



# 9-Day Shikoku Scenic & Onsen Retreat Tour



## Thoughtful Arrangements

-  Walk the glass observatory above the Naruto Whirlpools, one of the world's three great currents
-  Ride the ropeway over Kankakei Gorge, one of Japan's three great valleys
-  Ferry to Shodoshima to visit Olive Park and the Soy Sauce Museum
-  Admissions to 8 must-see attractions included
-  Discover Awa Odori dance and traditional indigo dyeing
-  Stroll Kurashiki Bikan Historical Quarter and Kitano Ijinkan District
-  Visit Kochi's Hirome Market and enjoy shopping in Kobe and Osaka



## Superior Accommodation

-  Enjoy 4 nights' stay at hot spring hotels: Guaranteed 2-night stay at the city-center Dormy Hotels Osaka Tanimachi, and overnight at Hotel Kazurabashi in Iya and Hotel Spa Kotosankakuor in Kotohira, and relax with kaiseki or buffet dinners.
-  Upgrade to Maiko Villa Kobe, a 5-star beachfront resort hotel
-  Stay throughout at high-rated superior hotels with daily buffet breakfast included



## Authentic Cuisine

-  Features 3 carefully arranged lunches and 6 dinners
-  Indulge in authentic local specialties: Tokushima's Awa Chicken and Naruto Sea Bream
-  Enjoy two authentic kaiseki cuisine or sumptuous buffet dinners at the hotels
-  Savor a variety of delicious dishes including izakaya cuisine, Japanese BBQ, hot pot, and authentic Sanuki udon



### Kotohira-gū Shrine

Japan's famed "Guardian of the Sea," offering scenic mountain and ocean views.



### Naruto Whirlpools

View one of the world's three great currents from a 45m-high glass walkway, where powerful whirlpools swirl below.

### Olive Park

Japan's first olive cultivation site, blending Greek-style architecture with charming Mediterranean scenery.

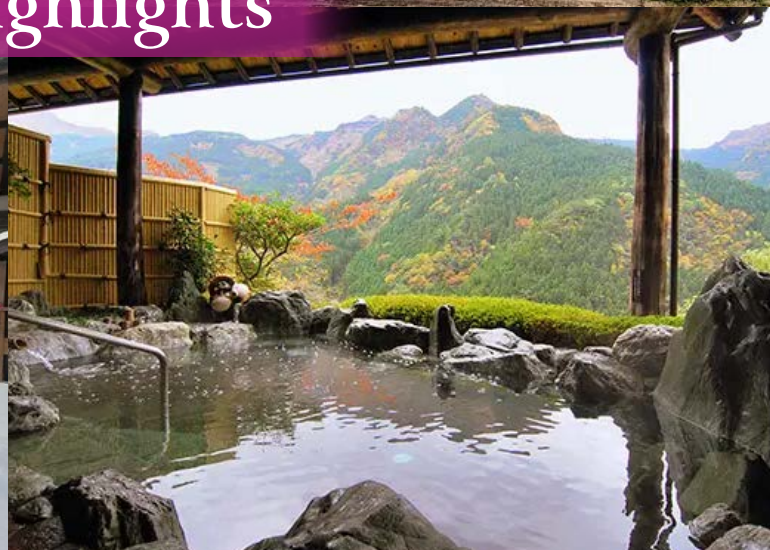


## Tour Highlights



### Soy Sauce Museum

Discover Shodoshima's soy sauce heritage through giant wooden barrels and traditional brewing methods.



### Hotel Kazurabashi

Near Iya Kazurabashi Vine Bridge, featuring a cable car ride to a mountaintop open-air onsen and traditional kaiseki dining.

# 1 Arrive Osaka, Japan – Free at Leisure

Upon arrival, you will be greeted by our professional tour guide and transferred to the hotel for rest and free time.

**B**

On board/Own

**L**

On board/Own

**D**

Own



[Osaka] Dormy Hotels Osaka Tanimachi (City centre hot spring hotel - Guaranteed stay!)



# 2 Akashi Kaikyō Bridge – Awaji Island Observatory – Naruto Whirlpools (“Uzu no Michi” walkway admission incl.)

[Akashi Kaikyō Bridge] Spanning 3,911 meters between Honshu and Shikoku, it's the world's longest suspension bridge and a marvel of Japanese engineering.

