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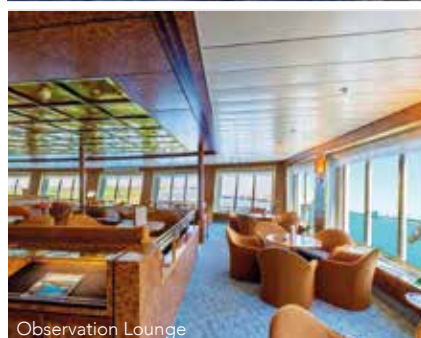
DISCOVER THE ANCIENT AND MODERN WONDERS OF
JAPAN & SOUTH KOREA ABOARD THE HERITAGE ADVENTURER

SPRING 2025



NOBLE CALEDONIA

HERITAGE ADVENTURER



Observation Lounge



Category 5, Heritage Suite



Pool

For our voyages in Japan and South Korea we have chartered the Heritage Adventurer, a pioneering expedition vessel of exceptional pedigree. The vessel was purpose built for small ship adventures in 1991 in Finland's Rauma shipyard. Formerly known as the MS Hanseatic, we know the vessel well and she is ideal for our small ship explorations. When required, the onboard fleet of 14 Zodiac landing craft enables guests to reach every spectacular site, no matter how remote and explore otherwise inaccessible fjords and waterways.

Originally designed to accommodate 184 guests, the Heritage Adventurer now welcomes just 140 passengers ensuring ample space on board and the opportunity to accommodate more solo travellers than is usual for a vessel of this size. The vessel offers an informal and relaxed atmosphere and you will be joined on board by a knowledgeable cruise team including a Guest Speaker who will provide informative talks in the comfort of the Presentation Theatre whilst the excellent crew will offer attentive service on board.

Your Cabin/Suite

The accommodation on board the Heritage Adventurer is spacious and well appointed. All cabins measure 22 square metres and the four Heritage Suites measure 44 square metres. All accommodation offers comfortable living and sleeping areas with a king or two single beds, flat screen entertainment system, ample storage, a writing desk and a modern en-suite bathroom – cabins have a shower and suites have a bathtub and shower. Cabins on Deck 3 feature two maritime portholes and all other cabins and suites have large panoramic windows.

Your Space

The vessel features two spacious restaurants where you can dine on international gourmet fare from leading chefs whilst the Bar and Lounge on Deck 5 is the social hub of the Heritage Adventurer. Enjoy a beverage at the bar, relax on one of the many spacious loungers and watch the world go by through the panoramic windows or make new friends at the communal seating. There is also a Presentation Theatre on board with state-of-the-art audio-visual equipment where you can enjoy talks and presentations from

our Guest Speaker. One of the most celebrated features of the vessel is the Observation Lounge, located on Deck 7 directly above the Bridge from where you can enjoy sweeping 270-degree views through floor to ceiling windows, perfect for wildlife spotting and quick access to the outer deck. Bring your binoculars to spot wildlife, observe the ever-changing landscape, write in your journal or relax with a book. For further viewing opportunities, the Observation Deck is above the Observation Lounge and provides exceptional outside viewing options. Stretching the full width of the vessel, this is an ideal spot to take in the surrounding land and seascapes. Perfect on a sunny day, recline in the comfortable sun loungers protected from the wind and elements and watch your voyage unfold. When relaxing on board you can enjoy time in the dry-heat Finnish sauna and European steam room on Deck 7 and take a dip in the pool and hot tub. Surrounded by seating including sun loungers, the open-air saltwater pool can be heated or chilled. There is also a well-equipped gym, a library, a lift which serves all decks, a shop and a doctor on board.



