

INTRODUCTION

ABOUT KANAGAWA

Kanagawa Prefecture is a treasure house of tourism resources. It has attractive cities, such as Yokohama, where modernization of Japan started, Kamakura, which is filled with atmosphere of history and culture, and Odawara, a castle town. The prefecture also boasts the hot spring resorts representing Japan, such as Hakone and Yugawara. It is blessed with abundant nature, too. There are lush mountain ranges of Tanzawa and Oyama, and beautiful coastlines continue from the Miura Peninsula to the Manazuru Peninsula through the Shonan beach. Over 150 million people visit various parts of the prefecture every year.

For more information, please visit Kanagawa prefecture official website in English.

<http://www.pref.kanagawa.jp/english/>

ABOUT YAMANASHI

Yamanashi prefecture is located near the center of Honshu, the main island of Japan. It has an area of 1,723.8 mi² and a population of 890,000. Surrounded by 6,560-9,840 ft high mountains and rich in nature, 78% of the prefecture is covered by forests--including those of its three national parks and one quasi-national park, such as the famous Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park.

Mountain climbing and hot springs are among the most popular forms of recreation in Yamanashi. The many hot springs in the area offer health benefits and relaxation. The largest spring in the prefecture, located in Isawa, is only one and a half hours from Tokyo.

For more information, please visit Yamanashi prefecture official website in English.

<http://www.yamanashi-kankou.jp/english/index.html>

ITINERARY

***As for the transportation during the press tour, the exclusive bus service will be offered.**

***There's a possibility that schedule and locations may be modified.**

Tuesday Nov. 29th

- Arrival in Narita Intl Airport or Haneda Intl Airport pick up will be arranged by the organizer.

PM - Travel to Yamanashi from airport.

Day1 start with luxury bus tour along the beautiful scenery into Yamanashi.

▶Place to visit

-ICHIKU KUBOTA ART MUSEUM (<http://www.itchiku-museum.com/en.pdf>)

▶Hotel

-KUKUNA (<http://kukuna.jp/eng/>)

Wednesday Nov. 30th

We will take you to the healing trip through the beautiful nature at ARAKURAYAMA SENGEN SHRINE where you can meet the best scenery of Mt. Fuji, and NISHIZAWA GORGE, (Selected 100 Exquisite and Well-Conserved Japanese nature).

Following that, please enjoy BBQ of local products at KAMIJYO KOMINKA – Kominka is an old Japanese folk house, which is basically structured with wood, clay, straw and bamboo. It has few walls, a high floor and a high ceiling. In harmony with Mother Nature, and in order to enjoy the beauty of Japan's four seasons, Kominka were built of natural materials that can be reused and recycled. In that sense, Kominka houses are not only ecological and economical, but also extremely sophisticated.

► Place to visit

-ARAKURAYAMA SENGEN

-SHRINE(<https://taiken.co/single/arakurayama-sengen-park-a-great-spot-to-capture-the-iconic-mount-fuji>)

-NISHIZAWA GORGE (http://www.yamanashi-kankou.jp/foreign/english/spot/p1_4789.html)

KAMIJYO -KOMINKA (<https://www.facebook.com/kamijyokominka/>)

► Hotel (TBD)

-A hotel located in YUMURA ONSEN district. (<http://global.yumura.gr.jp/>)

Thursday Dec. 1st

After enjoying Yamanashi, we will take you to Hakone, Kanagawa.

Hakone has always been a favorite destination; in fact you'll be following in the footsteps of 400 years of Japanese and foreign visitors. Since the start of the Edo period in 1603, Hakone has flourished as a favorite spa destination, and still attracts many visitors from all over Japan and the world.

► Place to visit

-ERINJI TEMPLE (<http://www.yamanashi-kankou.jp/foreign/english/spot/003.html>)

-KINSEIKEN-Japanese traditional rice cake sweet (<http://kinseiken.co.jp/>)

-THE HAKONE OPEN-AIR MUSEUM (<http://www.hakone-oam.or.jp/>)

► Hotel

-YOSHIIKE RYOKAN (<http://www.japanican.com/en/hotel/detail/4306015/>)

Friday Dec. 2nd

Being active! You will enjoy an adventure tour in beautiful nature forest in Odawara area.

You will also discover traditional Japan beauty through a historical guided tour.

► Place to visit

-FOREST ADVENTURE TOUR (<http://foret-aventure.jp/eng/>)

-HOTOKU NINOMIYA SHRINE (http://www.local-japan.jp/travelmap/detail.html?shop_id=27)

-DARUMA-Traditional Japanese restaurant (<http://www.darumanet.com/>)

-ASHIGARIGO SETOYASHIKI- The Seto Yashiki is a relic of the past, the remains of a mansion built around 300 years ago and inhabited by members of the Seto family, who were the local village headmen.

-DAIYUZAN SAIJYOJI TEMPLE

(<https://odawarahakonetravel.wordpress.com/2013/08/20/daiyuzan-saijo-ji-temple/>)

▶Hotel

-HILTON ODAWARA RESORT AND SPA

(<http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/japan/hilton-odawara-resort-and-spa-TYOODHI/index.html>)

Saturday Dec. 3rd

Stroll around the location where Rugby World Cup 2019 final will be held.

▶Place to visit

-MIRAKUAN Japanese traditional sweet factory shop. (<http://www.mirakuan.com/>)

-NISSAN STADIUM (<http://www.nissan-stadium.jp/>)

▶DEPARTURE- We will take you to the airport after the trip, however if you want to extend your stay at your own expenses, please notify us.

TERMS and CONDITION:

Please read before you send following application form.

- Maximum 1 editor from 1 media outlet, if you want to bring photographer or videographer, please contact us for consideration.
- International airfare will be arranged by the organizer. We will speak to each journalist individually once we confirm the participation.
- Please be noted travel insurance is not included and it should be under your own responsibility.
- Please be noted expenses not indicated on the itinerary will NOT be covered by the organizer.
- We regret that any cancellations after you receive a confirmation mail from the organizer will be subjected to cancellation fee to cover your expense.
- Please notify us a week prior to the media trip when any submitted information to change.
- Please follow our itinerary during the press tour. If you leave the program during the trip, all expenses will be charged to your account.
- Please secure post coverage of the media trip. Coverage information – issue date, coverage size, content, storyline and theme, is required to be accredited to participate in the media trip. See application form.
- Please be noted that media trip will be interpreted in English only.
- Please be noted any photos and movies taken by the organizer during the trip maybe used for social media – if you want to avoid to be posted, please inform us upon on your arrival.
- Please be noted that we may ask for your cooperation to be interviewed when Japanese media is covering the media trip.
- Please be noted that we shall not be responsible for any illness, injuries, death, and property loss and damages, and troubles to yourself and third parties during the media trip.
- Please be noted the schedule and contents of itinerary may change due to the weather and conditions.