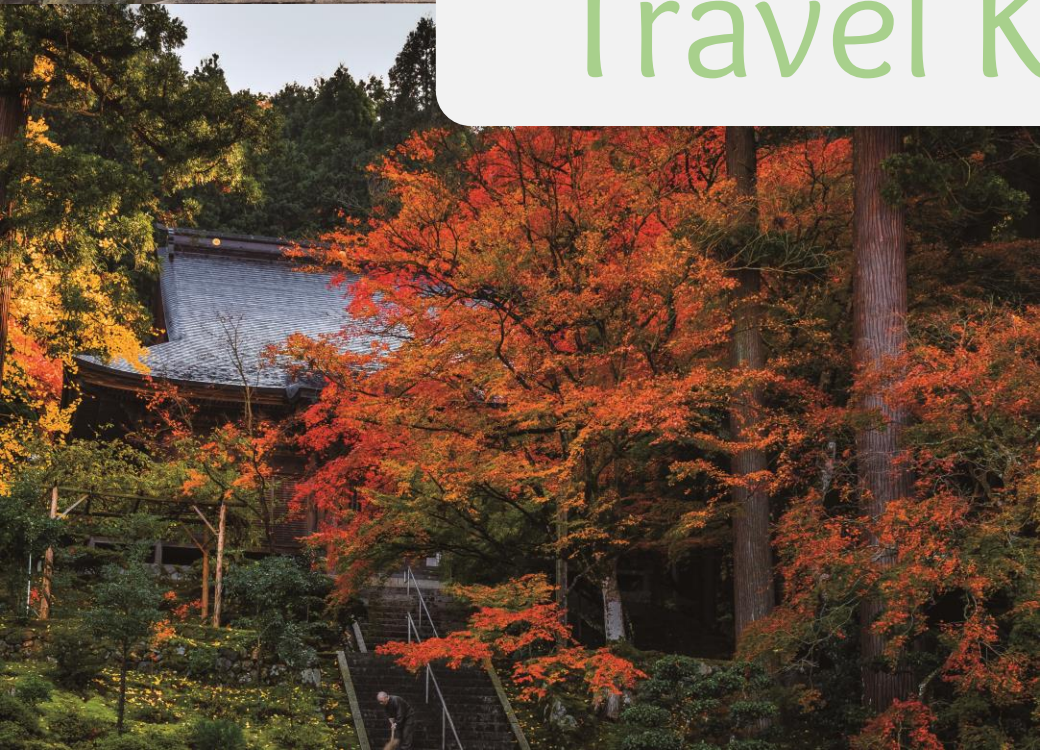
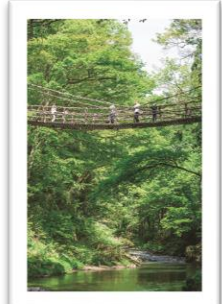
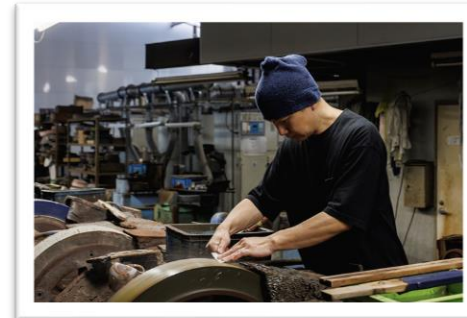