Dining Room



Category 4, Worsley Suite



Category 3, Superior Cabin



Library

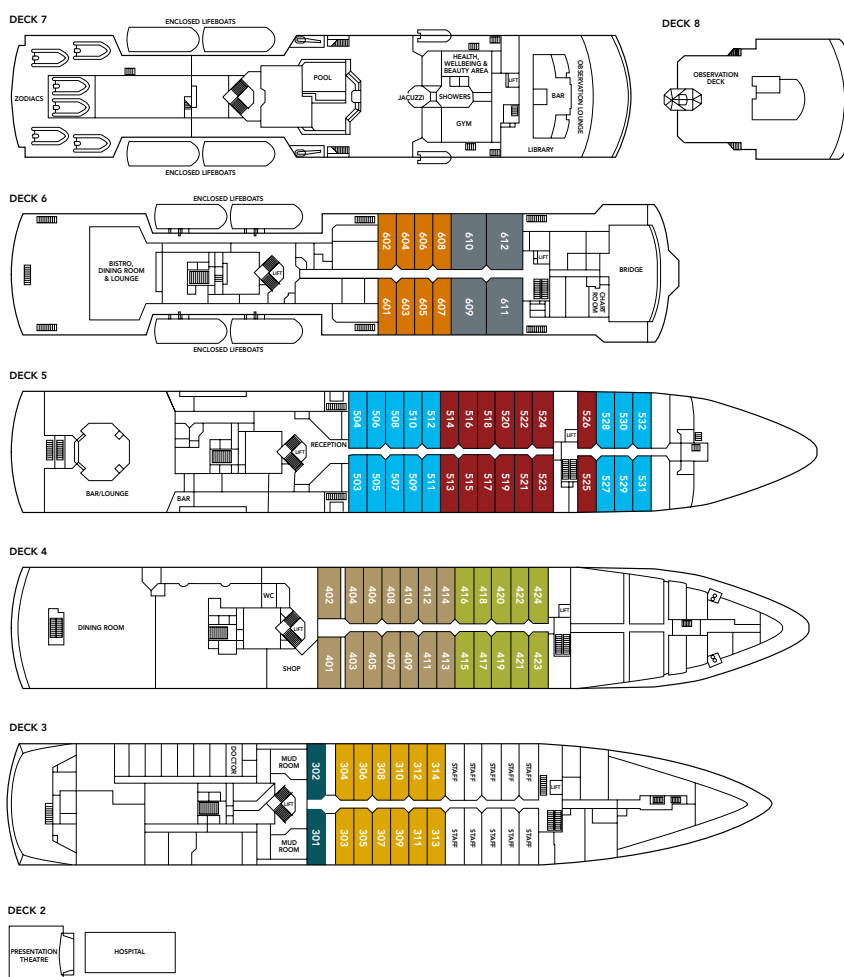
Your Dining

Indulge in fine international cuisine from the talented chefs in the comfortable surrounds of the Dining Room on Deck 4. Sensational 270-degree views provide a stunning backdrop to meals here along with an international wine list. With relaxed seating arrangements, all guests can enjoy dining in a single sitting from hearty breakfasts setting you up for the day's adventure to sumptuous lunches and multi-course evening dining. Alternatively, simple and delicious meals and snacks are available in the relaxed Bistro on Deck 6. Perfect for early risers to enjoy tea, coffee and light breakfast options, the Bistro provides great views and opens directly onto a covered and heated teak-deck outdoor dining area.

Life On Board

The atmosphere on board is warm and welcoming, and the emphasis is on well-thought out itineraries, relaxation, time spent with like-minded passengers and discovery. There is an Open Bridge policy on board meaning you are welcome to observe the Captain and crew at work while enjoying some of the ship's best views. It is a fascinating place to learn about navigation and vessel operations, however, please note the Bridge will be closed when departing or arriving at port as the Captain's request. You can join members of the onboard team and Guest Speakers in the Presentation Theatre for fascinating talks and presentations and whilst relaxing on board can unwind in the library, saltwater pool, well-equipped gym, enclosed hot tub, sauna and steam room or find a quiet place to enjoy a beverage. Watch your adventure unfold from numerous spectacular viewing locations including the Observation Lounge resplendent with 270-degree views, discover the relaxed atmosphere of the Bar and Lounge, or head outside to the teak decks of the open-topped Observation Deck and numerous weather protected locations including the expansive space aft of Deck 6. Informative port briefings from our onboard team, talks from our Guest Speaker and of course, good food with wine included at lunch and dinner, all contribute to make a voyage aboard the Heritage Adventurer a memorable and joyful experience.

