International Friendship Week 2020
April 7-14
Itinerary
Section Japan

Day 1, Tuesday, April 7

- **Arrival at Narita International Airport**
- Welcome and Transfer to Hotel Welco by Hotel Shuttle Bus
- Accommodation
  Hotel Welco Narita
- Dinner @ Hotel with IPA Chiba Branch members

Day 2, Wednesday, April 8

- **Cherry –blossom Viewing or Ancestral Homes of Samurai and Asakusa/Tokyo**
- Breakfast @ Hotel
- Cherry-blossom viewing at the ruins of Sakura Castle
  In case of non-flowering period, Ancestral homes of Samurai in Sakura City
  Three Samurai houses were built and owned by the Sakura clan government. You will be invited into the domestic life of samurai.

- Buffet Lunch

- Sensoji-temple and Its Shopping Arcade
  Sensoji-temple is the oldest Buddhist temple in Tokyo and one of the most popular international tourist site.

- Accommodation
  Hotel Grand Arc Hanzomon

- Welcome Dinner @ Hotel
  Dinner with Board Members of IPA Japan and Tokyo members

Day 3, Thursday, April 9

- **Tour of Tokyo**
- Breakfast @ Hotel
- Imperial Palace
  The palace and residence of their Imperial Majesties Emperor and Empress. It has a beautiful contrast between historic and modern structure.

・Lunch @ Restaurant
・Tokyo Tower
Enjoy the magnificent view of Tokyo, even Mt. Fuji on a clear skies from the observation deck at 250-meter.
・Hama-rikyu Gardens
The Hama-rikyu Gardens used to be the gardens of the Tokugawa Shogunate family, originally constructed in the 17th century. Seen against the modern buildings, the Ham-rikyu Gardens looks so beautiful.

・Dinner Cruise
Enjoy dinner and the night view of Tokyo on a boat unique to Japan.

・Accommodation
Hotel Grand Arc Hanzomon

Day 4, Friday, April 10

・**Shinkansen(Bullet Train) Trip to Himeji Castle and Hiroshima**
・Breakfast @ Hotel
・Sinkasen(Bullet Train) trip from Tokyo to Himeji.
On a clear day, you'll get the spectacular view of Mt. Fuji from the train.

・Buffet Lunch

・Himeji Castle
Himeji Castle was constructed in the early 14th century. It has been designated as a National Treasure and a World Heritage Site.
・Move to Hiroshima by Shinkansen(Bullet train).

・Accommodation
Hotel Granvia Hiroshima
・Dinner
Not included

Day 5, Saturday, April 11

・**Tour of Hiroshima and Miyajima**
・Breakfast @ Hotel
・Check-out before 0800hrs.
Your luggage will be kept at the hotel until you depart for Kyoto.
・Miyajima & Itsukushima Shrine
For Miyajima and Itsukushima Shrine by train and ferryboat. *Approx. 20-*

minute walk from the pier to the Itsukushima shrine.
Miyajima is one of the top three scenic spots in Japan and a part of Setonaikai National Park. Itsukushima Shrine is located in this island. It has been designated as a World Heritage Site.

・Lunch not included

・45-minute cruise from Miyajima to Hiroshima

・Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum
Approx. 15-minute walk from the pier.
Some items that convey the devastation caused by the A-bomb attack, the photos and others are exhibited.
・A-bomb Dome (Ruin of Hiroshima Prefectural Industrial Promotion Hall)
Approx. 15-minute walk from the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum.
The A-bomb exploded at close range of the Dome. But it somehow escaped complete destruction. It has been designated as a World Heritage Site.

・Return to the hotel by street train to pick up your luggage.
・Shinkansen(Bullet Train) journey to Kyoto

・Accommodation
Hotel Shinmiyako Hotel

・Dinner
Not included

Day 6, Sunday, April 12

・**Tour of Kyoto (Ancient Capital of Japan)**
・Breakfast @ Hotel
・Kiyomizu-dera Temple
Kiyomizu-dera Temple was founded in 778. It has been designated a World Heritage Site.
・Nijo Castle
Nijo Castle was constructed in 1,603. It has been designated a National Treasure and a World Heritage Site.

・Lunch @ Restaurant

・Kinkaku-ji Temple

Kinkaku-ji Temple is known as the Temple of Golden Pavilion.

・Fushimi-Inari-Taisha Shrine

One of the most popular sightseeing site among foreign visitors.

・Return to *Hotel*

・Dinner with IPA Kyoto Branch members at Hotel

Day 7, Monday, April 13

・**Tour of National Park Hakone**

・Breakfast @ Hotel

・Shinkansen(Bullet Train) trip to Odawara

・Lake Ashi Cruising

Lake Ashi is one of the best spot for viewing Mt. Fuji.

・, Great Boiling Valley with active sulfur vents and Aerial Ropeway.

These scenic points offer a good view of Mt. Fuji on a clear day.

・Lunch @ restaurant

・Accommodation

Yokohama Grand Park Hotel

・Farewell Party

Day 8, Tuesday, April 14

・Breakfast @ Hotel

・Farewell and Departure of the participants

・Transportation for Int'l Airport Not Included

Airport Limousine available from the hotel to Haneda Int'l Airport and Narita Int'l Airport.

Note : The programs are subject to change without notice.