

2:09 Events Ltd, is delighted once again to be part of the Tokyo Marathon's International Travel programme, as we have been for the past decade. As such we can offer a limited number of guaranteed entries to the 2026 Tokyo Marathon which can only be booked as part of our five-night travel programme. Of course if you want to extend your stay, either in Tokyo or elsewhere in Japan, which we would highly recommend, you can. But five nights is the minimum.

There are few cultural experiences so discernibly different from the UK than Japan. It's an endlessly fascinating country with new experiences at every turn but it is also a country that can be alien and intimidating for first-time visitors. Our intensive programme is intended to help you take the most from your short-time in Japan while providing guaranteed entry to the marathon. As well as entry to the 2025 Tokyo Marathon and five nights' accommodation at one of the event's official race hotels on a bed and breakfast basis, our runner programme includes a short pre-marathon tour of the city and to the Expo on arrival day, escorted trips to the Expo if required, a Japanese dinner in an authentic local venue on Friday night and an official Tokyo Marathon jacket and. We'll also have Japanese and English speaking staff on hand throughout your time in Japan to help you make the most of your time in Tokyo.

The Marathon

It is a fast course and the race is exceptionally well organised, from easy access to the start to the super-slick handling of the finish line.



Tokyo is a fascinating city with a mix of the old and new. From the start, near the skyscrapers of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government Building in Shinjuku, the Tokyo Marathon course takes you on a journey through the city's diverse districts – you'll pass the Imperial Palace, close to where the race eventually finishes, see the Tokyo Tower, Ginza District, Tokyo Station, and Asakusa Kaminarimon Gate – the oldest temple in the city.

Note, the race time limit for the Tokyo Marathon is 7 hours – although this is the time from the gun so you need to be capable of running 6:30 to finish in the time limit. This limit is strictly enforced. There is a sweep bus that follows the race and it will take you off the course if you miss key time checks. There are no exceptions to this cut off.



NEW OTANI HOTEL – 4 STAR SUPERIOR



Surrounded by a beautiful 400-year old Japanese garden, your base throughout your time in Japan is the New Otani Tokyo Hotel, which is one of Tokyo's most famous hotels. It is a western-style hotel situated in central Tokyo and offering comfortable accommodation less than a 10-minute walk from five subway lines.

The closest of those stations is Akasaka-Mitsuke Subway Stationk, which is 300 metres from the New Otani Hotel. From this station the Ginza, Shibuya and Shinjuku areas can all be reached in less than 10-minutes on the subway.

The rooms are spacious by the standards of Japanese hotels and include a flatscreen TV with satellite channels and a minibar. Some have views of the hotel's Japanese garden or the Tokyo skyline. Relaxation options include a sauna and spa with massage service, all available at an additional cost or you can immerse yourself in Japanese culture at the tea ceremony room..

The Hotel New Otani features an incredible 32 dining options, ranging from international cuisine to authentic Japanese dishes. Our rooms are on a bed and breakfast basis and are usually in the Garden Tower section of the hotel. The hotel is one of the official race hotels and as such is linked in to race day transport, offering a shuttle from the hotel to the start and back to the hotel from the finish. Last year is was also one of the venues for the post-race party.

FLIGHTS

We are not offering flights in our package. Past experience suggests that you will have more flexibility for changes, transfers, upgrades or deviations with an individual flight booking than would be possible with group flights. We suggest you try to book the following flights for which we will provide transfers to and from the New Otani hotel on the dates below.

Wednesday February 25, 2026 BA0007 LHR 09:00 - arrive Haneda 07:35 February 26

Tuesday March 3, 2025 BA006 Haneda 09:45 arrive LHR 15:45 same day

If you book a different flight - and there are a number of other options on those dates - we will do our best to transfer you but we can't guarantee it.

Itinerary

Wed 25 Feb: Depart on your direct British Airways flight from London Heathrow to Haneda Airport, Tokyo. Tokyo has two airports, Haneda and Narita. Haneda is 20-30 minutes from the centre of Tokyo, Narita is an hour north of Tokyo. We won't offer any transfers to or from Narita.

Thu 26 Feb: Arrival in Tokyo this morning. After clearing immigration and customs meet up with your guide and transfer to our waiting bus for a short tour of some of Tokyo's key attractions and sections of the marathon course. As check-in to the hotel is not until 4pm we will follow our Tokyo tour with a visit to the Marathon Expo so you can collect your number and do some shopping. You will be staying in the superior 4-star New Otani Hotel located in the centre of Tokyo. Our accommodation is on a bed and breakfast basis.

Fri 27 Feb: Today is at leisure so that you can discover Tokyo. You may want to join us before breakfast to stretch your legs on a slow run around the nearby Imperial Palace, which also offers a chance to see parts of the marathon finish area.

This evening we'll be hosting a private group meal at a local Japanese restaurant within walking distance of the hotel. This restaurant will be serving a tasting menu that includes a variety of freshly-sourced fish, vegetable and meat dishes – the experience is uniquely Japanese. Special dietary requirements can be catered for, but the restaurant needs to be pre-informed

so please advise us well in advance of any such requirements. The meal and all drinks are included in the basic tour package.

