



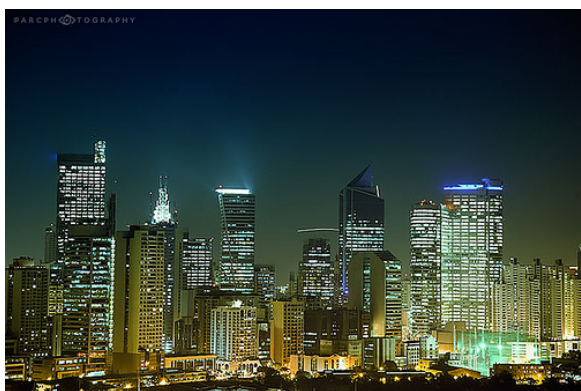
GIA TRAVEL PROGRAM 2008 Philippines. Japan. China. Hong Kong

Day 1 September 05, Friday



Depart your home and relax as you cross the Pacific and the International Dateline, advancing the calendar by one day.

Day 2 MANILA, PHILIPPINES September 06, Saturday



Arrive Manila. Upon your arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel, the **Inter-Continental Manila**.

The hotel was designed by the National Artist of the Philippines, Leandro Locsin, and is the symbol of pride to the citizens of Manila.

Manila is the commercial, administrative, and cultural center of the Philippines and is a teeming, modern metropolis with an old, walled town, Intramuros. Manila's old town has been restored to retain much of its original character with landmarks that include Manila Cathedral, the ruins of Fort Santiago, and the 16th Century

San Agustin Church at its center.

The afternoon is yours to relax around the outdoor swimming pool, visit the Fitness Center and Spa or one of the numerous attractions of Manila.

Later this evening, gather to enjoy a Welcome dinner where you will meet the GIA hosts, **Rose Tozer and Dino De Ghionno**, as well as the other tour participants. A detailed schedule and instructions regarding the upcoming GIA events will be presented to you.

Day 3

MANILA – FLOWER ISLAND

September 07, Sunday



The adventure to Flower Island begins! Early this morning, transfer to Manila's domestic airport for flight to Sandoval Airport. Upon arrival, the group will be met, take a short drive to the pier, and board the boat to Flower Island.

Flower Island is located off the coast of Taytay, Sandoval, in northeastern Palawan.

Your home for the next few days will be the **Flower Island Resort**. The very essence of Flower Island Resort revolves around returning to nature's purest and most primal form.

Arrive late in the morning in time to explore the resort. After lunch, the afternoon is at leisure for you to relax, swim or take a nap in a hammock!

Later this evening, you will have your first lecture by your host, **Jewelmer International Corporation:**
INTRODUCTION TO DIFFERENT PEARL BEARING OYSTERS.

Dinner follows at 7:30pm.

Day 4

FLOWER ISLAND

September 08, Monday

After breakfast this morning, the group will depart the resort by boat for the Pearl Farm.

Topics that will be presented this morning are:

FACTORS FOR AN IDEAL PEARL FARM SITE, PHILOSOPHY OF AN IDEAL PEARL FARM, PEARL TIME CAPSULE, CHAIN LINK/ ALL STAGES ARE INTERCONNECTED, INTERACTION BETWEEN MAN AND OYSTERS, ECOLOGICAL SIDE OF PEARL FARMING, ECOLOGY, AND NATURAL REPRODUCTION OF OYSTERS.

Lunch served at Noon.

After lunch, you will have the opportunity to visit:

THE HATCHERY, TOUR THE FARM PREMISES, VISIT GROW-OUT WORKING RAFTS, WASHER BOATS, AND TOUR THE PEARL FARM CONCESSION

Return to Flower Island Resort in time for a cultural presentation followed by dinner.

Day 5

FLOWER ISLAND

September 09, Tuesday

After breakfast this morning, the group will depart the resort by boat for the Pearl Farm.

Today's visit will take in:

LABORATORY VISIT FOR VIRGIN OYSTER OPERATION, REQUIREMENTS FOR NUCLEATION, VIEWING OYSTERS PASSING THROUGH X-RAY.

A picnic lunch will be served today at Malutamban Beach.

Later, there will be time to view the harvest of cultured pearls and unusual cultured pearls.

