

Dold World Journeys presents

Grand Momiji (*Fall Foliage*) 13 Days

Mt. Fuji, Japan Alps, & Mt. Koya



Dates & Prices

Leave **Wed. Nov. 04** – Return **Mon. Nov. 16, 2020** - **\$5,275**
Single Room - \$920 / Land Only - \$4,610 / Insurance – fr. \$37

First 15 to sign up **Save \$100**. Second 15, **Save \$75**.

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Highlights

- 11 nights in First or Superior First-Class hotels. **Custom First-Class Bobby Chinen** and **Nippon Travel Agency**. 11 (B) Buffet-style breakfasts, 3 (L) Lunch with one in the Japan Alps at Hotel Tateyama (*Japan’s highest located hotel*), and 5 (D) Dinners including a Sayonara Dinner in Yokohama.
- Hosted by **Alex Dold. Michi Goto** as our passionate and caring English-Speaking Director. Twin-bedded (*majority western style*) rooms with private bath or shower, hotel taxes, service charges and tips for baggage handling (*where available*) at hotels.
- **United Airlines** from Honolulu. Electric Trolley Bus, Cable Car, single-span Ropeway, Highland Bus, Rickshaw ride, JR Bullet Train, Boat cruise on Lake Ashi, Sumida River Cruise. Private motorcoach with air - conditioning.
- Overnights in Tokyo, Tateshina Spa, Omachi Spa, Toyama, Kanazawa, Osaka, Kyoto, Hakone, and Yokohama
- Unique experiences like apple picking, Daio Wasabi Farm, Japan Alps experience, Washi papermaking, Landmark Tower (*second tallest building in Japan*) and Tokyo Skytree (*Japan’s tallest structure*), plus, plus, plus.
- Highlights included Zenkoji Temple, Kurobe Dam (*Japan’s tallest*), Wajima *Asaichi* Market, Echizen Washi Village, Shingon Buddhist Temple Town (*on Mt. Koya*), Eikando Temple, Yamashita Park, Tsukiji Market, Ameya Yokocho and more.
- Scenic highlights are Lake Kawaguchi, Mt. Fuji (*5th Station*), Mt. Tateyama (*Japan Alps*), Sea of Japan, Kenrokuen Park, Mt. Koya, Arashiyama Bamboo Forest, Lake Ashi, Owakudani (*Great Boiling*) Sulfur Valley, and tons of *Fall Foliage* colors (*God Willing!*).
- Onsen in Tateshina Spa, Omachi Spa, and Hakone.

Itinerary

Day 1. Honolulu Departure. Our gorgeous Momiji *Fall Foliage* journey begins today with a late morning departure for Narita, Japan. We lose one day crossing the International Date Line. Our preliminary flight schedule is ready and displayed online at doldworldjourneys.com under Momiji journey's page.

Day 2. Arrival in Narita, Japan. A comfortable flight brings us to the Narita International Airport in the mid-afternoon. After completing Immigration and **Customs** formalities we proceed to the lobby area and meet **Michi** our passionate and energetic English-speaking director. We transfer by private coach to the Grand Nikko Tokyo Daiba Hotel for the night. Alex and Michi will be available to make the most out of our stay.

Day 3. Via Mt Fuji to Tateshina Spa. After breakfast we head south for **Lake Kawaguchi**, the second largest of the *Fuji Five Lakes*. From here if the weather is clear, we'll see majestic *Mt. Fuji* in her splendor. Weather permitting our coach will take us to the **5th Station** at which point cars may no longer advance. Here we break with time for photos and souvenirs.

Later we continue to **Tateshina Spa** located in the Nagano Prefecture. The area is known for its beautiful nature, natural spas and apple orchards. The Takinoyu Grand Hotel is our home for tonight. After dinner savor a mountain stream open-air bath where you can enjoy the sight of the *Takinoyu River* flowing below you. Be healed by these soothing bathing facilities located right in the middle of nature. Enjoy the gentle sound of the babbling brook and the natural scenery of Tateshina! *Remember to wear your Yukata to dinner.* (B), (D)

Day 4. Via Nagano to Omachi Spa. Today we travel a short distance west to **Nagano**, the capital of the Nagano Prefecture and home of the 1998 Winter Olympic Games. Here we visit the **Zenkoji Temple**, one of the most important and popular temples in Japan. It was founded in the 7th century and stores the first Buddhist statue ever to be brought into Japan. Next try our hand at *apple picking* at a nearby orchard.

