

EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL TO OSAKA GUIDE BOOK



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to
OSAKA!



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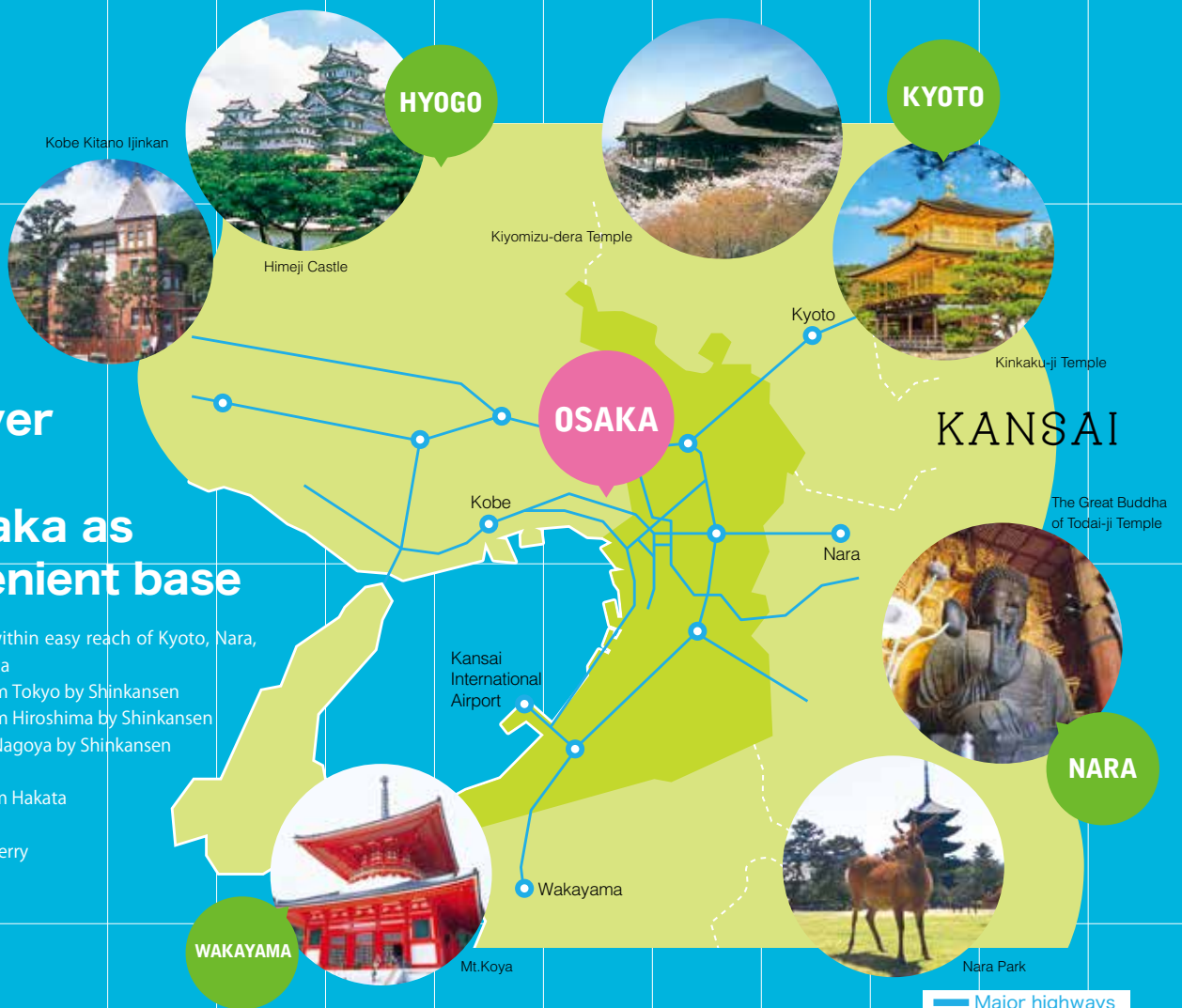
Osaka always has been an exciting place, brimming with energy, the largest city in western Japan.