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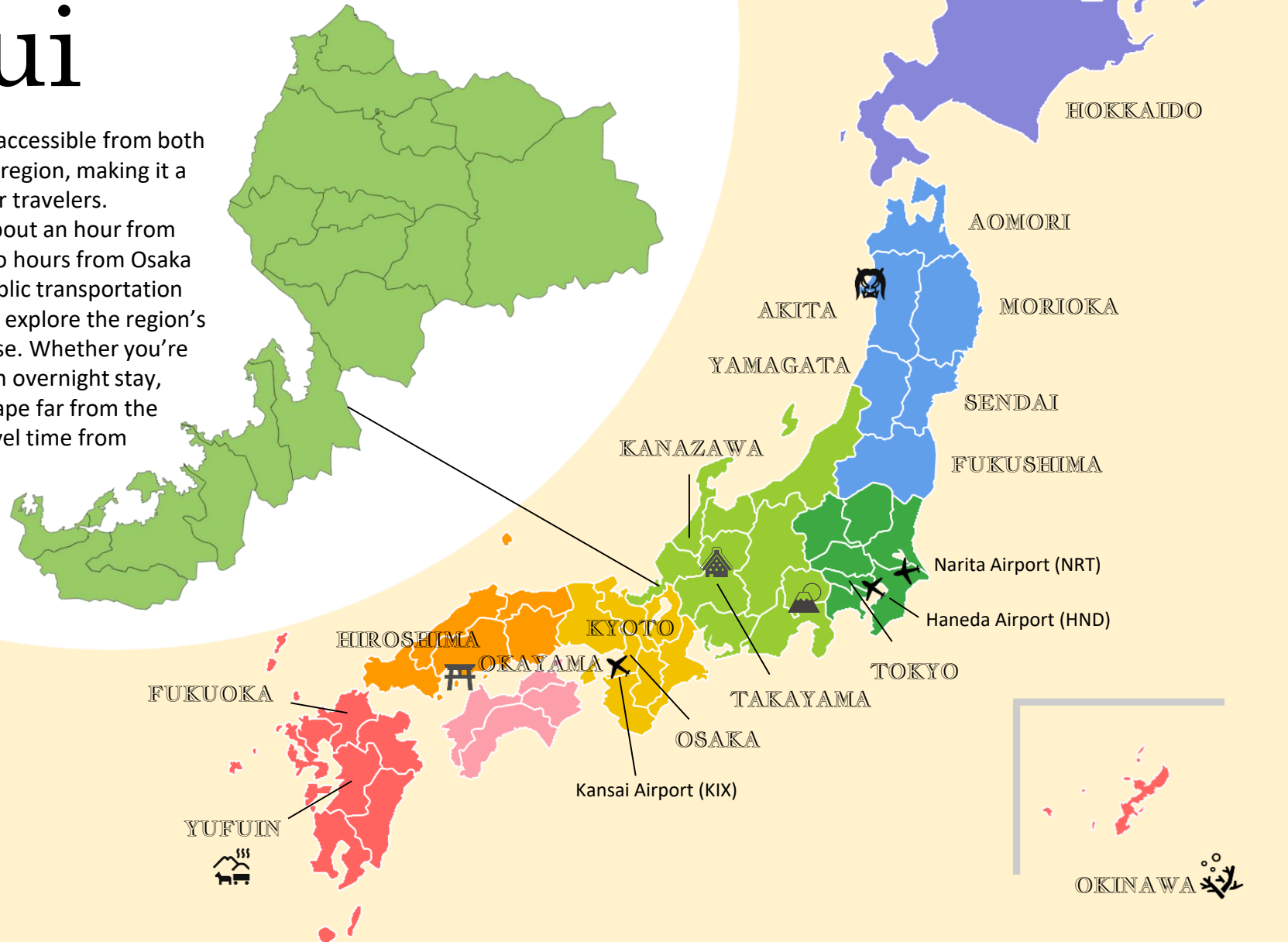
Fukui Prefecture is known for its stunning natural landscapes, including the dramatic cliffs of Tojinbo and the serene beauty of Eiheiiji Temple. It's home to the famous Fukui Prefectural Dinosaur Museum, one of the top dinosaur museums in the world. The region is also renowned for its fresh seafood, particularly Echizen crab, a delicacy in Japan. Historical towns like Mikuni offer a glimpse into Japan's rich port history, while traditional crafts such as Echizen lacquerware and paper-making thrive here. With its blend of nature, history, and culture, Fukui offers a tranquil yet enriching experience.