HERITAGE ADVENTURER DECK PLAN



Please note that all cabins and suites can be configured as twin or double with the exception of the Category 5 Heritage Suites which feature a fixed double bed and cabins 403 and 404 which feature fixed twin beds.

CATEGORY 1	CATEGORY 2	CATEGORY 3	CATEGORY 4
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TEMPLES & GARDENS OF ANCIENT JAPAN

A voyage from Osaka to Kanazawa including South Korea aboard the Heritage Adventurer
23rd April to 6th May 2025

Immerse yourself in the mythology of Japan and the serene beauty of South Korea on this remarkable voyage aboard the Heritage Adventurer. Sailing from Osaka, our comprehensive exploration offers a marvellous balance of ancient castles, beautiful gardens and opulent temples and shrines combined with beautiful natural landscapes. Like all well planned itineraries we have included some of the best known highlights, but equally will also take you to some places where relatively few foreign tourists set foot. With the Heritage Adventurer we are able to visit out of the way islands and remote stretches of coast which would not be practical on a regular land tour or a larger cruise ship and it is in such places that we find timeless villages, rural landscapes and a rich cultural heritage.

Over the course of eleven nights we will witness a variety of cultures, natural wonders and architectural styles. Amongst the many highlights will be our visit to Kyoto including the breathtaking Golden Pavilion, and the iconic gardens of Koraku-en and Kenroku-en where we hope to see the cherry blossoms. We will discover the shrines and pagodas of Miyajima and the 17th century Matsue Castle, visit the Peace Memorial at Hiroshima, explore South Korea's World Heritage Site of Gyeongju with its abundance of archaeological sites and Shikoku Island, one of Japan's more traditional islands where we will learn about pearl cultivation. All this will be achieved with great ease sailing aboard the Heritage Adventurer and we will be joined on board by our expert Guest Speaker and excellent local guides who will provide an insight into the fascinating culture and history along the way.



Torii Gate, Miyajima



Chinese dragon at Haeinsa Buddhist temple

The Itinerary

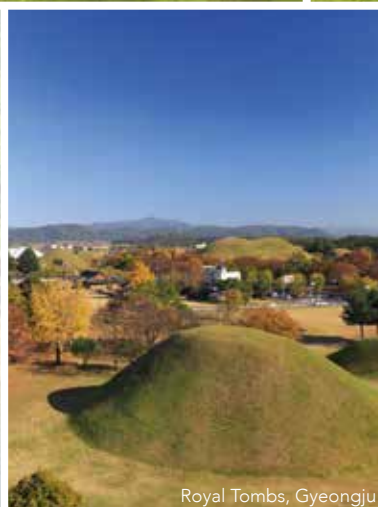
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Day 2 Osaka. Arrive and transfer to our hotel for an overnight stay. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Day 3 Osaka. After breakfast this morning our city tour will take in the soaring skyscrapers of Umeda, the bustling area of Dotombori and the imposing Osaka Castle. Whilst Kyoto was the city of courtly nobility and Tokyo the city of the samurai, Osaka was the city of merchants and takes pride in shedding the conservatism found elsewhere in Japan. After lunch, we will transfer to the port and embark the Heritage Adventurer. Enjoy welcome drinks and dinner as we sail overnight.