The city never stops creating something new and is always developing, yet still maintains close ties with its impressive history and culture.

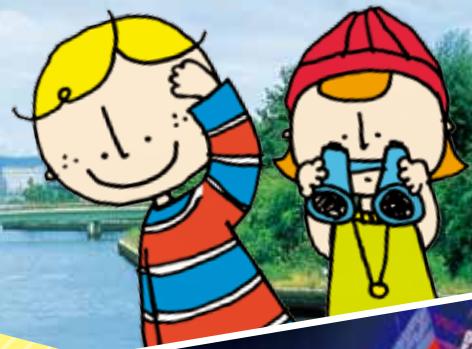


Wherever you go, use Osaka as a convenient base

- Located centrally, within easy reach of Kyoto, Nara, Kobe, and Wakayama
- About 2.5 hours from Tokyo by Shinkansen
- About 1.5 hours from Hiroshima by Shinkansen
- About 1 hour from Nagoya by Shinkansen
- From Kyushu
About 2.5 hours from Hakata by Shinkansen
- From Oita by night ferry
Leave 18:00 - 19:00
Arrive 6:00 - 7:00



An exciting live experience in Osaka



Reasons for why Osaka is suitable for educational travel

▶ Safe and secure

Osaka is the second largest city in Japan, and yet, it is a safe and clean city. 24-hour call center for tourists, ensuring safe educational travel.

▶ Years of experience in school exchange, with a fully reliable and trustworthy reception service

Exclusive support in school exchange in Osaka coordinated by a former principal. Understanding of school system enables fruitful exchange for students. In 2017, over 6,000 students of approx. 200 schools from 15 countries took part. Various schools featuring advanced education in specific fields such as Super Science High School (SSH) and Super Global High School (SGH) designated by Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology among a great number of schools in this huge city.

▶ Urban charm, no shortage of useful facilities for educational travel.

Traditional culture and modern living blend easily together in Osaka, great for various learning experiences, from traditional Japanese culture to cutting-edge technology. Numerous themes for educational travel; history, culture, environment, science, art or sports.

▶ Good accessibility with lots of accommodation.

Travel to Kyoto, Nara, Hyogo or Wakayama, all within easy reach in less than an hour by car.

Osaka provides various types of accommodation options.

Further attraction of history, culture and homestay in neighboring cities for educational travel from Osaka headquarters.

Student activity in groups is popular, possible only in this compact and safe city.

▶ The unique charm of people and cuisine, only in Osaka.

Osaka folk are well-known for being friendly and excel in communication, offering an enthusiastic welcome for overseas guests.

A food culture with a long history, known as "eat your fill". Delicious meals at reasonable prices.



Sample schedule at a high school

- 11:40 : Arrival. Welcome ceremony
- 11:50 : Greetings by principals and students from both schools
- 12:00 : Exchange of gifts
- 12:15 : Lunch
- 13:00 : Tour of the school
- 13:55 : Class experience (1)
- 14:50 : Class experience (2)
- 15:35 : Photograph
- Observe club activities
- 16:30 : Send-off



* Please also refer to P.4-5

Sample schedule at an elementary school

- 10:00 : Arrival. Welcome ceremony
- 10:10 : Greetings by principals (representing teachers) from both schools
- 10:20 : Exchange of gifts
- 10:30 : Greetings by students from both schools
- 10:40 : Choir activity by both schools
- 11:00 : Recreation (games, traditional play in Japan, etc.)
- 11:45 : Photograph
- Greetings by principals (representing teachers) from both schools
- 12:00 : Send-off

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An enjoyable learning
experience in Osaka

School exchange

Introduction of school exchange at preschool, elementary school, junior and senior high school, vocational school and university, and numerous places to visit for educational travel at Osaka Convention & Tourism Bureau



Arrival



Welcome ceremony

Students greeting



Welcome! /



Walk to a shrine



Takoyaki making



Let's enjoy ourselves!