Return to Flower Island Resort for your last evening on this lovely island. You will be joined by representatives of **Jewelmer** for your final dinner at Flower Island Resort.

Day 6

FLOWER ISLAND – MANILA – OSAKA, JAPAN

September 10, Wednesday

Rise and shine for an early departure from Flower Island!

The return journey to Manila will be similar to the one that brought you here.

Once you land at Manila's domestic airport, you will be met and transferred to the international airport. You will have time for a light lunch at the airport before boarding the flight to Japan.

Thai Airways (TG# 620) departs at 2:25pm.

On arrival in Osaka - Kansai International Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel,

Hotel Granvia Osaka.

Today, Osaka is Japan's third largest city after Tokyo and Yokohama. It also joins Tokyo and Kyoto as the top three culinary centers of Japan. Did you know "instant noodles" were invented here in 1958?

Evening at leisure.

Day 7

OSAKA – TOBA - OSAKA

September 11, Thursday



The morning begins with a short walk to the Osaka train station for the ride to Toba. Upon arrival in Toba, continue on to Mikimoto Pearl Island where you can choose to lunch in the Mikimoto Restaurant (lunch is not included).

Following lunch, you will visit:

THE MIKIMOTO MUSEUM, GIFT SHOP, AND WATCH A DEMONSTRATION OF PEARLING OPERATIONS.

No visit to Mikimoto Pearl Island is complete without dropping by the Kokichi Mikimoto Memorial Hall. This is where you will learn about the life of one of Japan's greatest entrepreneurs. Kokichi Mikimoto, the son of a humble noodle-restaurant owner, became the first person to culture pearls artificially. Not only did he establish the cultured pearl industry in the Ise-shima region, he was instrumental in making these precious jewels widely available for the first time.

Return to Osaka by train by 6:30pm.

The evening is at leisure. You may wish to have a casual meal in the hotel or venture out to explore this metropolitan city. Osaka has many different places to explore, from its historically and culturally valued old townscape to its modern business district, bustling with tourist attractions and shopping areas.

Day 8

OSAKA – KOBE - OSAKA

September 12, Friday

Depart the hotel this morning at 9:00am by motor coach to Kobe.

You will visit: TASAKI SHINJU COMPANY AND MUSEUM in the morning.

There will be a lunch stop (lunch is on your own) before visiting THE OTSUKI COMPANY.

Return to Osaka by 6:30pm.

Tonight you will enjoy a Farewell dinner at your hotel.

Day 9

OSAKA – SHANGHAI, PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

September 13, Saturday



Transportation will be provided to the Osaka- Kansai International Airport where you will board your flight to the People's Republic of China.

Air China Limited (CA# 922) departs at 1:15pm.

After your arrival at Shanghai- Pudong Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel,

The St. Regis Shanghai.

Shanghai is China's largest city and is an architect's playground.

Once called the "Paris of the East", Shanghai's European past is on display at its waterfront Bund.

The Old Quarter's twisting alleys, ancient temples and shops are not to be missed. Modern skyscrapers are testament to the city's prosperity, while world-renowned museums pay homage to the nation's past.

This evening you will be picked up from your hotel to enjoy dinner and a performance by the world-famous Chinese Acrobats. The art of acrobatics is 2,000 years old in China and is one of pure fun – the acrobats are often thought of as China's true ambassadors and many troupes perform abroad. After the evening events, you will be transferred back to the hotel.

Day 10

SHANGHAI - ZHUJI

September 14, Sunday

This morning, you will check out of your hotel rooms before departing for the sightseeing tour.

Shanghai's enchanting highlights will be the focus of your morning tour. You will visit the classic, beautiful Garden of Happiness (Yu Yuan) with its lovely teahouses, pavilions and ponds glittering with goldfish. Later, friendly monks will welcome you to the Jade Buddha Temple, the home of two solid white jade statues of Buddha. Your last stop will be The Bund, where you will enjoy the views of the Pudong. Following the tour, you will return to hotel for lunch on your own. Sharply at 1:00pm, you will depart Shanghai for Zhuji, a commercial city located in a scenic area.

Upon your arrival, check into **The Xizi Hotel.**

There will be a short tour of Zhuji this afternoon.

