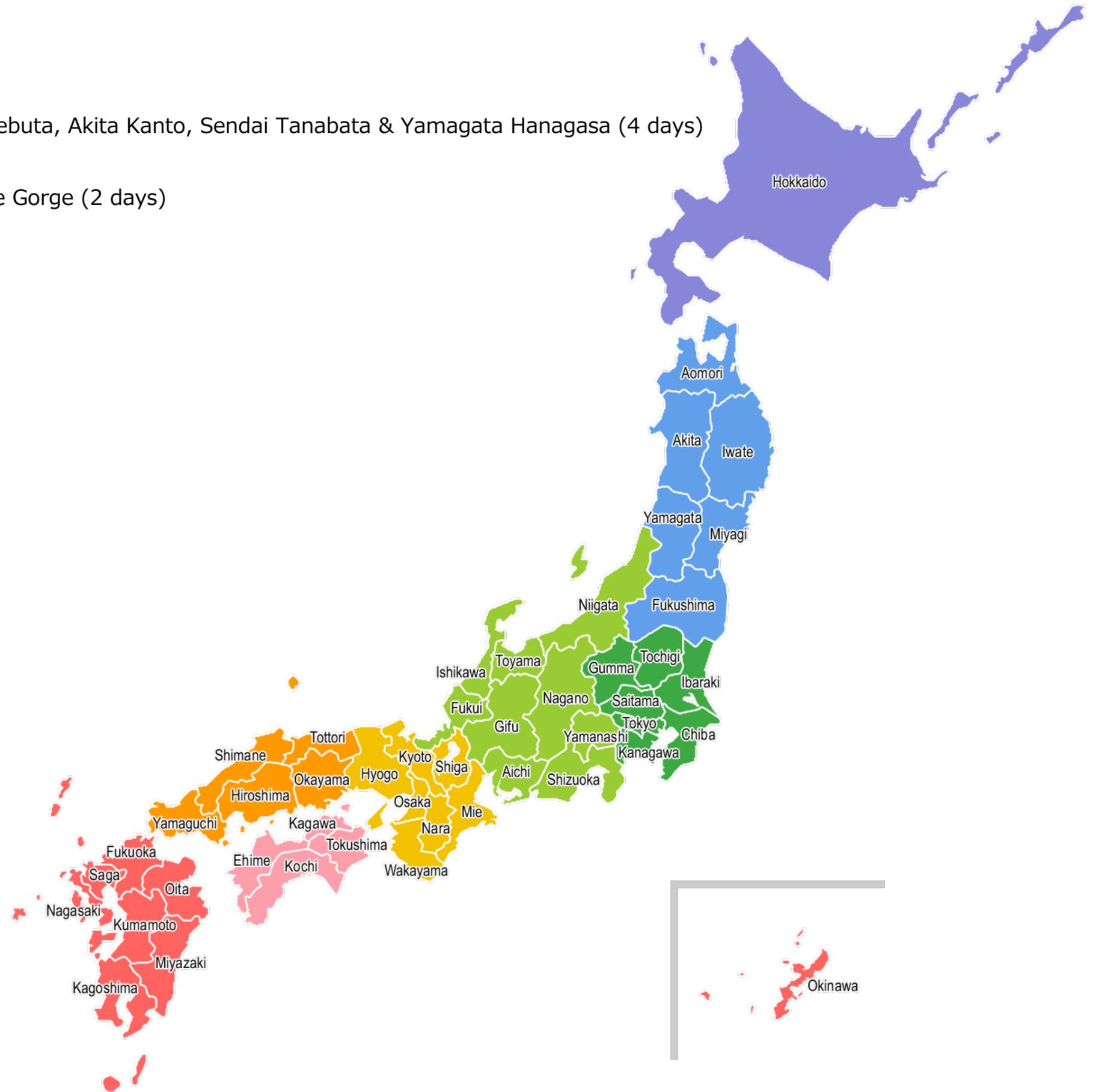




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Highlights

•Visit the four biggest festivals in the Tohoku (northeastern Japan) region. •Stay at some of the region's leading hot spring resorts for three nights! •In addition to the festivals, the tour will stop by popular sightseeing destinations like Kakunodate and Lake Tazawa. Kakunodate: An area famous for its well-preserved samurai district often nicknamed 'Little Kyoto'. Lake Tazawa;: The deepest lake in Japan at 423m. Lake Juniko (Twelve Lakes) area: Cobalt blue water will take your breath away!

