



Japan Cruise with Tokyo Stay | Norwegian Jade

17 Night Cruise & Stay

Begin your journey exploring the sights and sounds of this electric-vibrant city, explore temples and maybe try authentic street food. Unpack once and let the ship navigate the Japanese coastline for you to explore on this floating luxury hotel.

Highlights:

- Stay in Tokyo, the ultra modern capital city renowned for blending ancient traditions with neon-lit sky scrapers.
- Explore Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and Museum.
- Experience the best of Nagoya during a guided tour to top attractions
- Take in jaw-dropping views of Mount Fuji
- Immerse yourself in history within the star-shaped walls of Fort Goryokaku

What's included:

- Getting there: Return flights to Tokyo
- Transport: Private transfers throughout where mentioned
- Accommodation: 17 nights total duration (including up to 2 nights on the flights) – 15 nights accommodation: 1 night Tokyo, 14 nights Norwegian Jade
- Meals: Room only in hotel, full board on Norwegian Jade
- Free at Sea included on board Norwegian Jade

Not included:

- Prepaid gratuities
- Any meals (other than the one mentioned in the itinerary), drinks, expenses of personal nature.
- Early/late check-in/out service at hotels (surcharge if requested)
- Optional excursion/tours
- Travel insurance and visa

Full Itinerary

Day 1: Fly from the UK to Tokyo

Board your overnight flight from the UK to Tokyo.

Day 2: Welcome to Japan

Arrive into Tokyo, where your transfer will be waiting, sit back and relax as you're taken to your hotel. Spend your afternoon at leisure in the buzzing Tokyo city, whether that is wandering through narrow alleys, enjoying a local restaurant, shopping or exploring the museums or art galleries.

ACCOMODATION: 4* Hotel East 21 Tokyo or similar



Day 3 : Enjoy your morning in Tokyo.

Taking in the last of the sights, before meeting your transfer to take you to port. Here, you'll embark on your cruise aboard Norwegian Jade, scheduled to depart at 16:00.



Day 4: Sendai, Japan

Arrive in Sendai (Ishinomaki) at 10.30. Depart 18.00

Nestled between the mountains and the sea, Sendai is nicknamed the "City of Trees," which is easy to see why as you explore this vibrant city. Historic sites and museums dot the cityscape, allowing a glimpse into the region's storied past. From delicious street food to Michelin-starred restaurants, Sendai offers numerous ways to savour local cuisine as you browse boutique shops. Or journey outside the city to dormant volcanoes, rolling hills and relaxing hot springs to soak in the surrounding natural beauty.



Day 5: Hakodate, Japan

Arrive in Hakodate at 11.00. Depart 18.30

The best view of Hakodate is seen from high atop its namesake mountain. Ride the gondola to the observation deck and gaze down at the spectacular vista below. Immerse yourself in history within the star-shaped walls of Fort Goryokaku and explore the site of famous battles that transformed Japan. Work up an appetite strolling along the city's sloping streets and enjoy a mouth-watering seafood rice bowl (kaisendon) from the Hakodate Morning Market.



Day 6: Aomori, Japan

Arrive in Aomori at 7.00. Depart 17.00

Immerse yourself in history as you visit fascinating archaeological sites, ancient villages and cultural museums. Come hungry for culinary delights and create your own donburi from the fresh, local seafood sold at Furukawa Fish Market. Or discover one of the city's many apple groves and taste green and red apples and homemade jams and juice.



Day 7: Akita, Japan

Arrive in Akita at 07.00. Depart 17.00

The prefecture of Akita and its capital city of the same name, has an abundance of natural beauty. Its hot springs, called onsen, rate the most acidic, especially in Tamagawa, where visitors flock to lie on rare, radioactive stones said to have health benefits. From virgin beech forests to the deepest lake in Japan, Akita is a haven for nature lovers, especially in spring when the cherry blossoms bloom. Senshu Park is a favourite viewing space. Love history? Tour Japan's most preserved samurai district by rickshaw. Head to the top of Selion Tower at Akita Port for 360-degree views.



Day 8: Niigata, Japan

Arrive in Niigata at 07.00. Depart 17.00

Inhabited for 4,000 years, Niigata overflows with history and beauty. Its location on the Sea of Japan, at the mouth of the country's longest river, makes it ideal for agriculture. In fact, it's the top producer of rice in the nation, which brings on the sake breweries, over 90 in all. And talk about fresh seafood. Culinary aficionados flock here to savour the finest in shrimp, crab and fish. This ideal climate and rich soil produces seemingly endless fields of colourful tulips, too. Come hungry and bring your camera..



Day 9: Kanazawa, Japan

Arrive in Kanazawa at 07.00. Depart 15.00

Head to Kanazawa and the Ishikawa Prefecture and you step back in time to the Edo Period (1603 to 1886), the height of samurai culture. Thankfully, Kanazawa was the second-largest city (after Kyoto) to make it through World War II intact. As a result, parts of the old castle town, including the Nagamachi samurai district and chaya entertainment districts, have survived in pretty good condition. Keep your camera ready to capture the rows of teahouses in the historic Geisha district. Kanazawa also boasts attractive temples, a wide variety of museums and a lively market dating back to 1721. About an hour away is Kaga Onsen, healing hot springs that are well worth a day trip.



