

July 10, 2023

10:00 am: Leave for Japan - JFK

Depart - July 10 - New York JFK

Flight 1 - NYC to Toronto

Depart 10:00 AM – JFK

Arrive 11:45 AM - Toronto YYZ

Flight No. AC 8553

Flight 2 - Toronto to Tokyo (Narita)

Depart 1:05 PM - Toronto YYZ

Arrive - 3:10PM (July 11 Japan Time) - Tokyo Narita

Flight No. AC 009

Booking Number (Barbour) - 426ET7

Seats –

JFK - YYZ 16D, 16C, 16F

YYZ - NRT 27G, 27D, 27E

July 11, 2023

Narita Express to Tokyo*

[Narita Express \(aka N'EX\)](#) express rail service to Greater Tokyo

About \$40 with foreign passport

Shibuya Tokyu REI Hotel via Booking.com

Phone: +81 3 3498 0109

Address:

Shibuya-ku, Shibuya 1-24-10, Shibuya Ward, Tokyo, 150-0002 (渋谷区渋谷 1-24-10, 渋谷区, 東京都)

Barbour - Confirmation number: 2957636584; PIN: 0740; ¥52,920

Slater - Confirmation number: 3118626258; PIN: 8770; ¥37,800

Tokyo Food Suggestions*

In case we're at a loss for a place to eat... -

[Taijuen Shibuya](#) - [Facebook Page](#)

[5 Great Value Steakhouses in Tokyo](#)

<https://www.pub-hub.com/index.php/en>

July 12, 2023

Sightseeing Day – Tokyo

See Calendar

July 13, 2023

Travel - Tokyo to Osaka

Activate JR Pass*

Where to activate JR Pass in Tokyo before taking Tokaido Shinkansen:

Tokyo Station JR EAST Travel Service Center (Marunouchi North Exit) 7:30-20:30

Tokyo Station JR Tokai Ticket Office (Yaesu Central Exit) 7:30-20:30

OR

Shinagawa Station Information Center (Central Ticket Gate) 9:00-19:00

Shinagawa Station JR Tokai Ticket Office 9:00-19:00

Shinkansen to Osaka – EARLY START!

Shinkansen Timetable: http://www.shinkansen.co.jp/jikoku_hyo/en/sanyou/sdh_tokyo.html [New tab](#)

Shinkansen Info:

<https://www.jrailpass.com/shinkansen-bullet-trains> [New tab](#)

<https://www.japan-guide.com/e/e2018.html>

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shinkansen>

Check in AirBNB

Two apartments in the same building in Niponbashi, Osaka

2-chōme-1-19 Nipponbashi, Chuo Ward, Osaka, Osaka 542-0073, Japan

Ian, Kyoko & Sarah (for 3) \$210.00 - <https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/813326076217347865> -

Reservation code HMXFFBEAPJ

David & Patty (for 2) \$177.00 - <https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/813355199449348824> - Reservation

code HHM52JSAD2

Hirano Gion – Dinner at festival

This our favorite local festival. It is located in Hirano on the outskirts of Osaka Prefecture.

Hirano Gion – Kumata Shrine, Hirano Ward, Osaka

[Click here for Hirano Gion Info](#)

July 14, 2023

Sightseeing Day - Osaka

Lunch – Shinsekai - Kushiage

<https://www.tsunagujapan.com/the-right-way-to-eat-the-famous-osaka-kushikatsu/>

July 15, 2023

Travel - Osaka to Koyasan

Train to Cable Car to Bus!!

Check in Fukuchiin - 高野山温泉 福智院

Meal Plan San-no-Zen - 精進料理 参の膳

Login ID - PXHXPS06 (Barbour)

transaction # 0010987413

Reservation # 16314

Login ID - CX5F8JZA(Slater)

transaction # 0010987376

Reservation # 16313

[Check in] 15:00 -18:00

[Check out] 9:00

Postal #:648-0211 和歌山県伊都郡高野町高野山 657

657 Kouya-san Kouya-cho Ito-gun WAKAYAMA, Japan

TEL:0736-56-2021

Sightseeing Day - Koyasan*

Wikitravel article: https://wikitravel.org/en/Mount_Koya

The main temple is Kongobuji, where Senju's panels are installed

- <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kong%C5%8Dbu-ji>

Senju's coffee table book about his works at Kongobuji temple

- <https://www.amazon.com/Koyasan-Senjus-Works-Years-After/dp/1649800622>

Dinner/Onsen Bath at lodging

July 16, 2023

Sightseeing Day - Koyasan*

Shinrin Yoku - Okunoin Cemetery*

We will do Forest Bathing (Shinrin Yoku) in Oku-No-In Cemetery/Forest

[Article on Oku-No-In](#)

Dinner/Onsen Bath at lodging

July 17, 2023

Travel Day – Koyasan to Kyoto*

Bus to Cable Car to Train to Shinkansen!!

