

Japan, Personally Hosted

Tokyo · Kyoto · Osaka · Kobe · Hiroshima

Japan is best experienced with someone who knows how it works. From Tokyo's scale to Kyoto's historical core, each day is paced to move smoothly between neighborhoods, reservations, and cultural sites without unnecessary friction.

Everything is arranged in advance and adjusted as needed. You are not navigating Japan — you are moving through it with confidence.

Every Cultural Connections Asia journey is personally hosted. If trains are delayed, reservations need to change, or plans need to be adjusted — your host is available throughout. You focus on the experience. The logistics are handled in the background.

“Luxury is not what surrounds you. It is what you don't have to think about.”

— David Wright, Founder & Host, Cultural Connections Asia

YOUR HOST

David Wright

David Wright has lived in Tokyo for over twenty years. He speaks Japanese, knows how these places actually function, and has been designing and personally hosting private journeys across Japan and Southeast Asia since 2015. David's relationship with Asia began as a Yale-in-China Fellow in Hong Kong.

Based	Tokyo, Japan · 30 years in Asia
Languages	English · Japanese
Background	Yale-in-China Fellow · Yale MA · UC Berkeley PhD study
Experience	Personally hosting journeys since 2015 · Guests from the United States and Japan

THE JOURNEY

Destinations & Routes

Every Cultural Connections Asia Japan journey is built around your schedule, interests, and pace. Routes range from a focused Tokyo experience to a full circuit of Japan's most significant cities and regions.

Route	Duration	Description
Tokyo	3 – 7 days	Design, craft, cuisine, and culture in Japan's capital.

Tokyo + Kyoto + Osaka	7 – 10 days	The essential Japan route, properly paced.
Full Golden Route	10 – 14 days	Tokyo · Kyoto · Osaka · Kobe · Hiroshima — the complete journey.
Custom / Bespoke	Any duration	Designed entirely around you. Discussed by proposal.

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ACCOMMODATIONS

The hotel is not the brand.

Accommodations are selected to match the character and goals of each journey — not the other way around. Every program is designed around the host, the itinerary, and the traveler. The hotel is chosen to support that experience.

SIGNATURE Well-placed. Consistently excellent.

Premium hotels in excellent locations. Strong service, without the international luxury brand price point. Examples: Mitsui Garden Hotel Premier · Hotel Metropolitan Marunouchi · The Celestine Ginza

PREMIER Refined. Distinctly positioned.

International luxury brands in landmark locations — strong design, attentive service, meaningful sense of place. Examples: Grand Hyatt Tokyo · Palace Hotel Tokyo · Four Seasons Kyoto · Ritz-Carlton Osaka

BESPOKE Exceptional. Irreplaceable.

Asia's most celebrated properties — chosen for guests who want accommodations that are themselves a defining part of the journey. Examples: Aman Tokyo · Aman Kyoto · Gora Kadan · The Peninsula Tokyo

Accommodations are confirmed at the time of proposal and discussed directly with each guest. The tier is a guide — the final selection is always tailored to the journey.

WHAT IS INCLUDED

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- ✓ Personally hosted throughout by David Wright, in English or Japanese
- ✓ Accommodations matched to your journey tier
- ✓ All transportation and private transfers within Japan
- ✓ Curated meals, reservations, and activity fees
- ✓ Dedicated host available throughout — logistics handled in real time

NOT INCLUDED

- International airfare
- Travel insurance
- Personal expenses

From USD 800 per guest per day

Signature tier · 7-day minimum · Land only · 2 – 8 guests · Final pricing provided by proposal

Every journey is priced individually based on group size, duration, accommodation tier, and specific routing. There are no fixed packages. David reviews every inquiry personally and responds with a detailed proposal within 48 hours.

Tier	From (per guest/day)	Guide
Signature	\$800	Well-placed, consistently excellent hotels
Premier	\$1,275	International luxury brands, landmark locations
Bespoke	\$2,650	Asia's most celebrated, irreplaceable properties

Shown for planning purposes only — every proposal is priced individually and confirmed before booking.

BEGIN THE CONVERSATION

Request a Proposal

A straightforward conversation about whether this is the right journey for you. David responds to every inquiry personally, in English or Japanese.

Email	bookings@cc-asia.com
Response	Within 48 hours — directly from David
Languages	English · Japanese
Currency	Pricing in USD · Payment arrangements flexible
Group size	2 – 8 guests · Private journeys only