

INSPIR NG VACATIONS

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Introduction

For travellers new to Japan, travelling to and from the airports can feel overwhelming.

There are four main ways to travel to and from Tokyo Haneda Airport: Inspiring Vacations Airport Transfers, Taxi, Airport Limousine Bus, and Trains. Each has their own positives and negatives, as seen below:

Inspiring Vacations Private Airport Transfer

These are direct airport transfers that can be booked online through your Traveller Hub. This is the most expensive option, but also the simplest and most direct.

Taxi

Taxis are also an expensive option but also the simplest and most direct.

Airport Limousine Bus

This is a bus that offers a middle ground in terms of cost. It is simpler than navigating public transport, but slower, as buses stop at multiple locations and are affected by traffic. Additionally, the service frequency varies; wait times can be up to one hour.

Train

Trains are the cheapest, and often the fastest way to travel, but can seem the most daunting or confusing for first-time visitors.



Introduction

Airport Limousine Buses, which are large coach buses rather than actual limousines, provide direct service from the airports to various hubs across Tokyo. They're a convenient choice for those deterred by the high cost of taxis or the complexities of Tokyo's train network, as they often stop close to major hotels and eliminate the need for transfers.

Tokyo's train network is intricate, with multiple operators such as JR, Tokyo Metro, and private companies managing overlapping lines. Many areas have several stations in close proximity, each served by different operators, which can add to the confusion. However, trains are highly efficient, with clear signage (often in English), punctual services, and helpful locals. Tools like Google Maps simplify navigation, providing detailed routes, platform numbers, and schedules, allowing you to confidently navigate even the busiest stations.

This guide is designed to help you travel from Haneda airport to key areas where our partner hotels are typically located, such as Shibuya, Shinjuku, Shinagawa, Roppongi, and Asakusa. Tokyo is a vast city with many neighbourhoods, and we may sometimes use hotels in areas beyond the ones mentioned. If your tour departs from a different location, you can easily reach it via an Inspiring Vacations airport transfer, Airport Limousine Bus, or taxi.

For those using trains, it's essential to note that the best train line or route will vary depending on your destination. For example, the most efficient route to the area of Shibuya will differ from the optimal route to the Asakusa area. To simplify your journey, we've tailored this guide to recommend the best transport options for each major area you may be staying at for your tour. Use Google Maps to confirm your hotel's location and closest train station, and follow the suggestions below.

While navigating Tokyo's transport system may seem intimidating, our step-by-step instructions for each area and airport will make your journey as straightforward as possible.



Haneda International Airport (HND)

Upon arriving at Haneda Airport, you'll find clear signage directing you to taxi ranks, the Airport Limousine Bus 'Bus Tickets' help desk, and train lines. Inspiring Vacations does not offer included transfers in Japan in order to make the tour a more affordable option for our customers, while still giving the option to include transfers if preferred.

Haneda Airport is served by two train lines: the **Tokyo Monorail** and the **Keikyu Line**. Both lines connect to central Tokyo and can take you to **Hamamatsucho Station**, where you'll need to transfer to reach most of the hotels in our recommended areas.

However, if you're staying in **Asakusa**, the **Keikyu Line** offers a direct connection to Asakusa Station, saving you the need to transfer.

Transfer Options - Pros and Cons

Private Transfer	Limousine Bus	Trains	Taxi
✓ Direct and private	✓ Convenient and comfortable	✓ Cheapest option	✓ Direct and private
√24/7 availability	✓ Easy to use	√ Quicker option	√24/7 availability
√ Door to door service	√ Stops at major hotels/stations	√ Scenic	✓ Door to door service
√ Easy to use	× Longest travel time	× Complex	✓ Easy to use
× Most expensive option	× More expensive than trains	× Luggage to be carried	× Most expensive option
× Travel time dependent on traffic		× Crowded in peak hour	× Travel time dependent on traffic
			× Language barriers

Option 1: Inspiring Vacations Private Airport Transfer

Inspiring Vacations Airport Transfers provide a private, direct, and highly convenient travel option between Haneda Airport and destinations across Tokyo. They are ideal for those prioritising comfort, privacy, or travelling during hours when other transport options are less available.

These transfers are operated by an external company, and can be booked directly through your Traveller Hub. For more information, see <u>this</u> article.

Information

Cost

• ¥16,000 - ¥28,000. Please note that these prices are approximate and may vary.

Payment Options:

• This is paid through your traveller hub or over the phone with Inspiring Vacations, along with your tour cost.

Onboard Amenities:

- Spacious seating with ample legroom.
- Ample luggage space for large bags or multiple suitcases.
- Air conditioning and polite, professional drivers ensure a comfortable experience.

How to Travel From Haneda Airport to Tokyo via Inspiring Vacations Airport Transfers

Step 1: Open Your Booking in Traveller Hub

• Sign into your Traveller Hub account on the Inspiring Vacations website, and open your booking.

