## the TOUR

The aim of the tour is to introduce participants to the profound concepts and traditions deeply rooted in Japanese culture, completely away from the normal tourist path. It is rooted in the concepts of Ha-re (the anticipation and celebration of special and spiritual events) and Ke (the reverence of the ordinary way of life)

Hamahiga Island, chosen for its rich historical significance, embodies the essence of Okinawan spirituality, with sacred sites and a serene atmosphere, surrounded by beautiful ocean. It's a place reserved for the invited few, where the energy of ancient gods permeates the land and sea, offering a unique experience akin to being cradled by the universe.

In addition to Hamahiga, we'll visit Daiseki Rinzan and spend time with the Master Kisesan who was called to "restore" this "forgotten sacred space" from a desolated site to now being protected as a national heritage with over 40 spots of worship (Utaki). This too is by invitation only and the wisdom Kise-san shares perfectly aligns with the theme of lasting peace and prosperity.

The tour blends the extraordinary with the everyday, featuring Okinawa's deeply sacred spaces and the grounded, yet spiritual, lifestyles of Isumi and Small Earth. These places, though lesser-known, are perfect examples of sustainability and community.

Browns Field, founded by Deco Nakajima, epitomizes this ethos with its organic, communal living. Graduates carry its principles nationwide, embodying a feminine approach of letting goals emerge from mindful daily life.

Small Earth, led by Yoshiki Hayashi, mirrors this reverence, with residents living in harmony with nature. Its ancient terraced fields and collaborations with universities signify a blend of tradition and innovation, offering profound lessons for visitors.

In summary, our tour aims to immerse participants in Japan's spiritual heritage while showcasing contemporary sustainability efforts, fostering cross-cultural collaboration and appreciation.

## TOUR INFORMATION

**What**: A unique two-part tour either side of the Summit of Summits based on the Japanese philosophy of Ha-Re (anticipated, celebratory, spiritual events) and Ke (ordinary, "mundane" daily life)

Where: Okinawa – Hamahiga Island and Daiseki Rinzan

Chiba prefecture – Isumi and Small Earth near Kamogawa

When: 22nd to 30th September 2024, incorporating the Summit of Summits.

**Cost and what's included**: there are three different options to take the tour depending on your availability

<u>Full package</u> - \$6200 including the Summit of Summits

All transportations starting from Tokyo (Haneda airport), to and from the Summit of Summits, and ending in Kamogawa station. Meals, accomodations, and activities are also included.

<u>Pre-tour package</u> - \$5200 for the pre-tour including the Summit of Summits All transportations starting from Tokyo (Haneda airport), and ending in Hakone. Meals, accomodations, and activities are also included.

<u>Post-tour package</u> - \$4200 for the post-tour including the Summit of Summits All transportations starting from Hakone, and ending in Kamogawa station. Meals, accomodations, and activities are also included.



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