

Amanohashidate, One of the *Three Views of Japan*, Historic Temples and Life by the Sea

Capacity: 40



Amanohashidate

The history of the coastal region of northern Kyoto is celebrated in this tour as we visit Amanohashidate, one of the most scenic views of Japan. The name roughly translates to "bridge to heaven." The tour then take you into some of the area's most beautiful historic temples. In the Ine district, local residents will show you the traditional *funaya* houses built along the coast of the Ine Bay. You will have a rare opportunity to learn about what it means for fishermen to coexist with the sea.

Itinerary

*The itinerary is subject to change without notice.

9:00	Meet at chartered bus stop at Hachijo exit of JR Kyoto Station	=== Chartered bus ===
11:00 - 12:30	Kyoto Prefectural Tango Regional Museum	=== Chartered bus ===
	Lunch (served in a traditional <i>bento</i> box at the former residence of the Nagashima family, with views of Amanohashidate)	
12:45 - 13:45	Nariai-ji temple and Amanohashidate	=== Chartered bus ===
14:15 - 15:30	Funaya houses in the Ine Bay district	...Walk...
	Hands-on experience of <i>mondori</i> traditional fishing/Mukai Shuzo sake brewery (sake tasting)	=== Chartered bus ===
16:15 - 17:30	Chion-ji temple and temple town	=== Chartered bus ===
19:45	Tour ends at JR Kyoto Station	

Kyoto Prefectural Tango Regional Museum: The museum collects, studies and exhibits artifacts and materials relating to the history, art, archeology and folklore of the northern part of Kyoto Prefecture. The museum is built on the former site of Tango Kokubun-ji temple, which is designated as a national historic site. Adjacent to the museum stands the former residence of the Nagashima family, a family of leading officials during the Edo period. The residence was relocated from another site and has magnificent views of Amanohashidate.

Nariai-ji Temple: This historic temple was built in the Nara period with stunning views of Amanohashidate. The temple is designated as a National Historic Site.

Chion-ji Temple: This temple is dedicated to a deity of wisdom. The Taho-to pagoda is the oldest wooden structure remaining in Tango and a National Important Cultural Property.

Funaya houses in Ine: A *funaya* is a traditional fisherman's house, with a first floor used for storing boats and a second floor as a living space. About 230 funaya houses are located along a 5-km stretch of Ine Bay, which is designated as a national preservation district.



The Former Residence of the Nagashima Family



Funaya Houses in Ine



Chion-ji Temple: Taho-to Pagoda and Main Hall