

Mount Fuji from Hakone Onsen and Oshino Village

Visit the beautiful UNESCO 8 Lakes
and relaxing Hot Springs

EXPERIENCE / TOUR EXTENSION
4 days

Highlights

- Enjoy the famous and historic Onsen town of Hakone and the traditional agricultural village of Oshino-mura
- Explore the UNESCO-certified Eight Lakes in Oshino, famous for their unbelievably clear waters
- Stay in a traditional 250-year old thatched-roof inn with wonderful meals and excellent rooms with views of the inn's beautiful gardens
- In clear weather, enjoy spectacular views of Mount Fuji, Japan's most iconic landmark

Designated a UNESCO World Heritage site in 2013, Mount Fuji is Japan's most iconic landmark. At 3,776 metres it is also Japan's tallest mountain. On clear days, enjoy spectacular views of Mount Fuji from the hot-spring area of Hakone and the rural village of Oshino-mura. Hakone is a popular and historic area, famous for its geothermal activity and views of Mount Fuji. We recommend one or two nights here to explore the hot-spring baths, nature and sightseeing spots.

Oshino-mura is an interesting farming village full of character. Traditional Gassho-Zukuri thatched-roof houses have been carefully restored by residents and Oshino's UNESCO-designated 'Eight Lakes' are famous for their clear waters. Spend one night here in a thatched-roof house with 250 years of history, beautifully-kept rooms, gardens and Japanese baths. Enjoy a delicious dinner and breakfast, freshly prepared from local ingredients and fish from the inn's own pond. Take a stroll around the lakes in peace of the evening after day-visitors have departed. Return to Tokyo the next morning. Hakone and Oshino-mura can be enjoyed year-round. The clearest views of Mount Fuji can normally be seen outside of June's rainy season and the sultry high summer months of July, August and early September.

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DAY 1 Travel to Hakone

Travel by train to Hakone to the south west of Tokyo. Take time to explore this historic Onsen town before enjoying a Hot-spring bath at your Ryokan in the evening.

Accommodation: Onsen Ryokan (Hot-spring Travellers Inn)

DAY 2 Exploring Hakone Onsen

A day of sightseeing in Hakone. Explore the museums near to your inn before taking a cablecar through the mountains to the beautiful Ashi-no-Ko Lake, home to Hakone's important Sekisho Checkpoint and the atmospheric Hakone Jinja Shrine.

Accommodation: Onsen Ryokan (Hot-spring Travellers Inn)

DAY 3 Travel from Hakone to Oshino

Head onwards by highway bus and taxi to Oshino-mura, a picturesque village to the north east of Mount Fuji. Take an evening stroll around the UNSECO certified Eight Lakes and explore the thatched-roof traditional houses dotted around the route.

Accommodation: Onsen Ryokan (Hot-spring Travellers Inn)

DAY 4 Depart from Oshino

Head onwards from Oshino-mura to Tokyo by highway bus. There may be time in the morning to see more of the village before departing.