[Awaji Island Observatory] Enjoy sweeping views of the Akashi Strait and northern Awaji Island - one of the best vantage points to admire the bridge and surrounding seascape.

[Naruto Whirlpools] Experience powerful tidal vortices up to 20 meters wide at the Naruto Strait. The 45m-high glass walkway “Uzu no Michi” offers an exhilarating close-up of this natural spectacle.

**B**

Hotel

**L**

Own

**D**

Awa Chicken Cuisine



[Tokushima] JR Hotel Clement Tokushima or similar

# 3 Awa Odori Kaikan (admission incl.) – Tokushima Indigo Dyeing Experience (admission incl.) – Iya Kazurabashi Vine Bridge (admission incl.)

[Awa Odori Kaikan] Experience Japan's iconic Awa Dance, over 400 years old. Explore exhibits on its history, costumes, and music - and try dancing yourself.

[Tokushima Indigo Dyeing] Learn the 400-year tradition of Tokushima indigo dyeing, using fermented natural plants. Try dyeing cloth or handkerchiefs and take home your own creation.

[Iya Kazurabashi Vine Bridge] Cross the historic vine bridge spanning Iya Gorge, originally woven by the Heike clan. Swaying above rushing waters, it's a thrilling hidden gem of Shikoku.

**B**

Hotel

**L**

Naruto Sea Bream Cuisine

**D**

Hotel buffet or Kaiseki



[Kazurabashi] Hotel Kazurabashi (hot spring hotel) or similar



## 4 Oboke Gorge – Koboke Gorge – Kōchi Castle (admission incl.) – Katsurahama Beach – Hirome Market

**[Oboke Gorge]** Carved by the Yoshino River, with towering rocks and clear rapids, known as “Shikoku’s natural sculpture gallery.”

**[Koboke Gorge]** Dramatic narrow channels, swift currents, and sheer cliffs showcase Shikoku’s rugged landscapes.

**[Kōchi Castle]** One of Japan’s few original wooden castles, offering panoramic views of the city from its Edo-period keep.

**[Katsurahama Beach]** White sands, crashing waves, and expansive Pacific vistas create a majestic coastal scene.

**[Hirome Market]** Lively market with eateries and stalls, featuring local specialties like straw-seared bonito and fresh seafood.



**B** Hotel **L** Japanese Cuisine **D** Izakaya Cuisine



**[Kōchi]** Dormy Hotels Kōchi or similar

## 5 Kotohira-gū Shrine & Omotesandō – Kotohiki Park – Zenigata Sand Sculpture Observatory – Chichibugahama Beach

**[Kotohira-gū Shrine & Omotesandō]** Climb to the “Guardian of the Sea” shrine for mountain and ocean views, then explore Omotesandō street’s shops and traditional sweets.

**[Kotohiki Park]** Pine groves and ocean vistas, featuring the 122m Zenigata Sand Sculpture, a symbol of wealth and good fortune.

**[Zenigata Sand Sculpture Observatory]** Panoramic views of the giant coin and Seto Inland Sea; legend says it brings good luck.

**[Chichibugahama Beach]** Famous for mirror-like reflections at low tide, enhanced by romantic sunset glow.



**B** Hotel **L** Sanuki Udon **D** Hotel buffet or Kaiseki



**[Kotohira]** Kotohira Spa Kotosankaku (hot spring hotel) or similar



## 6 Takamatsu (Ferry ticket incl.) → Shodoshima – Angel Road – Michi-no-Eki Roadside Station – Olive Park – Kankakei Ropeway (ticket incl.) – Soy Sauce Museum (admission incl.) (Ferry ticket incl.) Okayama

**[Angel Road]** A romantic sandbar visible at low tide, linking Shodoshima to nearby islets—said to bless couples who walk it hand in hand.

**[Michi-no-Eki Roadside Station]** A local stop featuring fresh produce, olive products, and handmade crafts.

**[Olive Park]** One of Japan’s earliest olive regions, with 30,000 olive trees, white windmills, and Mediterranean-style scenery.

