

Educational Trip Proposal

Dream Academy-Japan March 18 -29 2025 11 nights (1 night on the plane)/12 days 110 students/ 16 chaperones



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Inclusions

- Roundtrip airfare from San Francisco to Japan
- Transfers to and from San Francisco airport
- 4 nights hotel accommodation in Tokyo
- 5 nights hotel accommodation in Kyoto
- American style breakfast at al hotels
- Daily transportation via luxury motor coach
- English speaking guide (1 per bus) for the duration of your trip
- Visit to Meiji Shinto Shrine
- Admission to Japan Olympic Museum
- Exterior visit to Tokyo Imperial Palace
- Visit to Asakusa Kannon Temple and Nakamise shopping street
- Admission to technology showroom
- Visit to Akihabara Electric Town

- Bullet train from Tokyo to Kyoto
- Admission to Kiyomizu-dera Temple
- Admission to Kinkaku-ji Temple
- Visit to Nishiki Market
- Japanese Tea Ceremony experience
- Admission to NiJo Castle
- Half day trip to Nara
- Admission to Todaiji Temple
- Visit to Fushimi Inari Shrine
- Admission to Osaka Castle
- Visit to AmerikaMura
- Visit to Dotonbori district
- All taxes and fees
- Admission to top deck of Tokyo Tower

NOT INCLUDED:

- Travel Insurance: All payments are non-refundable. Travel insurance is available and highly recommended. The Go Ready Pandemic Plus Plan with the cancellation for any reason benefit upgrade (CFAR) allows for a 75% refund up to 48 hours prior to your trip. Insurance rates are based on the age of the traveler and the total cost of the trip. EDU Trips does NOT purchase insurance on behalf of the traveler. Insurance must be purchased individual using the following link: https://goreadyinsurance.com/partners/tic/ticweb/single-trip/guotes
- Baggage fees
- Gratuities for bus driver and hotel cleaning staff.
- Personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls, mini- bar etc.
- Meals other than mentioned
- Trip Insurance (can be purchased at time of deposit)
- Tourist visa/visa processing
- Admission to Disneyland
- Admission to Universal Studios



Prices per Person

Occupancy	Rate
Quad	\$3999

Prices are per person based on a minimum of <u>42</u> paying travelers per bus. If the number of travelers drops below 42, prices may increase.

Reservations/Payments

Payment	Amount	Due Date
1st Deposit	\$399	TBD

A monthly of **\$399** per person is due by the 7th of each month with the final payment due March 1, 2025

Please note that availability and rates quoted are at the time of sending this trip proposal. Transfers, accommodations, excursions, and other arrangements are not being held and are subject to change in rate and availability at the time of confirmation. A signed contract is required to confirm all services.



<u>Air Itinerary</u>

GROUP 1: (80 Passengers)

Departs March 19, 2025, on EVA Air flight #17 at 1210 am from San Francisco airport to Taipei, Taiwan airport Arrives in Taipei, Taiwan airport March 20 at 5:10 am Departs on March 20 at 7:55 am on EVA Air flight # 184 from Taipei, Taiwan airport to Narita airport

Arrives in Narita airport at 12:00 pm

Departs on March 29 on EVA Air flight #131 at 12:55 pm from Kansai airport to Taipei, Taiwan airport Arrives in Taipei, Taiwan airport March 29 at 3:05 pm Departs March 29 at 7:50 pm on EVA Air flight number #18 from Taiwan airport to San Francisco airport Arrives in San Francisco airport at 4:00 pm

Group 2: (50 passengers)

Departs March 19, 2025, on EVA Air flight #27 at 12:40 am from San Francisco airport to Taipei, Taiwan airport Arrives in Taipei, Taiwan airport March 20 at 5:40 am Departs on March 20 at 8:50 am on EVA Air flight # 198 from Taipei, Taiwan airport to Narita airport Arrives in Narita airport at 12:55 pm

Departs on March 29 on EVA Air flight #129 at 5:45 pm from Kansai airport to Taipei, Taiwan airport Arrives in Taipei, Taiwan airport March 29 at 8:05 pm

Departs March 29 at 11:30 pm on EVA Air flight number #28 from Taipei, Taiwan airport to San Francisco airport Arrives in San Francisco airport at 7:40 pm



Day 1: Tuesday, March 18 2025 Evening departure for San Francisco airport

Day 2: Wednesday, March 19 2025 TRAVEL DAY Departure for Japan

Day 3: Thursday, March 20 2025

Flight arrives in Taipei, Taiwan and connects to flight for Tokyo Narita Airport - Flight time 3 hours / 5 minutes

Late afternoon arrival at the airport.

