## Ohenro Startup Tour ~ Visit the First Temples of Japan's Ancient Pilgrimage (1Night 2Days Tour)

## Day 01: Tokushima - #1Ryōzenji Temple - #6Anrakuji Temple.

Our trip will start with a transfer from your accommodation inside Tokushima City to the first of 88temples, Ryōzenji Temple. This 20-minutes' drive through small towns of Tokushima is a nice experience where you can see the insights of Japanese villages.

Upon arrival at Ryōzenji Temple, the Ohenro Specialist Guide will explain how to start with the temple pilgrimage. It begins from how to enter the temple, washing your hands, lightening the candle and incense stick, offering money, making your first prayer, chanting the mantra, and others.

After visiting the first temple, we will start the walk of this mystique pilgrimage trail. Today includes the walk and prayer to temple #2, #3, #4, #5 & #6.

Not only the guide will inform you how to pray in temples and walk the ancient route, but will also tell you how to use ATM, convenience stores, how to pass time while your time in Shikoku, and more. Meanwhile, we will also learn to ask the temple staff to put a stamp on your pilgrimage book and have basic knowledge of the Ohenro Souvenirs.

The accommodation is planned in a Japanese style Ryokan situated inside #6Anrakuji Temple's peripheries.



Ryozenji Temple

## Day 02: #6Anrakuji Temple - #11Fujiidera Temple - #12Shōsanji Temple.

We are going to walk along the route through a strenuous mountain route this day. First, we will take a private vehicle to reach #11Fujiidera Temple where the walk begins. In the meantime, we will refill ourselves with the things that we may need during hiking, for that we will stop at a convenience store and buy things. The guide will inform what we need during the hike.

Upon arrival at #Fujiidera Temple, visit the temple, make prayers, and start walking to #12Shosanji Temple. Japanese Pilgrims often refer this route as "Henro Korogashi" which simply means, it's one of the hard parts of the pilgrimage route. "

This 8-hour hike on this day passes through many high mountains of this area, we will climb to the top of one mountain and again climb down. The views are panoramic with nearby mountains, many small resting places, and a lot of Kobo Daishi history.

#12Shosanji is located on top of a mountain with panoramic views on a clear day. We will make our prayers after the hard hike, before walking down to your accommodation.

This trip ends after we have checked-in the accommodation property.

From the following day, the travelers will travel on their own with all knowledge gained through this 2 days guided tour. Happy pilgrimage walking ~



## **Cost & Inclusions**

- > Daily Accommodation with breakfast
- > Meals as per the itinerary
- > Private vehicles for transportation except walking
- > English speaking guide
- Ferry and other transportation
- Sightseeing in mentioned places