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10 Day Tour of Japan | March 2023 | Heather and Blayze

Blayze's Impressions

On the final day of this trip we visited a tea farm, a big buddha statue, and the Nissan motor corporation global headquarters gallery. On the entrance to the building, we saw the sight of the beautiful new generation Nissan Fairlady Z in yellow on display next to the Nissan GT-R t spec. I was really glad when I found that you are allowed to open the door, and sit in the drivers seat. It was an amazing experience to sit in the drivers seat of the finest that Nissan has to offer. It was only a 9 minute drive to the gallery by Taxi. My first time in a Taxi and no a better place to do that than Japan. I learned a few years ago that the Taxi doors in Japan open automatically. Before we caught a Taxi back to the hotel to was time to buy some merchandise to enjoy back home. What an experience I have had. A huge thanks to nan!!



Final Day



Our last day and it was only saved by the last episode. A bucket list item for Blayze.



But let's get to the first part. We travelled to a tea farm called Greenpia Makinohara. We shown to a part of the farm and stood amongst the lines of tea bushes. Via an interpreter we were told all about the crop. That was quite interesting and the fields of tea themselves were attractive to the eye with lines of bushes branching out everywhere. However, the next part, a tour of the factory was a waste of time. It was short, we couldn't hear the minimal explanation that was given by our guide, and, because it happens to be a Sunday, nothing was happening. A quick stop at the inevitable shop to try a chocolate and tea concoction and we were away.



We then drove for hours on major highways with nothing really to see at all and finally came to the Kamakura Temple. Once again, because it was a Sunday, the place was packed. The Great Buddha did look impressive. It is 13 meters high and is made of bronze. However a few minutes of viewing left us satisfied and assuming that we could stroll some gardens and see a temple — no such luck. It really was not worth the journey. Next was another 1.5 hour trip to our final destination — Yokohama.



We expected to arrive early in Yokohama (eventually we did not) so I had looked to see what Blayze might like to do and hey presto I came upon Nissan Corporation Headquarters Gallery. It was by far the highlight of the day and I will let Blayze tand the photos tell the story.