Day 4 Koraku-en & Kurashiki. From the port of Uno-Ko we will visit one of Japan's most famed gardens, Koraku-en, which translates as "Garden of pleasure after". This 17th century formal garden has 28 acres of walking trails, ponds, plum and cherry trees. After a Japanese lunch in a local restaurant, we will continue to Kurashiki where we explore the old merchant quarter and its fine 17th century wooden warehouses painted white with traditional black tiles, along a canal framed with weeping willows and filled with koi. There is also a chance to visit the Ohara Museum of Art which includes rare works by Matisse, Picasso and Renoir as well as collections from Japan's mingei movement including ceramics by Hamada Shoji.

Day 5 Hiroshima & Miyajima. Arrive this morning in Hiroshima for our visit to the compelling Peace Memorial Park. The park is dotted with memorials, including the Cenotaph which contains the names of all the known victims of the A-bomb and the permanently lit "Flame of Peace". Just outside the park, the A-Bomb Dome is a haunting reminder of the destructive forces that were unleashed on the city being one of the few original buildings to survive. In the museum we will see photos, videos



and victim's personal effects relating to the bomb. Over lunch we sail to Miyajima. Considered one of Japan's top scenic wonders, Miyajima provides a picture postcard vista of the scarlet Torii gate, the giant camphor wood gates at the entrance to the Shinto Shrine. We will use the vessel's Zodiacs to go ashore and explore the Itsukushima Jinja Shrine, founded in the 6th century and dedicated to three sea goddesses.

Day 6 Uwajima. This morning we land on Shikoku Island at the port of Uwajima situated deep inside the saw-toothed coast of Uwajima Bay. The city of Uwajima is emerging as the nation's largest pearl cultivation centre. Learn the process of implanting, harvesting, extracting and sorting pearls on a visit to a pearl farm. We will also see Uwajima Castle, which is built on top of the hill with panoramic views over the town and harbour and the Tensha-en Garden, built in the Samurai era. The afternoon is free to explore at your own pace. Maybe make your way to the Date Museum which exhibits items dedicated to the Date family, who ruled Uwajima from the castle for 250 years during the Tokugawa period.

Day 7 Hagi. Hagi was a minor fishing port until Mori Terumoto fortified it in 1604 and it was Mori Samurai that helped spark off the anti-Tokugawa revolt in the mid-19th century. Today it is better known for its traditional pottery making traditions. This morning we will explore the Teramachi District with its temples and shrines, the Jokamachi District, where we find the old samurai houses and also take time to explore Hagi Castle, Shizuki Park and Tokoji Temple. Return to the vessel for lunch and a leisurely afternoon on board as we sail towards South Korea.

Day 8 Masan for Haeinsa, South Korea. Arriving in South Korea at the city of Masan we head inland to the Haeinsa Temple. Regarded as one of the three great temples in Korea, it was first settled in 802 AD and its name derives from a verse in a Buddhist Sutra as "reflections on a smooth sea". In the 13th century when Korea was at war with the Mongols, the

government commissioned the Triptaka Koreana, a complete copy of Buddhist scriptures, in the hope of Buddha's intervention in the war. They were carved onto 81,258 double sided wooden blocks and stored on floor to ceiling shelves in the Janggyeong Panjeon building. We also visit the Daejokkwangjeon, the main worship hall of the temple. After lunch in a nearby restaurant we will return to Masan this afternoon where you may want to visit the vibrant fish market.

Day 9 Ulsan for Gyeongju. Today we will take a full day excursion to magnificent Gyeongju, a World Heritage Site, which is often described as the world's finest open-air museum embracing ancient Korean history and Buddhist culture. As the ancient capital of the Shilla Dynasty, Gyeongju cultural heritage dates back to the first millennium. Today, as we stroll through some of the hundreds of excavated monuments, temples, tombs and pagodas, there will be time to explore the National Museum with its exceptional collection of finely worked gold jewellery, metal weapons and distinctive pottery. At lunch time, we will sample Korean delicacies and enjoy a cultural performance of traditional dance.