Shinkansen Timetable: http://www.shinkansen.co.jp/jikoku_hyo/en/sanyou/sdh_tokyo.html

Check in – Kyoto

<https://ksvilla.jp/takasegawa-e/shisetsu.html>

K's Villa Takasegawa-tei

59-5 Minamikyogokucho, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto, 〒600-8117, JP

81-75-3449911 (In Japan, 075-344-9911)

Check In - 4:00 PM

Check Out: Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 11:00 AM

Your Stay: 3 days, 1 room

Reservation K's Villa Takasegawa-tei code: 9152070611016

Room (3 nights): \$292.43

Gion Matsuri* - Main Festivities start at 3:00 pm:

[Gion Matsuri](#) is Kyoto's (and maybe Japan's) biggest festival.

Yamaboko Junko - July 17 - Giant floats are carried out of the local shrines and are placed in the streets for viewing. Street festivities, food and traditional performances fill every block of the area.

July 18, 2023

Sightseeing Day – Kyoto

Kyoto Food Suggestions*

In case we're at a loss for a place to eat...

https://sharing-kyoto.com/Eat-Drink/Central_Kyoto_Area/Kaiseki-Kyo_Ryori?fulltext=

<https://www.insidekyoto.com/best-restaurants-in-kyoto>

July 19, 2023

Last day JR Pass (Need to buy train tickets starting tomorrow)

Daytrip to Nara

Train to Nara*

Nara Line (JR) from Kyoto Station - about 45 minutes

Nara Deer Park: <https://www.visitnara.jp/destinations/area/nara-park/> New tab

Nara was the capital of Japan during the Nara period from 710 to 794 as the seat of the Emperor before the capital was moved to Kyoto.

Nara is home to eight temples, shrines, and ruins, specifically Tōdai-ji New tab, Saidai-ji New tab, Kōfuku-ji New tab, Kasuga Shrine New tab, Gangō-ji New tab, Yakushi-ji New tab, Tōshōdai-ji New tab, and the Heijō Palace New tab, together with Kasugayama Primeval Forest New tab, collectively form the Historic Monuments of Ancient Nara New tab, a UNESCO New tab World Heritage Site

Train – Nara to Kyoto

July 20, 2023

Travel – Fly to Ishigaki

Train to Kansai International (Osaka) Airport (KIX)*

11:00 am (Latest)

Haruka Line from Kyoto Station - every 30 minutes

Flight to Ishigaki

Depart Kansai International (Osaka) Airport (KIX)

2:20 PM

Peach Aviation (Airline) – Flight #MM235

Arrive Ishigaki (ISG)

4:45 PM - 2h 25m

Check in – AirBNB

EXACT LOCATION TBD!!!

<https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/34551274>

5 min walk to the sand ocean & golf course 2 BR Newly remodeled 22 Jun 3F

Maezato

Ishigaki, Okinawa 907-0002

Dinner with Rie

Sunset!!!

July 21, 2023

Beach Day - Ishigaki

Feast at AirBNB w/ Rie!*

Check with Rie if she can get a table grill. Otherwise, rent one from landlord or gift one to Rie.

Sunset!!!

July 22, 2023

Travel to Iriomote

Ferry to Iriomote*

Ferry from Ishigaki to Uehara (Port) Iriomote Island.

There are two ferry companies. Which one we take depends on the schedule. (See below)

Terminal Address: 1 Misakicho, Ishigaki, Okinawa 907-0012, Japan - 〒907-0012

沖縄県石垣市美崎町 1

- Anei Kanko (Ferry Company) - (有) 安栄観光
 - Schedule: <https://aneikankou.co.jp/timetable/detail/5#>
- Yaeyama Kanko Ferry Co. - 八重山観光フェリー株式会社
 - Schedule: <https://yaeyama.co.jp/operation.html#timetable>

Check in - Mariud

西表島民宿マリウド

984-14 Uehara, Taketomi, Yaeyama District, Okinawa 907-1541, Japan

+81980856578

<http://mariud.com/>

NO PET (Plastic) BOTTLES ALLOWED!! Only glass or reusable thermos, please!

