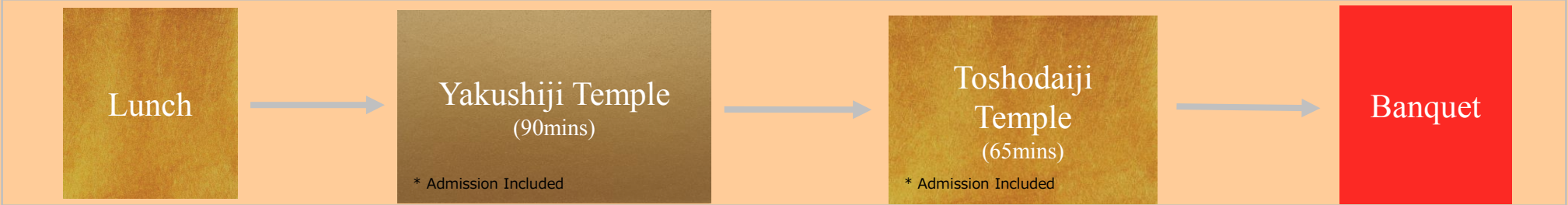
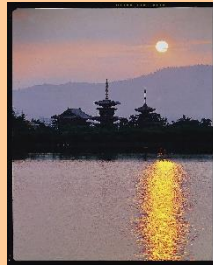


Yakushiji Temple and Toshodai-ji Temple Wed



Yakushiji Temple

◆ **Yakushiji** is the head temple of the Hosso Sect of Japanese Buddhism. Yakushiji Temple commissioned by Emperor Tenmu in 680 of the Hakuho period to pray for recovery from illness for his Emperess (who succeeded him as Empress Jito later), and was completed in 697. At that time, the Genjo-sanzoin Garan was the most magnificent of all in Japan, and the appearance of Kondo and the tower were so beautiful as to be called Ryuguya-zukuri.



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Subsequently, the temple was transferred from Fujiwara to Heijo-kyo in 718 along with the move of the capital. The Tower was lost due to numerous disasters, except for the East Tower, but it is now being reconstructed and was registered as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1998.



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※ The National Treasure East Tower can not be currently viewed for disassembly and repair work.→

Toshodaiji Temple

◆ **Toshodaiji Temple** is a temple founded by the Tang Dynasty Chinese monk Jianzhen, who came to Japan after overcoming his loss of sight. In the precincts there are Golden Hall, Kodo (Lecture Hall), Hozo (Treasure House), Kyozo (Sutra Storehouse), Koro (National Treasure of Japan) and Garan. The statue of Jianzhen in Mieido (Important Cultural Property) is the oldest portrait sculpture existing in Japan. In 1998, it was registered as a World Heritage Site.

**Tour point!**

◆ Here we are planning to have a special worship in the Hall which is not normally open to the public.

◆ Lunch ◆



**Toukichi** serves cuisines that are highly selected seasonal ingredients and give a place where someone can feel comfort.

**MENU**

- Tempura and Deep fired sesame tofu
- Simmered seasonal foods
- Grilled arum root
- Seasonal Sashimi
- Miso Soup
- Rice
- Dessert

※ Menu can be changed due due to circumstances.

