

One Day Bus Tour operated by MEITETSU KANKO BUS
“World heritage Shirakawago and Takayama”

MEITETSU KANKO BUS carried out the one day bus tour from April 1 to April 7, 2016.
The licenced interpreter guide accompanied the bus and conducted the tour in English.
That was informative for foreign visitors to learn about Shirakawago and Takayama more.

“Tour Itinerary”

8:45 Meeting at Meitetsu Bus Center. There is a guide signboard in English.



Let's get on the bus!

I rode the “Zeus” bus which is really comfortable and relaxing.

There is only 3 seats per row and also Wi-Fi is available!

The wide space, footrests, and slippers relaxed me during the tour.



9:00 Departure



The tour guide gave us much information about histories of Nagoya, sightseeing spots and recommended foods along the way.

Some participants from the US, Laos, Belgian, Vietnam, and London introduced their foods as well.

It was interesting for me to know about other countries and felt time pass quickly.

We took a break at Hirugano Kogen Service Area. Some tourists got soft ice cream which is famous there and bought souvenirs. The unique Service Areas are one of the splendid Japanese cultures.



11:30 Arriving at Takayama (Honjin Hiranoya Annex)



Luckily, I saw Hina doll on that day, which is the last day of Doll's Festival in Takayama.

March 3rd is the day of the Doll's Festival in Japan, but Takayama celebrate it on April 3rd.

We had Japanese lunch such as grilled Hida beef with Miso on a Hoba leaf which is a local cuisine in Takayama.

We enjoyed the Japanese atmosphere of the tatami (straw-matted) dining room and taste of the meal.



We got 80 minutes of free time after the meal. Tourists enjoyed their time in the Sannomachi Street(the old town), such as many old homes, shops, sake breweries, and eating local specialties.



Takayama is really friendly town for traveling since there are maps and signs in several languages and give us Free Wi-Fi.



14:10 Leaving Takayama

14:45 Arriving at Shirakawago



First, we looked across the the village from the observation deck and it was fantastic view.



We also got 80 minutes free time at Shirakawago and walked around the old houses.

16:40 Leaving Shirakawago

19:45 Arriving at Nagoya Station

On the way back to Nagoya station, there were some surprising events!

The bus tour accompanied with a tour guide is an interesting culture of Japan.