Sat 28 Feb This morning you and any companions can join us for the Tokyo Marathon Friendship Run 20256— a short 5km warm up run that will take place close to the Marathon Expo. Entry is an optional extra (£30) which is not included in the tour package.

As an alternative your guides will also organise a trip to one of Tokyo's Park Runs. The concept is relatively new to Japan and the nearest Park Run is in Futako Tamagawa, which is around 30 minutes by train from the hotel.

Sun 1 Mar: RACE DAY. The start of the marathon is 15-20 minutes away from our hotel in Shinjuku to the west of Tokyo. As the New Otani hotel is one of the official race hotels, there will be a shuttle bus to transport you to the start. An early breakfast will be available at the hotel. At the end of the marathon a shuttle bus will also take you from the finish back to the New Otani. Alternatively you can walk back to hotel in around 45 minutes or take the subway to Akasaka Mitsuke from Tokyo station.

We will escort any non-running companions to a couple of viewing points on the course to see the elite race and catch you running by. After that we'll head back to the Tokyo station area to see you in the final kilometres of the race before meeting up with your runners after they cross the finish line.

Save some energy if you have booked a ticket for the after-run party (it is one of the optional extras with the trip.) The party includes tasty Japanese food, Sake and other drinks, cultural shows and presentations as well as Japanese themed live music. Last year the party was split over a few venues one of which was the New Otani Hotel. During the After Run Party there will be a special presentation for those finishing their sixth star at the 2026 Tokyo Marathon. Tickets for the after-run party can be purchased for £135.

Mon 2 Mar: This is a day at leisure, a chance to do a little shopping or visit some of the sites of the city or the nearby areas of Tokyo.

Tue 3 Mar: Departure day. We'll be leaving the hotel early to catch the British Airways flight BA0008, which leaves Haneda at 09:45 arriving in London at 15:45.

All hotel, transfers and guaranteed entry arrangements are managed for us by the official incoming Tour Company, KNT, who offer minimum packages with guaranteed entry. KNT is an official partner of the Tokyo Foundation Marathon. 2:09 Events Ltd is an approved UK agent of the event but we are only able to sell our packages to people who are resident in the UK.



PRICES PER PERSON	RUNNER*	RUNNER*	COMPANION
Room Occupancy	TWIN	SINGLE	TWIN
5-NIGHT TOKYO TOUR	£3099	£3999	£2499
Extra nights at the Hotel	£190	£340	£190

^{*} Runner packages includes guaranteed race entry into the 2026 Tokyo Marathon and the Tokyo Marathon jacket

Additional Items:

 Friendship run 	£30
 Official post-race party 	£160 (includes, drinks, food
& culture show).	

Please note we can only sell entries to the Friendship Run and tickets to the post-race party to runners or companions booked onto one of our ITO packages. We cannot sell these items to friends or companions who happen to

be in Tokyo at the same time or who have their own places in the 2026 Tokyo Marathon

Included in all packages: Race Entry to the 2026 Tokyo Marathon, Tokyo Marathon jacket, hotel transfers and Tokyo Tour (if you are on our recommended flights), five-night's accommodation at the New Otani hotel on a B&B basis, Friday evening group meal, services of Japanese/English speaking guide throughout.

Companion packages: include all of the above but not the Race Entry or the Race Jacket.

Not included: International flights, travel insurance, cost of any meals or drinks not mentioned in itinerary

Deposits per person are required to secure a place on this tour.

The deposit is payable in two stages the first at the time of booking:

Deposit runner £1000Deposit non-runner £500

There is a second deposit payable on or before October 31

Deposit runner £1000Deposit non-runner £500

The final payment for the trip will be due on January 3.

At each date the deposit is non-refundable should you cancel your participation on the trip for any reason after payment of the respective deposit. After the balance payment has been made, 80% of the cost of the trip would be forfeit should you cancel your booking up to January 23, 2026. After January 23, 2026, the trip is 100% non-refundable if cancelled.

These are the terms and conditions imposed on us by the Japanese agent, KNT, through which we buy the hotel and entry packages. They are not negotiable and please do not sign up for this trip if you are not happy with these terms and conditions.

Due to the cost of the trip and the payment terms we highly recommend you take out travel insurance to protect yourself against injury or illness or any

<u>unforeseen circumstances that may cause the cancellation of this trip.</u> We do not sell travel insurance.

You are receiving this information because you expressed an interest in the 2026 Tokyo Marathon. We are not currently not open for entries but will open for entries at midday on Thursday August 14. Entries will be open for 24 hours only. We expect this trip to be heavily oversubscribed and if that is the case we will be distributing our limited number of places and packages through a lottery system drawn from anyone who completes the booking form. If your name is selected in that lottery we will send out a secure link to pay the deposit.

Payment of the deposit will secure your place on the trip. If you do not pay the deposit within 24 hours of receiving the payment request, we will not chase you and the place and package will revert to another runner. Please make sure you check your emails carefully particularly junk.