



RUGBY WORLD CUP 2019™

**WASABI TOUR
BROCHURE**

JAPAN 日本 2019™

Rugby Travel Ireland is proud to be an Authorised Sub-Agent for Rugby World Cup 2019™, Japan. Touring with Rugby Travel Ireland is not just about a ticket and a hotel. We always go the extra mile and give you an amazing overall tour experience. After our recent three week site inspection to Japan, we can safely say it is an amazing country that is full of culture and will provide an amazing backdrop for Rugby World Cup 2019.

This itinerary provides you with detailed information on your tour of Japan. As official sub-agents for Rugby World Cup in 2011 & 2015 and sole Irish agents for the Lions tour to New Zealand in 2017, we have the expertise needed in organising incredible tours for Irish supporters. Rugby Travel Ireland is licensed and bonded with the Commission for Aviation Regulation (TO 0260). It is this licence that ensures that your monies are safe and secure at all times.

Join us on the adventure of a lifetime as we take you to the Land of the Rising Sun to experience a Rugby World Cup like no other!



WASABI TOUR

INCLUDED MATCHES

Ireland v Scotland
Ireland v Japan
Ireland v Russia

TOUR DATES

19 September - 6 October 2019

ITINERARY

- 20 September Arrive at Narita or Haneda Airport, Tokyo
- 21 September Day at leisure in Tokyo
- 22 September *Ireland v Scotland in International Stadium Yokohama*
- 23 September Transfer to Hakone
- 24 September Bullet train to Ise Shima
- 25 September Ise Shima sightseeing
- 26 September Day at leisure in Ise Shima
- 27 September Transfer to Nagoya
- 28 September *Ireland v Japan in Shizuoka Stadium Ecopa*
- 29 September Day at leisure in Nagoya
- 30 September Kyoto Sightseeing incl. Golden Pavilion
- 1 October Day at leisure in Kyoto
- 2 October Osaka Sightseeing
- 3 October *Ireland v Russia in Kobe Misaki Stadium*
- 4 October Day at leisure in Kobe
- 5 October Transfer to Osaka Airport for your flight back home

TOUR INCLUSIONS

International Flights

Transfers including Bullet train

Hotels

4 hotels throughout*

Meals

Breakfast served every day

Four lunches / dinners (ex drinks) are included

Match Tickets

Official Category D match tickets to all three matches

Numerous Sightseeing Excursions

Tour Merchandise

TOUR LOCATIONS



Ireland v Scotland

€7,395pps
€2,995 single supplement

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DAY 1

Thursday 19 September 2019

Depart Dublin (or other chosen airport) for Tokyo

DAY 2

Friday 20 September 2019: Arrive at Narita or Haneda Airport, Tokyo

You will be met by our staff at arrivals. Executive coach transfer to the [Marriott Hotel](#), Tokyo (or similar) in Tokyo. Check in for three nights. You are ideally located in Tokyo and just minutes from bustling Shinagawa Station

ⓘ Tokyo is Japan's capital and the world's most populous metropolis. It offers a seemingly unlimited choice of shopping, entertainment, culture and dining to its visitors. The city's history can be appreciated in districts such as Asakusa and in many excellent museums, historic temples and gardens. Tokyo is one of the world's most exciting dining destinations. The city features a wide range of both local and regional Japanese cuisine in addition to all types of international fare. Great food can be found at every price range from cheap hole-in-the-wall joints to expensive high-class restaurants with every budget in between.

✂ To kick start the Tour we have organised a tour dinner this evening (included in your tour price ex drinks)

DAY 3

Saturday 21 September 2019: TOKYO

Day at leisure

📺 18:45 New Zealand v South Africa

DAY 4

Sunday 22 September 2019: Ireland v Scotland

It's match day! Ireland's opening game of Rugby World Cup. A crunch match against Scotland that may decide the pool A winners

13:00 Coach transfer from your hotel to the International Stadium Yokohama (1 hour)

🏈 **16:45 Kick-off: Ireland v Scotland**

19:30 Coach transfer back to your hotel



Yokohama International Stadium



Ireland v Scotland



Ise Jingu Shrine



Oharai Machi Street



Prime Resort, Kashikojima



Pearl Island Diver



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DAY 5

Monday 23 September 2019: HAKONE



Included today are visits to the following attractions:

- Cruise on Lake Ashi with great views of Mount Fuji

Check out of your hotel and transfer via executive coach to Hakone



Arrive in Hakone and transfer to your lake cruise and lunch



Hakone is part of the Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park, less than one hundred kilometres from Tokyo. Famous for hot springs, natural beauty and the view across Lake Ashinoko of nearby Mount Fuji, Hakone is one of the most popular destinations among Japanese people looking for a break from Tokyo. Owakudani is the "Great Boiling Valley". It is a volcanic valley with active sulphur vents and hot springs with Mount Fuji clearly visible in the background. Try the Kuro-tamago "black egg" a local specialty of eggs hard-boiled in the hot springs. The boiled eggs turn black and smell slightly sulphuric; consuming the eggs is said to add seven years to your life. You may eat up to two and a half for up to seventeen and a half years, but eating a whole third is said to be highly inadvisable! Super views of Mount Fuji at Owakudani.

Check in to [The 4* Prince Hakone Ashinoko](#) (or similar) for one night.



Wales v Georgia at 19:15

DAY 6

Tuesday 24 September 2019: ISE SHIMA

Check out of your hotel

Transfer to Ise Shima via bullet train

**Please note that due to space restrictions on all bullet trains, only hand luggage can be bought onto the Bullet train. Your main luggage will be transferred to your next hotel by our dedicated luggage truck and will be at the hotel on your arrival.*

Check into [The 4* Prime Resort, Kashikojima](#) (or similar) for three nights.



Russia v Samoa at 19:15. Pool A match

ITINERARY

DAY 7

Wednesday 25 September 2019: ISE SHIMA SIGHTSEEING



The Shima Peninsula is home to Japan's most sacred Shinto Shrines. The peninsula has been designated as Ise-Shima National Park for its natural beauty and cultural importance. It is located in southern Mie Prefecture and consists of the cities of Ise, Toba and Shima and the town of Minami-Ise. Ise-Shima is also famed for fresh seafood, particular oysters and lobster, where it has been the official source to the Japanese imperial family since the fifth century.



Included today are visits to the following attractions:

- Ise Jingu Shrine
- Oharai Machi Street
- Mikimoto Pearl Island

DAY 8

Thursday 26 September 2019: ISE SHIMA

Day at leisure in Ise Shima



England v USA at 19:45

DAY 9

Friday 27 September 2019: NAGOYA

Check out of hotel

Transfer by executive coach from Ise Shima to Nagoya (two hours)

Check into [The 4* Nagoya Prince Hotel Sky Tower](#) (or similar) for three nights



Nagoya is the largest city in the Chūbu region of Japan and the fourth-most-populous urban area. It is the capital of Aichi Prefecture and is one of Japan's major ports. Nagoya has a long history and is the birthplace of three notable feudal lords, Oda Nobunaga, Toyotomi Hideyoshi and Tokugawa Iyasu. Traditional industries like ceramics and textiles as well as key modern industries like automobiles, aviation and machine tools have also developed in Nagoya, and Nagoya plays an important role in Japan's industrial society. Today, Nagoya continues to draw attention and keeps on developing as a Japanese international city.

We have organised a tour dinner this evening (included in your tour price ex drinks)

DAY 10

Saturday 28 September 2019: Ireland v Japan

It's match day! Ireland take on the hosts Japan in their second pool game of the tournament

Depart hotel and transfer by coach directly to the Shizuoka Stadium Ecopa



16:15 Kick-off: Ireland v Japan

Transfer back to the hotel by coach



Inner Shrine Ise Shima



Japan Rugby Supporters

Day 11

Sunday 29 September 2019: NAGOYA

Day at leisure. Today would be an ideal day to visit the nearby Nagoya Castle.

Australia v Wales at 16:45

Day 12

Monday 30 September 2019: NAGOYA – KYOTO



Included today are visits to the following attractions:

- Golden Pavilion
- Kiyomizu Temple

Check out of hotel

Depart hotel and then transfer to Kyoto (2 hours)

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Arrive at Kyoto station followed by sightseeing



Kyoto, once the capital of Japan, is famous for its numerous classical Buddhist temples, as well as gardens, Imperial Palaces, Shinto shrines and traditional wooden houses. It's also known for geisha, female entertainers trained in music and dance, often found in the Gion district.

Check into the [4* Hotel Kyoto Century](#) (or similar) for two nights



Scotland v Play-off winner at 19:15. Pool A match

Day 13

Tuesday 1 October 2019: KYOTO

Day at leisure

Day 14

Wednesday 2 October 2019: OSAKA SIGHTSEEING & KOBE



Included today are visits to the following attractions:

- Osaka Castle
- Dotonbori street

Check out of your hotel



Bullet Train



Nagoya Castle



Osaka Castle



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DAY 14 (CONT.)