Includes breakfast and dinner

Barbour - 39,000 yen

Slater - 30,000 yen

Iriomote is only about 10% inhabited. That means that **we need to bring almost everything we need with us!!** That includes cash, toiletries, etc. There are very few stores. Last time we were there, there were no ATMs at all. We will likely pay for the hotel IN CASH when we are there, so we will need to get enough cash in Ishigaki or earlier before we go. We are still looking into a way to pre-pay.

July 23, 2023

Sightseeing Iriomote

We are hoping to do a snorkeling excursion by boat on the full day. Iriomote is even more beautiful underwater than it is above! We will be provided with wetsuits, snorkels and fins. We will also likely do a hike on the other day we are there. We can arrange the excursions at the hotel.

July 24, 2023

Travel – Ferry from Iriomote to Ishigaki

Ferry from Uehara Port (Densa Terminal - デンサターミナル)

Address: 〒907-1541 Okinawa, Yaeyama District, 竹富町上原 553-1 (〒907-1541 沖縄県八重山郡 竹富町上原 553-1)

Check In - [Beach Hotel Sunshine](https://www.ishigakijima-sunshine.net/)

**** We can use pool and facilities before check in (3pm)**

<https://www.ishigakijima-sunshine.net/>

ビーチホテルサンシャイン

Address: 907-0024, Ishigaki Island, Arakawa 2484

907-0024, 石垣市, 新川 2484

Excellent breakfast included

Confirmation: 3937794047; PIN: 6652 (Confidential)

(3:00 PM - 9:00 PM)

Check-out - Tuesday, 11:00 AM

Phone: +81 980-82-8611

Email: 3937794047-kq3e.k32b.3c5p.8vfx@property.booking.com

Room 1 - 3 people

Room 2 - 2 people

July 25, 2023

Travel - Flight Ishigaki to Tokyo (Haneda)

7:10 pm

eTickets (PDF):

[David - ITR24310534](#) - [Patty - ITR24310532](#)

[Ian - ITR24310529](#) - [Kyoko - ITR24310531](#) - [Sarah - ITR24310533](#)

Ishigaki to Tokyo

Japan Airlines (JAL) - JL974

Depart: Ishigaki (ISG) - 7:10 PM

Arrive: Tokyo Haneda (HND) - 10:10 PM

3h Nonstop

Check In – Hotel at Haneda Airport

We will get in late to Tokyo by plane from Ishigaki. Flight arrives at 10:10 pm. We will stay near the airport before leaving for Hakone first thing in the morning.

Hotel: KEIKYU EX INN HANEDA - 京急 EX イン羽田

(July 25 Continued)

Website: <http://www.keikyu-exinn.co.jp/hotel/haneda/>

Address: 5-5-14 Haneda, Ota-ku, Tokyo, Japan - 大田区羽田 5-5-14, 東京, 日本

Phone: +81 3 3742 3910

- Free Wifi
- Includes Breakfast (5 am - 10 am)
- Checkout Time 10:00 am
- Free Cancellation until 21 Jul 11:59 PM Tokyo time

Shuttle Bus from Terminal? TBD

- Or, Tokyo Monorail from Terminal 3 to Tenkubashi Station (3 minutes walk to hotel from A2 Exit)

Rooms:

- Slater - EX Double Room - Non-Smoking - \$110.98
- Barbour - Standard Twin Room for 3 People - Non-Smoking - \$164.47

July 26, 2023

Travel – Haneda to Yokohama

Train to Yokohama*

Tenkubashi Station to Sakuragicho Station, Yokohama

Keikyū Airport/Main Line - ¥320 - about every 30 minutes

Check in - NEW OTANI INN YOKOHAMA PREMIUM - 3:00 PM

Address: 〒231-0062 Kanagawa, Yokohama, Naka Ward, Sakuragicho, 1 Chome- 1-7 ヒューリックみなとみらい

〒231-0062 神奈川県横浜市中区桜木町1丁目1-7 ヒューリックみなとみらい

+81452100707

American Express Record Locator: GXTGWR

Barbour - Superior Triple Room, Bay View - 2 Twin Beds and 1 Twin Sofa Bed

Slater - Superior Double Room, CityView - 1 Double Bed

Sightseeing Yokohama

Get Eyeglasses

July 27, 2023

Daytrip to Hakone (Weather Depending) – Rain Date: July 28

- Train to Hakone
 - Cable Car up mountain to Ropeway to [Lake Ashinoko](#)
 - Return on Ropeway
 - Onsen Bath
 - Dinner
 - Return to Yokohama
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July 28, 2023