**[Kankakei Ropeway]** A scenic cable ride over Kankakei Gorge, offering sweeping views of dramatic cliffs and the Seto Inland Sea.

**[Soy Sauce Museum]** Showcasing Shodoshima’s century-old soy sauce brewing tradition, historic wooden barrels, and the brewing process.



**B** Hotel **L** Own (at Michi-no-Eki Roadside Station) **D** Shabu-shabu



**[Okayama]** Hotel Granvia Okayama or similar



## 7 Okayama Kōrakuen Garden (admission incl.) – Kurashiki Bikan Historical Quarter – Himeji Castle (admission incl.)

**[Okayama Kōrakuen Garden]** One of Japan's top three gardens, created in the Edo period, renowned for its spacious landscape, seasonal beauty, and Michelin Green Guide three-star rating.

**[Kurashiki Bikan Historical Quarter]** The Quarter well preserves traditional Edo- to Meiji-era townhouses and white-walled warehouses. Along the winding canal, the reflections of historic buildings and willow trees create a timeless, picturesque scene.

**[Himeji Castle]** Known as the "White Heron Castle" for its elegant white exterior, is one of Japan's most iconic castles and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Its main keep, gates, and stone walls remain intact, showcasing the strategic design and aesthetic beauty of the feudal era.



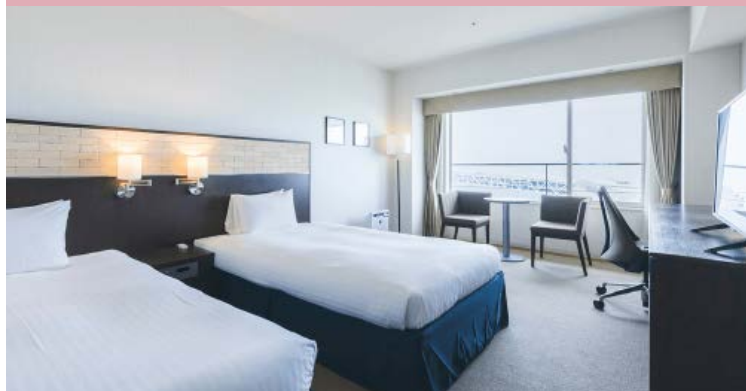
**B**  
Hotel

**L**  
Own

**D**  
Japanese BBQ



**[Kobe] Maiko Villa Kobe (5\* seaside resort hotel - Guaranteed stay!)**



## 8 Kobe - Kitano Ijinkan District – Kobe Outlet Shopping – Osaka – Free at Leisure

**[Kitano Ijinkan District]** This picturesque district preserves Western-style residences and foreign merchant houses from the Meiji to Taisho periods, giving the streets a charming international atmosphere. Visiting the historic homes and museums offers insight into the lifestyles and architecture of foreign residents, reflecting Kobe's history as an international port city.



**B** Hotel   **L** Own (at Kobe Outlet)   **D** Own (at Osaka)



**[Osaka] Dormy Hotels Osaka Tanimachi (City centre hot spring hotel - Guaranteed stay!)**

## 9 Depart Osaka

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight back home.



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Hotel

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Tour Code: JKK9  
Departure Dates

Tour Price  
(CAD)

Single  
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4/10, 5/15, 6/12,  
7/10, 8/14, 9/11, 10/9  
(Sat)

**\$4598**   **\$1100**

### Land Tour Price Includes:

- Luxury air-conditioned coach throughout the tour
- Experienced bilingual tour guide (Chinese & English) providing full commentary
- Private airport pickup and drop-off services
  - Arrival city / Pick-up time: KIX / 1600-1800
  - Departure city/Drop-off time: KIX / 0900W
- 8 nights' accommodation at carefully selected 4-star or above hotels (twin sharing), with daily breakfast included
- Ferry rides from Takamatsu → Shodoshima → Okayama
- Kankakei Gorge ropeway ride
- Admission to 8 major attractions: Uzu no Michi at Naruto Whirlpools, Awa Odori Kaikan, Tokushima Indigo Dyeing Experience, Iya Kazurabashi Vine Bridge, Kochi Castle, Soy Sauce Museum, Okayama Korakuen Garden, and Himeji Castle
- 3 lunches & 6 dinners as specified in the itinerary

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