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APRIL 07 - APRIL 18, 2026

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Journey through **Tohoku** in spring, where cherry blossoms bloom across castle towns, mountain villages, and coastal sanctuaries. From the elegant beauty of **Yahiko Shrine** and the historic charm of **Aizu** to the spiritual sites of **Hiraizumi** and the scenic islets of **Matsushima**, each day brings a new side of Japan's northern heartland. Taste the season with hands-on culinary experiences—ramen, rice crackers, and Yonezawa beef—and soak in healing onsen waters tucked deep in nature. Travel by private coach through regions known for their craftsmanship, traditions, and hidden treasures. With a perfect blend of culture, nature, and the fleeting magic of sakura, this is Tohoku at its most spectacular.

TOUR INCLUDES



Airfare



Accommodation



WiFi Router



Onsen



29 Meals



HNL Airport Lounge

THE EXPERIENCE



Geibikei Gorge Boat Ride



Wanko Soba Lunch



Furumachi Geigi Performance



Fresh Strawberry Picking

TOUR MAP



ITINERARY OVERVIEW

Day 0 Honolulu Departure

Your journey begins in Honolulu, where you'll meet the group and relax at the HIs-exclusive Lealea Lounge before boarding your nonstop Japan Airlines flight to Tokyo. It's the perfect time to get excited—sakura season awaits.

Day 1 Arrival in Tokyo

• **Shinagawa Prince Hotel**

Arrive at Haneda Airport and transfer to your hotel in Shinagawa. After settling in, enjoy a warm welcome dinner as you ease into the beauty and rhythm of springtime Japan.

Day 2 Sakura & Crafts in Gunma

• **Sennotani Matsunoi**

Venture into the mountains of Gunma, where cherry trees may be in bloom along the riverside. Try your hand at traditional Shippo-yaki enamelwork and indigo dyeing in a peaceful craft village, then unwind with a soak at a serene onsen ryokan.

Day 3 Sake & Scenery in Niigata

• **ANA Crowne Plaza Niigata**

Take a refreshing walk through Kiyotsu Gorge, a striking natural tunnel carved through volcanic cliffs. Visit a local brewery for sake tasting before ending the day with a multi-course kappo dinner and elegant Furumachi geigi performance.

Day 4 Blossoms & Handicrafts

• **ANA Crowne Plaza Niigata**

Soar by ropeway to Yahiko Shrine for panoramic views and cherry blossoms in full bloom. Create your own hammered copper cup in Tsubame and explore Niigata's art and history before sitting down to a fresh seafood dinner.

Day 5 Hanami & Ramen Making

• **TBD (Urabandai/Aizu Onsen)**

Learn how to make your own crispy rice crackers and try a hands-on ramen experience complete with buffet lunch. Later, enjoy the stunning view of Tsuruga Castle surrounded by sakura, followed by a seasonal mountain vegetable dinner in Aizu.

Day 6 Strawberries & Mountain Views

• **Azuma So**

Start your morning picking sweet strawberries at a local farm near Mt. Bandai. Taste premium Yonezawa beef for lunch and visit not one but two scenic parks, Eboshiyama and Tendo, for unforgettable blossom viewing.

Day 7 Ginzan Onsen & Gorge Cruise

• **TBD (Hanamaki Onsen)**

Wander the nostalgic streets of Ginzan Onsen, a storybook hot spring town. Then explore Hiraizumi's UNESCO-listed Chuson-ji Temple and take a tranquil boat ride through the dramatic Geibikei Gorge before arriving at your onsen hotel in Hanamaki.

Day 8 Kitakami Sakura

• **TBD (Hanamaki Onsen)**

Experience one of Tohoku's top blossom spots along Kitakami's riverside Tenshochi Park. Test your slurping skills with a Wanko soba challenge, then paint your own clamshell keepsake at Esashi-Fujiwara Heritage Park, where Japan's samurai past comes alive.

Day 9 Garden Walk in Matsushima

• **Matsushima Taikanso**

Visit the Nanbu Ironware Museum to see the region's metalcraft legacy, then change into a yukata for a garden stroll in Matsushima—one of Japan's most scenic bays. Enjoy a peaceful dinner overlooking the ocean.

Day 10 Cruise & Farewell Dinner

• **Keio Plaza Hotel**

Sail between the pine-dotted islands of Matsushima Bay on a morning sightseeing cruise. Depending on bloom conditions, enjoy your final hanami at Funaoka Castle Park or visit Sendai's iconic landmarks, then return to Tokyo for a heartfelt farewell dinner.

Day 11 Free Time & Departure

Enjoy a leisurely morning to relax, shop, or reflect on your journey. In the afternoon, transfer to Haneda Airport for your return flight—carrying home memories of spring in northern Japan.

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