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Immerse yourself in nature and enjoy some peaceful moments surrounded by the beauty and tranquility of the great outdoors.

SHIKOKU: KAGAWA – TOKUSHIMA – KOCHI – AIHIME 6 DAYS 周遊四國(香川・徳島・高知・愛媛)6天



HIGH LIGHTS OF THE TOUR

The Shikoku region offers stunning natural scenery and is a favorite among Japanese travelers for its adventure trips. However, it remains a hidden gem for many foreign visitors.

DAY 0: ARRIVAL

This day can be flexible to accommodate various versions and is **NOT INCLUDED** in this itinerary, except for the **hotel**. We refer to these 2 options:

Option 1: HOTEL + AIRPORT TRANSFER + WITH or WITHOUT SIGHTSEEING

If you arrive on this day and your flight lands between **5:30 AM and 7:30 AM**, we can provide meet and pick-up services at the airport, and begin **Day 1** of the itinerary.

For flights landing between **8:00 AM and 12:00 PM**, we offer airport pick-up and a half-day Osaka city tour, featuring Osaka's landmarks such as Osaka Castle, Shinsaibashi Shopping Arcade, Dotonbori, Kuromon Market, Nipponbashi, and Shinsekai.

For flights arriving after **12:00 PM**, we can only arrange airport transportation. We can also provide pick-up services at the port, train station, or any location upon request.

Lunch, dinner, or both can be arranged upon request.

Option 2: HOTEL ONLY

If you do not need airport transportation or if each member arrives on different flights, you can transfer to your hotel on your own. We can provide full instructions for bus and train routes from the airport to Tokyo Station upon request. Additionally, we are happy to arrange private airport pick-up services for each member upon request.

You can also arrive a few days before our trip and arrange your own accommodations. Just ensure you check into the hotel we have arranged for the trip on this day by yourself. Check-in time starts at 3:00 PM.

Hotel: ○ B: x L: x D: x

DAY 1: KANSAI AIRPORT/ OSAKA CITY – KOMATSU



Udon-making class
烏龍麵製作體驗



Ritsurin Garden
栗林公園



Yashima-ji Temple
屋島寺

Pick up at Kansai Airport or Osaka city, then head to Kagawa Prefecture via the **Akashi Kaikyo Bridge**. Known as the “**Udon Prefecture**,” Kagawa offers a unique taste of its famous udon. **Experience local handmade culture with an udon-making class** and enjoy lunch with the freshly made udon.

In the afternoon, visit **Ritsurin Garden**, a stroll-style daimyo garden designated a Special Place of Scenic Beauty by the national government. Explore **Yashima-ji Temple**, the **84th temple** of the 88 Shikoku Pilgrimage, home to Minoyama Daimyojin, the god of fertility, matchmaking, and family harmony.

Dinner and relaxation to conclude the day.

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DAY 2: KOMATSU – MATSUYAMA – DOGO ONSEN



Matsuyama Castle
松山城



Shiki Memorial Museum
志木記念館



Dogo Onsen
道後温泉

The day starts with a visit to **Matsuyama Castle**, accessible by cable car or lift. Recognized as one of Japan's **100 Famous Castles** and one of Japan's **100 Beautiful Historical Landscapes**, it offers a breathtaking view that can appear as if floating on a sea of clouds, weather permitting.

Next, visit the **Shiki Memorial Museum**, dedicated to the Meiji-era haiku and tanka poet Shiki, before heading to Dogo Onsen. **Dogo Onsen** is one of Japan's three oldest hot springs, boasting **over 3,000 years of history**. It has hosted many notable figures, including Prince Shotoku, Poet Shiki, and novelist Natsume Soseki. The onsen is prominently featured in Soseki's novel "Bocchan" and is a key tourist destination in Ehime Prefecture.

See the "**Bocchan Trick Clock**," inspired by the popular Japanese TV show "Bocchan." End the day by enjoying and relaxing at Dogo Onsen hot springs.

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DAY 3: DOGO ONSEN – UCHIKO – CAPE ASHIZURI – SHIMANTO



Uchiko Town
内子街景



Shimanto River Cruise
四万十川観光遊覧船



Cape Ashizuri
足折岬

For a journey back in time, **Uchiko Town** is a must-visit. With townscapes preserved **since the Edo period**, it offers a unique blend of history and magnificent nature.