After our lunch break, we head to **Daio Wasabi Farm**, one of Japan's largest. Within the farm stands the **Daio Shrine**, which enshrines the spirit of an ancient local hero, Hachimen Daio, after which the farm has been named and who is considered the farm's protector. Then continue to **Omachi Spa** where we spend the night at the Tateyama Prince Hotel. Why not take a relaxing Onsen bath before and after dinner (*and maybe again in the morning before we leave*)? *Remember to wear your Yukata to dinner.* (B), (D)

Day 5. Via the Japan Alps to Toyama. Get ready to enjoy a variety of transportation means as we experience the amazing beauty of the *Japan Alps*. Begin with a coach transfer to the **Ogizawa Station** for a short ride on the *Electric Trolley Bus* to the **Kurobe Dam**. Take a leisurely stroll along Japan's tallest dam at 615 feet before jumping on a *Cable Car* which runs inside a tunnel to **Kurobedaira**. Next is the single-span *Ropeway* which provides magnificent panoramic bird's eye views of the surrounding mountain scenery. After arriving in **Daikanbo** we take another *Electric Trolley Bus* to **Murodo**, our highest point along our route at 8,038 feet. Here we savor lunch at the **Hotel Tateyama**. Japan's highest located hotel.

From **Murodo**, we take the *Highland Bus* for about an hour ride to **Bijyodaira** with a few stops along the way. Once again, we travel on a *Cable Car* to **Tateyama Station** where our coach is waiting to take to **Toyama** located on the coast of the *Sea of Japan* in the Chubu region. We overnight at the Ana Crown Plaza Hotel. (B), (L), (D) ** Timing with our Japan Alps experience is crucial. If you feel you may have difficulty keeping up, you can skip the Alps and travel with our coach driver.*

Day 6. Via Wajima to Kanazawa. Shoppers will delight in our first stop, **Wajima's** famous "*Asaichi*" morning market (*be sure to carry bags with you*). With more than 200 stalls standing in a row on the approximately 360-meter-long street selling fresh vegetables, mountain plants, smoked abalone, top shell, fish, and dried foods from this area, there is bound to be something that will catch your eye. There are also shops providing traditional arts and crafts like Wajima-nuri lacquerware. Savor lunch at a leading Restaurant. Then proceed to **Kanazawa** and explore the famous **Kenrokuen Park**, one of Japan's three most famous landscape garden parks. Later we transfer to the Kanazawa Nikko Hotel. Tonight, we will wander through nearby Kanazawa Station in search of dinner. (B), (L)

Day 7. Via Fukui to Osaka. Our first stop this morning is in **Fukui** at the *Echizen Washi Village*. It is said that the paper making process was first introduced in Echizen 1,500 year ago and to this day it remains one of the largest washi industries in Japan. We'll participate in *Washi papermaking*. Later we continue for **Osaka** driving on the *Hokuriku Expressway*. Osaka is a large port city and commercial center. It is known for its modern architecture, nightlife and hearty street food. Tonight, we stay at the Osaka Granvia Hotel. Our hotel is directly connected to the *JR Osaka Station* with many dinner options and shops. (B)

Day 8. Via Mt Koya to Kyoto. After breakfast we depart Osaka and savor the *fall foliage* as we drive up to **Mt Koya** for a full day of exploration. Mt Koya is the center of *Shingon Buddhism*, an important Buddhist sect which was introduced to Japan in 805 by Kobo Daishi (*also known as Kukai*), one of Japan's most significant religious figures. A small, secluded temple town has developed around the sect's headquarters that Kobo Daishi built on Koyasan's wooded mountaintop. Savor lunch at a leading restaurant. After our sightseeing we drive to **Kyoto** where are home for the next two nights is the Hotel Okura Kyoto. (B), (L)

Day 9. Kyoto and Arashiyama Fall Foliage Discovery. We start our day at the **Eikando Temple** noted for its beautiful red Momiji. The temple has a long history, and there are a variety of buildings and a pond garden built alongside the base of the hillside. Later we travel to the outskirts of Kyoto to discover **Arashiyama** known for both its cherry blossoms and fall colors. Here we enjoy a *rickshaw ride* through the beautiful *Bamboo Forest*. Free time for lunch and shopping at Aeon Mall before heading back to Kyoto. Dinner is on our own. If you are interested in eating on "Tonkatsu," follow Alex to the Katsukura Restaurant tonight. (B) ***Please remember to pack 2 nights of clothing for Hakone and Yokohama in an overnight bag.*

Day 10. Via Mishima to Hakone. This morning we transfer to the **Kyoto Station**. Before we depart on a *JR Bullet Train* for **Mishima** we'll pick up lunch at the station to eat on board. Our coach is waiting for us on arrival in Mishima and whisks us away to **Hakone**, where we enjoy a delightful boat cruise on *Lake Ashi*. If we are lucky and it is a clear day, Mt. Fuji will reveal herself to us.