Coach departs with our English speaking guide for Osaka (1 hour)

Osaka is Japan's second largest metropolitan area after Tokyo. It has been the economic powerhouse of the Kansai Region for many centuries. Osaka was formerly known as Naniwa. Before the Nara Period, when the capital used to be moved with the reign of each new emperor, Naniwa was once Japan's capital city, the first one ever known.

Depart Osaka for Kobe (45 mins)

Arrive at your hotel in Kobe and check into the [4* ANA Crowne Plaza](#) (or similar) in for three nights

Kobe (pronounced Kobay) is the capital of Hyogo Prefecture and one of Japan's top ten largest cities. Located between the sea and the Rokko mountain range, Kobe is also considered one of Japan's most attractive cities. Kobe has been an important port city for many centuries. Its port was among the first to be opened to foreign trade in the 19th century alongside the ports of Yokohama, Nagasaki, Hakodate and Niigata.

 We have organised a tour dinner this evening (included in your tour price ex drinks)

DAY 15

Thursday 3 October 2019: Ireland v Russia

It's match day! Ireland will be hoping to cement their position in pool A

 Georgia v Fiji at 14:15

17:00 Coach transfer from your hotel to Kobe Misaki Stadium

 **19:15 Kick-off: Ireland v Russia**

21:45 Coach transfer back to your hotel

DAY 16

Friday 4 October 2019: KOBE

Day at leisure

 South Africa v Italy at 18:45

DAY 17

Saturday 5 October 2019: DAY OF DEPARTURE

Check out of the hotel

Transfer to Osaka Airport for your flight back home

***What an incredible tour! Thank you so much for travelling with us
and we hope to see you on another tour in the near future.***



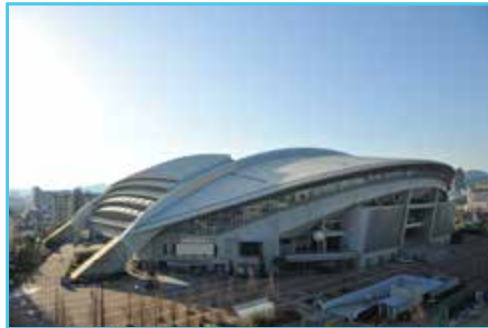
Kobe Misaki Stadium



Ireland v Russia

Ireland's Venues

Rugby World Cup 2019™, Japan



Kobe Misaki Stadium
Kobe City
神戸市御崎公園球技場
神戸市



Tokyo Stadium
Tokyo Metropolitan
東京スタジアム
東京都



International Stadium Yokohama
Kanagawa Prefecture, Yokohama City
横浜国際総合競技場
神奈川県・横浜市



Fukuoka Hakatanomori Stadium
Fukuoka Prefecture, Fukuoka City
東平尾公園博多の森球技場
福岡県・福岡市



Shizuoka Stadium Ecopa
Shizuoka Prefecture
小笠山総合運動公園エコパスタジアム
静岡県



Wasabi Tour Locations

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ADDITIONAL
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PAYMENT STRUCTURE

Within 48 hours of receipt of invoice: 25% of total price

Payable by the 31st January 2019: 50% of total price

Payable by the 31st March 2019: 75% of total price

Payable by the 31st May 2019: 100% of total price

Looking for a different payment structure? Just ask! Please note that there are no handling fees on card payments but we are unable to accept American Express cards.

INSURANCE

It is vital that you have travel insurance and we strongly recommend that you are covered from the time of booking as this may assist you in recovering monies paid in the unfortunate event of you having to cancel your trip. We offer travel insurance cover (for residents of the Republic of Ireland only) but if you have your own travel insurance policy it is your responsibility to check that the insurance scheme provides you with your desired level of cover.

HOTEL BEDS

It is important to note that most hotels in Japan have far more twin rooms (two regular sized beds) rather than double rooms (one large sized bed). This is because most Japanese couples sleep in separate beds. Therefore all bookings are made on a twin room basis. Double rooms can be requested but are not guaranteed.

HOTELS

Prices are based on twin/double rooms with two people sharing. Triple room occupancy is limited in Japan so we can only quote upon request. Single occupancy incurs a single room supplement as outlined in our costs. This is because we are charged on a per room basis and cost the package based on two people sharing that cost. Hotels detailed may become full due to the demand on a particular tour. Should we change your hotel we will advise you at the earliest opportunity but we will always offer a hotel of the same standard or higher and any extra cost will be absorbed by us. All accommodation is on a bed and breakfast basis. Please note smoking rooms are standard in Japan and may form part of the final room allocation.