Step 2: Add Your Transfer

- Scroll down through Traveller Hub to the 'Transfers' section.
- Click on 'Add Transfer'
- Input required details, such arrival date, arrival time, arrival airport etc.
- Choose your vehicle type.
- Input your passenger details



Once booked you will receive a confirmation email, this email will advise you to pay your Inspiring Vacations invoice. It will also include:

- Booking reference.
- General transfer details.
- Link to your booking directly with our third party supplier.

Approximately 24-48 hours after booking, you will receive a second email with your travel voucher, and details outlining who will pick you up and location.

Notes:

- You can not book your Transfer until your tour has been confirmed.
- You can cancel up to 24 hours prior to pick up.
- For any issues on arrival to the Airport, you will have emergency contact numbers in your final documents. As these transfers are not operated by Inspiring Vacations, if you encounter any issues either on tour or within 72 hours of pick up time we recommend contacting our third party supplier directly to resolve your issue.

Option 2: Airport Limousine Bus

Airport Limousine Buses provide a direct and stress-free connection between Haneda International Airport and various destinations across Tokyo, including major train stations, and some hotels. These buses are a popular choice for travellers seeking convenience and simplicity. The downside of the Airport Limousine Bus service is that it can take much longer than Trains/Taxi's due to wait times, traffic, and stop schedules (buses do multiple drop offs to other destinations on the way to final stop).

At Haneda International Arrivals terminal, there is a **'Bus Tickets'** help desk, where you will be able to purchase tickets. You can advise the staff which hotel you are staying at and they will be able to assist you with the closest bus stop, or if you know your closest train station then you can advise them of this information.

Information

- Cost: ¥900 ¥1,400. Please note that these prices are approximate and may vary.
- **Destinations Served:** Airport Limousine Buses cover a wide range of locations. These stops are often located within walking distance of the hotel, although the exact distance can vary. It's best to be prepared for a short walk from the bus stop to your hotel. Once you have disembarked the Airport Limousine Bus and you would prefer not to walk, you can taxi to your hotel.
- **Timetable:** Schedules vary depending on the destination, and wait times can be up to an hour. Departures are timed to align with flight schedules but wait times can be up to an hour.
- **Tickets:** Tickets can be purchased at the '**Bus Tickets'** airport counter, online, or through ticket machines.

How to Travel From Haneda International Airport to Tokyo via Limousine Bus

Step 1: Check the Schedule and Buy Tickets

At the Airport:

- Visit the 'Bus Tickets' counter to purchase tickets. This is the suggested option, as you can tell staff your hotel and they will direct you to the best bus.
- Alternatively, purchase tickets at the vending machines located in the terminal.

OR

Online:

- Visit the official website to check the schedules, routes, and fares. You can find information on departure times, arrival times, and stops at your specific hotel.
- Purchase tickets online
- If travelling from your hotel to the airport, you can inquire at the front desk about Airport Limousine Bus services. They can provide specific information and assist with booking.
- Book online.



Step 2: Board the Bus

- Follow the signs to the Airport Limousine Bus terminal.
- Boarding Gates: Follow the signs to the designated boarding gate for your hotel/area.
- Boarding Pass: Present your ticket to the staff at the boarding gate.

Step 3: Walk or Taxi from the Bus Stop to Your Hotel

• After travelling from the Airport to the bus stop closest to your hotel, disembark the bus and walk/taxi to your hotel

Option 3: Trains

NOTE: We strive to keep this information updated, but train schedules and details may change frequently.

Travelling from Haneda Airport to Tokyo via train is a fast and direct way to get to your hotel. Haneda Airport is serviced by two train lines: the **Tokyo Monorail**, and the **Keikyu** Line. Both of these train options will go to the same station, Hamamatsucho Station, so you have the choice of taking either option.

These train options are fast, efficient, and scenic ways to travel from Haneda Airport to central Tokyo. They offer frequent services and direct access to Hamamatsucho Station, where passengers can transfer to the **JR Yamanote Line** for connections across the city. The **Keikyu Line** also offers direct services to **Asakusa**, making it a popular option for travellers heading to the East of the city.

Please note that not all of the hotels we use for our tours are in Shinjuku, Shinagawa, Shibuya, Asakusa and Roppongi. Tokyo is a very large city with many desirable locations, and sometimes we use hotels in alternative locations. We have included train options for our most commonly used areas, however if you are staying in an alternative location then we would recommend using Inspiring Vacations Private Transfers, Airport Limousine Bus or using Google Maps to help you with public transport options.

Tokyo Monorail or Keikyu Line

- Cost: ¥320 ¥720. Please note that these prices are approximate and may vary.
- **Destinations Served:** From Haneda Airport to Hamamatsucho & Shingawa Station.
- **Timetable:** Trains depart every 3–5 minutes during peak times, ensuring minimal wait.
- Travel Time: The Tokyo Monorail and Keikyu Line is one of the quickest ways to reach central Tokyo.