Day 10 Matsue, Japan. After a relaxing morning at sea we will arrive into the port of Sakaiminato from where we visit Matsue, the 'town of water,' which nestles between a scenic lake and a large lagoon. We will visit the cultural attractions of the town including the 17th century Matsue Castle before enjoying a boat ride on the local canals. Alternatively, visit the Adachi Museum of Art which is set in a beautiful natural environment and well known for both its superb Japanese gardens and its collection of contemporary Japanese paintings, comprising approximately 1500 of the country's most highly regarded paintings produced after the Meiji period.

Day 11 Maizuru for Kyoto. From our berth in Maizuru we drive inland to Kyoto, Japan's former historic capital and Emperor's home for nearly 1,000 years. Our full day tour begins with a visit to the bamboo forest

before continuing to the World Heritage Site of Tenryu-ji Temple, ranked first amongst the city's five great Zen Temples. After lunch we continue to the Kinkakuji Temple (Golden Pavilion), which was built as a retirement villa for the Shogun and converted into a Buddhist Temple after his death. Built on the edge of a tranquil pond with the second and third stories covered in gold leaf we can walk through the peaceful gardens and marvel at the reflection in the still waters. Alternatively, spend the morning at the quaint fishing village of Ine, famous for its "funaya" boat houses which line the bay. Enjoy a walk through the village and a boat tour in the bay for the picturesque views from the sea.

Day 12 Kanazawa. Kanazawa is a thriving centre of the arts, long known for its lacquerware, outstanding collectable pottery of the Kutani style, gold-leaf workmanship, delicate hand painting of silk for kimonos and Noh theatre dramas. The narrow and winding cobblestone streets have a quaint photogenic charm with old fashioned streetlamps and wooden lattice windows hiding elegant restaurants and craft galleries. Around each bend is a traditional house, museum, art gallery, craft shop, historic samurai residence and even a geisha house to explore. The fascinating open-air market displays a vast variety of items from flowers to fish and local handicrafts. Next to the Kanazawa Castle ruins is one of Japan's premier highlights, the famed Kenroku-en Garden, ranked among the country's top three gardens.

Day 13 Kanazawa to Tokyo. We will disembark this morning and take the bullet train to Tokyo. On arrival enjoy an afternoon city tour including the Meiji shrine and Sensoji Temple before we transfer to our hotel for an overnight stay. The evening is free to explore further at your own pace.

Day 14 Tokyo to London. After breakfast in the hotel we transfer to the airport for our scheduled flight to London.



Kenroku-en Garden

PRICES PER PERSON

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Not Included: Travel insurance.

Post-cruise Tokyo Extension

6th to 8th May 2025



Tokyo

If you would like to spend some additional time in Tokyo after your cruise we have arranged a two night extension.

The Itinerary

Day 1 Tokyo, Japan. After breakfast at the hotel, we will enjoy a full day tour of Tokyo which will include time at the attractive Hamarikyu Gardens and the Tsukiji Outer Market where we will learn about traditional Japanese foods. After a barbeque lunch we will continue to the Nezu Museum. This private museum showcases over 7,000 objects including calligraphy, sculptures and textiles whilst outside we can stroll through the Japanese gardens. This evening is free for independent exploration. (B, L)

Day 2 Tokyo. Enjoy a day at leisure to explore independently. (B)

Day 3 Tokyo to London. Check out after breakfast and transfer to the airport for our scheduled flight to London. (B)

PRICES PER PERSON

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Twin: **£1295** Single: **£1495**

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Kanazawa castle





ISLANDS OF JAPAN

A voyage from Kanazawa to Osaka aboard the Heritage Adventurer

3rd to 16th May 2025

Join us for this unusual voyage which combines some of Japan's best known highlights with visits to some of the lesser known islands and ports of southern Japan and a day spent in South Korea's World Heritage Site of Gyeongju. So many of Japan's treasures are accessible from the coast and our ten night cruise allows you to immerse yourself in the myth and mystique of these ancient lands whilst returning each evening to the peace and comfort of the Heritage Adventurer.

