WELCOME TO THE TOKYO INSIDER COLLECTION

Truly memorable meetings and events with authentic local flavour – that is the inspiration behind the InterContinental Insider Collection.

Our network of hotels and resorts is global; our knowledge and expertise local, giving planners guaranteed choice, range and depth to add to any meeting or conference. Each hotel offers its own bespoke selection of services which are firmly rooted in their location and are responsibly guided by our partnership with the National Geographic Center for Sustainable Destinations.

The options are limitless, the local knowledge rich, the service professional and faultless, the delegate experience enriching and rewarding every time.

Sample for yourself some of our wonderful Tokyo experiences.
INSIDER LOCATIONS
Choose an InterContinental venue for your event and a world of possibilities opens up. As locals, your hotel team holds the key to a side of your locality tourists never see. What and who they know gives you an exclusive mix of authentic venues and experiences to play with.

INSIDER SPEAKERS
Bring your event to life with an inspirational speaker – someone who can really strike a chord with your delegates and enrich their experience beyond measure. Fascinating and engaging, motivating Insider Speakers range from celebrities and cultural experts to sporting heroes. Whatever their passion, they all have a local connection and you will discover that their unique insights and local know-how make your event one to remember.

INSIDER COMMUNITY
There’s nothing quite like immersing yourself in the community to gain an added depth and understanding to your experience in a new destination. Insider Community has been designed to benefit local people and create truly memorable and meaningful experiences for your delegates too.

INSIDER INTERACTIONS
This team-building experience will help your delegates connect with each other as never before. Using the unique character, heritage or geography of your destination to inspire interaction, each experience, whether based on or off-site offer an original way to engage delegates and motivate them to build effective working relationships.

INSIDER BREAKS
With Insider Collection even your breaks are fulfilling experiences. From serving up a delicious lunch of provincial dishes for a taste of regional cuisine to spending some quality time with your Concierge team to get their best insider tips, a few minutes out of your busy schedule becomes a whole experience in itself.
ENRICHING EXPERIENCES FOR OUR GUESTS AND OUR ENVIRONMENT

We believe that a responsible meeting is not only what you experience in the meeting room but also knowing that your hotel respects the destination around it.

We’re proud to partner with the leaders in geotourism, the National Geographic Center for Sustainable Destinations. Our ambition is that guests enjoy enriching experiences that reveal what makes a place truly special – its heritage, culture and tradition – and the importance of protecting it.

At InterContinental we use a holistic approach to being a responsible business: to work from the grass roots up, recognising each individual hotel team as the experts best placed to use their local knowledge for developing community and environmental initiatives that meet the specific needs of the destination. This Insider Collection gives delegates access to some of these unique experiences, and for those meetings that stay in the meeting room, you can be assured our hotel is working behind the scenes to protect what is special about the place for fellow travellers.

Contact us for pricing specific to your group.
Shinagawa is one of Japan's oldest stations, and was opened on June 12, 1872, when the service between Shinagawa and Yokohama provisionally started. This was four months before the inauguration of “Japan’s first railway” between Shimbashi and Yokohama through Shinagawa on October 14, 1872. This line is a part of the Tokaido Main Line.

The station concourse on the eastern side of the station (located above the platforms) was extensively redeveloped in 2003 in connection with the construction of the Shinkansen platforms and also to improve the accessibility to the new commercial development “Shinagawa Intercity”.

In the near future, linear motor cars or magnetic levitation trains will run from Shinagawa Station.
Sengakuji Temple, 15 minutes away from our hotel, is a Buddhist temple, built in 1612 by Tokugawa Ieyasu, the first Shogun of the Edo period. It was destroyed by fire and reconstructed in Takanawa.

It is now regarded as a temple relating to the avenging 47 Ronins, the story of the loyal retainers. After their lord, Asano was sentenced to death by seppuku (hara-kiri), 47 samurais assembled to avenge their lord’s death and the injustice imposed by the shogunate. In 1702, they attacked and killed Kira, who had led Asano to his death. They then marched to Sengakuji to present Kira’s head to Asano’s grave and reported their accomplishment to their late lord.

The 47 Ronins were sentenced to seppuku, and buried at Sengakuji.