Meet your English speaking guides.

Enjoy a guided tour of Tokyo via your bus en route from the airport to your hotel!

Check into hotel and freshen up.

Enjoy a welcome dinner with your group. Return to the hotel and retire for the evening.







<u>Day 4: Friday, March 21 2025</u> TOKYO

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Begin your day of sightseeing with an exterior visit to Tokyo Imperial Palace. The Imperial Palace has served as the site of residence for Japanese emperors since 1868. Enjoy great views of the Palace, and the surrounding gardens.

Enjoy lunch on your own (cost not included).

Visit the Asakusa Kannon Temple. This buddhist temple is the oldest, and one of the most significant temples in Tokyo. Built in the year 645 AD, this structure was built for the goddess of Kannon. Surrounding the temple is the Nakamise Shopping Street. Full of food vendors serving local specialties, souvenirs, and themed cafes, you are sure to find something here to your liking! Head to a technology showroom. Enjoy observing and interacting with exciting pieces of technology!

Return to the hotel to freshen up before beginning your night time sightseeing tour!

Travel through Akihabara. Nick named "electric town", this area of the city is the perfect place for any techie! This area is filled with technology stores, anime merchandise and vast collections of Pokemon and Yugioh cards!

Then, enjoy admission to Tokyo Tower. Visit the top deck for stunning aerial views of the city.

Enjoy dinner with the group.

Return to the hotel and retire for the evening.



Day 5: Saturday, March 22 2025 - Admission fee to Disneyland not included (approximately \$75)

TOKYO, MAIHAMA

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Transfer to Tokyo Disney Resort! At Tokyo Disneyland, you'll find many of the same attractions that you would find at Disneyland Resort or Walt Disney World, including classics like Jungle Cruise, Haunted Mansion, "it's a small world," and Peter Pan's Flight. World Bazaar acts at Tokyo Disneyland's version of "Main Street, U.S.A," serving as the main entry corridor and primary shopping area of the parks. The theming of the area is that of early 20th-century America, with two intersecting streets: Main Street and Center Street. To help protect guests from rain, there's a permanent canopy covering both streets.

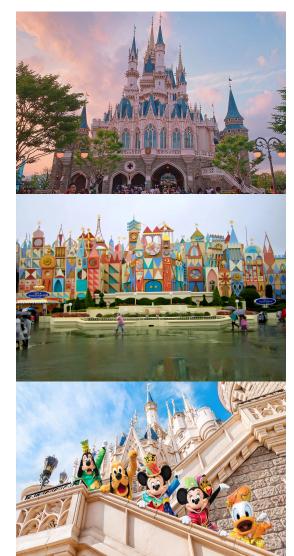
At Tokyo Disneyland, you'll find seven different lands:

- World Bazaar
- Adventureland
- Westerland
- Critter Country
- Fantasyland
- Toontown
- Tomorrowland

Enjoy dinner at the park with your group.

Group to meet and load the bus.

Arrive at the hotel and retire for the evening.





<u>Day 6: Sunday, March 23 2025</u> TOKYO

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Depart for the Meiji Shinto Shrine. This traditional Japanese Shrine is dedicated to former Emperor Meiji, and his wife. This site is steeped in culture and tradition.

Enjoy lunch at your leisure (cost not included).

Visit the world famous Shibuya Crossing. This is the world's busiest intersection!

Arrive at the Japan Olympic Museum. This site exhibits memorabilia from the various Olympic Games the country has hosted over the years! Hands on exhibits and simulators allow you to test your athletic capabilities in comparison to some of the world's greatest athletes.

Depart for Joypolis, a unique indoor theme park. As you immerse yourself in the VR-style arcade games and thrilling rides, you'll also experience the culture and technology within the Japanese entertainment industry.

Return to the hotel to freshen up.

Depart for dinner with the group.

Return to the hotel and retire for the evening.







Day 7: Monday, March 24 2025 Travel from Tokyo to Kyoto

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel. Check out of hotel and load luggage on to bus.

Depart for a visit to University of Tokyo (pending availability). This university was founded in 1877 as the nation's first modern university.