Zhuji has a profound history. Zhuji City is one of the ancient capitals of the Yue Kingdom and has now been named Hometown of Pearls and as well as many other commercial enterprises.

Dinner provided by CHINA PEARL & JEWELLERY CITY GROUP will follow.

Day 11
ZHUJI
September 15, Monday



Depart at 9:00am to visit PEARL FARMS AND PEARL PROCESSING FACTORIES.

After lunch, you will visit **CP&J CITY**.

CHINA PEARL AND JEWELLERY CITY is a joint alliance by seven leading pearl companies, including Man Sang Group from Hong Kong. CP&J City is the world's largest pearl and jewelry trade center with 2,400 wholesale and retail shops.

This evening there will be a final group dinner provided by CP&J City Group at 6:30pm.

Day 12
ZHUJI – HANGZHOU – HONG KONG
September 16, Tuesday

Transportation will be provided to the Hangzhou Airport this morning for your non-stop flight to Hong Kong. Dragon Air (KA# 627) departs at 11:10am.

Arrive Hong Kong - Check Lap Kok International Airport. You will be met and transferred to your hotel, **The Marco Polo HongKong Hotel**. East meets West in dynamic Hong Kong! This vibrant city is alive with energy 24 hours a day. Hong Kong offers an ever-changing panorama of sights, smells, sounds, and appealing Asian magic, as well as some fabulous shopping.

Afternoon at leisure.

Dinner this evening will be on the famous "Jumbo Floating Restaurant", a Hong Kong icon and a must-see tourist attraction. Feast on a 10 course dinner inside this internationally renowned floating restaurant in Aberdeen Harbour. Return transfer to your hotel.



Day 13

HONG KONG

September 17, Wednesday



Attend the **Hong Kong Jewellery & Watch Fair** today at the Asia World Expo (Halls 3.5.6 & 7).

This morning, take the Star Ferry across the Harbour to the Wanchai Ferry Pier. From the pier, walk to the Exhibition Center. This Fair is the biggest jewelry fair in Asia and also the biggest pearl fair in the world with over 2,500 exhibitors from 48 countries.

Show hours are between 10:30am and 6:30pm.

Enjoy the opportunity to further explore Hong Kong at your own pace. While many people think of Hong Kong as just an island, it actually consists of 236 individual

islands as well as a chunk of the mainland next to the province Guangdong. However it is Hong Kong's vibrant atmosphere and history that has captured the imagination of travelers from all over the world. A walk around Hong Kong (especially the harbor) at any time of the day will reveal the many layers of culture that make Hong Kong the cosmopolitan destination it is today.

A Farewell dinner will be held tonight at the Peking Garden Restaurant. Just a short stroll from the hotel, you will have time to recall the good times and fond memories of the GIA 2008 Travel Program.

Day 14

HONG KONG - HOME

September 18, Thursday

Fly home today. Return transfer to Hong Kong Airport is included. Extend your trip in Hong Kong or ask about other possibilities.

Cross the International Date Line and arrive home the same day (depending on your hometown).

WELCOME HOME!

THE GIA 2008 TRAVEL PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- 12 NIGHTS in hotels as detailed in the itinerary (or similar category hotel). At these hotels, twin bedded rooms with private bath and air-conditioning will be provided. EXCEPTION will be Flower Island Resort.
- HOTEL TAXES
- MEALS are included only where indicated in the itinerary (12 BREAKFASTS, 4 LUNCHES, 10 DINNERS)
- TRANSFERS will be provided throughout from airports, railroad stations, and piers to hotel and vice versa and will include the transport of two average- sized suitcases per person as indicated in the itinerary
- SIGHTSEEING as and wherever indicated in the itinerary, including the services of English-speaking drivers and/or guides and entrance fees to all places of interest visited
- BAGGAGE As most destinations are not equipped for excess baggage we highly recommend only one suitcase (with TSA approved lock) and one carry-on. NOTE- weight restrictions apply on flight to Sandoval, Taytay
- SPECIAL FEATURES Fees and charges connected with dance performances, theater tickets, concerts and special events, as and wherever indicated in the itinerary
- SERVICES of two GIA Hosts – Rose Tozer and Dino De Ghionno
- TRANSPORTATION Air Transportation will be provided based on economy class from Manila to Sandoval, Taytay round trip. Rail travel in Japan is Tourist Class (Osaka to Toba round trip)
- GRATUITIES to drivers & guides and sightseeing guides
- **NOTE about Flower Island Resort-** GIA events have been confirmed by Jewelmer
- **NOTE about Japan-** GIA events have been confirmed by GIA Alumni
- **NOTE about Zhujj –** GIA events have been confirmed and provided by CP&J City group including motor-coach from Shanghai
- **NOTE about Hong Kong-** GIA events have been confirmed by GIA Alumni

