

**Complimentary Pre or Post Package included with Cruise – Select ONE** (We recommend the Tokyo option)  
(If you do not wish to take one of the pre or post packages you will receive a Credit of \$750 Per Guest)

## PRE - THE JEWELS OF HONG KONG

Worlds collide on this tour of Hong Kong. From Aberdeen, a village on the water, to the soaring heights of Victoria Peak, experience Hong Kong from every vantage point. Gain a deeper understanding of Hong Kong's culture and traditions by visiting key attractions such as Stanley Market and the Western District, riding a tram to Victoria Peak and cruising through a fishing village by sampan.

### Day 1

After arriving at the Hong Kong International Airport and going through the luggage claim and Customs, you will be met at Arrival Hall B and transferred to the Kowloon Shangri La Hotel, where you will spend the evening.

Although every effort will be made to have rooms ready before check-in at 3:00pm, this cannot be guaranteed. If you have an early arrival, you may wish to book an extra night so that your room will be available upon arrival.

The remainder of the day will be at your leisure and meals will be on your own. Feel free to simply settle in and relax or you might explore areas of Hong Kong not on the itinerary.

### Day 2

Following breakfast at the hotel, you will drive to Hong Kong Island. For the ultimate view of the surroundings, you will ride the tram up to Victoria Peak. The world's steepest funicular railway, the Peak Tram opened in 1888 and has been providing spectacular panoramas ever since. As you ascend, you may notice that the steep slope causes an optical illusion in which the skyscrapers seem to be standing at impossible angles.

After pausing for photos at the peak, you will drive on to Aberdeen fishing village and board a sampan boat. While on the water, you can expect to see fishing boats, Chinese junks and villagers doing chores. The experience offers a candid look into daily life, as does your next stop—a tour of a gem factory where you will learn how the craftsmen process the stones for sale or to be set into jewelry.

Then following lunch, it's on to vibrant Stanley Market, a highly popular shopping destination for merchandise such as silk garments, Chinese costume jewelry and art. As an alternative in Stanley, you might explore Tin Hau Temple, which once stood at the edge of the sea, and the Murray House, an early 19th-Century building that was moved from its original site to the seaside.

Your next destination will be the Central District, Hong Kong's vibrant business and retail heart. Here you will board a boat for a scenic cruise on Victoria Harbor. Experience the rhythm and vitality of the city from the water while enjoying the magnificent views offered by the Hong Kong skyline.

Following your boat cruise, you will return to the hotel and spend the evening as you please. Dinner is on your own.

### Day 3

After breakfast at the hotel, you will depart for Tung Chung, a city on Lantau, Hong Kong's largest island. The landscape is lush and mountainous, and you will enjoy a wonderful view of it while riding a cable car to Ngong Ping village.

Nearby, you will find Po Lin Monastery. Once a rather remote monastery, it gained prominence in 1993, when a

Big Buddha statue was erected here. More than 100 feet high, it attracts pilgrims from all over Asia. Be sure to have your camera ready for photos of the iconic Buddha.

After a vegetarian lunch at the monastery, you will explore Ngong Ping village on your own. The large Buddha here is also impressive, as is the teahouse with its intricate architectural carvings and curved roof.

In time, you will return to Tung Chung and on the hotel to enjoy the remainder of the day and evening on your own. Dinner is on your own.

NOTE: Due to the number of guests that may participate in this program, guests may be split into two groups and Days 2 and 3 may be reversed. For this reason, it is imperative to advise Regent Seven Seas Cruises at least 14 days before the program starts of any travelling companions so that our ground operator may do their utmost to place you in the same group.

#### Day 4

Following breakfast and check out from the hotel, you will be transferred to the cruise ship for embarkation.

#### Land Program Details Step by Step

- The order of sites visited may vary to avoid congestion. Program times are approximate, given here for general reference purposes and subject to change. •Itineraries with the up-to-date details will be issued when you are emailed your final cruise documents 21 days prior to sailing. You will then receive a final itinerary from our ground operator with a Welcome Letter upon arrival or at your hotel. Please review the letter and your final itinerary carefully for further amendments.
- The hotels used for your land program will be the hotels listed in this document unless you have been advised otherwise in advance of the land program start date.
- Guests failing to arrive on Day 1 of a scheduled land program will be considered a no-show and their hotel space released.

