

INSIDER GUIDE

2 NIGHTS, 3 DAYS



THE RITZ-CARLTON

OSAKA





DAY 1: AN ACTIVE DAY, INSIDE AND OUT— UNIVERSAL STUDIOS JAPAN®

MORNING:

Morning Exercise at gym

Start your day with a vitalizing workout at our gym, bathed in the morning light. The fitness center, available around the clock, is fully equipped with a wide variety of machines to suit all your exercise needs. The indoor pool, baths, saunas, and indoor and outdoor Jacuzzis, overlook the inner garden, which changes its character with the seasons.
Insider Tip: Private trainers are available to assist you with your machine training. (3,000 yen per 15 mins)

Breakfast at Italian Restaurant Splendido

The bountiful breakfast buffet includes soup, grilled fish, sausages, vegetable sauté, a bread corner, a cereal corner, a salad and fruit corner, and a juice corner offering five varieties of fresh juices – all made with choice ingredients. Order your omelet or eggs just as you like them and fresh waffles and pancakes topped with whipped cream and fresh berries. Enjoy a relaxing breakfast with sparkling wine.

Kimono experience of Osaka Museum

Learn about Osaka's lively life and culture at the Osaka Museum of Housing and Living with a replica of the city. You also can stroll there with wearing an antique kimono.

Universal Studios Japan®

Visit Universal Studios Japan®, a 20-minute train ride away from The Ritz-Carlton, Osaka. 1 Day Studio Passes and 2 Day Studio Passes, which allow you direct entry into the park, are available at our concierge desk. The Ritz Carlton, Osaka is an alliance hotel of Universal Studios Japan®.



EVENING:

Dinner at Hanagatami

Japanese Restaurant Hanagatami provides five dining areas to best convey Osaka's rich food culture: sushi served at a 7m-long cypress-wood counter overlooking the Japanese garden, a traditional kaiseki course dinner, teppanyaki with quality, brand beef and assorted vegetables, crispy tempura made by our expert chef, and sumibiyaki food charcoal grilled right before your eyes. Choose a style of cuisine to suit your tastes and mood, and savor the tastes of the season.
Insider Tip: The Hanagatami Dinner Tour includes delicious dishes from each of the five styles of Japanese cuisine on offer. Each style of cooking is paired with champagne, sake, or the drink of your choice. (Available to one couple per day on weekdays. 100,000 yen per couple, including consumption tax, excluding 13% service tax. Advance reservation is required.)



Indoor pool



Splendido





Dotonbori

DAY2: EXPERIENCE THE CITY AND CULTURE OF OSAKA

MORNING:

Breakfast at the Club Lounge

Enjoy a sumptuous breakfast served in the homely atmosphere of the Club Lounge, which is located on a special floor exclusively for staying guests. The healthy buffet is loaded with fruits and vegetables, and our chefs will cook your eggs to order before your eyes. The lounge's concierge will provide you with sightseeing information and assist you with booking. A hearty breakfast is a great way to start a busy day.

Osaka Castle

Built around 400 years ago by military commander Toyotomi Hideyoshi, this dazzling castle is a major attraction that allures both domestic and international visitors. Learn about the castle's history at the museum inside and take in the stunning views of the city from the observation deck at the top.

Samurai experience at Japan Tatedo Association

If you are interested in Japanese samurai culture, you could have a great chance through an experience of Samurai. The samurai moves are not easy but so the members of staff help you to keep a sense of humor.

Aqua Bus Aqua-Liner

Osaka is known as "The Water Capital," so what better way to experience the cityscape than from a boat? Cruise on the Aqua-Liner from Osaka Castle to Dotonbori, a major entertainment district, taking in the diverse architecture and designs of Osaka's buildings and bridges from water level.

AFTERNOON:

Lunch in Dotonbori

This area is concentrated with restaurants and eateries offering all kinds of local delicacies. Experience the best of Osaka's food culture with takoyaki, okonomiyaki, and udon. The large signs and billboards that line Dotonbori have made it a sightseeing destination and a favorite photo spot. Duck through the nondescript gate and walk along the narrow, flagstone alley of Hozenji Yokocho to experience yesteryear. Toss water on the moss-covered statue of Fudo Myo-o, a Buddhist deity, when you make a prayer at the little temple tucked in the alley.

Make Plastic Food Samples in Doguyasuji

You've seen the food samples lined up in restaurant and café windows. So why not try your hand at making one in the kitchenware arcade? It only takes an hour to create a unique souvenir of your trip.