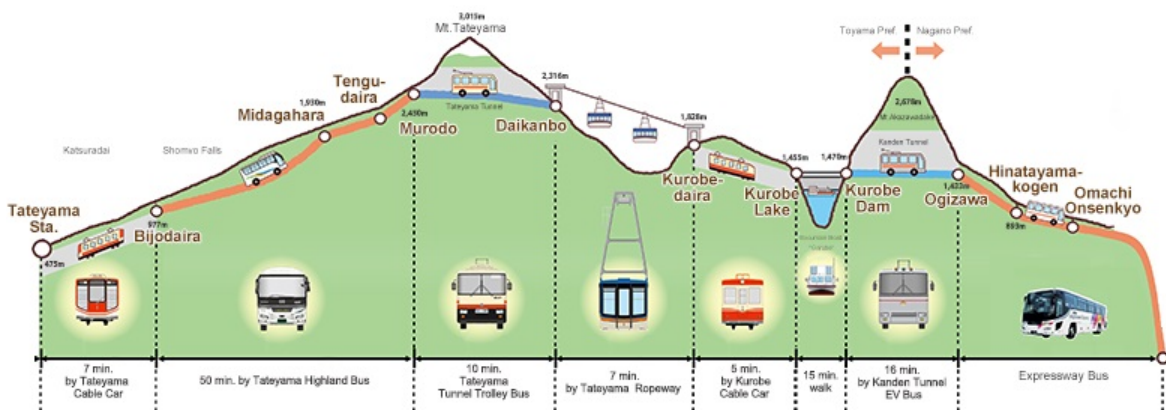
Then continue to **Owakudani "Great Boiling" Valley** to view its sulfur vents and hot springs. The daring may wish to try a local specialty of eggs that are hard boiled in the hot springs and that turn black and smell slightly sulfuric as a result. Consuming the eggs is said to increase longevity; eating one is said to add seven years to your life. Tonight, take advantage of our last chance on this journey for a peaceful Onsen bath at our hotel. Hotel Hana Ori. *Remember to wear your Yukata to dinner.* (B), (D)

Day 11. To Yokohama. After breakfast we travel to **Yokohama** via *Otome Pass* and *Tomei Expressway*. The *Otome Pass* is known as one of the three best spots to view Mt. Fuji on a clear day. On arrival in Yokohama we visit the **Landmark Tower** which is the second tallest building in Japan standing at 972 feet. Then drive by **Yamashita Park**. It's the first seaside park in Japan located right in front of the Yokoyama Port and stretches half a mile from the east side of Osanbashi to Yamashita Pier. We check in at the Yokohama Bay Sheraton Hotel for the night and savor a delicious **Sayonara Buffet Dinner**. (B), (D)

Day 12. To Tokyo. Today we travel a short distance to **Tokyo**. Our first stop is at **Tsukiji Market**, the biggest wholesale and seafood market in the world. Next, experience the **Tokyo Skytree**, a television broadcasting tower and landmark of Tokyo. With a height of 2,080 feet it is the tallest structure in Japan and was the second tallest in the world at the time of its completion. We'll spend some time at the *first observation deck* with its magnificent views, shops and restaurants. Later we take a shopping break at **Ameya Yokocho** for dried scallops, tiramisu candies and more. Then we check in at the Grand Nikko Tokyo Daiba Hotel and head to the Aqua City (*and/or Diver City*) Mall to wander and forage for dinner. Michi and Alex will be on hand to help. (B)

Day 13. To Honolulu. This morning we are free until departure. A little before noon we'll pack our checked luggage and carry-on bags for transport and take a short stroll to the **Odaiba Seaside Park**. Here we board the famous **Sumida River Cruise** for a unique views of prime Tokyo landmarks such as *Tokyo Skytree*, *Rainbow Bridge*, and the unusually shaped *Asahi Group Headquarters Building*.