Game



Gift exchange





Class experience

Culture experience

Club activity experience

Beautiful!

Say cheese!

Sports exchange

Music exchange

Farewell

See you again...

Photograph

Visit university/vocational school for studying abroad

We recommend a visit to a university/vocational school in the study tour itinerary to expand the possibility of a global future for the students.



Sample program

- ✓ 10:00 : Arrival. Greeting
- 10:15 : Explanation of the school outline
- 10:30 : Tour of the school, campus
- 11:30 : Introduction to student life by exchange and Japanese students
- 12:00 : Photograph, send-off

International exchange at a school with same age students in the afternoon!



Find, feel and learn! See! Play! **Introdu**



Osaka Castle Museum

Osaka Castle once played a major role in Japanese history. The interior is now a museum introducing warrior culture and the castle's history. [Free for junior high school students and younger]

☎06-6941-3044 🌐<https://www.osakacastle.net/english/>



Universal Studios Japan

· For details about opening hours and admission costs, please enquire.

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☎06-6465-4005 🌐<http://www.usj.co.jp/e/>



Abeno Harukas

The tallest building in Japan with a sweeping view of Osaka Bay and Awaji Island to the west, and Kyoto and Nara to the north and east.

☎06-6621-0300 🌐<https://www.abenoharukas-300.jp/en/observatory/>



The Osaka Museum of Housing and Living

A glimpse of Osaka as it was 200 years ago. You can walk around or go inside to see the rooms at will. [Free for junior high school students and younger]

☎06-6242-1170 🌐<http://konjyakukan.com/>



Sakai Plaza of Rikyu and Akiko

Tea ceremony in Sakai, birthplace of the great tea master Sen no Rikyu. Choice of either traditional sitting style in a tatami room or on chairs.

☎072-260-4386 🌐<http://www.sakai-rishonomori.com/en/>



Kuchu Teien Observatory

An observatory placed at the point where two 40-story buildings form a joint structure. "Triumphal Arch of the Future".

☎06-6440-3855 🌐<https://www.kuchu-teien.com/en/>



Osaka Aquarium Kaiyukan

The world's largest aquarium of its type which recreates the Pacific Rim on the Gaia hypothesis, featuring a whale shark, and approx. 30,000 marine creatures of 620 species.

☎06-6576-5501 🌐<http://www.kaiyukan.com/language/eng/>



The Entrepreneurial Museum of Challenge and Innovation

Introducing the spirit of 105 entrepreneurs of Osaka, providing youth with hopes and dreams. [Free for elementary students and younger]

☎06-4964-7601
🌐<http://www.kigyoka.jp/e/>



Cup Noodles Museum Osaka Ikeda

Teaching the importance of invention/discovery through the history of instant noodles. Make your original cup noodle with soup and topping of your choice. (300 yen per serving, no reservation) [Admission free]

☎072-752-3484
🌐https://www.cupnoodles-museum.jp/en/osaka_ikeda/



Takoyaki making Takomasa (Dotombori shop)

Make piping hot takoyaki, a ball-shaped kind of pancake with chopped octopus pieces, a favorite with Osaka residents.

☎06-6212-3363
🌐<http://takomasa.co.jp/about/experience/>

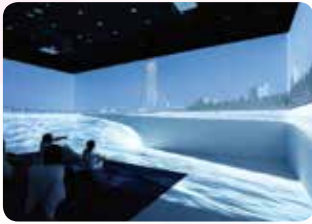


Osaka City Abeno Life Safety Learning Center

Learn essential knowledge and skills to cope with disasters through an integrated experience here. [Admission free]

☎06-6643-1031
🌐<http://www.abeno-bosai-c.city.osaka.jp/bousai/bsw/a/a/bswaa010.aspx>

cing attractions of OSAKA



Tsunami and Storm Surge Disaster Prevention Station

Learn about disaster prevention and the right response, "meet" disaster through sound and image. [Admission free]

☎06-6541-7799

🌐http://tsunami-osaka.jp/index_en.php



Maishima Incineration Plant

Waste incineration and bulky waste crushing plants to study waste treatment. The exterior was designed by Hundertwasser, an environmental protection architect. [Admission free]

☎06-6463-4153

🌐<http://www.osaka-env-paa.jp/kojo/maishima/>



Knowledge Capital Active Lab.