Welcome to Fukui

Fukui Prefecture is easily accessible from both Kanazawa and the Kansai region, making it a convenient destination for travelers.

By JR train, it takes just about an hour from Kanazawa and around two hours from Osaka or Kyoto. The efficient public transportation network allows visitors to explore the region's major attractions with ease. Whether you're coming for a day trip or an overnight stay, Fukui offers a perfect escape far from the crowds, with minimal travel time from nearby cities.



JR-WEST RAIL PASS & ONE WAY TICKET

There are a variety of great value passes available! The key for discovering the deep charms of Japan at a reduced travel cost is to take advantage of these area passes. Please visit the official JR West Japan website, where you can find information about the stations included in the pass coverage and conveniently purchase your pass as well. Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity!

<https://www.westjr.co.jp/global/en/ticket/>



HOKURIKU ONE-WAY TICKET

From Osaka to Fukui 6,000JPY (List price 7,690JPY*)

From Kyoto to Fukui 5,000JPY (List price 6,330JPY*)

Ticket can also be used for return trains.

*Price for the peak season

Available for Bullet Train "HOKURIKU SHINKANSEN" in the valid area and Limited Express "THUNDERBIRD".

Additional separate tickets are required for first class (Green Car) and other Limited Express. Check more detail here:

https://www.westjr.co.jp/global/en/ticket/pass/one_way/hokuriku/

For details



KANSAI HOKURIKU AREA PASS

7days 19,000JPY

From Kansai airport to Kyoto, Osaka, Nara, Kobe, Wakayama, Okayama, Tottori, and to Hokuriku area – Tsuruga, Fukui, Kanazawa, Toyama are included.

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HOKURIKU ARCH PASS

7 days 30,000JPY

From Narita and Haneda airports to Tokyo city center, Tokyo to Nagano, to Kanazawa to Fukui. Fukui to Kyoto and Osaka, Nara and Kobe, all the way to Kansai airport is covered!

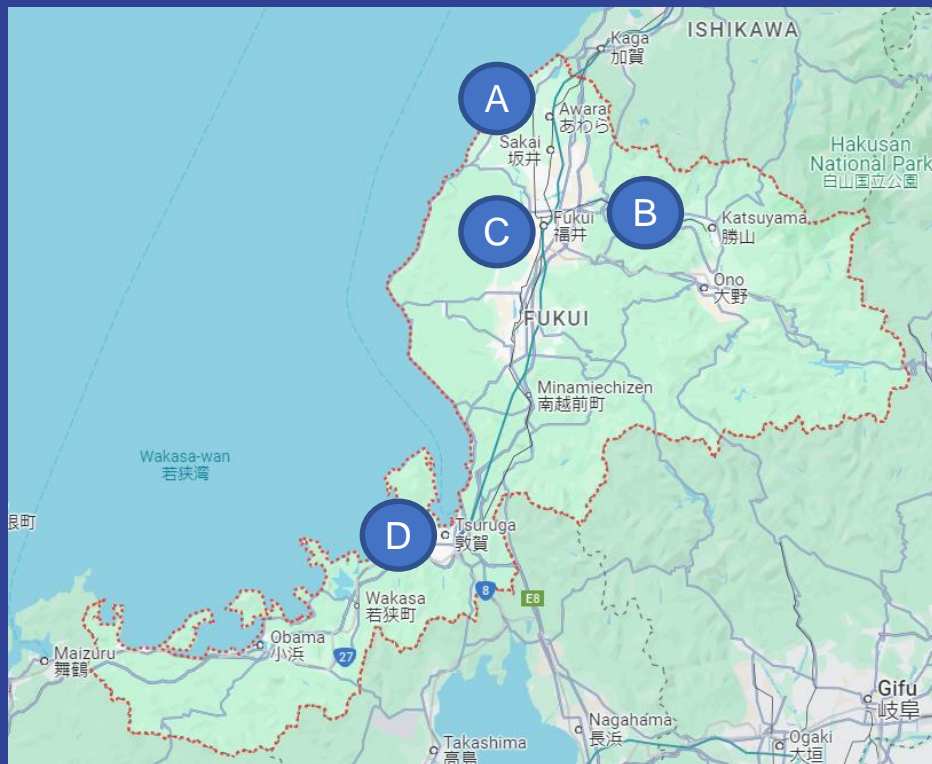
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STAY

Check our recommended hotels in Fukui!



