NIIGATA · SADO · AIZU SAKE, SEA & SCENERY TOUR

MARCH 5 - 15, 2026

EXCLUSIVELY FOR 24 TRAVELERS

FULL PACKAGE

\$5,290

-ALL INCLUSIVE-

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Sunset at Sado Island



Niiaata Sake no Jin Festival



Sake Brewery lours



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SAKE, SEA & SCENERY TOUR

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Journey through Northern Japan in early spring, where crisp sea air meets the warmth of tradition. From the lively **Sake no Jin Festival** in **Niigata** and hands-on experiences with local crafts to the serene beauty of Sado Island's coastline, each day blends culture, flavor, and scenic charm. Savor fresh seafood, regional sake, and seasonal treats, relax in rejuvenating onsen waters, and explore castles, artisan towns, and gold mines that tell the region's rich history. With a balance of festive energy, coastal landscapes, and timeless heritage, this is **Niigata** and **Sado Island** at their most captivating.

TOUR INCLUDES













Onsen 26 Meals

THE EXPERIENCE

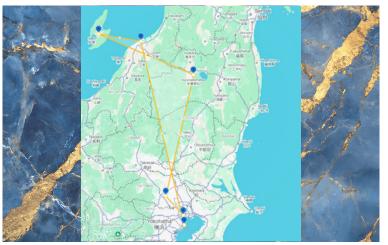








TOUR MAP



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Day 0 Honolulu Departure

Meet your tour leader at Honolulu International Airport and begin your journey with comfort in the H.I.S. Exclusive LeaLea Lounge. Enjoy light refreshments before boarding your non-stop Japan Airlines flight to Tokyo.

Day 1 Welcome to Japan • Hotel Monte Hermana Tokyo

Touch down in Tokyo and transfer to your hotel in the city center. Relax after your flight and join the group for a welcome bento dinner — your first taste of Japan's seasonal flavors.

Day 2 Tokyo to Niigata

Travel north aboard the shinkansen to Niigata, Japan's renowned sake region. Sample unique local brews at Ponshukan, tour the Imayo Tsukasa Brewery, and wander through Pia Bandai, a lively market filled with fresh seafood, produce, and Niigata specialties.

Day 3 Crafts & Festival Magic • ANA Crowne Plaza Niigata

Begin in Tsubame with a hands-on tsuchime copper hammering workshop, learning the techniques behind this traditional craft. Savor an elegant kaiseki lunch accompanied by a captivating geiko performance before joining the excitement of the Sake no Jin Festival, where breweries from across Niigata showcase their best creations.

Day 4 Niigata Culture & Crafts • ANA Crowne Plaza Niigata

Start with a rice cracker-making experience, shaping and toasting your own snack. Visit the Oumon Sake Brewery for a guided tasting, explore the historic Northern Culture Museum, and end the day polishing lacquerware chopsticks — a personal memento of Niigata craftsmanship.

Day 5 Sado Island Escape

Cruise across the Japan Sea by jetfoil to Sado Island, known for its rugged coastline and rich history. Visit Toki Forest Park to see the island's iconic crested ibis, tour Obata Sake Brewery, and browse local products at Kirarium Sado before enjoying a kaiseki dinner at your seaside hotel

Day 6 Sado Island Traditions

Glide across the water in a traditional tarai bune tub boat, explore the beautifully preserved streets of Shukunegi, and feel the beat of taiko drums in an immersive performance workshop. Continue to the Sado Gold Mine, once the largest in Japan, for a glimpse into the island's prosperous past.

Day 7 Coastal Farewell & Aizu Arrival · Aizu Area Onsen Hotel (TBD)

Sail back to Niigata and enjoy lunch before visiting the Sasaiwai Sake Brewery for a tasting. Pick fresh, sweet strawberries at a local farm, then travel inland to Aizu, where a relaxing onsen hotel welcomes you for the night.

Day 8 Aizu Heritage

Aizu Area Onsen Hotel (TBD)

ANA Crowne Plaza Niigata

Discover the samurai history of Tsurugajo Castle, climb the spiral floors of Aizu Sazaedo, and try your hand at creating maki-e lacquerware. Enjoy a leisurely stroll along Nanokamachi Street's shops and cafes before gathering for a lively izakaya dinner.

Day 9 Koedo Kawagoe & Tokyo • Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo

Step back in time in Kawagoe, with Edo-era warehouses and streets lined with traditional shops. Visit the Kawagoe Hikawa Shrine, then return to Tokyo for a farewell dinner, celebrating the journey's flavors, friendships, and discoveries.

Day 10 Departure

Spend your last morning at leisure in Tokyo, with time for last-minute shopping or sightseeing. In the evening, transfer to Haneda Airport for your direct flight home.

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