



VICTORIA
RACING CLUB

JAPAN

VRC RACING TOUR - 2019

THE VICTORIA RACING CLUB IS DELIGHTED TO INVITE MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE 2019 VRC RACING TOUR – JAPAN

Fascinating sightseeing by day is complemented with optional group dinners at night providing camaraderie and a wonderful opportunity to try a range of delicious Japanese cuisine amongst new friends.

Members will spend three nights in Sapporo experiencing the thoroughbred breeding mecca that is Hokkaido, visiting the famous farms that stable Japanese champions such as Orfevre and Lord Kanaloa. The touring group will then enjoy five nights at Keio Plaza Hotel, located in the heart of Shinjuku, one of Tokyo's most vibrant shopping and entertainment districts. Members will experience the excitement of one of the world's great staying contests, the Japan Cup, in front of an expected crowd of 100,000 racegoers at Fuchu Racecourse. The 2019 VRC Racing Tour – Japan will provide members with an insight into the global breeding and racing giant that is Japan.

Together with luxurious accommodation, shopping, sightseeing and fine food, this is a great opportunity to experience the Japanese culture in a comfortable and exciting environment.





TOUR INCLUSIONS

Cathay Pacific return economy airfare to Japan

Mount Fuji Hakone Tour including lunch and bullet train ride

Welcome to Japan Dinner (including beverages)

Genghis Khan BBQ Lunch at Sapporo Beer Hall

Lunch - Northern Horse Park

Internal airfare from Sapporo to Tokyo flying Japan Airlines

Three nights accommodation at the Sapporo Grand Hotel

Five nights accommodation at the Keio Plaza Hotel in Shinjuku

Full buffet breakfast daily

Fully escorted sightseeing in Hokkaido

Fully escorted sightseeing in Tokyo

Prime reserved seats at two race meetings at Fuchu Racecourse, Tokyo, including the 2019 Japan Cup

JPY 3,500 pre paid Pasma train pass for use on any Tokyo Metro train

All racecourse, farm and airport transfers

Taxes, VAT and Room Service Tax

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SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER

WELCOME TO JAPAN DAY 1

Depart Melbourne for Sapporo via Hong Kong at 00:50. Arrive in Sapporo at 14:50. Travel on a charter bus and arrive at Sapporo Grand Hotel. Welcome to Japan Dinner including drinks.

MONDAY 18 NOVEMBER

MORNING/AFTERNOON DAY 2

Charter bus hosted by Naohiro Goda to visit Shadai Stallion Station, Northern Farm, lunch and sightseeing at Northern Horse Park and Shadai Farm.

TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER

MORNING/AFTERNOON DAY 3

Oiwake Farm Training Centre, Hokkaido sightseeing tour including the famous Nijo Fish Market and Genghis Khan BBQ lunch at the iconic Sapporo Beer Hall.

WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER

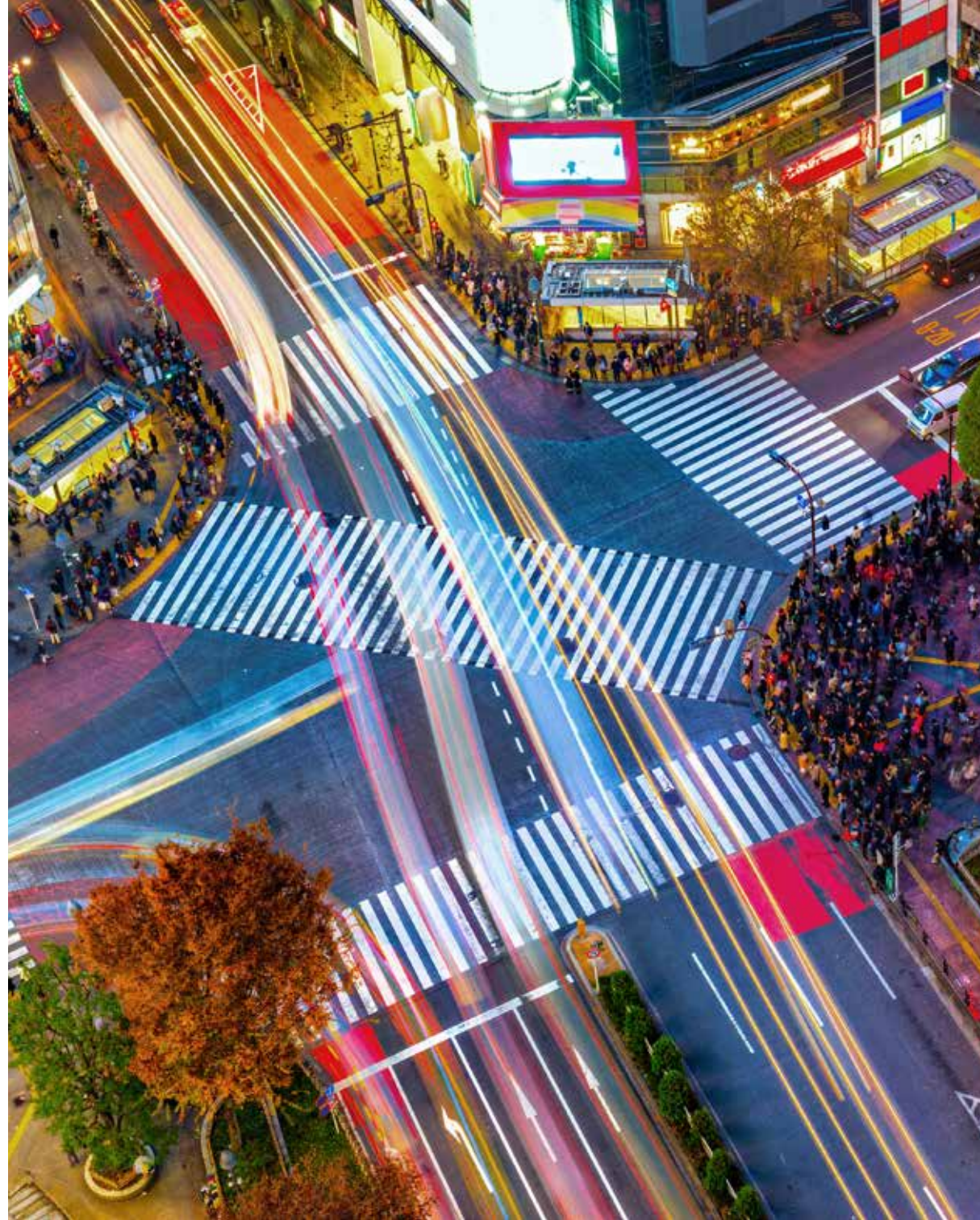
MORNING/EVENING DAY 4

Check out of Sapporo Grand Hotel and board our transfer bus to Chitose Airport. Fly to Haneda on Japan Airlines, transfer to the Keio Plaza Hotel, located in the heart of Shinjuku, Tokyo. Optional Group Dinner in Shinjuku.

THURSDAY 21 NOVEMBER

MORNING/AFTERNOON DAY 5

Visit Japan's popular tourist destination Hakone, the beautiful resort at the base Mount Fuji. Includes an option to try a relaxing Japanese hot spring bath, a delicious lunch at Ryuguden, a ride on the Hakone Tozan Cable Car and a boat cruise across Lake Hakone. Return to Tokyo by Bullet Train (Shinkansen) in the early evening.



FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER

MORNING/AFTERNOON DAY 6

Sightseeing tour of Tokyo, taking in the Meiji Shrine, Ueno Markets, the historical banks of the Sumida River and the Asakusa Temple. Finishing in Tokyo's most famous shopping and entertainment precinct, the Ginza for time to explore the department stores.

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER

RACEDAY DAY 7

VIP reserved seating at Fuchu Racecourse for a day at the races. Or opt in to visit the Owl Village Café and Hedgehog Café.

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER

RACEDAY DAY 8

VIP reserved seating at Fuchu Racecourse to enjoy Japan's most prestigious staying race; the Japan Cup. Optional Tour Farewell Dinner at a local Japanese Izakaya.

MONDAY 25 NOVEMBER

MORNING DAY 9

Free time for sightseeing & shopping. Transfer & depart Tokyo at 18:10 for Melbourne via Hong Kong.

TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER

MORNING LAST DAY

Arrive in Melbourne at 12:15.

*CORRECT AT TIME OF PRINTING AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

NAOHIRO GODA



Popular Japanese racing personality Naohiro Goda will be our guide for our day of visiting the famous horse studs in Hokkaido. Naohiro is a fluent English speaking horseracing journalist and blood stock expert who works for Television NHK and the Green Channel. Naohiro is a wonderful appointment for what will be an unforgettable day visiting Shadai Stallion Station, Shadai Farm, Northern Farm and Northern Horsepark.





PRICING

TWIN ROOM

MEMBER	\$6,990
GUEST	\$7,290

SINGLE ROOM

MEMBER	\$7,790
GUEST	\$8,090

Capacity for this tour is limited. The VRC urges you to book early to avoid disappointment. Business class and premium economy packages are available upon request. 'Land only' packages are available on request.

For further information or booking enquiries contact VRC Racing Tours on (03) 9909 7224.





VICTORIA RACING CLUB TERMS & CONDITIONS:

This tour is open to members of the Victoria Racing Club.

Guest Card holders will be required to pay the 'guest' price.

A non-refundable deposit of \$1,000 is payable to secure your place on tour. Full and final payment is required by Friday 11 October 2019. VRC Racing Tours is unable to accept any patrons who are not covered by comprehensive travel insurance.

Please call VRC Racing Tours on (03) 9909 7224 if you do not have travel insurance.

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