoon in beautiful Kyoto

Day 6: Today we attend the very special **Aoi Matsuri festival** to sketch the wealth of traditional costumes and pageantry that passes us.

A memorable sight.

Afternoon free to explore the delights of Kyoto

Day 7: Free day in Kyoto for exploring and filling our sketch books.

Time to explore the market, **the bamboo forest**, the **Fushimi Inari**, **Ryoanji** Rock Garden and so much more

Day 8: Day trip to **Nara** park to sketch and meet the deer.

With a history as Japan's first permanent capital and home to eight UNESCO World Heritage Sites, Nara is one of the country's most culturally rich towns. Although Nara only served as Japan's capital for around 70 years, it was during those years that the country's art, literature, and culture developed into the traditions still associated with Japan today. Nara is wonderfully compact town, with most of its historic attractions found in pretty Nara Park. Aside from temples, the park is known for its population of inquisitive, free-roaming deer. The most impressive feature is Todaiji Temple, an enormous wooden building that houses one of Japan's largest bronze statues of Buddha.

Day 9: Train and ferry to beautiful Miyajima Island to sketch and then return to **Hiroshima** for dinner and overnight

Hiroshima is also home to the best **okonomiyaki** (Japanese pancake) in the world so you must try one!

Day 10: Hiroshima Peace Park visit. Train this afternoon to **Okayama**

Day 11: Day trip to Naoshima Art Island to sketch today and then return by ferry and train back to **Okayama**

Day 12: Our tour ends after breakfast with a transfer to Kansai or Itami Airports in Osaka for your onward flight.

We will always ensure that no one splits bills or pays for what they have not consumed on meals out together that are not included in the tour price.

COMPLETE OUR ONLINE BOOKING FORM

NB: If you have a flight out of Tokyo we can arrange the train back to Tokyo for you and an extra night's accommodation for the following day departure flight if this is necessary.

COST in **AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS**:

\$7,550 AUD per person for a couple sharing a room

\$7,350 AUD per person for a person not sketching

\$1,400 AUD single traveller supplement

NB: Deposit of \$1,000 AUD is required to hold your place on this tour. It is 50% refundable up till 150 days before tour commencement date. After this date it is non-refundable.

To convert the tour cost into your own currency please use the **www.xe.com** website converter.
All payments are to be made in Australian Dollars.

IMPORTANT INFO

Travel Insurance is mandatory on our tours to protect you against any loss of deposits or tour payments in the event of an emergency.

Please email us for a discounted quote if you are participating in the tour

This tour is **NOT A CONFIRMED DEPARTURE** until minimum tour numbers have been reached. French Fusion Travel reserves the right to cancel the tour up to 5 months before tour commencement and refund all monies if minimum tour numbers have not been reached.

Please contact us before booking flights and making pre and post tour arrangements to ensure this tour is a definite departure.