



**Weekend in Hakone
Onsen resort near Tokyo: Example Itinerary**

Day 1: Tokyo / Hakone

Depart Shinjuku Station for Hakoneyumoto by train. Activities and lunch at your convenience. Dinner and night at the ryokan. Check in from 3pm.

*An ideal destination for those looking to get away from the hustle and bustle of Tokyo for a day or two, **Hakone** is located in the heart of the Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park, about an hour and a half by train from the capital. It is famous throughout Japan for its beautiful landscapes, lakes with stunning views of Mount Fuji, but above all else, its many onsen (hot springs).*



Lake Ashi (Hakone) Cruise

Visit Suggestions:

- **Cruise on Lake Ashi**
Offers unrivalled views of the iconic Mount Fuji, the highest peak in the country (3,776 meters above sea level).
- **Owakudani**
Its name means "Great Boiling Valley", where jets of steam and sulfur spring from crevices hidden in the rock, forming an extraterrestrial landscape with Mount Fuji as a backdrop.



- **Hakone Outdoor Museum**

Entirely dedicated to contemporary sculptures, it is an example of a successful fusion between art and the beauty of nature. This seven-hectare park contains more than a hundred works by world-renowned artists such as Rodin, Bourdelle, Miro, Nicky de Saint Phalle, Henry Moore. You can also see works by Japanese and Western artists from the 19th and 20th centuries. In December, the museum is open until 6pm and visitors can enjoy illuminations of the grounds and sculptures.

- **Mount Komagatake Ropeway**

Mount Komagatake is a 1,357-metre-high lava dome created by a volcanic eruption 40,000 years ago. Around 2,400 years ago, the summit of this mountain became a sacred place for mountain ascetics. The summit houses an observatory and the Hakone Mototsumiya Shrine. On the weekends of December and January, Mount Komagatake is accessible in the evening until 7pm, and visitors can admire a unique night panorama and enjoy a truly majestic starry sky.



Vallée d'Owakudani (Hakone)



Day 2: Hakone / Tokyo

Breakfast at the ryokan. Activities and meals at your leisure.

Visit Suggestions:

- **Old Hakone Checkpoint**

Checkpoint that provided security for the city of Edo (now Tokyo), then the shogunal capital. It has been restored and presents an interesting piece of history.

- **Strolling down Cedar Alley**

This is a portion of the old Tokaido road lined with century-old cedars that connected the capital to Kyoto at the time of Edo.

- **Hakone Shrine**

The Hakone Mountain Shrine is the holiest place in Kanto and is reputed to be a famous leyline nexus. Many gods are said to live in the area around Lake Ashi and there are many shrines that house them. The Hakone Shrine was founded in 757 by legendary priest Mangan Shounin. This powerful holy site is surrounded by sacred trees, and is a popular pilgrimage location to pray for fertility, a happy marriage or a safe pregnancy. Be prepared to be transported into a magical world by the natural beauty of the surrounding area as you climb the ancient stone steps lined by lush trees.

Return to Tokyo by train.

We can shorten or extend your stay, or add other destinations.

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We can leave you with a personalized list of interesting activities and locations, giving you the freedom to wander around as you please during your stay.

Do you want a bulletproof plan and **hassle-free getaway**?

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