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Friendly Planet Travel Brings Travelers Back To Japan On Its Latest Tokyo Express Tour

Travelers can experience the world's most populous metropolis on a new 7-day tour, starting at \$1,499 including airfare

JENKINTOWN, Pa.—March 7, 2012—One year ago, disaster struck Japan, but efficient and effective recovery efforts have brought it back as a popular tourist destination. Now, travelers have the chance to experience Japan in style, without breaking the bank, thanks to [Friendly Planet Travel](#), a leading tour operator that offers high-quality, affordable vacation packages to exotic destinations worldwide. Travelers can enjoy the sights and sounds of one of the world's most populated destinations on a seven-day [Tokyo Express](#) tour for just \$1,499 including airfare.

“Japan has never been known to be a bargain destination,” says [Peggy Goldman](#), President of Friendly Planet Travel. “But we are excited to be able to offer our clients one of the hottest destinations in all of Asia for a price that is hard to pass up.”

Tokyo Express includes round-trip airfare from [LAX](#) on [Singapore Airlines](#), considered to be one of the world's number one airlines, fuel surcharges, airline taxes and fees, and arrival and departure transfers. It also includes superior first-class hotel accommodations, a daily buffet breakfast, and a city tour of Tokyo with local guides. Friendly Planet's seven-day [Tokyo Express](#) tour is available for \$1,499 on the departure dates of May 8 and Sept. 4. Other departures are available for a little more.

Travelers begin their journey in [Tokyo](#), one of the world's main economic centers and Japan's modern capital, by checking into the [Keio Plaza Hotel](#). The hotel is located in the [Shinjuku ward](#), Tokyo's popular shopping and entertainment district. From there, travelers set

out on a Tokyo tour, exploring the main sites. Travelers will see the [Tokyo Tower](#), modeled after the Eiffel Tower in Paris; the [Meiji Shrine](#); the [Akasaka Guest House](#); and the [National Diet Building](#). Then they'll stop at the [East Garden of the Imperial Palace](#) to see the magnificent gardens and view of the ancient castle walls and ruins. The tour of Tokyo finishes in [Ginza](#), one of Tokyo's most famous shopping, dining, and entertainment districts.

In addition, several optional excursions are available, including a walking tour of the Shinjuku ward to experience Japanese culture first-hand in the neighborhoods surrounding the hotel. Stop at Shinjuku Alta, a favorite hangout for locals; Manga Kissa Café to see [Manga](#), Japanese comic books; and stop by an [izakaya](#), a type of Japanese pub. For travelers looking for a little more adventure, a full-day optional tour take visitors to see the majestic [Mt. Fuji](#) and [Hakone](#). Mt Fuji is the highest mountain in Japan and home to one of the world's most recognized volcanoes. Hakone is a hot springs resort town located in the [Fuji Izu National Park](#). For a relaxing final day in Tokyo, travelers can take advantage of the optional excursion to the [Hamarikyu Gardens](#) and enjoy a boat ride from Hinode Pier to Asakusa to see a blend of the old and new Tokyo.

For more information about Friendly Planet Travel's [Tokyo Express](#) tour, please visit the company's website at www.FriendlyPlanet.com; the blog at blog.FriendlyPlanet.com; or contact Jackie Zima-Evans at 610-228-2138 (office), 215-534-2973 (mobile), or write to Jackie@GregoryFCA.com.

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Each year, Friendly Planet Travel offers more than 30 different group travel packages to Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Europe, and South America—at discounts of hundreds of dollars off similar vacations. With no hidden charges, add-ons, or surprises, Friendly Planet Travel vacations include convenient flights and airfare; carefully selected, first-class and superior hotels; knowledgeable, English-speaking guides; many meals; planned itineraries; as well as friendships and memories that last a lifetime.

Friendly Planet Travel offers its extensive, economical travel services to private groups, including universities, religious institutions, alumni associations, and families. Groups who wish to travel together can count on Friendly Planet Travel's three decades of experience to operate

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