TOUR PRICES: Tour prices are per person, based on two persons sharing a room. A Single room rate has been listed, but a single room cannot be guaranteed. Protravel International will not be responsible for assigning roommates. If, however, there are requests for such, Protravel will put you in touch with one another. Prices, including taxes and fees, are subject to increase without notice if such rates change prior to departure.

TOUR COSTS DOES NOT INCLUDE: Air fare from your home town, items of a personal nature such as phone calls, room service, alcoholic and bar beverages, laundry, airline excess luggage charges, gratuities to bellmen and maids, Visa fees, vaccinations, travel insurance, and other optional incidental extras.

RESERVATIONS: All tour reservations must be made through: **PROTRAVEL INTERNATIONAL** Nancy Porras Knight, ph: 310-691-7425, email: nancy.knight@protravelinc.com Participants can arrange their own air and, if so, must include the flights detailed in the itinerary or a DEVIATION FEE will be assessed.

NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT: A NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT CHECK of \$500.00 per person is required at time of booking in order to secure your reservations. Upon receipt of the deposit CHECK, an invoice and information packet will be forwarded to you.

FINAL PAYMENT is due JUNE 23, 2008. If the final payment is not received by the specified date, we reserve the right to cancel the reservation and offer your space to another participant. In case of billing errors, we reserve the right to re-invoice with correct pricing.

REVISION FEE: A handling fee of \$50.00 per person will be charged for any alterations, revisions or deviations. SPELLING CORRECTIONS TO CLIENT'S NAMES AFTER AIR TICKETS HAVE BEEN ISSUED ARE SUBJECT TO AIRLINE REVISION FEES. Delivery cost will also apply if any changes are necessary within five weeks of tour departure.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Hotels listed in this brochure will be used. If a change becomes necessary for any reason, hotels substituted will be the equivalent of those shown. Note: standard policy is that hotel rooms are available for check-in after 3:00pm, check-out by 11:00am.

MANILA, PHILIPPINES

September 06- 07, 1 night

INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL MANILA

The Intercontinental Hotel Manila is located in the heart of Makati, Manila's business and financial district. The hotel is close to premier shopping facilities and within easy access to Manila's numerous attractions. The hotel offers a total of 335 guest rooms, an outdoor swimming pool, a Fitness Center and Spa.

FLOWER ISLAND, PHILIPPINES

September 07 – 10, 3 nights

FLOWER ISLAND RESORT

Flower Island Resort is located on a remote island. The resort offers 13 huts scattered along the shore of the Island. Each hut has a queen-sized bed, private toilet and bath, and outdoor hammock. The resort is **rustic** and Nature is the very essence here. Accommodations are comfortable but not deluxe. If you have a "single" room on the tour program, you may not be accommodated in a single cabin for these 3 nights. One can truly experience the exotic flora and fauna of the Philippines while relaxing at Flower Island Resort.

OSAKA, JAPAN

September 10 – 13, 3 nights

HOTEL GRANVIA OSAKA

The Hotel Granvia Osaka is conveniently located in the center of Osaka's business and commercial district as well as the JR Osaka Station. This 650 room hotel offers excellent accommodations and facilities.

SHANGHAI, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

September 13 – 14, 1 night

ST. REGIS SHANGHAI

St. Regis Shanghai is located in the heart of Pudong and offers fabulous panoramas from the windows of the 328 rooms. The rooms are elegantly appointed and are some of the largest in the city. There is an indoor swimming pool, fitness center, and state-of-the-art spa.