Sightseeing Yokohama

Chill Local Day

Possible Rain Date for Hakone

July 29, 2023

Travel to Kamakura

Train to Kamakura

JR Train from Sakuragicho Station, Yokohama to Kamakura Station
Then Kamakura RR to Hase Station

Check in - KAMAKURA REAL OCEAN FRONT

<https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/44925716>

4min from HASE station

Entire home/apt hosted by Matsu & Tak

Check in - 3:00 PM / Check out Tuesday - 10:00 AM

Entire home/apt · 4 beds · 5 guests

Confirmation code: HM9M2KNAB5

Beach Day/Night - Yuigahama*

Fun and festive beach with minimal waves and beach bars and restaurants within walking distance from our AirBNB.

<https://livejapan.com/en/in-tokyo/in-pref-kanagawa/in-kamakura/spot-lj0002320/>

<https://www.japan-guide.com/e/e3109.html>

July 30, 2023

Ian, Kyoko & Sarah w/ Family // Return to Kamakura for dinner

We will be meeting with Kyoko's family today. We expect to be back in Kamakura by dinnertime.

July 31, 2023

Sightseeing in Kamakura

Lunch w/ Mihoko (Kyoko's Sister) at Hase Dera – 12pm

Hase Dera is a Buddhist temple in Kamakura. The restaurant is located at the top of the hills surrounding the temple. We will spend time exploring the temple grounds before/after lunch.

<https://www.hasedera.jp/en/about/>

Kyoko (& Sarah?) pack away painting at mother's & dinner

After lunch Kyoko and Mihoko (& maybe Sarah) will go back to Kyoko's mother's. They will have dinner there without us.

August 1, 2023

Travel from Kamakura Station to Tokyo or Yokohama TBD

TBD - Tokyo Giants Baseball - 5pm*

Giants vs Swallows - Tokyo Dome

Schedule - <https://www.giants.jp/en/schedule/?month=202308>

August 2, 2023

teamLab Planets Interactive Exhibit - 11-11:30am (Timed Entry)*

11:00 am – 12:00 pm Reservation - Timed Entry

<https://planets.teamlab.art/tokyo/>

• teamLab App

We have prepared a guide app that allows you to read the concepts of the artworks near you.

Create the Artwork with Others

In The Infinite Crystal Universe, you can participate in the art using this app. You create the artwork with those around you.

Download the app for free

<https://planets.teamlab.art/tokyo/#app>

(August 2 Continued)

• Distributed Fire

Light the Flame

When you launch this app and approach Universe of Fire Particles Falling from the Sky, your flame will ignite and you can take the artwork home with you.

Share the Flame

If you approach other people with the app, you can share your flame with them.

Download the app for free

<https://teamlabfire.page.link/planets>

"Together with Others, Immerse your Entire Body, Perceive with your Body, and Become One with the World - *teamLab Planets* is a museum where you walk through water, and a garden where you become one with the flowers. It comprises 4 large-scale artwork spaces and 2 gardens created by art collective teamLab. People go barefoot and immerse their entire bodies in the vast artworks together with others. The artworks change under the presence of people, blurring the perception of boundaries between the self and the works. Other people also create change in the artworks, blurring the boundaries between themselves and the works, and creating a continuity between the self, the art, and others."

Address: teamLab Planets TOKYO

Toyosu 6-1-16, Koto-ku, Tokyo 135-0061

〒135-0061 東京都江東区豊洲 6 丁目 1 -16

August 3, 2023

Depart Japan

Narita Express to Airport

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Fly Back NYC/Hawaii*

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Click for [Narita Airport Map New tab](#)

Barbour

Flight 1 - Tokyo to Montreal - Booking Number - 426ET7

Air Canada

Depart 5:30PM - Tokyo Narita Terminal 1

Arrive 4:50PM - Montreal (Yes, 40 minutes before we left on the same date!)

Flight No. AC 006

(August 3 Continued)

Flight 2 - Montreal to JFK

Depart 6:25PM - Montreal

Arrive 8:00PM - JFK

Flight No. AC 8898

Seats:

NRT - YUL 28G, 28D, 28E

YUL - JFK 16D, 16C, 16F

Slater - Tokyo to Honolulu

Zipair

Flight ZG002

Depart 7:15 pm JST - Narita

Arrive 7:50 am HST - Honolulu