

INTO THE SNOW WALL: JAPAN'S FAMOUS ALPINE ROUTE

APRIL 24 - MAY 1, 2020
USD 2,888 / person

DAY 01 (FRI) APR 24 MANILA / IBARAKI

Upon arrival, we will be transferred to Ibaraki to visit Ushitsu Daibutsu and see one of the top 5 tallest Buddha Statues in the world (120m).

DAY 02 (SAT) APR 25 IBARAKI - NIKKO - MATSUMOTO

A blooming day awaits as we enter the scenic Hitachi Seaside Park. This spacious park is known for its seasonal flowers and for this season, we get to see the hills filled with blue Nemophilia Flowers. Next, we continue to Ashikaga Flower Park where we will see a 150-year old Wisteria tree and admire its blooms alongside the other varieties.

DAY 03 (SUN) APR 26 KARUZAWA - ALPINE ROUTE - TOYAMA

We have come to the highlight of our trip. The Tateyama Kurobe Alpine Route is a unique and spectacular route through the Northern Japan Alps. Completed in 1971, the route connects Toyama City in Toyama Prefecture with Omachi Town in Nagano Prefecture. In spring, accumulated snow, especially around the upper sections of Midagahara and Murodo, form a majestic snow corridor whose snow walls reach up to 20 meters high. Our tour date is the perfect time to see this. Walk and admire this magnificent wonder then we travel to Toyama for overnight.

DAY 04 (MON) APR 27 TOYAMA - TAKAYAMA - SHIRAKAWAGO VILLAGE - KANAZAWA

Walk around the quaint village of Furukawa and get to see little craft shops plus Koi that are just swimming along the streams. Visit Takayama Old Town which has been beautifully preserved with old houses and streets dating back to the Edo Period. Lastly, we enter a Shirakawago this UNESCO World Heritage Site is known for its thatched and steep roof houses built to withstand the heavy snow.

DAY 05 (TUE) APR 28 KANAZAWA - GUJO HACHIMAN - NAGOYA

Our first stop will be the Kenruoken Garden which is considered one of the most beautiful gardens in Japan. Just beside it is the 21st Century Museum which houses exhibits from acclaimed contemporary artists all over the world. Then we visit Gujo Hachiman. Get a chance to try this food replica making experience - certified enjoyable!

DAY 06 (WED) APR 29 NAGOYA - SHIZUOKA

We explore Nagoya and visit the Osukannon Temple, a Buddhist Temple that was built during the Kamakura Period. Enjoy a shopping spree at the Osu Shopping Street with over 1,200 stores! See how Unagi Pie is made in their factory. Transfer to Shizuoka where we will see the Horai Bridge which is the longest wooden pedestrian bridge in the world (897m).

DAY 07 (THU) APR 30 SHIZUOKA - TOKYO

Today, we experience the art of tea-picking and enjoy sweet strawberries as we get them straight from the ground. In the afternoon, we enter another world in Kamakura's Bamboo Grove. Relax while walking through a scenery of 2000 bamboos. Then we proceed to Tokyo for our last night.

DAY 08 (FRI) MAY 1 TOKYO / MANILA

This morning will be free for you to explore the city before our flight back to Manila.

IMPORTANT:

- USD 500 non-refundable deposit is required for reservation
- Minimum 20 passengers

INCLUSIONS:

- RT Airfare
- Full board Meals
- Travel insurance
- 4 star hotel accomodation
- Tips and gratuities
- Filipino Tour Escort

EXCLUSIONS:

- Airline Taxes (USD 105 subject to change)
- Japan Visa Processing (PHP 1,500)