

## Ponant : 9D8N Japan, Natural Archipelago And Secular Heritage

Price per person  
from  
MYR 40740



### Tour Description

Luxury cruise aboard to experience a truly exceptional sea voyage with a difference. Discover expeditions to the majestic landscapes of the Arctic and the Antarctic. Great choice for couples, solo travelers and those who love small-ship cruising. Ponant Cruises offers exceptional bilingual service, world-class dining and elegantly-appointed accommodation and public areas in terms of the onboard experience. Choose a cruise on an Explorer Class vessel, you will benefit from several expedition-style features. Relaxing in the Blue Eye Lounge, an underwater multi-sensory environment that boasts comfortable seating and privileged views of life beneath the waves. Ponant's expedition ships also carry a fleet of Zodiacs deployed frequently throughout each itinerary for sightseeing excursions and trips ashore.

#### Cancellation Policy

- ~ Postpone or cancel free of charge up to 10 days after the booking is confirmed
- ~ From 10 days after the booking is confirmed to 365 days prior to departure: EUR 150 plus RM100 refund admin fees per guest per cruise for the cruise service only
- ~ From 364 to 211 days prior to departure: 10% of total price
- ~ From 210 – 91 days prior to departure: 25% of total price
- ~ Cancellation within 90 days prior to departure: 100% of total price

#### Payment Terms

- ~ Deposit payment of 25% must be received within 10 days after the booking is confirmed.
- ~ Balance payment must be made 90 days prior to departure
- ~ Booking made within 90 days prior to departure require full payment at the time of booking



# Tour Itinerary

## Day 1 :- OSAKA

Like its big sister Tokyo, Osaka is the product of ancestral traditions and amazing **technological innovations**. And despite its size, location on the Pacific Ocean give it a sense of **serenity**. The main historic landmark is the 16th century **Osaka Castle**, which stands proud in the midst of majestic skyscrapers. The lively streets of Dotomburi and the bizarre Shinsekai district attract thousands of locals and visitors. A multitude of restaurants offer menus full of regional specialities: *takoyaki*, made with octopus, and other succulent dishes such as *kushikatsu* kebabs.

Breakfast

## Day 2 :- TOMONOURA

Anchored to the south-eastern end of the Nunakama Peninsula, facing the calm and clear waters of the Seto Inland Sea, **Tomonoura** is a destination particularly appreciated for its **authentic and old-fashioned atmosphere** that gives it an incomparable charm. In the past used as a port where boats would moor while waiting for a favourable wind, the charming and picturesque village now serves to **inspire many filmmakers and artists**. With good reason, since its craggy landscapes, its cherry trees in blossom.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

## Day 3 :- MITARAI - SHIMOKAMAGARI

A charming fishing village nestling in the east of Osaki Shimojima Island, on the edge of the Seto Inland Sea, Mitarai is appreciated for its traditional charm and authentic character. A trip back in time to the Edo Period, where the hustle and bustle of modern cities is replaced by the gentle sound of fishing boats. The island of Shimokamagari stretches into the heart of the Seto Inland Sea, off the coast of the city of Kure, in the Hiroshima prefecture. A historical city during the feudal period, the island was the theatre of major diplomatic missions that shaped the future and the Empire's trade relationships, notably with repeated visits from mainly Korean, but also Chinese and Dutch, emissaries.

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## Day 4 :- MOJI, KITAKYUSHU

At the mouth of the **Kanmon Straits** lies Mojiko, the northernmost port of Kyushu, one of Japan's four main islands. For many years, Mojiko was the gateway to the island. Today, the old boats are gone, but as you stroll around the picturesque streets you will discover a **well-preserved architectural heritage** that evokes traditional Japan from the first Meiji era of the late 19th century. From the height of the Mojiko Retro Observation Room, you can enjoy the amazing views that take in the **Shinto shrine** and coastal landscape like a postcard of the Land of the Rising Sun.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

## Day 5 :- BUSAN

With around four million inhabitants, **Busan** is the second largest metropolis on South Korea, after Seoul. This dynamic harbour city is located in the south-east, surrounded by the warm waters of the Sea of Japan, benefits from a mild, pleasant climate. You'll find delight simply to stroll around the **lively streets** and explore the city's outstanding cultural heritage of art galleries, museums, and Buddhist temples such as the **Haedong Yonggungsa temple**, which elegantly sits on the waterfront.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

## Day 6 :- NAGASAKI

Located on the north-west coast of Kyushu, **Nagasaki** will impress you by its rich heritage. Despite the destruction in 1945, you can still visit several ancient sites, including the beautiful 19th-century **Catholic Church of Oura** and its garden, the **sanctuary of Suwa Shrine** and several Buddhist temples. A visit to the **Atomic Bomb Museum** gives you insight into the extent of the damage caused by the nuclear attack. Close by, a walk in the **Memorial Peace Park** leads you to a collection of objets d'art offered as a gift from Japan to the world.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

## Day 7 :- AMAKUSA REGION

Facing the mythical island of Kyushu, between the Yatsushiro and Ariake seas, **the island region of Amakusa** both surprises and captivates. Composed of some one hundred verdant islets surrounded by stunning seabeds, the Japanese archipelago was once a refuge for many Christians fleeing the ban on Catholicism in the 17th century during the Edo period. Christian heritage can be found in every village in the region. In **Sakitsu**, a charming fishing port, immerse yourself in this Christian heritage, particularly when you visit the emblematic church listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

## Day 8 :- KOSHIKIJIMA ISLANDS

Off the western coastlines of Kagoshima Prefecture, the rocky and green islets called the **Koshikijima Islands** rise like a mirage from the East China Sea. Aboard our Zodiac dinghies, you will reach the three islands that make up the archipelago: **Kamikoshikishima**, **Nakakoshikishima** and **Shimokoshikishima**. You will be captivated by the raw and authentic beauty of this environment, featuring **monumental cliffs** and **huge rock formations** that date back to the Cretaceous period or nearly 80 million years. During hikes, you may be lucky enough to discover these unique and striking landscapes. An interlude where time may stand still.

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

## Day 9 :- KAGOSHIMA

The seaside city of Kagoshima, at the south of Kyushu Island, is best known for Sakurajima, an **active volcano** that faces Kinko Bay. A visit to this busy metropolis will remind you just how much the volcano is part of the inhabitants' everyday life: in the wake of the almost daily eruptions, a delicate layer of ash settles on everything. The top of a buried **torii** (traditional Japanese gate) measuring three meters high that was 'swallowed up' by a giant lava flow in 1914 can still be seen. The **power of nature** will send a shiver down your spine.

## Tour Prices

Cruise price (Price shown subject to exchange rate fluctuation)	Deluxe Stateroom (pperson)	Prestige Stateroom (pperson)	Deluxe Suite (pperson)	Prestige Suite (pperson)	Child With No Bed
10 Apr - 18 Apr 2025	FULLY BOOKED	FULLY BOOKED	RM 62,965	RM 89,710	

## What's included

Destination [Japan](#)

Departure Location Osaka

Return Location Kagoshima

### Price includes

- 10 nights shipboard on Ponant Cruise
- 24 hour room service (special selection)
- Butler service (special selection)
- Free unlimited WIFI onboard

### Price does not include

- International air ticket
- Airport transfer
- Gratuities

## Additional Information

### Tour Deal

~ PONANT Bonus Discount up to 15%

~ Solo Traveller Single Room Supplement