A

Awara Onsen

Grandia Housen



B

Eiheiji

Eiheiji Hakujuken



C

Fukui

Hotel Fujita Fukui



D

Tsuruga

Hotel Granbinario Tsuruga Fukui



Have Fun in Fukui

1 Week Free Pass

Available facilities

[Attractions]

- Dinosaur Museum Admission Ticket
- Fukui Maruoka Castle Admission Ticket
- Echizen Matsushima Aquarium Admission 1,500-yen Discount Coupon
- One-day Unlimited Ticket for All Echizen Railway

[Activity]

Awara Onsen "Mimatsu"
One-day Bathing
(including towel rental).

[Food/Shopping Coupon]

- Soba Tour Coupon
Available at 5 Stores in
Front of Fukui Station
- JR Fukui Station Building
Complex "Happiring"
1,000-yen Coupon
(general use for applicable
stores inside)

1 Week Free Pass

3,000JPY

You can choose 3 options among the available attraction admission, transfer pass, outdoors experience, shopping/ food coupon. Start your pass within 90 days after purchase date and visit all the facilities or redeem the coupons within 1 week.

You can enjoy a large variety of hands-on experiences in Fukui Prefecture.



Chopstick Sharpening Experience

At the Obama Food Culture Museum, you can learn to polish your own chopsticks while discovering their importance and usage in Japanese culture. Participants can create their own unique chopsticks while learning about their shape and materials.



Soba Making Experience

In the Soba Village (Echizen City), you can make your own noodles using buckwheat flour and taste the soba you have prepared. This experience allows you to learn the art of soba making while appreciating the local ingredients and cuisine.



Knife Manufacturing Tour

At Takefu Knife Village, you can observe the knife manufacturing process and experience the craftsmanship of artisans up close. The Echizen region is known for its knife production, providing a valuable opportunity to learn about traditional forging techniques.



Washi Paper Making Experience

You can engage in the traditional craft of Echizen washi paper making, allowing you to create your own paper and understand the fascinating process behind it.



Lacquerware Painting Experience

You can learn about Echizen lacquerware and participate in a hands-on experience of painting your own lacquerware. This experience offers insight into the beauty and techniques of lacquerware.

Immerse yourself in Fukui's rich food culture and traditional crafts. Each unique experience invites you to connect with the heart and soul of this beautiful region. Don't miss the chance to create lasting memories and gain a deeper appreciation for Japan's heritage—Fukui is waiting for you!

FUKUI 2 DAYS - Tranquility of Mind

DAY 1

10:00 AM Arriving at Fukui Station

Depart from Osaka Station around 7:30 AM or from Kanazawa Station around 9:00 AM to get to Fukui Station. **Use the Hokuriku One-way Ticket from Osaka or Kyoto and a single-ride ticket or the Kansai Hokuriku Area Pass from Kanazawa station.

Take a train, bus or a taxi to Maruoka Castle.

11:00 AM Arriving at Maruoka Castle

Explore Japan's oldest existing castle keep, enjoy the view from the top, and take a stroll around the castle grounds.

**Use the Have Fun in Fukui 1 Week Free Pass for Maruoka Castle admission.

Have lunch near Maruoka Castle or return to Fukui City to enjoy local cuisine. Head towards Eihei-ji Hakujuken by bus.

2:00 PM Check-in at Eihei-ji Hakujuken

Settle in and rest.

3:00 PM Visit to Eihei-ji Temple

Eihei-ji is one of the two main temples of the Sōtō school of Zen Buddhism, the largest single religious denomination in Japan. Visit a Zen dojo with over 700 years of history and tradition.

