

Tokyo

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If you plan to arrive in advance of the beginning of your Classic Journey, join us for this 2-day, 2-night exploration of Tokyo and the surrounding region. You'll go exploring in a suburban neighborhood that preserves the pre-war Japanese way of life and visit one of the vanishing breed of street markets. Then you'll see the spiritual face of the land on a daylong visit to Mt. Nokogiri, one of the country's most sacred sites just across the bay from the city. These fascinating days take you beyond the city's bustling modern veneer to reveal the roots of Japanese culture.

DAY 1

TOKYO

- Arrive at Narita Airport
- Join your guide for a visit to Old Tokyo and street market

You'll be met in the airport's arrival hall by an assistant who will show you to a private vehicle for the transfer to your hotel.

This afternoon, we'll step beyond the super-modern metropolis to Yanaka, a neighborhood that survived WW II intact. It's a rare opportunity to experience the atmosphere of pre-war Tokyo with its old temples and shrines, one of the city's oldest Buddhist cemeteries as well as traditional shops selling Japanese paper and sweets.

We'll also go for a guided stroll in Ueno Park, a popular site for cherry blossom parties in Tokyo. Originally part of Kaneiji Temple, a family temple of the ruling Tokugawa clan during the Edo Period, the grounds attract locals and your guide will show you its favorite attractions.

To round out your introduction to Tokyo, we visit Ueno's Ameyoko-cho, a busy street market underneath the train lines. This bustling market is the last of its kind in Tokyo, and is filled with shops and stalls selling fresh fish, dried food and spices.

For dinner on your own tonight, enjoy one of the hotel's fine restaurants or step out into the city for a culinary adventure.

Overnight: Tokyo

DAY 2

MT. NOKOGIRI

- Take the path to the top of Mt. Nokogiri
- Walk among statues of Buddha at Nihon-ji Temple

After a leisurely breakfast, we journey to the opposite of Tokyo Bay to the sacred sawtooth mountain known as Nokogiri in Chiba Prefecture. In total contrast to the city, today we'll follow winding forested paths serenaded by birds to the mountain's top. The precipice at the top is Jigoku Nozoki, and though that translates as "the View of Hell," it's really a heavenly scene before you as you look over the rolling expanse of the Boso Peninsula, Tokyo Bay and maybe even Mt. Fuji.

The mountain served as a quarry, and the trails take us past perfectly flat walls, where the stonecutters left their names and marks so long ago. We'll see the towering Hyaku-Shaku Kannon Buddha, carved directly into the rock face. And we'll visit the Nihon-ji Temple complex, founded in 725. Stone paths and staircases criss-cross the mountain and wind around clusters of Buddhist statues. The grandest of them all is an 18th century seated Buddha that is 100 feet high.

For a final burst of high-altitude scenery, enjoy the views as we descend via the ropeway tram for the drive back to our hotel.

Overnight: Tokyo

Meals: B



Tour Hotels



Conrad Tokyo

Located near the Ginza, heart of the city, this glamorous contemporary hotel overlooks magnificent views of Tokyo's skyline. The luxurious guest rooms are decorated in minimalist Japanese design. The property has a variety of fine restaurants and a spa.

OVERNIGHT: Tokyo | **NIGHTS:** 2

Tour Dates & Prices

To see the full list of dates and prices for this tour, go to our website by clicking [here](#).

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Trip Essentials

TRIP LENGTH 2 Days, 2 Nights

START Lobby of the Conrad Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

END Lobby of the Conrad Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

TERRAIN Easy to moderate on good trails with some hills and steps, and city sidewalks.

What's Included

- Award-winning boutique hotels that provide you unlimited access to the people and places, culture and history you came to experience
- 1 breakfast
- Full-time experienced guide
- Admissions to sites and other scheduled events as noted in the detailed daily itinerary
- All land transportation during the trip including arrival transfer from Narita Airport
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Above & Beyond Benefits

- Invisible Check-In
- Privileged Access Events

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ENJOY THE UNEXPECTED

When you travel with Classic Journeys, you can expect handcrafted surprises built into every trip, but some things just can't be anticipated. Unusual weather, a once-a-year festival or an unscheduled site closing will inspire us and your local guide to improvise and modify this itinerary. Likewise, the hotels named here are used on the majority of our trips, but occasionally one of them can't accommodate us. If that happens, you can count on us to let you know before departure and make sure you're in a hotel of equal or better quality. It's our goal to make your trip exceptional!

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That's what motivates me and our team — in our La Jolla HQ and around the world — every day. Join Us!


President & Founder



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Luxurious Lodgings:

Ours include coveted properties that appear in "World's Best" and "Gold List" rankings.



Included Activities:

You'll never be surprised with add-on fees on your activities that include snorkeling to cooking lessons.



Local Guides:

Your guides are locals who are always at your side like well-connected friends.



Small Group Travel:

With an average of just 10-12 guests, it's a small footprint that guarantees you access that's off-limits to larger groups.



Amazing Cuisine:

From Michelin-starred restaurants to lunch in a farmhouse kitchen, you'll have a seat for the region's signature dishes.



Unmatched Value:

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