**THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN**

Japan is becoming a very populiar honeymoon destination for couples looking for beautiful scenery, friendly people, different culturess, excelent shoping and high-class resturants. It can be considered a country of extremes, modern, high tech. cities to remote hideaways, unspoiled beaches and ancient landmarks.

Tokyo, the capital is one of the great cities of the world. Busy, vibrant and exciting, yet, although over fifteen million people inhabite the city, it has one of the lowest crime rates in the world. This is one of its main attrackions - the streets are relatively free of crime and it is safe to visite the vast array of nitelife. You will need to be prepared to use public transport, as driving around Tokyo can be very frustrating and time-consuming.

If crowds are not your scene, then the countryside is the place to go. Mount Fuji is Japan's highest mountan and the terrain around it is breathtaking. The village near by, Kintamani, has a diverse range of shops, including many showing the methods of ancient craftsman. Virtually all the countryside has a natural beauty whether it is the terreced hillsides, the lush vegetation, extinct volcanoes or the crater lakes. They leave the traveller with an 'errie', peaceful feeling.

Although Japan is a small country there are enough differences in latitude and longitude to produce significiant differences in climate throughout the country, so the tourist needs to be prepared. Sumers along the pacific coast are hot and humid and the winters are generally dry and cold with average temporatures around zero degrees centigrade. The south-west is slightly warmer in winter than the rest of the country and hotter in the summer. The far north being closer to the Artic circle experiences cooler temperatures than the rest of the country - the average summer temperature is around 20 degrees centigrade.

There are numerous tour packages avalable and we have brochures detailing each. Most tour operators offer trips from 6 to 15 days, with at least a day in Tokyo. Other highlights include tours of farm plantations, Mount Fuji and its surrounds and the numerous coral beaches that Japan has. For the adventurous, there is also tours offering surfing, windsurfing, scuba diving and snorkling.

Tour prices vary greatly, so it is very important to read each brochure carefully so that you take the tour you want. For instance, an air conditoned coach can add up to 30% on to the tour cost. We look forward to advising you on a tour that we are sure you will never forget.