

Experience the Stunning Vistas of Mount Hiei and Lake Biwa

Capacity : 40



Enryaku-ji Temple

This journey will take you to the summit of Mt. Hiei, with stunning vistas of Kyoto City to the west and Lake Biwa to the east. Here lies the beautiful Enryaku-Ji Temple, that was registered as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994. This sacred place is known as “the hometown of Japanese Buddhism” due to its importance to the Tendai sect. Conservation works are underway to the temple’s Main Hall, and you’ll be able to get up close to the site. After a delicious lunch of vegetarian cuisine prepared according to the traditions of the temple, we will stop at Ukio-do, a beautiful scenic spot on shores of Lake Biwa – one of the most celebrated lakes in Japan.

Itinerary

※The tour is subject to change without notice.

09:00	Meet at Kyoto Station	=====Chartered Bus=====
10:10 – 12:10	Enryakuji Temple East Pagoda AreaWalk.....
12:15 – 13:25	Shojin Ryori Temple Lunch (Enryakuji Kaikan)	=====Chartered Bus=====
14:25 – 15:30	Ukimi-do	=====Chartered Bus=====
16:30	Tour ends at Kyoto Station	

Enryakuji Temple East Pagoda Area: Enryakuji originated in the east pagoda where Saicho opened Enryakuji Temple. This area has a cluster of important buildings, including the Konpon Chu-do (the main hall of Enryakuji), the great auditorium, and the ancestral hall of Amidado.

Konpon Chu-do: A National Treasure, the largest Buddhist hall in Enryakuji. The site has withstood many natural disasters. The present structure was completed in 1642. In front of the main hall, there is the “Inextinguishable Dharma lamp,” which has been lit for twelve hundred years.

Ukimi-do (Mangetsu Temple): Ukimi-do is famous as one of the eight beautiful sights of the old Omi country (now Shiga prefecture). A total of 1000 Amitabha Buddhas are enshrined in Ukimi-do. The superb view from the Ukimi-do has been celebrated in haiku poetry since ancient times, and there are five monuments on the grounds.



Konpon Chu-do



Ukimi-do



Japanese Shojin ryori