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# HIROSHIMA EXTENSION

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# Journey Overview

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#### **Journey Highlights**

- Lose yourself to the beauty of Miyajima Island with its iconic torii gates and ancient shrine
- Uncover Hiroshima's past with a visit to the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and Museum
- Find sanctuary in the tranquil gardens of Shukkei-en
- \*Must be booked in conjunction with a longer A&K Japan itinerary



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# **Itinerary**

#### Day 1: Osaka - Hiroshima.

Board the world-famous shinkansen train for Hiroshima. From your window, glimpse Himeji Castle, or 'White Egret Castle', and the Seto Ohashi Bridge, the longest two-tiered suspension bridge in the world stretching 13 kilometres. Arrive at your hotel.

Sheraton Grand Hotel Hiroshima (Deluxe Room)

#### Day 2: Hiroshima - Miyajima - Hiroshima.

Take a ferry to Miyajima, a small sacred island located in the Seto Inland Sea. Glimpse the famous red *torii* (traditional Japanese gates) protruding from the waters and marking the entrance to the Shinto shrine. Venture to the World Heritage-listed Itsukushima Shrine and discover firsthand how these scarlet-striped temple buildings have earned the reputation as one of Japan's most beautiful views. Spot the island's famous residents, miniature deer, and spin the sutras on the way to the temple of Daisho-in. Hike up to Mount Misen for rewarding vistas (optional) and explore the back streets of old Miyajima, taking the opportunity to sample local delicacies, such as oysters, saltwater eel and maple leaf-shaped cakes. Return to Hiroshima.

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#### Day 3: Hiroshima - Osaka.

Unveil the many surprising layers of Hiroshima on a half-day tour by private car. Understand the city's dark past and promising future with a visit to the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park. Dedicated to those who lost their lives when the atomic bomb hit on 6 August 1945, the park was created on "ground zero" in downtown Hiroshima on the banks of the Motoyasu River. Stroll through the park amongst lotus flowers and blue dragonflies before exploring individuals' stories in the thought-provoking museum. Later, find sanctuary in the historic Shukkei-en Garden, Hiroshima's hidden gem. Enjoy green tea and sweets before riding the bullet train to Osaka and transferring to the airport.

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