Day 10: Busan, South Korea

Arrive in Busan at 14.00. Depart 20.00

South Korea's second largest city - It is a harmonious blend of age-old culture and contemporary metropolitan flair. The downtown skyline and Bampo Bridge are two of Busan's visual wonders. The old-world Buddhist temples and vintage structures preserve the essence of Korean history and culture. Equally captivating is the abundance of Busan's natural landscape, from miles of unspoiled beaches to expansive mountainous terrain. Busan is also home to one of the largest trading ports in the world, and its growing popularity in tourism and commerce makes this South Korean city a must-see destination.



Day 11: Nagasaki, Japan

Arrive in Nagasaki at 08.00. Depart 16.30

Nagasaki is often equated with the dropping of the atomic bomb, and there are many moving museums, memorials and monuments dedicated to its World War II history that shouldn't be missed. Yet modern Nagasaki offers a vibrant and charming atmosphere that's waiting to be explored. Amongst its cobblestone and rolling hills, the city boasts a rich culinary scene that will excite your inner foodie. To capture Nagasaki's scenic beauty, consider a cable car ride or harbor tour. Centuries-old shrines, temples and churches dot the landscape and are a must see.



Day 12: Hiroshima, Japan

Arrive in Hiroshima at 09.30. Depart 18.00

History is never far from mind in Hiroshima, thus the city has created one of the most important and breathtaking memorials in the world, the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and Museum. Statues, halls, and monuments at this World Heritage Site honour those who fell in World War II. As one of Japan's largest islands, Hiroshima also offers rich natural beauty and a myriad of outdoor activities like biking, hiking and beaching. The local cuisine is plentiful, especially the signature "Okonomiyaki," a crepe filled with meat, seafood, cabbage, and vegetables. Oysters serve as an additional fresh and delicious dish.



Day 13: Kochi, Japan

Arrive in Kochi at 08.00. Depart 17.00

Engage with locals and indulge in local flavours in this welcoming city, known for its famed dish Katsuo no tataki (a type of tuna Tataki). The city centre was initially settled in 1601 as a town surrounding Kochi Castle, which is now one of the region's principal attractions. Delve into times gone by as you stroll along the famed, red Harimaya-bashi - the basis for an old local folklore song. Discover the lovely Katsurahama beach area, where the Sakamoto Ryoma Memorial overlooks the sea and honours this legendary Japanese peace negotiator.



Day 14: Kyoto, Japan

Arrive in Kyoto at 06.30. Depart 18.30

Cradled by rolling hills on three sides, Kyoto is considered the historical and cultural epicenter of the country. The city was Japan's capital for more than 1,000 years (794 - 1868) and approximately 1,600 Buddhist temples and more than 400 Shintō shrines are peppered throughout the city. From numerous historic sites and tranquil gardens to delicious local cuisine and boutique shopping, Kyoto offers you a window into the heart of Japan's traditions and culture.



Day 15: Mount Fuji, Japan

Arrive in Shimizu at 07.00. Depart 17.00

In the shadow of Mount Fuji, Shimizu is one of the most beautiful ports in Japan. Walk through the pine groves of Miho, home to a 650-year-old Japanese black pine, or enjoy spectacular views of Mount Fuji from the lush, forested hill of Nihondaira. Take in the seascapes on a bay cruise, or learn of undersea delights at Japan's first sushi museum, and get a glimpse at feudal life in Japan in 200 BC at the archaeological site of Toro. Shop for traditional Japanese wooden handcrafts and fabrics unique to the region, and sample some yokan, a sweet jellied confection.



Day 16: Arrive back to Tokyo

Soak up the last moments of your journey before heading home. Take time to enjoy the last memories of this wonderful city. If you're not quite ready to leave, why not extend your holiday with an additional night or two. Discover iconic landmarks, indulge in authentic cuisine, and make the most of your time in one of the world's most dynamic cities before your return.

FAQs

CAN I CHANGE THIS ITINERARY?

Our itineraries can be fully customised to suit your preferences. You can extend your stay, change your hotel, add optional excursions, or upgrade your cruise cabin. Please contact our Tailormade Sales Team, who will be happy to assist with your enquiry.

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CRUISE.

Prepaid gratuities are not automatically included in your cruise fare but can be added at the time of booking for an additional cost.

For your comfort and convenience, all guests should arrive at the cruise terminal no later than two hours before the scheduled embarkation time shown on their cruise documents. Disembarkation usually begins 2 hours after docking on final day of cruise

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN MY CRUISE FARE?

Your cruise fare includes all port fees, meals, and onboard entertainment as standard.

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE CLASSIC DRINKS PACKAGE?

Free At Sea is included in your cruise and stay holiday.

Free at Sea includes unlimited premium drinks, specialty dining, Wi-Fi, and shore excursion credits

DO I NEED A VISA?

UK passport holders can get a visa on arrival in Japan for tourism up to 90 days.

Passports must be valid for the length of stay, with no additional period of validity required. Please refer to the FCDO website for more information.

DO I NEED ANY VACCINATIONS?

There are no mandatory vaccinations required to enter Japan. However, we recommend consulting your GP or a travel health clinic before you travel to ensure your routine vaccinations are up to date and to receive any personalised health advice.