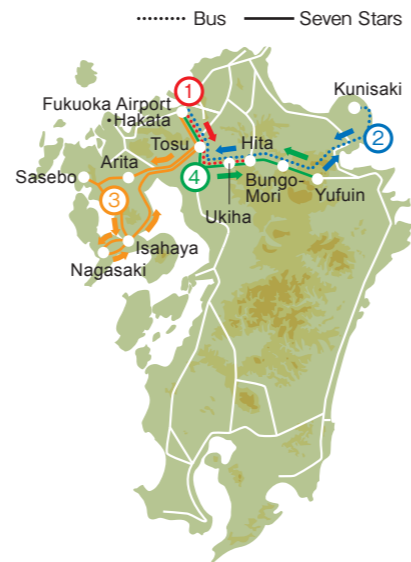


Tour A 2 Day Kyushu Spring Pre-Tour + Seven Stars 2D1N Journey



Kyudai main line (Kita-Yamada Sta.)



Departure Date • April 2nd (Thu) 2020

*Please note: guests will travel by bus on days 1-2, then on the Seven Stars on days 3-4.

Itinerary



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Highlights of this tour

Day 1

Ukiha Cherry Blossoms

Along the Kose River flowing through Nagarekawa Ward in Ukihamachi, Ukiha City, there are about 1,000 cherry blossom trees blooming over about 2 km. Walking there from the end of March to the beginning of April, is like going through a long cherry blossom tunnel. The contrast with the nanohana (yellow rape blossoms) blooming along the river is also beautiful to see, so it attracts many visitors.



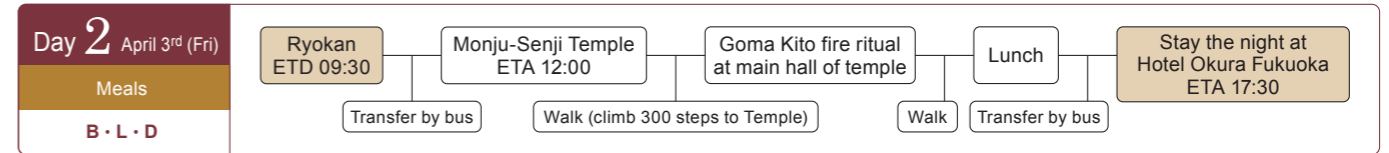
Accommodation

Okuhita Onsen Umehibiki

Oyama, the annex to the feudal lands of "Hita," is also a plum town, and the picturesque scenes of the "Hibiki Valley" that you can view from the lodge are like a Chinese ink painting. Additionally, the lodge's baths face this valley, allowing you to enjoy your soak while commanding a view of spectacular scenery.



On this journey, you will be able to enjoy the first signs of spring visiting the Mino-Hokuroku area (Fukuoka Pref.), and the Kunisaki Peninsular (Oita Pref.) The area has similar geological and geographical features to the famous wine-producing region of Bordeaux, France. The area is ripe with various farm products and fruits. Enjoy the famous 1,000 cherry blossom trees in Ukiha, along the Kose River. In the Kunisaki Peninsular area, guests can experience a traditional Japanese Goma Kito (Homa) fire ritual at Monju-Senji Temple, one of Japan's three main temples for the Bodhisattva of wisdom and intellect.



Day 2

Monju-Senji Temple

A saying in Japanese relates that if three people put their heads together they could come up with something as wise as Monju might devise. Monju is usually represented as eternally young, and seated. He holds the scroll of knowledge in the left hand, and in the right, the vertical sword of wisdom.



Goma Kito Fire Ritual

Goma comes from the word Homa, which is a Buddhist fire ritual involving burning wooden sticks. This fire ritual has been passed down for over 1300 years. Guests participating in this journey will be able to participate in this ritual.



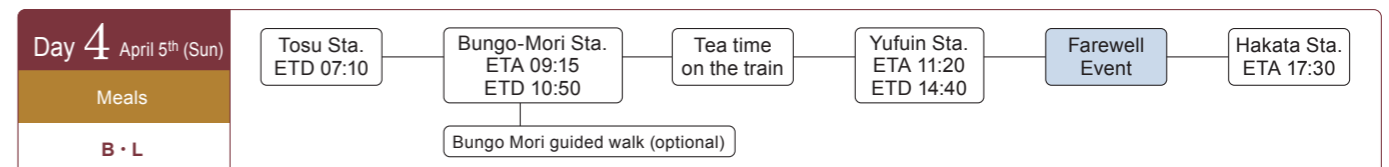
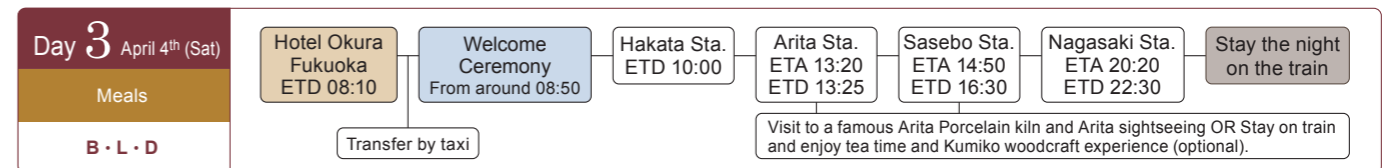
Accommodation

Hotel Okura Fukuoka (central Fukuoka)

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Trip schedule / travel route *guests will board the Seven Stars from day 3.



*Please be aware that the above schedule is subject to change.

Fares

Seven Stars in Kyushu Room type (train)	Accommodation (night 1)		Accommodation (night 2)		Fares (yen per person)		
	Ryokan	Room type	Hotel	Room type	3 people / 1 room	2 people / 1 room	1 person / 1 room
Suite (12 rooms)	Okuhita Onsen Umehibiki	Oshuku Deluxe Japanese & Western	Hotel Okura Fukuoka	Large Twin	—	¥610,000	¥980,000
Deluxe Suite B (1 room)		Oshuku Suite Japanese & Western		Deluxe Twin	¥640,000	¥710,000	¥1,140,000
Deluxe Suite A (1 room)		Annex Ryukyo Japanese & Western		Deluxe Twin	¥670,000	¥750,000	¥1,190,000

*NOTE: From the Deluxe Suite A observation window, it is possible to enjoy views from the end of the train. Depending on the direction and the position of the train engine, views may be blocked in some parts of the journey. *Guests will ride the Seven Stars in Kyushu from day 3 (Sat April 4th). *Please be aware that the Cherry Blossoms may not be in full bloom depending on the weather conditions at this time. *At Monju-Senji Temple, there is an itinerary that requires climbing around 300 stairs. *All photos used are for illustrative purposes.