ZHUJI, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

September 14 – 16, 2 nights

XIZI HOTEL

The XIZI Hotel is located in the heart of the commercial district of Zhuji City and is adjacent to a memorial garden honoring the legendary beauty of ancient China. It is a 3-star hotel with 212 guest rooms. Each room has individually controlled central air-conditioning, 24-hour room service, color television, telephone, and hair dryers. Recreational facilities such as karaoke, sauna & massage are available at an additional fee.

HONG KONG

September 16 – 18, 2 nights

MARCO POLO HONGKONG HOTEL

Situated steps from the Star Ferry, this hotel is part of Harbour City, Hong Kong's largest shopping complex. The hotel provides spectacular views of Victoria Harbour. All 665 rooms have broadband Internet access and the hotel offers a fitness center, swimming pool and seven restaurants and bars.

TOUR PROGRAM COST PER PERSON:

\$4,603.00 PER PERSON BASED ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$5,859.00 PER PERSON BASED ON SINGLE OCCUPANCY

Rates are based on 26 passengers. Itinerary and hotels are subject to change. If the number of the tour drops below 26, the rate of the tour package will increase.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

Cancellations must be advised in writing and acknowledged by Protravel International. The deposit is NON-REFUNDABLE.

Final Payment is due Monday, June 23.

DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE	CANCELLATION FEE (PER PERSON)
60 days or less (July 07)	50% of tour cost
30 days (August 06)	100% of tour cost / NON-REFUNDABLE
Day of Departure/NO SHOW	100% of tour cost / NON-REFUNDABLE

REFUNDS FOR UNUSED SERVICES

No refunds will be made for unused services once travel arrangements have commenced.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel insurance is strongly recommended. An optional travel protection plan, Travelite, administered by Travelex Insurance Services will be mailed with the confirmation packet (www.travelexinsurance.com). The insurance premium cost depends on total land and/or air tour cost and age of the traveler. **It is your responsibility to purchase or decline this insurance.** If you have any questions, contact the office. If you decline this insurance, a WAIVER form (enclosed with confirmation packet) must be signed and returned to the office before your final documents will be sent to you. NOTE: PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS ARE COVERED WHEN YOU ENROLL WITHIN 21 DAYS OF YOUR INITIAL TRIP DEPOSIT.

PASSPORTS AND VISAS

A valid passport is required of all tour participants. It must be valid six months after your scheduled date of return, (i.e. return on Sept. 18- good thru March 2009).

VISAS are required for travel to People's Republic of China for most passport holders.

It is your responsibility to have the proper documents before joining the tour. Non U.S. citizens should consult with the nearest consulates to determine the entry requirements.

Information regarding a Visa service will be sent with the confirmation packet.

SMOKING

Smoking is not allowed on motor-coaches, mini-buses or trains.

TRAVELERS WHO NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

Any disability requiring special attention must be advised in writing to Pleasant Holidays/ Protravel International/GIA at the time of booking. Passengers with disabilities are welcome on Pleasant Holidays/ Protravel International /GIA's tours, providing they are accompanied by a companion capable of providing all assistance required, and do not require special assistance from Pleasant Holidays/ Protravel International /GIA's personnel. Pleasant Holidays/ Protravel International /GIA reserves the right to refuse to carry anyone it is felt cannot cope with the requirements of coach tour travel, small aircraft travel, boat travel, train travel, ferry travel and who may require services and facilities that Pleasant Holidays/ Protravel International /GIA cannot guarantee will be available. You agree to not hold Pleasant Holidays/ Protravel International /GIA responsible for any decisions made by any of them or any service provider to refuse to carry you, provide any facilities or accommodation to you or to provide any service to you.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

RESPONSIBILITY: Protravel International, Pleasant Holidays, and the affiliated subsidiary companies, agents, act only as agents for the suppliers of transportation, accommodation, food and other goods and services provided to the participant. All arrangements for transport, accommodations, and services are made upon the express condition that Protravel International and GIA shall not be liable for any direct, indirect consequential, or incidental damage, injury loss, accident, delay or irregularity of any kind occasioned by reason of any act or omission beyond its control, including without limitation, any act of negligence or breach of contract of any third party such as an airline, hotel, restaurant, ground handler, etc., who is to or does supply any goods or services on the tour. Protravel International and GIA are not responsible for any losses due to delay or changes or schedule, strikes, acts of God, or any cause beyond its control.

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