How to travel from Haneda Airport to Shibuya / Shinjuku / Roppongi via Train

To get to Shibuya/Shinjuku/Shingawa/Roppongi you will need to travel from Haneda Airport to Hamamatsucho Station using either the Tokyo Monorail or Keikyu Line. At Hamamatsucho Station, you will transfer to the JR Yamanote Line which directly connects you to your final destination.

Step 1: Purchase Train Tickets

- From Haneda Airport, take either the Keikyu Line or the Tokyo Monorail.
- Both lines will take you to **Hamamatsucho Station**.
- Ticket Vending Machines: These are located at all Haneda Airport Terminal stations (Terminals 1, 2, and 3).
- You can select your destination (Hamamatsucho Station) and pay with cash or credit card. There are help desks and assistants to answer any questions

Tip: Look for English language options on the vending machines.



Step 2: Train from Haneda Airport to Hamamatsucho Station.

• Take the Tokyo Monorail or the Keikyu Line to Hamamatsucho Station.

Hamamatsucho Station is a key transportation hub in Tokyo, offering seamless connections to various railway lines, including the JR Yamanote Line and the JR Keihin-Tohoku Line.

Step 3: Travel via JR Yamanote Line to Shibuya/Shinjuku/Shinagawa (Roppongi area listed further below)

• To get from Hamamatsucho Station to **Shibuya/Shinjuku/Shinagawa** use the **JR Yamanote Line**.

JR Yamanote Line: This is the most convenient and popular option. It's a loop line that connects many major stations in Tokyo, including Shinagawa, Shibuya, and Shinjuku. The journey time is typically around 12-15 minutes.



Once you arrive at Hamamatsucho Station, you can purchase a JR line ticket to Shibuya or Shinjuku.

Ticket Vending Machines:

- Locate a ticket vending machine at Hamamatsucho Station.
- Select "English" as the language.
- Input your destination as "Shinagawa" "Shibuya" or "Shinjuku"
- The machine will display the fare and available ticket types.
- Insert cash or use a credit card to purchase the ticket.

Ticket Counters:

- Visit a JR East ticket counter at Hamamatsucho Station.
- Inform the staff that you want a ticket to Shibuya.
- They will assist you in purchasing the ticket and answer any questions you may have

OR

Step 3: Travel to Roppongi Station via the Toei Oedo Line

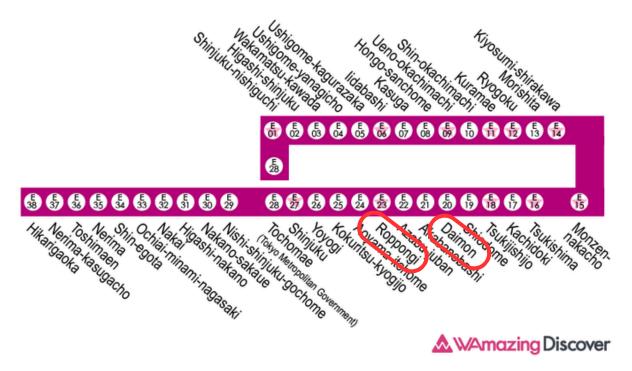
- On arrival at **Hamamatsucho** Station, look for signs indicating the transfer to the **Toei Oedo Line** and **Daimon Station**. You will have to exit the building to transfer stations. Follow the signs or ask a station attendant for directions. The stations are usually well-signposted, but it can be confusing, especially for first-time visitors.
- The train trip between Daimon Station and Roppongi will take approximately 6 minutes.

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Toei Subway Oedo Line Stations

* Key Stations



Here's how to buy tickets:

Ticket Vending Machines:

- Locate a Vending Machine: Look for ticket vending machines at Hamamatsucho Station.
- Select Language: Choose "English" on the machine's screen.
- Input Destination: Enter "Roppongi" as your destination.
- Insert Payment: Insert cash or use a credit card to pay for the ticket.

Step 4: Catch Train to Final Train Station.

• On arrival to your chosen station, walk or travel via Taxi to your hotel.

Option 4: Taxi

Taxis provide a private, direct, and highly convenient travel option between Haneda Airport and destinations across Tokyo. They are ideal for those prioritising comfort, privacy, or travelling during hours when other transport options are less available.

Taxi ranks are located out the front of Haneda Airport, and signs are easy to follow to find the taxi ranks.

Information

- Cost: ¥7,000 ¥9,000. Please note that these prices are approximate and may vary.
- **Availability**: Taxis are available 24/7 from designated taxi stands at the Haneda Airport terminals.
- **Surcharges:** Late-night surcharges (typically 20% higher) apply for trips between 10 PM and 5 AM. Additional toll fees (around ¥500–¥1,000) are added to the base fare for routes using expressways.
- Payment Options: Most taxis accept credit cards and cash.

How to Travel from Haneda International Airport to Tokyo via Taxi

Step 1: Follow the Signs to the Taxi Rank

- Follow the signs to the Taxi Rank area outside of Haneda Airport.
- Advise the Taxi driver of your hotel.