



## Notes

- ◆ Our tour includes:
  - Accommodation (1Night)
  - Meals (1Breakfast, 2Lunch, 1Dinner)
  - Chartered Coach (for Day1)
  - Entrance fees and fares for transportation in above itinerary
  - English Speaking Guide (8hrs per day, Rank C)
  - Travel handling charge
  - Insurance within Japan
  
- ◆ Our tour does NOT include:
  - Optional tours
  - Meals and drinks not listed in above itinerary
  - Personal expenses
  - Airfares between your country and Japan including airport taxes
  - Expenses regarding to immigration
  - Insurance between your country and Japan
  - Things not listed in above itinerary
  
- ◆ Our Cancellation Policy

31-14 days prior to the tour departure date:	20% of the total amount
13-3 days prior to the tour departure date:	30% of the total amount
2 days - the day before the tour departure date:	50% of the total amount
The tour departure date:	100% of the total amount



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## **Highlights of Sightseeing**

This 2 days tour focuses on Kyoto in SAKURA (cherry blossoms) season. Although many tours operate within Kyoto city crowded with temples, shrines and people, here you will have an opportunity to be away from the bustle and relax visiting countryside of Kyoto.

### **Day1**

The tour departs from Arashiyama Station on foot to stroll the beautiful Arashiyama Bamboo Grove. The atmosphere is nothing like other forests you have ever seen. When reached to the Arashiyama Torokko Station, it is time to have a journey on Sagano Romantic Train. The journey takes approximately 25 minutes along the scenic Hozu Valley where you will see cherry blossoms in spring. Enjoy the nostalgic train carriage pulled by diesel locomotives. At the terminal station, Kyobasha (a horse carriage) will welcome you to Kameoka city. Continue to the 20 minute slow and relaxed trip on a horse carriage surrounded by beautiful nature of Kameoka. Then move to Miyama which is the historic village of thatched roof houses. Here you will be served "Irori-yaki" lunch (dish cooked at traditional Japanese fireplace) in a house with thatched roof. After lunch take some time in this countryside village (Kayabuki-no-sato) to visit other traditional houses, shops, galleries and cafes. Overnight at ryokan (traditional Japanese inn) with hot springs.

### **Day2**

Depart ryokan and head to Hozugawa River Boat Ride. Experience the refreshing 2 hour ride from Kameoka back to Arashiyama. The boat goes down the winding river sometimes rapid and sometimes deep while enjoying the seasonal beauty of mountains on both sides, strange-shaped rocks, and cherry blossoms in spring. When back to Arashiyama, taste the specialty of Kyoto "Yudofu" (lunch course with Tofu in a hotpot) which will help you to warm your body after the boat tour. Continue the tour to visit one of the major Rinzai Buddhist temple Tenryuji. 14<sup>th</sup> century Zen Garden is a must see at this temple. Finally you will have a free time at Arashiyama for looking around or shopping before terminating the tour.

## **Specialty of the region**

### ◆ Yudofu

It is a regional delicacy of Kyoto and there are many restaurants specialize in Yudofu.

Yudofu itself means Tofu in a hotpot with lightly seasoned broth, taken out to dip in a sauce and eaten. Usually restaurants include other dishes using Tofu or Yuba with Yudofu to set up as a course. It must be very effective in warming you up in cold season.