6:00 PM Dinner (Shojin Ryori)

Enjoy a peaceful and healthy Shojin Ryori (Buddhist vegetarian cuisine) dinner in a serene atmosphere.

Relax and unwind at Eihei-ji Hakujuken.



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DAY 2

8:00 AM Breakfast at Eihei-ji Hakujuken (Shojin Ryori)

Check out and head to the Eihei-ji-guchi Station (10 mins by car or on foot). Board the Echizen Railway and travel from Eihei-ji-guchi Station to Katsuyama Station (30 mins)

**Use the Have Fun in Fukui 1 Week Free Pass for unlimited use on all the Echizen Railway Lines.

When arriving at Katsuyama Station, transfer to a taxi to visit the Great Buddha of Echizen (bus or 10 mins by taxi)

10:00 AM Tour the Great Buddha of Echizen

Walk around the grounds and admire the 17-meter tall Buddha statue.



Travel to the Dinosaur Museum (10 mins by taxi)

11:30 AM Visit the Fukui Prefectural Dinosaur Museum

Enjoy the impressive dinosaur exhibits and learn about fossil excavation.

**Use the Have Fun in Fukui 1 Week Free Pass for admission.

Have lunch at a nearby restaurant.

Head back to Katsuyama Station (10 mins by taxi)

Board the Echizen Railway and travel from Katsuyama Station to Fukui Station (apx. 1 hour)



4:00 PM Arriving at Fukui Station

Spend time shopping for souvenirs or relaxing at a café near the station.

**If you haven't used the Have Fun in Fukui 1 Week Free Pass at 3 facilities yet, you can use it for Soba Tour Coupon or a 1,000 yen Coupon at the JR Fukui Station Building Complex "Happiring".

Transfer to Osaka, Kyoto, Kanazawa, or stay one more night in Fukui!

FUKUI 2 DAYS - Scenery and Gastronomy

DAY 1

10:00 AM Arriving at Tsuruga Station

Depart from Osaka Station around 7:30 AM or Kanazawa Station around 9:00 AM to get to Tsuruga Station.

10:30 AM Visit Kehi Shrine

Stroll from Tsuruga Station to Kehi Shrine and explore this historical site.

12:30 PM Lunch at Nihonkai Sakana

Machi (by local bus, approx. 20 minutes)
Take a local bus to enjoy fresh seafood at this popular market.

2:00 PM Take the bus to Kanegasaki Shrine (20 minutes by bus)

3:30 PM Take a taxi to the Rainbow Line Mountain Park (40 minutes)

Use a taxi to reach the Rainbow Line, where you can enjoy a panoramic view of the Sea of Japan and the Five Lakes of Mikata from the mountaintop park.

Check in at the Hotel Granbinario Tsuruga

7:00 PM Dinner: Sauce Katsudon at Europe-ken (near Tsuruga Station)

Enjoy the famous local dish, Sauce Katsudon, at Europe-ken.

Return to the hotel, relax and unwind after your day of sightseeing.



DAY 2

9:00 AM Check out and go to Tsuruga Station

Take the Hokuriku Shinkansen to Fukui, then board the Echizen Railway to Katsuyama station.

**Use the Have Fun in Fukui 1 Week Free Pass for unlimited use on all the Echizen Railway Lines.

10:30 AM Visit the Echizen Daibutsu

Walk or cycle to the impressive Echizen Daibutsu, and explore the area around this huge Buddha statue.

Have lunch at a nearby restaurant.

2:00 PM Visit the Fukui Prefectural Dinosaur Museum

Spend about two hours at this world-class museum, learning about dinosaurs and viewing fascinating exhibits.

**Use the Have Fun in Fukui 1 Week Free Pass for admission.

Return to Fukui Station by train

5:00 PM Dinner: Soba at Fukui Station

Enjoy Fukui's famous soba noodles for dinner or alternatively, you can explore restaurants near Fukui station.

