

# 6D5N Golden Route (G675)

(Narita Airport-Tokyo-Yamanashi-Nagano-Shizuoka-Kyoto-Kobe-Osaka-Kansai Airport)

## Day 1

Arrive at Narita Airport

- **Asakusa**- Located in Taito-ku along the west bank of the Sumida River, the Asakusa district once thrived as a temple town for the nearby Senso-ji Temple, but now it is a downtown area that rivals Ginza, Shinjuku, Ikebukuro and Shibuya.
- **Tokyo Sky Tree**- It is a broadcasting, restaurant, and observation tower in Sumida, Tokyo, Japan. It became the tallest structure in Japan



- **Imperial Palace**- The current Imperial Palace is located on the former site of Edo Castle, a large park area surrounded by moats and massive stone walls in the center of Tokyo, a short walk from Tokyo Station. It is the residence of Japan's Imperial Family.
- **Tokyo Metropolitan Government Building**- The buildings in Shinjuku is often visited by tourists for its free observation decks which provide good panoramic views of Tokyo and beyond. The 243 meter tall building has two towers, and each houses an observatory at a height of 202 meters.

- **Odaiba Seaside Park**- A popular shopping and entertainment district on a man-made Island in Tokyo Bay. It originated as a set of small man-made fort islands, which were built towards the end of the Edo Period (1603-1868) to protect Tokyo against possible attacks from the sea.

## Day 2

- **Oshino Hakkai**- It is a touristy set of eight ponds in Oshino, a small village in the Fuji Five Lake region.
- **Kawaguchi Lake**- It is located in the border Fujikawaguchiko and Minobu, southern Yamanashi Prefecture near Mount Fuji, Japan. It is the second largest of the Fuji Five Lakes in terms of surface area, and is located at the lowest elevation.
- **Fuji 5<sup>th</sup> Station**- It lies at approximately the halfway point of the Yoshida Trail, which leads from Fujiyoshida Sengen Shrine at the mountain's base to the summit of Mount Fuji.



### Day 3

- **Mars Shinshu-** Situated between the north and south Japanese alps, Mars Shinshu is Japan's highest whisky distillery, at nearly 800 meters. The Hombo families have been distilling for more than a century and they added whisky to their repertoire in 1949 in Kagoshima. That was the southernmost whisky made in Japan until 1984, when all whisky production was moved to the current location in Nagano.
- **Tsumago-juku-** It is the forty-second of the sixty-nine post towns on the Nakasendō. It is located in Nagiso, Kiso District, and Nagano Prefecture, Japan. It has been restored to its appearance as an Edo-era post town and is now a popular tourist.

### Day 4

- **Kiyomizu Temple-**Kiyomizudera is one of the most celebrated temples of Japan. It was founded in 780 on the site of the Otowa Waterfall in the wooded hills east of Kyoto, and derives its name from the fall's pure waters.



- **Nishijin-** It is Kyoto's famed weaving district, in the northwest part of central Kyoto, is one of the most traditional areas – it's a great place to see machiya (old Kyoto townhouses).

- **Kinkaku-Ji -**Kinkakuji is a Zen temple in northern Kyoto whose top two floors are completely covered in gold leaf.



- **Kobe Harbourland -**It is a shopping and entertainment district between JR Kobe Station and the waterfront of Kobe's port area. The district offers a large selection of shops, restaurants, cafes and other amusements, which, together with the romantic evening atmosphere, have made it a popular spot for couples and tourists alike.
- **Kitano Ijinkan-** It is a city district at the foot of the Rokko mountain range where many foreign merchants and diplomats settled after the Port of Kobe was opened to foreign trade in the second half of the 19th century. More than a dozen of the former mansions, known as Ijinkan, remain in the area and are open to the public as museums.

### Day 5

- **Osaka Castle-** The construction of Osaka Castle started in 1583 on the former site of the Ishiyama Honganji Temple, which had been destroyed by Oda Nobunaga thirteen years earlier. Toyotomi Hideyoshi intended the castle to become the center of a new, unified Japan under Toyotomi rule.



- **Wakayama Marina City-** Wakayama Marina City is located approximately 40 minutes from Kansai International Airport and 70 minutes from Osaka by either car or bus. This island resort enjoys expansive ocean views and is home to a number of popular sightseeing spots.

## Day 6

Departs from Kansai Airport

- **Shinsaibashi-** It is the largest shopping area in Osaka where many boutiques and specialty shops are gathered, attracting local people and visitors.