Experience and learn about the latest technology and activities of businesses, universities and institutions. [Admission free]

☎06-6372-6530

🌐<https://kc-i.jp/en/facilities/the-lab/active-lab/>



Panasonic Stadium Suita Gamba Osaka

Stadium tour at Gamba Osaka, a professional Japanese soccer team.

☎06-6875-3377

🌐<http://www.gamba-osaka.net/en/index/>



Yamato Group Kansai Gateway Visitor Tour

Introducing logistics mechanisms of TA-Q-BIN, as well as Value-Networking Design something which Yamato Group aims to make the future of logistics all about.

☎072-655-0199

🌐<http://www.yamato-hd.co.jp/english/gateway/visittour.html>



Osaka Museum of Natural History

A museum whose theme is "nature surrounding humankind". Among its popular exhibits are a dinosaur skeleton and fin whale bones. [Free for junior high school students and younger]

☎06-6697-6221

🌐<http://www.mus-nh.city.osaka.jp/language/en/>



Craftsmanship in Taisho and Minato Wards

Feel craftsmanship supporting the trust for Made in Japan closely in factories. Listen to the passions and observe the skills of local craftspeople.

Policy Promotion Group,
General Affairs Division, Taisho Ward
🌐<http://www.city.osaka.lg.jp/taisho/category/3195-16-0-0-0-0-0-0-0.html>



Panasonic Museum

"Konosuke Matsushita Museum" to see the management principle and life view of the founder of Panasonic Corporation, "Hall of Manufacturing Ingenuity" to see approx. 550 products manufactured in the past 100 years, and the "Sakura Hiroba" park full of cherry trees. [Admission free]

☎06-6906-0106

🌐<https://www.panasonic.com/global/corporate/history/panasonic-museum.html>



Osaka Youth Hostel Association

Mainly bunk-type, inexpensive accommodation for educational travel. On-site cooked meals. The lock-up time must be observed.

🌐<http://osaka-yha.or.jp/>

Shin-Osaka Youth Hostel

☎06-6370-5427

Osaka International Youth Hostel

☎072-265-8539

Osaka Amazing Pass

Discount for free admission at over 35 Osaka sightseeing spots. All-you-can-ride trains and buses for a day with the Osaka Amazing Pass.

☎06-6282-5907

🌐<https://www.osp.osaka-info.jp/en/>





Osaka Call Center

Free Call Center to provide sightseeing and medical information for tourists, to ensure an enjoyable and convenient stay in Osaka.

Access from URL on internet connection phone.