Sailing south from Kanazawa we visit some intriguing places including Shikoku Island where a slower pace of life is enjoyed and Yakushima Island which is a world away from the hustle and bustle of Japan's mega cities with its towering mountains and ancient forest. Here we can enjoy nature at its best with walks to appreciate the diverse fauna including the impressive old cedars. Amongst the many highlights of our itinerary will be the iconic gardens of Kenroku-en and Koraku-en, our visit to the ancient feudal town of Hagi, the abundant archaeological sites of Gyeongju revealing ancient Korean history and our exploration of Nagasaki where we will gain further insight into its World War II history as well as its role in international trade during the isolation period. In addition we will explore Northern Kyushu and the vibrant city of Fukuoka from where there will be the option to visit Dazaifu Tenmangu Shrine which dates back to the 16th century.

Our comprehensive itinerary is a wonderful mix of culture, history and the natural world which will be achieved with ease from aboard the Heritage Adventurer. We will discover the many facets of Japan in the company of a small group of fellow like-minded passengers, our expert Guest Speaker and Japanese guides who will travel with us and bring to life all that we see and experience.



The Itinerary

Day 1 London to Tokyo. Fly by scheduled flight.

Day 2 Tokyo. Arrive and transfer to our hotel for an overnight stay. The remainder of the day and evening are at leisure.

Day 3 Tokyo to Kanazawa. After breakfast in the hotel a morning city tour will include the Meiji Shrine and Sensoji Temple. Continue to the train station to join the bullet train to Kanazawa where, on arrival, we transfer to the Heritage Adventurer. Enjoy welcome drinks and dinner as we moor overnight.

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Day 8 Fukuoka, Japan. Today we arrive in Fukuoka, the largest city on the island of Kyushu. The city was formed in 1889 when two towns merged, the castle town of Fukuoka and the merchant town of Hakata. Even though the city is called Fukuoka, the name Hakata is still widely used throughout the city. This morning we will set out to explore part of Northern Kyushu starting in the city of Kitakyushu where we will visit the Kokura Castle, which was originally built in 1602 but rebuilt in 1959 after a fire. Our next stop will be the TOTO



Kawachi Wisteria Garden



Matsue Castle



Yakushima Island



Peace Memorial, Nagasaki



Pond and tea house, Kenroku-en Garden

Museum which showcases the companies' products, the most famous being its electronic toilets which are hard to miss when visiting Japan, and Japan's passion and drive for electronics. After lunch at a local restaurant, we will head into the countryside to the Kawachi Wisteria Garden, where for a few weeks each year you can walk through this private garden taking in its spectacular displays of wisteria flowers. We will return to the ship in Fukuoka in the late afternoon. Alternatively today there will be the option to explore the spiritual side of Kyushu with a tour to Nanzoin Temple which is known for its reclining bronze Buddha, thought to be the largest bronze statue in the world. From here we will travel to the Dazaifu Tenmangu Shrine, which is built on the gravesite of poet and scholar Sugawara no Michizane and has become a place for students to pray for success in their exams. The shrine sits in beautiful gardens with ponds, bridges and over 6,000 plum trees. Return to the ship for lunch with an afternoon at leisure. *Please note the Kawachi Wisteria Garden is seasonal and only open for a short period when the trees are in bloom. Should the Wisteria Garden close early for the season then an alternative visit will be arranged.*

Day 9 Nagasaki. This morning we explore Nagasaki, the second city destroyed by an A-bomb in World War II. Tour the Peace Memorial Park, Atomic Bomb Museum and Glover Garden. This afternoon we will visit Dejima which was an artificial island off Nagasaki built during the Edo Period to house Portuguese Christian missionaries and prevent the propagation of their religion. It was also the residential quarters of the Dutch, the only foreigners allowed to trade in Japan during the Sakoku isolation period for 200 years until Japan reopened to the world.