EVENING:

Art Tour

Discover the artworks displayed throughout The Ritz-Carlton, Osaka, which is reminiscent of an 18th-century English, aristocratic manor. Our ladies and gentlemen will lead this art tour – the first such regular tour since the hotel's establishment – highlighting a selection of assorted works. Experience the charm of The Ritz-Carlton, Osaka and learn about the Persian carpets, Czech crystal chandeliers, Italian marble floors and other gorgeous furnishings.

Dinner at French Restaurant La Baie

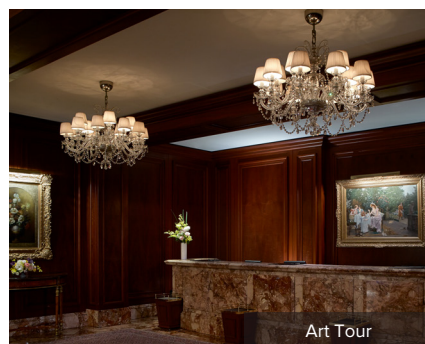
The hotel's signature restaurant serves traditional French delicacies brimming with the chef's originality, alongside award-winning wines and champagnes.



Aqua-Liner



Fudo Myo-o



Art Tour



Chef Christophe Gibert of La Baie



DAY3: RELAX IN LUXURY ON YOUR LAST DAY

MORNING:

Breakfast in Your Room

Luxuriate on your last day with a full breakfast served in your room: a bakery basket with three varieties of bread, slices of smoked salmon, cheese, scrambled eggs, and fillets of Japanese beef, accompanied with a glass of champagne.

Walking Tour

This circuit tour takes in the sights along the Nakanoshima waterfront, a 15-minute walk from the hotel. Nakanoshima Park was the first park to be built in Osaka in 1891, and it soon became a favorite spot for promenading. The area is home to the Osaka City Central Public Hall, designated an Important National Cultural Heritage site, and other stunning buildings built in the late-19th and early-20th centuries. Walk with our ladies and gentlemen at a comfortable pace and admire the beautiful flora and noted architecture.

Spa

Indulge in a treatment exclusively created by English luxury spa brand ESPA for The Ritz-Carlton, Osaka. The treatment's theme is "gold," inspired by the gold tea-ceremony room commissioned by Toyotomi Hideyoshi, a replica of which stands in Osaka Castle today. Take a moment to relax your body and mind before you leave.

Lunch at Xiang Tao

Sunlight streams through the large windows of our Chinese restaurant, which overlooks a delightful garden. Freely order from the lunch buffet menu, which features traditional Cantonese cuisine. Our Chinese tea experts will select a tea to compliment your meal and expertly pour it using special utensils.

AFTERNOON:

Umeda Sky Building

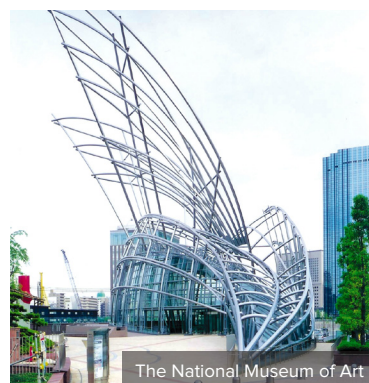
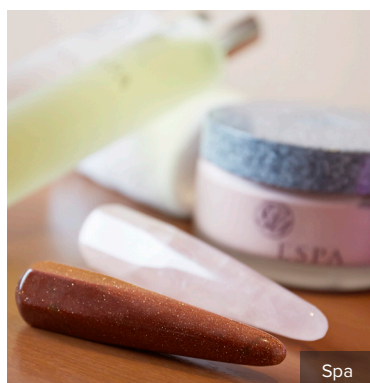
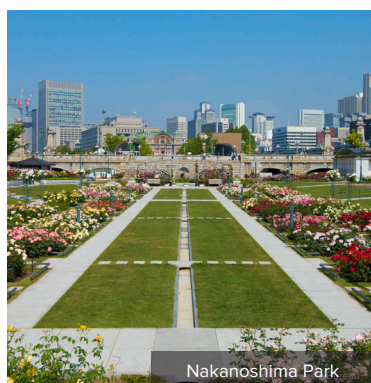
After lunch, take a leisurely 15-minute stroll from the hotel to the imposing Umeda Sky Building. An innovation in architecture, this building is one of the city's most recognizable landmarks. The top floors of the two skyscrapers are connected with an observation deck; and the huge atrium extending about 150m connects the sky with the ground.

The National Museum of Art, Osaka

Continue on to the art museum and view modern artworks from Japan and around the world. Discover the development of Japanese art as exhibited alongside international pieces.

Afternoon Tea at The Lobby Lounge

Before your departure, take the opportunity to savor an authentic English afternoon tea served with tea selected by our tea masters in the relaxing European-style interior of The Lobby Lounge.





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