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Japan Autumn Leaves Tour September 2012 Draft Itinerary 24th September – 5th October

24th September Monday



- *6.30am departure from Brisbane flying Jetstar . (domestic)
- *12.30pm Depart Cairns for Osaka. (International)
- *7.30pm Arrive Osaka Kansai International Airport Clear customs Limousine Taxi to our Kyoto Ryoken (traditional inn)
- *Check in to Kyoto NishiYama Ryoken
- *Casual dinner or snack before bed in Fiechtner SUITE! Wear your Yukata!



25th September Tuesday



26th September Wednesday



*Kyoto touring including Golden Temple/ Kiomizu/ and World heritage listed sites, Shopping in Gion district (Geisha Area) Kyoto tour bus pass included.

Walking distance from Ryokan.

- Optional Geisha Dress and photos (\$160)
- Traditional Tea ceremony in Ryoken
- Traditional Japanese Dinner experience



- *Check out at 10.00am -Free time.
- *12.00noon Taxi to Kyoto Shinkansen station Kyoto to Hiroshima by Shinkansen
- *Arrive Hiroshima Station after the 90 minute trip at 350 km/h
- * Taxi to Parkside Hotel Hewa Koen (Peace Park)
- *Free afternoon to settle and relax (maybe a drink or two)
- *Welcome party at Watami Izakaya (traditional Japanese pub)

27th September Thursday



- *9.30am Hondori shopping experience and free time.
- *12.30pm Visit to Okonomiyuki Factory and make your own!
- *Return to Hotel/Free time
- *6.00pm Hiroshima Carp Baseball Game BBQ Japanese style at Baseball.

28th September **Friday**



29th September Saturday





*Hiroshima and surrounds.

* Ferry to Miyajima

and Iwakuni castle

- *Hiroshima Peace Park Visit.
- *Hiroshima Survivor experience and talk.

* 8.00 am Depart by Bus for Miyajima Island

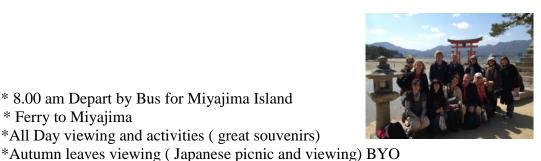
*All Day viewing and activities (great souvenirs)

*6.30pm Dinner at Pirates Lair Kuzoku mountain

*2.00pm Depart for Kintai Bridge and Iwakuni

(Ice cream and Japanese weaners)

- *Free time / Return to Hotel
- *Dinner your choice
- *8.00pm Karaoke box evening (optional \$25)









30th September Sunday

- * Sleep in and Free time
- * 12.00pm Depart for Kure City
- * Lunch- your choice
- * You Me Town shopping/Yamato Museum/Onsen
- * 6.00pm Dinner At Tokugawa Restaurant
- * Masters Karaoke Bar (big big night-early morning) (taxis home) (optional \$50)

1st October Monday *Sleep in and Free time/shopping

*3.30pm departure for Kagura town in regional Hiroshima

*Traditional dinner/Onsen and Kagura performance

*10.30pm Return to Hotel

2nd October Tuesday Free day Hiroshima

Optional countryside tour.

(Takehara and Seto Inland Sea) (\$50)

3rd October Wednesday

*sleep in and free time

*11.00am Depart for Kure

*Lunch at Iron Chef Chen Kennichi's Restaurant.

* 2.00pm Kempura Sake Brewery tour

* return to Hiroshima

* 6.00pm Farewell Dinner party-Sayonara Awards.

4th October

*Free time until 11.00pm

*Ramen Lunch(optional)

Thursday

*Taxi to station

*Shinkansen to Kansai airport *Depart Japan 8.30pm (approx)

5th October Friday

*Arrive Cairns International 6.30am

*Domestic Flight to Brisbane 8.30am (approx)

*Arrive Brisbane 10.30am

> Inclusions:-

- Return Airfare with Jetstar from Brisbane via Cairns.
- Taxi and Bus transfers
- 9 nights accommodation
- Parkside Hotel Hiroshima
- 2 nights Kyoto NishiYama Ryoken.
- 9 meal specials.
- Kagura traditional performance
- All group ground transport and
- entrances.
- Optional extras- Geisha dress up / karaoke evenings/ Onsen/ Ramen/ Countryside day trip

Total cost :- \$2995 TOTAL COST

We require \$200 per person by the end of June to allow us to start booking proceedings. Autumn is a popular time and many places are booked out already. We need to pay deposits soon to confirm bookings. The Kyoto Ryokan is a traditional inn. It only has two Western style rooms with beds. That means there are only 4 beds. Please let us know if you need a bed. The rest of the rooms will be futons on the tatami mat floor....very appropriate...The Parkside Hotel in Hiroshima has beds .Please let us know your room preferences eg double, single, twin and we will try to accommodate. We will keep you updated, once you send your deposit. It can sent to

Commonwealth Bank,

Account name: Intercultural Consulting Group;

Branch: Virginia BSB: 064155

Account number: 10122424

You will need to arrange your own travel insurance. We can get a special deal if you are happy for us to do that.

Don't hesitate to contact us by email at intercog@bigpond.com if you need any clarification or assistance. As we get closer to the date, we will contact you re food requirements......things that turn you off and of course, things that turn you on!!!!!!



