🌐<http://ofw-oer.com/call/en/>

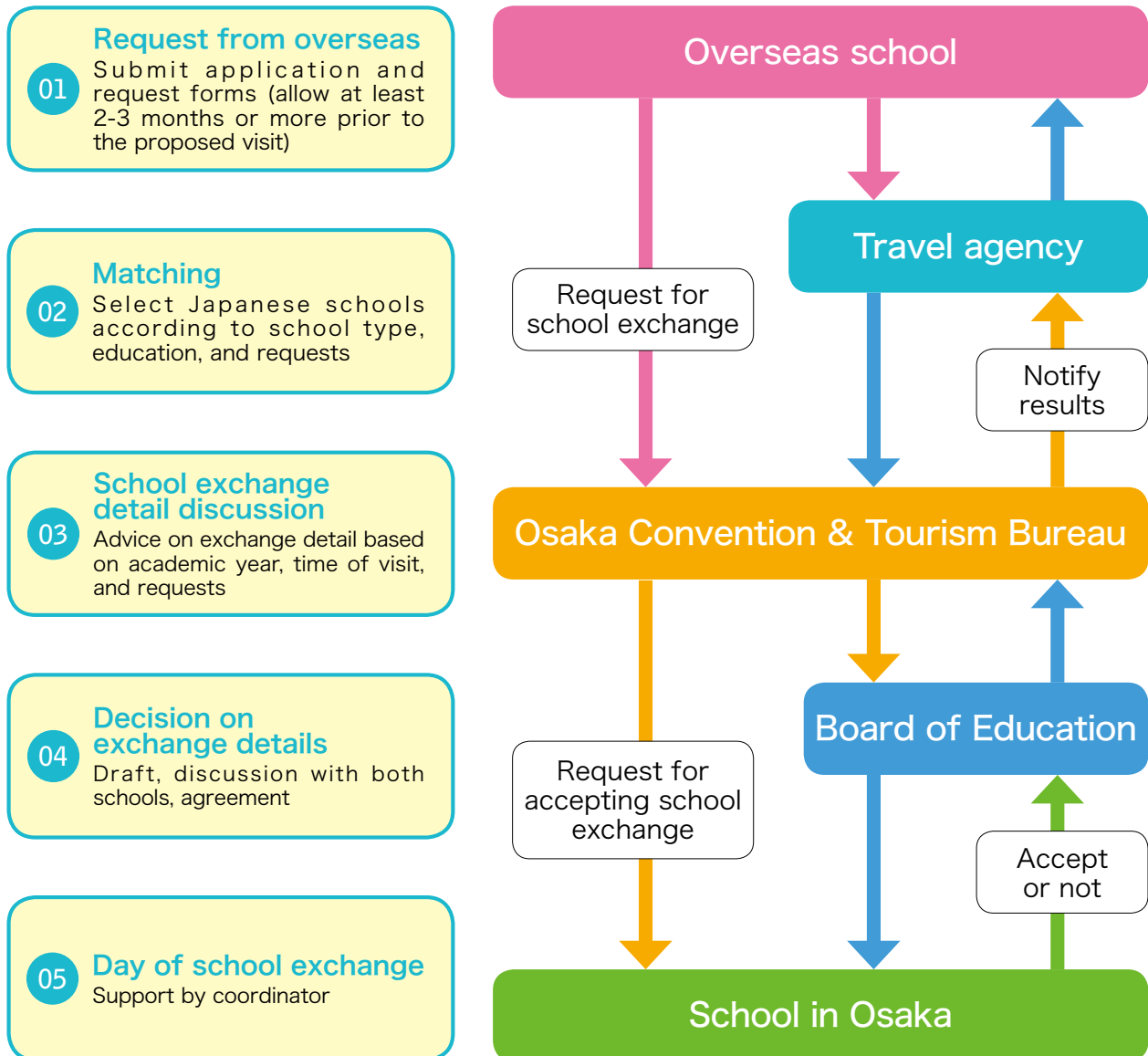


Sample stay plan in Osaka (4 nights 5 days)

Day 1	A.M. Arrival at Kansai International Airport P.M. Japanese culture experience in Kyoto	Stay in Kyoto
Day 2	A.M. Kyoto tour (Kinkaku-ji Temple, Kiyomizu-dera Temple) P.M. School exchange (1)	Stay in Osaka
Day 3	A.M. University campus tour in Osaka P.M. School exchange (2)	Homestay in Nara prefecture Stay in Nara
Day 4	A.M. History study in Nara (Nara Park) P.M. Experience learning in Osaka (Cup Noodles Museum Osaka Ikeda, Abeno Life Safety Learning Center, etc.)	Stay in Osaka
Day 5	A.M. Osaka city tour (Osaka Castle, Dotombori, Shinsaibashi) P.M. Kansai International Airport, return home	



School exchange application stream process



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