**Use the Have Fun in Fukui 1 Week Free Pass for Soba Tour Coupon or 1,000 yen Coupon at the JR Fukui Station Building Complex "Happiring".

Transfer to Osaka, Kyoto, Kanazawa, or stay one more night in Fukui!



HOKURIKU BEAUTY in 14 DAYS

Highlights

This tour includes several nights in Fukui, promising a delightful blend of history, culture, and natural beauty. Their unique charm will make for unforgettable memories!

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ACCOMMODATION

Day 1 TOKYO (ARRIVAL) TOKYO

Arrive at Narita International Airport (NRT) or Tokyo International Airport (HND).
Go to an airport assistant to get the Hokuriku Arch Pass.
Transfer to your hotel.

Day 2-4 TOKYO TOKYO

Free time – Whole day.

Day 5 TOKYO - KANAZAWA Hokuriku Arch Pass Day 1 KANAZAWA

Go to Tokyo Station. Transfer to Kanazawa via the Hokuriku Shinkansen (Kagayaki) using the Hokuriku Arch Pass. (Travel time 150min.)
Upon arrival, transfer to your accommodation on your own. Free time – Whole day.

Day 6 KANAZAWA Day 2 KANAZAWA

Free time – Whole day.

Day 7 KANAZAWA - FUKUI Day 3 FUKUI

Start your day by going to Kanazawa Station and taking the JR train to Awara Onsen Station, which will take about 1 hour by limited express. Once you arrive at Awara Onsen Station, drop off your luggage at the Grandia Housen Hotel. You can reach the hotel by walking for about 10 minutes or using the hotel shuttle bus. After that, explore Awara Yunomachi by leisurely strolling around the town, enjoying foot baths, and browsing local shops. For lunch, head to a local restaurant in Awara Onsen and try some regional specialties. Next, take the bus to Tojinbo, which will take about 40 minutes, and visit the scenic cliffs known for their rugged, dramatic coastline. Then, take the bus to Mikuni Minato Town, which will take about 15 minutes, and explore the traditional townscape of Mikuni Minato, a historic port town. To end the day, take the bus back to Awara Onsen and proceed to check in your hotel for a relaxing evening in the hot springs. Enjoy a traditional Japanese dinner featuring Echizen crab at the hotel and take a peaceful evening walk around the quiet Awara Onsen town or visit more foot baths.

Day 8 FUKUI Day 4 FUKUI

Depart from Awara Onsen Station using the Echizen Railway, then transfer to Katsuyama Station. Upon arrival, walk or rent a bicycle to reach Echizen Daibutsu. Visit Echizen Daibutsu and explore the area around the giant Buddha statue. Walk or cycle to the Fukui Prefectural Dinosaur Museum and spend time exploring the Fukui Prefectural Dinosaur Museum. Have lunch near the Dinosaur Museum.

Head to Eiheiji using the Echizen Railway and a bus. Visit Eiheiji Temple and walk through the vast grounds. Head to your accommodation, either Eiheiji Hakujukan or a hotel near Fukui Station.

Day 9 FUKUI - KYOTO Day 5 KYOTO

Go to Fukui Station. Transfer to Kyoto by limited express train using the Hokuriku Arch Pass. (Travel time 120min.) Upon arrival, transfer to your accommodation on your own.
Free time – Whole day.

Day 10-11 KYOTO Day 6-7 KYOTO

Free time – Whole day.

Day 12 KYOTO - OSAKA OSAKA

Go to Kyoto station. Transfer from Kyoto to Shin Osaka. (Travel time 90min.) Upon arrival, transfer to your accommodation on your own. Free time – Whole day.

Day 13 OSAKA OSAKA

Free time – Whole day.

Day 14 OSAKA (DEPARTURE)

Go to Shin Osaka station.
Transfer to KIX (Kansai International Airport) by JR Express (Haruka) train (Travel time 50min.)