Day 10 Yakushima. Today we arrive on the island of Yakushima which became Japan's first World Heritage Site in 1993. Yakushima is famous in botanical circles for many great garden plants, including dwarf plants that have evolved to grow smaller than their mainland cousins. We will spend time here on nature walks, including Yakusugi Land, a nature park populated by a number of the island's ancient cedar trees such as the Buddhasugi, Futagosugi and Sennensugi. Return to the ship for lunch and spend a relaxing afternoon at sea.

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Day 13 Osaka to London. Disembark this morning and enjoy a city tour of Osaka to explore this lively metropolis. Whilst Kyoto was the city of courtly nobility and Tokyo the city of the samurai, Osaka was the city of merchants and is known for its bright lights, excellent food and ambitious architecture. As we explore the city, take in the soaring skyscrapers of Umeda, the bustling areas of Dotombori known for its nightlife and the imposing Osaka Castle. After lunch and some free time we will transfer to the airport for our scheduled indirect flight to London.

Day 14 London. Arrive this morning.



Royal Tombs, Tumuli Park, Gyeongju

Pre-cruise Tokyo Extension

1st to 4th May 2025



If you would like to spend some additional time in Tokyo before your cruise we have arranged a two night extension.

The Itinerary

Day 1 London to Tokyo, Japan. Fly by scheduled flight.

Day 2 Tokyo. Arrive today and transfer to our hotel. The remainder of the day is free to explore independently.

Day 3 Tokyo. After breakfast in the hotel, we will have a full day tour of Tokyo including the Hama Rikyu Gardens, an attractive landscaped garden in central Tokyo including seawater pools that change with the tides. Continue to the Nezu Museum houses the private collection of pre-modern Japanese and East Asian art of Nezu Kaichiro. After lunch we see the Imperial Palace and Tokyo Tower before returning to the hotel. The remainder of the day will be at leisure. (B, L)

Day 4 Tokyo. Enjoy a free day to explore at your own pace. Continue as per day 2 of the main itinerary. (B)

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Post-cruise Kyoto Extension

15th to 18th May 2025



If you would like to spend some time in Kyoto and discover the city of Nara after your cruise, we are offering a two night extension.

The Itinerary

Day 1 Nara & Kyoto, Japan. Disembark this morning and drive to Nara. During the 8th century Nara was Japan's capital for 74 years and many of the temples and shrines from this era still remain. We will see the Todaiji Temple and Kasuga Shrine before taking lunch in a local restaurant. Afterwards, we continue our journey to Kyoto and check into our hotel. The evening is free for independent exploration. (B, L)

Day 2 Kyoto. After breakfast at the hotel discover Kyoto, Japan's former historic capital and Emperor's home for nearly 1,000 years. A morning tour will include the Kinkakuji Temple (Golden Pavilion) and the Ryoanji Temple which is the site of one of Japan's famous rock gardens. After our visit return to the hotel and the remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

Day 3 Kyoto to London. Check out after breakfast and transfer to Osaka for a city tour including Osaka Castle, Dotombori and Umeda. After lunch in a local restaurant we will transfer to the airport for our scheduled indirect flight to London. (B, L)

Day 4 London. Arrive today.

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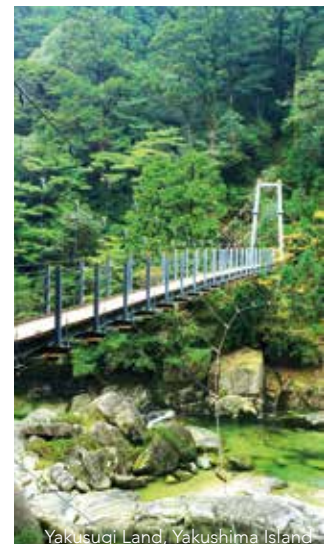
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Yakusugi Land, Yakushima Island





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Cover image: Torii Gate at sunset, Miyajima Island.