We disembark near Asakusa and transfer to Narita International Airport by motorcoach, check in for our United Airlines flight, and entertain ourselves until boarding. Perhaps do some last-minute shopping or grab one more tonkatsu meal? The choice is ours. En route to Honolulu we enjoy refreshments and a full meal approximately one hour after take-off. We arrive in Honolulu in the morning of the same day, clear Immigration and Customs, and have visions of our fabulous *Fall Foliage* experience in Japan. (B)



General Conditions – Grand Momiji Japan

DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT: A **CHECK deposit of \$250** per person is required with your **RESERVATION FORM** to secure your space. This deposit is part of your final payment which is due no later than **65 days** prior to departure. You will receive a final payment request approximately two weeks before the due date. CHECK is the main form of payment (*credit card maybe used for the airfare charged via ES International - DWJ's ticketing agent*). **THIS IS NOT A GLOBUS FAMILY JOURNEY.**

Sign-up discounts are combinable with other discounts but are not transferable to other programs. **Land-only** space is limited. Land price does NOT include airport transfers, dayrooms, or pre or post night hotel accommodations. *These can be purchased.*

CANCELLATION AND REFUND: Full refund* will be made if cancellation is received up to **120 days** prior to departure; thereafter, only the monies which will be recovered from the hotels, tour operators, airlines, etc., will be refunded. No refund will be made for services not used once the journey commences. All refunds or penalties are subject to rules and tariffs of the vendors concerned. (*Note: *Once your airline ticket is issued it is non-refundable.*) There is a \$25 fee for any changes made after 90 days.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: We recommended purchasing the Travelex Travel Insurance with your FINAL PAYMENT. A copy of the coverage offered for this journey can be found online. This insurance is **non-refundable**. If you purchase insurance with your FINAL PAYMENT, you WILL be COVERED for a PRE-EXISTING condition.

PRICE: Prices are per person based on two people sharing a room and accurate as of January 21, 2020. The price is based on the rate of **108 yen to the dollar**. If the yen/dollar exchange rate changes significantly, we will alter the price of the journey. We need a minimum of 20 people to operate this program.

PRICE INCLUDES: The journey price includes airfare (and taxes) based on a special group to Japan, which is subject to certain restrictions; accommodations in First or Superior First Class hotels/ships, based on two people sharing a room with private facilities (bath or shower); meals as indicated in the itinerary, (B) breakfast, (L) lunch, and (D) dinner; and entrance fees where applicable.

NOT INCLUDED: The trip price does not include passport expenses; meals not listed above and all beverages; Country tax; airline baggage fees; baggage and health insurance; laundry expenses; and all items of a purely personal nature. Tips to local guides, coach drivers, and hotel personnel; excursions, city sightseeing, and entrance fees are excluded unless specifically noted in the itinerary.

PASSPORT AND DOCUMENTS: A passport valid 6 months past the date of your return with 2 blank visa pages is required. Tourist Visas are not required for U.S. citizens on this program. A copy of your passport is due with final payment.

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: Single rooms are **VERY limited**. For persons traveling alone who wish to share hotel rooms, every effort will be made to find you a roommate; however, if this is not possible, through choice or circumstance, the single supplement must be charged (*if a single room is still available*).

SIGHTSEEING AND TRANSFERS: All sightseeing and transfers are by private deluxe air-conditioned and heated motorcoach. No Smoking on coaches.

BAGGAGE: Due to limited motorcoach capacity, only one suitcase (50 lbs. maximum) and one carry-on per person will be allowed. Porterage for this suitcase is included in the journey's price (*where available*). Airline baggage fees are not included. No responsibility is accepted for loss of or damage to baggage or any of the passengers' belongings. We strongly recommend buying travel insurance.

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Reservation Form

Grand Momiji Japan

Date of Tour: **November 04, 2020**

To **secure a space**, please submit a per person **\$250 CHECK** deposit (*made out to Dold World Journeys, LLC*) **AND** complete, sign, and return this form by e-mail or mail. The deposit **PLUS** this form could earn you a **discount**.

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Name (1): Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____

Roommate (2): Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____

Correspondence & Billing Information

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Other Phone _____

Email _____

In Case Of Emergency While On Tour, Please Notify

Name _____ Relation _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Other Phone _____

Secure Flight Passenger Information

We need your LEGAL NAME and BIRTH DATE for all tours

Passport copies are due with final payment for all international tours, including Canada & Mexico.

Person 1

Legal Name _____ Birth Date _____

Citizenship _____ Example: United States, Japan, Philippines

Person 2

Legal Name _____ Birth Date _____

Citizenship _____ Example: United States, Japan, Philippines

By signing this application, I acknowledge that I have read the General Conditions and agree with the terms outlined therein.

Signature _____

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