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DINE IN STYLE ON A TRADITIONAL JAPANESE HOUSEBOAT

Experience Japanese traditional cuisine at its very best in a charming old-fashioned houseboat “Yakatabune”. This unique Tokyo party spot has every modern convenience and is a masterpiece of Japanese interior design.

This amazing floating restaurant will take you on a gentle cruise tour of Tokyo Bay whilst you dine on freshly-fried crispy assorted tempura and sashimi presented in the traditional style. Enjoy the spectacular urban night view reflected in the tranquil waters and find yourself slipping back to a golden era in Japan’s rich history.

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With their stunning costumes, elaborate make-up and elegant dancing, the actors of the Kabuki troupe will charm your delegates. This traditional art form is 400 years old yet still avant-garde in its presentation. Often translated as the “art of singing and dancing”, Kabuki is considered a national treasure. In a special performance, it will be brought to life before your eyes, telling its story through the voices and movements of the key players.

This is a wonderful way to experience a Japanese art form that has now been widely recognized as world class and praised by millions in prestigious theatres across the world, from New York to London and Europe.

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MAKE YOUR OWN ART OF SHODO, CALLIGRAPHY

We invite your delegates to experience the art of Shodo, calligraphy.

These days, even the Japanese use pencils or ballpoint pens to write letters and other documents. However, the art of Shodo, calligraphy, where an ink-dipped brush is used artistically to create Chinese Kanji and Japanese Kana characters, remains a traditional part of Japan's culture. Shodo means the way of writing. You will learn how to express your emotions through the beauty of the Kanji characters. This is another way to experience Japanese culture as well as a form of meditation.

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COMMUNITY CLEAN UP – HELPING TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT

The Strings By InterContinental Tokyo is located in one of the largest business districts in Tokyo, with more than 300,000 people commuting to work. As an active member of the community, it is our responsibility to keep the environment clean and tidy. Volunteer staff of The Strings By InterContinental Tokyo regularly participate in the Shinagawa Konan Clean-up Campaign. The hotel is more than happy to arrange for delegates to join too. It could be a way for delegates to bond as a team. Delegates can discover the historical Japanese beauty as well as the metropolitan side of our area.

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Experience one of the original folk arts so typical of Japanese culture. Origami originated in the 17th century and became widely popular in the 19th century.

Transforming a flat sheet of paper into a 3D sculpture using only your fingers is an unforgettable experience resulting in an original creation your delegates can take back home.

During this innovative session, delegates will learn to make the Hiroshima symbol of peace and hope – the crane. Other creations include a balloon, crab, trick boat, and frog – all great fun to make.

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LEARN IKEBANA – THE ANCIENT JAPANESE ART OF FLOWER ARRANGEMENT

Ikebana is a traditional Japanese art originating from the Heian period where flowers and plants are specially arranged in a vase for appreciation. Those flowers are usually displayed in a tokonoma, which is a traditional Japanese tatami room. It is said that Ikebana began when Buddhist monk offered flowers before a mortuary tablet.

In Ikebana, flowers also represent heaven, earth and man, which are arranged in proper balance. People enjoy seeing the mystic power of plants expressed in the display.

Ikebana is to arrange flowers and plants to express your inner awareness, not just to learn Japanese culture, history and beauty. The time spent at Ikebana will be a fantastic way to help delegates refresh, develop calm and boost their motivation.
FEEL THE BEAT OF JAPANESE TAIKO DRUMMING

Harmonise with your team and discover the beauty of Japanese musical culture by learning to play traditional instruments.

Try your hand on various Japanese drums, which work in perfect harmony with each other without the need of a conductor. Try and play together as a team, and enjoy creating something original and unique together. A fantastic and very creative team building experience which everyone will enjoy helping to inject a new energy into your meeting.

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JAPANESE CONFECTIONERY BREAK

For a fun and refreshing break, try traditional Japanese light snacks. From rice crackers to Kompeito, a small coloured star shaped sugar candy with a variety of interesting flavours. Served with cold Japanese green tea as the perfect accompaniment.

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Contact us to learn more about the Tokyo Insider Collection and how we can help you create a truly memorable experience with authentic local flavour.

Whichever Insider Collection experience is right for you, you can be assured that it reflects the best principles of Responsible Business, a commitment demonstrated by our partnership with the National Geographic Center for Sustainable Destinations.

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