Depart Tokyo for Kyoto via Shinkansen (bullet train)! This high speed train reaches speeds of over 200 miles per hour, and is one of the most efficient forms of transportation in the world. Enjoy your lunch on board (cost not included).

Arrive in Kyoto Station. This is the main train station in Kyoto. It is filled with specialty stores, restaurants and more!

Check into your hotel.

Enjoy a free afternoon in Kyoto to explore and acquaint yourself with this charming, ancient city.

Depart for dinner with the group.

Retire for the evening.







Day 8: Tuesday, March 25 2025 KYOTO Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Visit Kiyomizu-dera Temple. This gorgeous Buddhist Temple founded in 778 AD sits on Mt. Otowa. Take in the beauty of the nature and stunning views from this site.

Next, depart for Kinkaku-Ji Temple, also known as the Golden Pavilion. This stunning structure was the retirement home for the former shogun, and was converted into a buddhist temple. It gets the name of "Golden Pavilion" because the top two floors are entirely painted in gold leaf!

Arrive at Nishiki Market. Vendors line this market serving super fresh and unique local specialities. Enjoy lunch at your leisure in the market (cost not included).

Begin your traditional Japanese Tea Ceremony. Group to watch a tea demonstration, and sample the tea and cookies served.

Head to NiJo Castle. This was built as the residence for the first Japanese Shogun. Later, it was used as an imperial palace until this property filled with gorgeous art and architecture was opened to the public.

Enjoy dinner with the group..

Return to the hotel and retire for the evening.





Day 9: Wednesday, March 26 2025 KYOTO Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Depart for Nara for a half day trip (approx 1 hour drive from Kyoto).

Arrive in Nara. Make your way through the deer park! Nara is filled with Sika deer, who are considered sacred to this area. The deer here are well known for their polite bowing. In exchange for a deer cookie (available for purchase), the deer give you a bow! Arrive at the Kasuga Grand Shrine.

Next, visit Todai-ji Temple. This grand temple holds the world's largest bronze Buddha statue! Marvel at the sheer size and craftsmanship of this statue.

Enjoy lunch in Nara before returning to Kyoto (cost not included).

Upon arrival back in Kyoto, visit the Fushimi Inari Shrine. This is one of the most iconic sites in Kyoto. It is most well known for its thousands of torii gates that line the path to the top of Mount Inari. Foxes, or Kitsunes, guard the shrine as they are the messengers of Inari.

Enjoy dinner with the group.

Retire to the hotel for the evening.





Day 10: Thursday, March 27 2025 - Admission to Universal Studios not included(approximately \$75) OSAKA, KYOTO Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Transfer to Universal Studios Osaka (approx 1 hour drive). Enjoy your day exploring the various attractions present at the park. Enjoy lunch at the park (cost not included).

Dinner with the group.

Transfer back to Kyoto.





Day 11: Friday, March 28 2025 OSAKA Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Depart for Osaka.

Osaka is the 3rd most populated city in Japan. It is known for modern architecture, great food, and incredible street style. It is approximately a 1 hour drive from Kyoto.

Arrive at Osaka Castle. Surrounded by a moat, this fortress is one of Japan's most famous landmarks, and played a role in Japan's unification. Different floors of the castle feature different parts of the castle's history, and the top level offers great aerial views of the city!

Enjoy lunch (cost not included).

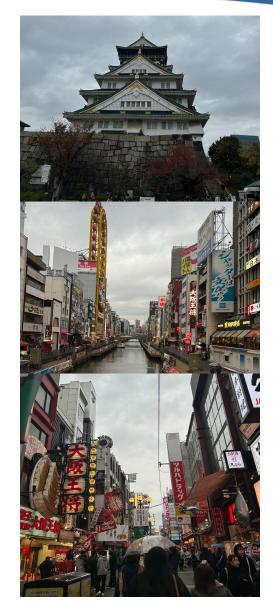
Venture to Amerikamura. This area of Osaka features vintage stores, restaurants and more, with a strong Western influence.

Depart for the Dotonbori district. This is one of Osaka's most well known neighborhoods, featuring so much life and excitement. Known for its street food, enjoy dinner here (cost not included). The local speciality in Osaka is "Takoyaki", or Octopus batter balls. Give them a try!

Farewell dinner at local restaurant.

Transfer back to Kyoto. Night of reflection at hotel.

Retire for the evening and pack for next day departure.





Day 12: Saturday, March 29 2025

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel.

Check out of rooms and board bus for the airport.

Board return flight home.



