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Fact Sheet



Aman Kyoto represents the fruition of a beautiful landscape first conceived as the garden of a textile museum. Whimsical stone pathways curve gently along the forest floor, and stone slabs blanketed in moss serve as the foundations for the resort's architecture. The secluded grounds are close to what was an artistic community that gave rise to the revered Rinpa school of painting some 400 years ago, and are within easy reach of Kyoto's most important sites, including the stunning golden temple, Kinkakuji.

#### Location

- Situated in a secret garden at the foothills of the iconic Hidari Daimonji mountain, in Kyoto's northern Takagamine district
- The resort is moments from the centre of Kyoto and within walking distance of Kinkakuji golden temple

#### **Getting There**

- A two-hour drive or 90-minute express train ride from Kansai International Airport
- A one-hour drive from Osaka International Airport (Itami)
- · About 30 minutes by car from Kyoto Station

## **Complimentary Inclusions**

- Daily breakfast at The Living Pavilion by Aman, where a wide variety of Western and Japanese dishes make for a filling and never-ending feast
- Daily Japanese style afternoon tea 'Kanmi' with Japanese tea selection including Matcha green tea
- Access to hot-spring onsen bathing facilities
- Evening aperitif with complimentary alcoholic beverages and accompanied by small snacks
- Complimentary soft drink selection at The Living Pavilion by Aman throughout the day
- · Guided garden tours
- Yoga mat in room on request
- · Wireless Internet
- · Self-guided hikes
- Complimentary use of cross bikes (non-electronic) for up to 6 hours



# Accommodation

Aman Kyoto's latticed Pavilions are a contemporary homage to the traditional ryokan inn, strikingly minimalist in their geometry, and each serving as a window onto their spectacular natural surroundings. The interiors are spacious and light-filled –ingeniously crafted to foster peace, relaxation and contemplation at every turn.

#### Guest Rooms

2	Susuki	60m²	646ft <sup>2</sup>
7	Nara	60m²	646ft²
2	Susuki Terrace	60m²	$646 ft^2 \ / \ Terrace \ 20 m^2 \ \ 215 ft^2$
7	Kaede	60m²	646ft²
6	Hotaru	60m²	646ft²
Pavilions			
	Takagamine Washigamine	226m² 241m²	2433ft² 2594ft²

#### **Guest Rooms**

- Combined bedroom and living area, featuring natural woods, floor-to-ceiling windows and tatami flooring
- · King-size or twin beds
- Traditional Tokonoma alcove
- · Japanese bath, made of Hinoki cypress wood



# Accommodation

#### Susuki

- Rooms facing east in close proximity to the Kamiya River
- Located on the first floors, offering views of evergreens and overlooking moss garden

#### Nara

- West-facing, ground-floor rooms at the heart of the resort
- Views of stone pathways, evergreen shrubs and maple trees

## Susuki Terrace

- Rooms oriented towards the east in proximity to the Kamiya River
- Situated on the ground level with a terrace overlooking secluded moss garden

#### Kaede

 West-facing, first-floor rooms with garden views of maple trees and forested hillside

#### Hotaru

- Secluded west-facing rooms, ensconced on the mountainside
- Located on ground and first floors, with views of the moss-covered garden or forested hillside

#### **Takagamine Pavilion**

- Perched above a stone wall, with views of maple and cedar forests, and Mt. Hieizan
- Traditional tatami-floored room, Western living room, dining room and kitchen area
- · Available with one or two en-suite bedrooms
- · Traditional futons available

#### **Washigamine Pavilion**

- Surrounded by nature in the highest, most secluded area of the resort
- · Views over the entire garden and Mt. Hieizan
- Traditional tatami-floored room, Western living room, dining room and kitchen area
- Two en-suite bedrooms
- Traditional futons available



# Dining

## The Living Pavilion by Aman

The Living Pavilion by Aman, with its central fireplace and glass doors opening onto a garden terrace, represents the heart of Aman Kyoto.

With "Land to Table" being the main concept, the restaurant serves innovative dishes using locally sourced seasonal ingredients. Traditional home cooked Kyoto-style cuisine, afternoon tea and alfresco picnic hampers can also be enjoyed.

#### The Living Pavilion

- All-day dining
- Innovative cuisine course using local ingredients
- Western and Japanese a la carte, including home-cooked Kyoto-style cuisine
- · Afternoon Tea and picnics available
- · Pavilion (inside): 28 seats
- · Wooden deck (outside): 20 seats

#### Restaurant Taka-An

Restaurant Taka-An pays homage to the influential artist and polymath Honami Koetsu, a pivotal figure in the cultural development of Japan's art scene during the 17th century.

Meticulous design, a tranquil atmosphere and remarkable kaiseki- style cuisine combine to create a quintessentially Japanese culinary experience. The dishes themselves are akin to works of art, beautifully prepared using the finest locally sourced ingredients.

#### Taka-An

- Japanese restaurant
- Tasting menu entirely by chef's recommendation
- Lighting inspired by the Kyo-wagasa Kyoto-style umbrella
- Seating for 24, including two semi-private rooms for 6 people each
- · 10-seat, solid timber counter



# Celebrations and Events

The timeworn garden spaces dotted around Aman Kyoto are perfect for outdoor events – from small private dinners and functions, to weddings.

#### **Full Buyout**

 Make Aman Kyoto your own with a full resort buyout, perfect for private business retreats and intimate weddings.

## Tengamine

 A beautiful outdoor stretch enveloped by maple trees at the top of Aman Kyoto's grand garden staircase, perfect for more exclusive events

#### Zen garden

• Located on a hill at the back of the garden.
Perfect for yoga and wellness activities

## Nagomi - Momiji

• Ideal for Afternoon Tea, private picnics and breakfast

# Aman Spa

The natural spring water that flows near Aman Kyoto is central to the philosophy at the resort's Aman Spa.

Traditional onsen bathing facilities deliver relaxation and healing in their purest forms, while dovetailing with treatments that tap into Japan's plentiful natural apothecary – including Kyoto green tea, Tamba kuromame black beans, local sake, cold-pressed camellia oil, and Kyoto silk cocoon.

The spa's renowned Signature treatments make use of Aman Skincare products, while yoga and mindfulness sessions are available in the gardens.

#### Spa

- · Indoor and outdoor onsen bathing
- · Three treatment rooms
- Spa lounge
- Retail area
- Breathing and meditation exercises available in the garden



## **Activities & Excursions**

#### Kinkakuji Temple (The Golden Pavilion)

Kinkakuji is a breathtaking Zen temple overlooking a serene pond. The top two floors of the structure are completely covered in gold leaf – providing one of Japan's most iconic views. It was first completed in 1397, and is now a UNESCO World Heritage site.

#### Koetsuiji Temple

Honami Koetsu (1558-1637), founder of the Rinpa school of painting, was a master of many arts including calligraphy and the tea ceremony. This temple, first a mausoleum for the Honami family, now represents the Nichiren school of Buddhism.

#### Genkoan Temple

The circular window, known as the "Window of Enlightenment," embodies the essence of Zen and the universe, while the rectangular window, named the "Window of Confusion," symbolises the complexities of human existence. Originally established as a Rinzai sect temple in 1364, it was later converted into a Soto sect temple of Zen Buddhism in 1694.

#### **Zen Experiences**

Guests of Aman Kyoto can enjoy a range of activities related to the practice of Zen, with resident monks offering expert guidance. Options include morning meditation sessions at a temple, tea ceremonies, calligraphy, and ikebana flower arranging.

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