



Independent Excursion Package from Osaka Historical Himeji Castle & Authentic Onsen Experience (2 days / 1 nights)

- History
- World Heritage Site
- Onsen Experience
- Countryside

Take a short trip from Osaka to explore must-see historical sites in Kansai region of Japan. Visit Himeji Castle a UNESCO heritage sight. This castle and its grounds are beautifully preserved and a great destination for any history buff. The famed hot spring town of Kinosaki Onsen famous for its nostalgic atmosphere and seven public bathhouses with 100% natural hot spring water. Spend a night and day exploring this town and the hot springs.

SUGGESTED COURSE:

Day 1: OSAKA » HIMEJI » KINOSAKI ONSEN

Depart from Shin-Osaka Station
 30min. on JR Shikansen train Arrive at Himeji Station

- Himeji Castle

Depart from Himeji Station
 110min. on JR Limited Express train Arrive at Kinosakionsen Station

- Kinosaki Ropeway
- Onsen-ji Temple
- Strolling the onsen town

Stay at ryokan in Kinosaki Onsen

Day 2: KINOSAKI ONSEN » OSAKA

- Genbudo Park & basalt caves

Depart from Kinosakionsen Station
 180 min. on JR Limited Express train Arrive at Shin-Osaka Station

INCLUSION:

- 1 night at a ryokan (Japanese inn)
- 1 breakfast & 1 dinner
- JR West Kansai Wide Area Pass

HIGHLIGHTS:

Himeji Castle The iconic castle at the heart of Himeji is arguably the most impressive and best-preserved in all of Japan. Its status as one of Japan's 12 remaining original castles makes this fortress a must for anyone interested in the history of Japan.

Kinosaki Onsen, a famed hot spring town Kinosaki Onsen, one of many famed onsen towns in Japan, is situated in northern Hyogo Prefecture. Whilst the town is small in size, it is easily accessible by foot and boasts old-fashioned charm including wispy willow trees that line the Otani river flowing through the town's center. This becomes particularly picturesque at night when the river reflects the lighting of both the lanterns and neighboring stores.

Kinosaki Ropeway The view from Mount Daishi at the top of Kinosaki Ropeway was awarded one star in the Michelin Green Guide Japan as a spectacular view.

Onsen-ji Temple A hot spring's guardian temple in Kinosaki Onsen with rich history regarding the town's hot spring waters.

Genbudo Park & basalt caves Genbudo Park is a national natural monument designated in 1931. The park contains five caves, which feature unique hexagonal columns of basalt rock.