**Proposed plan in japan**

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**Age: 23**

**Sex: Male**

**Month 1: Fukuoka 福岡**

Proposed Month: *Mid – March*

Proposed Accommodation:

* 1-2 weeks –House (Refer to reference on application form)
* From then, search and find an apartment in Hakata with the help of 

Proposed length of stay: 6 + Months

Work:

* English Private Tutor
* English conversation class
* Search for work as an ALT

Attractions

Canal city – A famous shopping centre in Fukuoka, famous for its architectural curiosity.

Nokonoshima Island – 10 minutes by ferry ride away from Meinohama (open from May – September)

Momochi – An area famous for hosting a large number of Fukuoka’s famous attractions. The Fukuoka yahoo dome, Fukuoka tower, Fukuoka city museum.

Shofukuji temple – Japans alleged first Zen temple listed as “important cultural property”.

Keya oto park – View some interesting caves.

Futamigaura – Famous for surfing beaches and a great sunset.

Toka Ebisu shrine – god of wrath one of the 7 gods of good fortune also holds the Toka Ebisu Festival in early spring.

Tochoji Temple – holds the statue of kannon the Japanese goddess of mercy.

Kashii Shrine – 1200 year old shrine away from the hustle and bustle of the city.

Hakozaki shrine – Shrine on the “Important cultural assets” list of japan.

Kushida shrine – Shrine in the heart of ‘Old Hakata’ .

Sumiyoshi shrine – One of the oldest shrines in Kyushu.

**Month 2: Kagoshima鹿児島**

Proposed Month: *April*

Proposed length of stay: 1-3 days (Daytrips from Fukuoka)

Attractions:

Sakurajima – Japans most famous active volcano.

Sakurajima Dinosaur Park – Giant models of dinosaurs in a park near the ferry.

Kirishima – An island with a volcanic landscape between Kagoshima and Miyazaki prefecture.

Yakushima- Place of japans oldest known cedar trees, some trees are around 1000 years old; now a natural world heritage site.

**Month 3: Nagasaki 長崎**

Proposed Month: *May*

Proposed length of stay: 3-4 days (Daytrips from Fukuoka)

Attractions:

Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Museum – To aid my interests in history and the Japanese viewpoint on WW2, visiting the a-bomb museum is a good opportunity to learn about the horrors of WW2 and take photos for my classroom back in Australia.

Housten bos – A Dutch village based around Dejima (now a part of the city) and a remnant of japans 鎖国 policy.

Churches – The architecture of churches in Nagasaki are interesting and look different to the churches in Europe.

Sasebo – Sasebo is the sister city of my hometown Coffs Harbour, therefore i must visit this city to pay my respects for my hometown. Also I want to try Sasebo’s famous ‘Sasebo Burger’.

Gunkanjima – Or better known in English as Battleship Island; once owned by Mitsubishi and boasting the worlds greatest population density, now a ruin, with parts on display.

**Month 4: Izumo 出雲**

Proposed Month: *June*

Proposed Accommodation: *’s grandmothers house*

Proposed length of stay: *3 Days*

Attractions:

Izumo dome – The largest wooden building In japan, hosts many of Shimane’s sporting matches.

Izumo taisha – One of the largest and most important Shinto shrines in japan. I would like to go and make an offering to Okuninushi to pray for my relationship with my girlfriend.

Lake Shinji – In my grandmothers stories she would often talk about going to Lake Shinji. She said it was the most beautiful place at sunset when she was a child. I would like to see this for myself.

Foods

Izumo Soba – The soba is famous from Izumo, so I would like to try it.

**Month 5: Shikoku 四国**

Proposed Month: July

Proposed Accommodation: Ryokan/ Backpacker

Proposed length of stay: 3-4 Days

Attractions:

Udon – Udon is famous in Shikoku especially Sanuki Udon. I would also like to buy fresh Udon as an Omiyage.

Matsuyama castle – One of japans most beautiful original castles.

Ritsurin garden – A famous and historically beautiful garden.

The 88 temple Pilgrimage – a famous pilgrimage in japan taking around a month on foot to cover. I intend to visit as many temples on the pilgrimage as possible throughout Shikoku by train and public transport. Notable temples I would like to visit are:

* **Ryōzen-ji** (霊山寺) – The first of the 88 temples
* **Chikurin-ji** (竹林寺) – Temple #31, because it held many great treasures of japan
* **Kanjizaiji** (観自在寺) - Temple #40 - Holds one of the 7 gods of fortune
* **Ishite-ji** (石手寺) – Temple #51 – holds many buildings which are considered national treasures or having important culture properties.
* **Shippōzan Motoyama-ji** (七宝山 本山寺) – Temple #70 – houses many treasures of japan
* **Byōbuura Gogakusan Tanjō-in Zentsū-ji** (屏風浦五岳山誕生院善通寺) – Temple #75 -
* **Ōkubo-ji** (大窪寺) – The last of the 88 temples

**Month 6: Okinawa 沖縄**

Proposed Month: *August*

Proposed Accommodation:*’s house*

Proposed length of stay: *1 Week*

Shuri jo – A re-construction of the old temple that was destroyed during WW2. One of Okinawa’s most famous attractions

Kokusai Dori – or International street, famous throughout japan.

Itoman 記念公園 – An area in Okinawa famous for remnants of WW2.

Tropical beach トロピカルビーチ – Probably the most famous beach in 北谷 Okinawa

Peace Prayer Park – I was given a 五円 coin for good luck by some Okinawan friends a few years ago. Now the string has broken I would like to take its luck back to Okinawa and offer it to peace.

Orion Brewery – Orion beer is the pride of Okinawa, I would like to see how it is made.

Underground Japanese Navy Base – Located on the outskirts of Naha city in Tomishiro, it was the final battle ground for Admiral Oto.

Kaizuka – A famous ghost spotting site in Okinawa, famous throughout Japan.

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