Next, **cruise along the Shimanto River** on a **roof boat (Yakatabune)**, enjoying the tranquil scenery and seasonal delicacies. **Lunch is served with a close-up view** of the clear stream, perfect for soaking in the relaxed travel mood.

After lunch, head to **Cape Ashizuri** in Tosashimizu City, located in the southwest of Kochi Prefecture. This cape, part of Ashizuri-Uwakai National Park, juts out into the Pacific Ocean, offering stunning coastal views.

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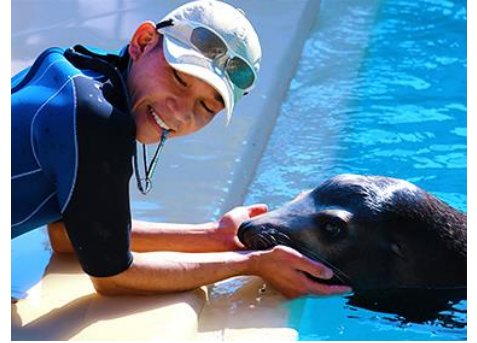
DAY 4: SHIMANTO – KOCHI



Hirome Market
弘人市場



Birthplace of Iwasaki Yataro
岩崎彌太郎出生地



Katsurahama Aquarium
桂濱水族館

Starting Day 4 with a visit to **Hirome Market**, a bustling local market filled with unique shops, including fishmongers, butchers, general goods, clothing stores, and restaurants.

Next, visit the **birthplace of Iwasaki Yataro**, the founder of Nippon Yusen, which later became the **Mitsubishi Group**. Along with his brother Iwasaki Yanosuke, Yataro was a pivotal figure in the Iwasaki family.

After exploring Iwasaki Yataro's birthplace, head to **Katsurahama Aquarium**. This historic aquarium, opened in **1931**, offers the chance to see schools of akame, a rare fish native to Tosa Bay, and to **feed sea turtles and penguins**.

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DAY 5: KOCHI – IYA – TOKUSHIMA



Iya Kazura Bridge
祖谷葛橋



Oboke Gorge Boat
大歩危峡谷遊船



Awa Odori Performance
阿波舞表演

On Day 5, visit **Iya Kazura Bridge**, one of Japan's **3 rare bridges**. Made of vines weighing about **5 tons** and replaced every three years, it offers a unique and thrilling experience.

Next, explore **Oboke Gorge** and enjoy a cruise on the Yoshino River. The **Oboke Gorge Sightseeing Boat** takes a 30-minute round trip, gliding through the valley and providing stunning views of crystalline schists, resembling marble sculptures formed by the river's erosion. The boat ride offers a picturesque view of the changing seasons, from fresh greenery in summer to autumn leaves and winter snow.

A must-see on a Shikoku trip is the “**Awa Odori**” dance in its hometown. At the **Awa Odori Hall**, you can experience Tokushima's world-renowned Awa Odori dance anytime. Enjoy performances by the hall's exclusive group, **Awa no Kaze**, and other famous groups all year round.

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DAY 6: TOKUSHIMA – NARUTO – AWAJI ISLAND – OSAKA CITY / KANSAI AIRPORT



Naruto Whirlpools
鳴門漩渦



Naruto Whirlpools Cruise
鳴門漩渦潮汐船



Akashi Kaikyo National Government
Park

The last day of our trip promises a stunning adventure with visits to the **Naruto Whirlpools** and **Akashi Kaikyo National Government Park**.

Start with the **Naruto Whirlpools**, natural phenomena occurring in the Naruto Strait and Minami Awaji. These whirlpools can **reach up to 30 meters** in diameter during high tides. Experience the majestic whirlpools up close on a high-speed observation boat, perfect for capturing impressive photos.

** If the whirlpools are not active, a guided tour of the Naruto Bridge will be provided.

Next, visit the **Akashi Kaikyo National Government Park**. Spanning about 40 hectares, this park features **flowers in all seasons** and boasts some of the largest playground equipment in the Kansai region, making it a fun destination for both children and adults.

Trip ends at Kansai Airport or Osaka city.

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Note: The photos are intended solely to inspire your imagination.

Meaning of symbols: × = NO / ○ = YES / B = Breakfast / L = Lunch / D = Dinner