#### Expected Weather:

57-66 °F (14-19°C) in February

70-82 °F (21-28 °C) in March

#### What to Bring:

Light comfortable clothing, a jacket and warmer clothing during the cooler months, good walking shoes, a hat, sunscreen, umbrella and camera

#### Local Currency:

HK dollars. U.S. dollars are widely accepted but subject to the shops' discretion.

#### Electricity:

220V of 50 cycles. The HK plug is 3 flat pins. Adaptors are available at the hotel but subject to availability, therefore we recommend bringing your own travel adaptor for electric devices.

#### Documents and Visa Requirements:

Hong Kong is generally visa free for most countries. For details regarding valid passports and visas, please contact or visit your local embassy for Hong Kong.

#### Hotel addresses:

Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel

64 Mody Road, Tsimshatsui East, Kowloon  
Phone: (852) 2721 2111

\*We will only substitute hotels in unforeseen situations. If similar hotels are substituted, they will be of equal ratings and standards and guests will be notified in advance. If guests are not notified of any changes prior to travel, then the hotel listed will be used.

Program Includes for guests

- Three nights at the Kowloon Shangri-La - deluxe room or similar hotel
- All transportation with English Speaking local guides
- All sites mentioned in the program with entrance fees if any
- Meals as specified with one standard drink per person e.g. local beer, soft drinks or local mineral water
- Harbor cruise including one drink

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Program Excludes for guests:

- Incidental charges at hotel including mini bar and room service
- Any meals or beverages not listed above
- Gratuities to drivers and guides
- Personal expenses

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## POST - VIBRANT TOKYO

From your base in Tokyo, you will visit some of the most impressive sights of Japan, including various ancient temples as well as some of its modern and natural wonders. Tour the 7th-century Sensoji Temple in Asakusa and visit the Odaiba Observation Deck, located in the headquarters of Fuji Television. Discover Tokyo's fascinating Shogun history or Japan's rich tradition of art at superb museums, stroll through beautiful gardens and during your leisure time, perhaps take in the high-energy atmosphere of Ginza, Tokyo's premier shopping and entertainment district.

### DAY 1

Upon disembarkation in either Yokohama or Tokyo you will be met by your guide at the port and begin your tour of Tokyo.

Your first visit is to the beautiful Hamarikyu Garden, an Edo Period Japanese garden surrounded by the Shiodome district's futuristic skyscrapers. This provides a great example of how Japan is the land of contrasts. The garden was originally built as a feudal lord's Tokyo residence and duck hunting grounds during the Edo Period, but later served as a strolling garden and as an Imperial detached palace before eventually being opened to the public in its current form.

Next visit the Edo Tokyo Museum. This is one of Tokyo's premier museums, charting the rise of Tokyo from a small fishing village called Edo through to the thriving metropolis that you see today. Housed in a space-age building, exhibits include a wide range of historical artifacts, including collections of ukiyoe woodblock prints, kimonos and scale models of towns and buildings from the Edo, Meiji and Showa periods.

After lunch at a local restaurant you will visit the Meiji Shrine. Dedicated to the Emperor Meiji, the father of modern Japan, the beautiful shrine stands in a dense forest glade of some 120,000 trees of 365 different species, at the very heart of Tokyo. The setting symbolizes the separation of the spiritual from the worldly. You enter the shrine through twin 40-foot tall Torii gates, one of the largest in all Japan. This shrine is a popular place for traditional Japanese weddings, if you are lucky, you might get to see one.

Continue to your hotel for check-in. The remainder of the day is at your leisure and dinner is on your own.

NOTE: In general, hotel rooms in Japan are smaller than hotel rooms elsewhere around the world. Per Japanese culture, standard typical bedding is two twin beds. Although every effort will be made to obtain rooms with one bed for couples, this cannot be guaranteed. Should you require two beds, kindly make sure to advise this when booking your program.

### DAY 2

Following breakfast at the hotel, you will set out on a half-day tour of Tokyo, allowing you to see the city from a different perspective than the day prior.

