

FIRST SAKURA AND ONSEN ODYSSEY KYUSHU TO OKINAWA TOUR FULL ITINERARY

**DAY 1
JAN 17**

Meet group members at HNL
Relax at HIS-exclusive LeaLea Lounge
Depart from HNL on Japan Airlines
Fly to Fukuoka Airport (FUK) via Tokyo Haneda (HND)

**DAY 1
JAN 18**

Arrive at Fukuoka Airport
Meet HIS Japan staff and bus driver
Quick drive to hotel
Rest at hotel (**Hotel Monterey Fukuoka** or similar)

**DAY 2
JAN 19**

Breakfast at hotel
Pick fresh, succulent Fukuoka strawberries at a local fruit farm
Lunch at local restaurant
Oshibana (pressed, dried flowers) hands-on crafts experience
Arrive in Kumamoto City, explore Kumamoto Castle area and shopping arcade
Check in to hotel (**ANA Crowne Plaza Kumamoto** or similar), rest
Deluxe buffet dinner at the hotel

**DAY 3
JAN 20**

Breakfast at hotel
Japanese traditional sweets hands-on experience
Lunch at local restaurant
Head to Mt. Aso region, Aso Volcano Museum or Mt. Aso Nakadake crater (weather dependent)
Move to Tsuetate Onsen village
Check in to hotel (**Tsuetate Onsen Hizenya** or similar), rest and [enjoy onsen!](#)
Deluxe buffet dinner at the hotel

**DAY 4
JAN 21**

Breakfast at hotel
Drive to Beppu (very famous for hot springs) in Oita Prefecture
Onsen Museum in Beppu
Lunch at local restaurant
Beppu's renowned Unzen Jigoku "Hells" hot springs sightseeing
Move to Kurokawa Onsen for "Yu Akari" magical winter illumination display
Return to Tsuetate Onsen, rest at hotel (**Tsuetate Onsen Hizenya** or similar), [enjoy onsen!](#)
Deluxe kaiseki dinner at hotel

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**DAY 5
JAN 22**

Breakfast at hotel
Head back toward Fukuoka
Tosu Premium Outlets shopping, plus free time for lunch at your own pace
Move to Fukuoka Airport, board Japan Airlines domestic flight to Okinawa
Arrive at Naha Airport (OKA), meet new bus driver and Japanese guide
Check in to hotel (**Hotel Collective Naha** or similar), then dinner at local restaurant
Return to hotel, rest

**DAY 6
JAN 23**

Breakfast at hotel
Full half day to explore fascinating "Okinawa World" cultural theme park
Includes "Super Eisa" dance performance and "Habu Snake" exhibition
Head north on Okinawa Island to Yomitan region, check in to hotel (**Hotel Nikko Alivila** or similar)
Ryukyu Lantern Festival sightseeing, features over 3,000 lanterns!
Return to hotel
Deluxe buffet dinner at hotel, rest

**DAY 7
JAN 24**

Breakfast at hotel
Continue north to the Motobu region of Okinawa Island
Lunch at local restaurant
Motobu Yaedake Sakura Festival for Japan's first cherry blossoms of the year!
Renowned Churaumi Aquarium, especially famous for its giant tank featuring whale sharks
Southeast Botanical Gardens sightseeing, including gorgeous winter lights illumination
Return to your hotel (**Hotel Nikko Alivila** or similar), deluxe kaiseki dinner

**DAY 8
JAN 25**

Breakfast at hotel
Head south back toward Naha, sightseeing at UNESCO World Heritage Site Shuri Castle
Ryukyu traditional coral dyeing hands-on experience
Lunch at local restaurant
Himeyuri Peace Museum and former Japanese Navy Underground HQ sightseeing
Check in to hotel (**Hotel JAL City Naha** or similar)
Deluxe farewell dinner at local restaurant

**DAY 9
JAN 26**

Breakfast at hotel
Free day to explore Naha! Ask us for suggestions!
*No bus or guide on this day
Rest at hotel (**Hotel JAL City Naha** or similar)

**DAY 10
JAN 27**

Breakfast at hotel
Free morning to explore Naha! Ask us for suggestions!
Meet bus and guide in the afternoon, transfer to Naha Airport
Depart for HNL on Japan Airlines via Tokyo Haneda