CLIMATE

Japan is in the Northern Hemisphere so their Autumn is also from September to November. It is characterised by light breezes and day time temperatures of around 15-20 degrees Celsius. All forests are dyed in glorious autumn colours. Chrysanthemums create beautiful displays with their abundance of flowers to enchant visitors to parks and gardens.

RECOMMENDED CLOTHING

Light jacket, rain jacket, light sweaters and other similar kinds of tops.

FLYING TIMES

The total flying time from Dublin to Tokyo is 18 hours approx.

LOCAL CURRENCY

Japan's unit of currency is the Yen (¥ / JPY).

HEALTH

Medical facilities are very good, but the cost of treatment is high. Hospitals and clinics are well equipped and staff highly trained. There are very few English speaking doctors practising in Japan, but some Japanese doctors may speak English. You will be expected to pay the whole cost of any treatment you receive and there have been cases where treatment has been delayed whilst medical facilities check the legitimacy of the insurance. Make sure you have adequate travel health insurance that covers pre-existing conditions and accessible funds to cover the cost of any medical treatment abroad and repatriation. You should contact your insurance/medical assistance company promptly if you are referred to a medical facility for treatment.

VACCINATIONS

The risks to health whilst travelling will vary between individuals and many issues need to be taken into account, e.g. activities abroad, length of stay and general health of the traveller. It is recommended that you consult with your General Practitioner or Practice Nurse 6-8 weeks in advance of travel.

SECURITY

Crime is very rare in Japan but visitors are advised to take the same care with your personal safety and your possessions as you would do at home. Take copies of your important documents (like your passport and credit cards) and keep them separate from the originals. You should also keep a record of the description and serial number of valuable items (like cameras, tablets and smart phones).

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE

Long haul allowance is one suitcase check in (up to 23kg) and two pieces of hand luggage per person (1 handbag/laptop bag & 1 additional cabin bag). Upgraded seats have a greater allowance. For internal flights we expect the check in allowance to be up to 20kg. This has yet to be finally confirmed at the time of writing.

FLIGHT UPGRADES

Although the comfort and service offered by the airlines we use is excellent, you may wish to upgrade your flight to Business Class or First Class (neither are available for internal flights). Please ask for details as prices do fluctuate.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

All travel documents (flight e-tickets, itinerary etc.) will be issued to you two to three weeks (approximately) prior to departure.

PASSPORT & VISAS

If you have an Irish or UK passport, you can enter Japan as a visitor for up to 90 days without a visa. You may need to provide evidence of a return or onward ticket. Your passport should be valid for the proposed duration of your stay. We recommend you take a number of photocopies of your passport with you. During your stay you should carry a photocopy of your passport at all times.

TOUR MERCHANDISE

Official Rugby World Cup merchandise will be provided and details will be announced shortly.

CANCELLATION CHARGES

Should you wish to cancel your booking, we will require notification in writing. Cancellation charges will be levied in accordance with the scale set out in our full set of terms and conditions. It is vital that you have travel insurance and we strongly recommend that you are covered from the time of booking as this may assist you in recovering monies paid in the unfortunate event of you having to cancel your trip.

A summary of our Rugby World Cup 2019 Cancellation Provisions are as below:

PERIOD BEFORE DEPARTURE DATE (DATE LETTER OF CANCELLATION RECEIVED)	CANCELLATION CHARGE EXPRESSED AS % TOTAL TOUR COST
Up until 31st August 2018	25% of total price
From the 1st September 2018	50% of total price
From the 1st February 2019	75% of total price
From the 1st June 2019	100% of total price

PRICE CHANGE

Please refer to our website for any changes in tour prices.

MATCH TICKETS

Category D match tickets are included in the tour package. Please note there will be an optional upgrade program and you will be notified in due course.

MATCH CANCELLATION

RTI cannot be responsible for refunds of money due to cancellation of matches as a result of inclement weather, outbreak of disease, terrorism or events beyond our control.

LEGAL STUFF

OTP Travel Services Ltd T/A Rugby Travel Ireland (RTI) is a wholly Irish owned company bonded and licensed by the Commission for Aviation Regulation (License Number 260). This license and bond gives you the financial security you require, along with that all important peace of mind. All tours are subject to availability.

CHANGES TO YOUR TOUR

RTI reserve the right to change / readjust the tour schedule, transportation, hotel accommodation and services indicated in the package but always to the standard of that originally offered. Promotions may end without notice.

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