Your guide will take you first to the modern Odaiba area. When the sprawling metropolis, that is Tokyo nowadays, ran out of space, they inevitably turned toward the sea. Odaiba is a man-made island created by massive landfills, featuring many hypermodern and strange buildings memorably described as the result of a preschooler's architecture class. Among the exhibition, pavilions, indoor shopping malls, game centers, cafes, restaurants, and surrealistic constructions of Odaiba, the visitor never fails to be intrigued by the structures on this landfill that seems to hail from the future rather than the past. You will have the chance to enjoy it from above, during a visit to an observation deck, located in one of Odaiba's representative buildings: the headquarters of Fuji Television.

Your next stop will be Ginza area. This is one of the most luxurious shopping districts in the world. The streets in Ginza are lined with numerous department stores, boutiques, restaurants and bars. Upon arrival you will enjoy some free time to browse, shop or perhaps visit some of the free galleries.

Return to your hotel where the remainder of the day is at your leisure and dinner is on your own.

#### DAY 3

After breakfast set out for the Asakusa area – part of Tokyo’s Old Town. Visit the Asakusa Senso-ji Temple, which was founded in the early 7th century. Weather permitting, you will enter through a gate decorated with a huge red paper lantern to view the shrine.

The architecture is stunning, as this temple is the country’s oldest and one of the most revered. One of the highlights is a walk down Nakamise-dori, known as the “Street of Inside Shops,” an alley lined with vendors selling traditional food, souvenirs, and handmade crafts.

The tour concludes with a visit to the Imperial Palace Plaza (no interior visit), where Japan’s emperor and empress reside. Surrounded by a moat, the palace was formerly known as Edo Castle, and samurai warriors lived there in the 17th through 19th centuries. In the large plaza in front of the palace, you can view the famed Nijubashi—two bridges that form an entrance to the inner palace grounds. The stone bridge in front is called Meganebashi (Eyeglass Bridge) for its looks.

Upon return to your hotel, the remainder of the day is at your leisure with lunch and dinner on your own.

#### DAY 4

Enjoy one last breakfast at your hotel before checking out and transferring to either the Narita or the Haneda International Airports. Your transfer time will be based on the flight details provided and relayed while you are on the program. Should you have a late departing flight, luggage storage will be available at the hotel. Check out time is at 12:00pm.

#### NOTE:

\*The day of the visit to Edo Tokyo Museum may vary, since the Museum is closed on Mondays.

\*The day of the visit to Odaiba Observation deck may vary, since the observation deck is closed on Mondays.

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- The hotels used for your land program will be the hotels listed in this document unless you have been advised otherwise in advance of the land program start date.
- A departure transfer is not included if guests leave before the last day of the program.

Should you have a late departing flight you may wish to book an extra night so that you have occupation of your room until your departure. You will be asked to vacate your room by 12:00pm. Day rooms can only be purchased directly through the hotel.

#### Expected weather:

The average high in March in Tokyo is 9 C (48 F)

The average high in April in Tokyo is 14 C (57 F)

The average high in June in Tokyo is 21 C (70 F)

The average high in October in Tokyo is 18 C (64 F)

**What to bring:**

A warm jacket or sweater for cooler days and evenings, an umbrella, warm gloves for cooler months and comfortable walking shoes.

**Local currency:**

Japanese yen

USD are not widely accepted therefore you will need to change your money into local currency

**Electricity:**

100 volts. We recommend bringing your own travel adaptor for electronic devices

**Documents and visa requirements:**

Valid passports are required to embark the ship.

Please consult your local Japanese embassy for visa requirements for your nationality

**Hotel Information:**

Hilton Tokyo

6 Chome-6-2 Nishishinjuku, Shinjuku, Tokyo 160-0023, Japan

Phone: +81 3-3344-5111

\*We will only source different hotels in unforeseen situations. If a similar hotel is required, it will be of equal ratings and standards and you will be notified of the change. If you are not notified of any changes before your departure, then you will be staying at the hotel listed in this program.

**Program Includes for guests:**

- 3 nights in a standard room at the Hilton Tokyo (or similar hotel)
- 3 Breakfasts, 1 lunch
- Tours and entrances as listed in the itinerary with Local English-speaking guide
- Transfers

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- Meals and beverages other than stated as included
- Gratuities to drivers and guides
- Hotel incidentals including mini bar and room service

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