Itinerary

<p>Day 1 Breakfast: 0 / Lunch: 0 / Dinner: 1 (Dinner Box) / Light meal: 0</p> <p>Tokyo station (Depart 9:08~10:44) - [Train] - [Shinkansen Yamabiko] Morioka Station - [Train] - Aomori (View the Nebuta festival from your seats) - [Train] - Owani Onsen Village (Overnight) Hotel: Aomori Winery Hotel</p>
<p>Day 2 Breakfast: 1 / Lunch: 1 (Lunch Box) / Dinner: 1 / Light meal: 0</p> <p>Owani Onsen Village - [Train] - Ajigasawa Station - [Train] - JR Gono Line (Board a local train / Non-reserved seat) - [Train] - Senjojiki Station - [Train] - Lake Juniko (Twelve Lakes), Shirakami-Sanchi (Stroll around the area including the mysterious Aoiike) - [Train] - Akita (View the Kanto festival from your seats) - [Train] - Tazawako Kogen Onsen (Overnight) *Plaza Hotel Sanrokuso or Komagatake Grand Hotel Hotel: Plaza Hotel Sanrokuso or Komagatake Grand Hotel</p>
<p>Day 3 Breakfast: 1 / Lunch: 1 / Dinner: 1 / Light meal: 0</p> <p>Tazawako Kogen Onsen - [Train] - Lake Tazawa - [Train] - Kakunodate (Explore the well-preserved samurai district/local Inaniwa udon noodle lunch) - [Train] - Tendo Onsen (Overnight) *View the Hanagasa festival after early dinner. Hotel: Sakaya Hotel</p>
<p>Day 4 Breakfast: 1 / Lunch: 0 / Dinner: 0 / Light meal: 0</p> <p>Tendo Onsen - [Train] - Okama, Zao (Visit) - [Train] - Sendai (View the Tanabata festival) - [Train] - Sendai Station - [Train] - [Shinkansen Yamabiko] - [Train] - Tokyo Station (Arrive 17:24~19:24)</p>





Highlights

Aomori Nebuta Festival View the famous summer festival in Aomori city from viewing seats. The festival is held every August between the 2nd and the 7th and last year attracted 2 million visitors. It has been registered as a “significant intangible folk cultural asset” since 1980. Lake Towada The largest caldera lake on the Japanese mainland that is on the border of Aomori and Akita prefectures. The lake’s eastern shore is known for Oirase stream and its autumn colors. Oirase Gorge Considered one of the most beautiful river valleys in Japan, explore the area around the mountain stream.

Itinerary

Day 1 Breakfast: 0 / Lunch: 0 / Dinner: 0 / Light meal: 0

Sendai Station, East Exit (Meet 10:50)

 Aomori (View the Nebuta Festival/4 hours)

 Route Inn Towada, Towada
(Overnight)
*Arrive late at night.

Hotel: [Route Inn Towada, Towada](#)

Day 2 Breakfast: 1 / Lunch: 0 / Dinner: 0 / Light meal: 0

Towada (9:00 departure)

 Oirase Gorge (Stroll/90 mins)

 Lake Towada (Stroll/60 mins)

 Sendai Station, East Exit
(Schedule 19:10)





Highlights

1. View one of Kyoto's three biggest festivals! Enjoy Gion Festival's 'Sakimatsuri', known for its parade of yamaboko floats, from the seated section! What is the Gion Festival? It's a religious festival dedicated to Yasaka Shrine and lasts the entire month of July. Within the month's celebrations, the 'Saki Matsuri' (17 July) and 'Ato Matsuri' (24 July) are particularly well known for the parade of floats or 'yamaboko'. 2. Enjoy a lunch buffet at The Royal Park Hotel Kyoto Sanjo.

Itinerary

Day 1 Breakfast: 0 / Lunch: 1 / Dinner: 0 / Light meal: 0

Kawaramachi Sanjo Intersection (Depart 9:30)



Gion Festival (View from the seated section / approx 2.5 hours)



The Royal Park Hotel Kyoto Sanjo (Buffet lunch / 50 mins)

Tour ends around 15:00





Highlights

Awa Odori

One of Japan's three largest dance festivals occurring during the Obon season in August. The origins of the festival dates back 400 years. The streets of downtown Tokushima city are blocked off to allow a procession of dancers called "ren" to perform. Arrive at the hotel and then have an early dinner before taking your place in a "sajiki" seat (Japanese-style box seat) to view the festival.

Kurashiki Bikan Historical Quarter

On Day 2, stroll around a picturesque townscape famous for its traditional white-walled Japanese residences and the willow-tree lined banks of the Kurashiki River.

Itinerary

Day 1 Breakfast: 0 / Lunch: 0 / Dinner: 1 / Light meal: 0

In front of Kintetsu Nagoya Station Front Gates (Depart 7:00~9:30)

 [Kagirohi (Reserved seat)]

Osaka Uehommachi Station

 [Akashi-Kaikyo Bridge]

Awaji Highway Oasis



Hallelujah Sweets Kitchen (Shopping)



Hotel Astoria, Tokushima City (Overnight)

*Hotel is within walking distance to the festival. Before the festival, a Western-style dinner is served.

Hotel: [Hotel Astoria](#)

Day 2 Breakfast: 1 / Lunch: 0 / Dinner: 0 / Light meal: 0

Tokushima City

 [Great Seto Bridge]

Kurashiki (Explore and have lunch on your own/120 mins)



Osaka Uehommachi Station

 [Kagirohi (Reserved seat)]

Kintetsu Nagoya Station(Arrive 20:30~22:00)

