

Working Holidays Visa – Japan – 2024/2025

To the officials of the Working Holiday Visa Program

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

My name is Yvain PERES. I have recently graduated with a master's degree in Planetary and Earth Sciences, and I aim to spend a year in Japan to explore the country.

I first discovered Japanese culture through English-language books and movies (such as "Shogun" and "The Last Samurai"). Fascinated by the life of samurais and bushido, I decided to learn more about Japanese history and arts by watching Japanese films, especially the Akira Kurosawa's movies. Also, I have practiced Aikido for ten years and I have achieved the rank of second kyu.

During my university years, I studied the geology of Japan, including its seismic activity and volcanoes. I was fortunate to be a student of a researcher who worked in Japan for eight years. Currently working in a European aerospace industry, I follow the space projects of JAXA (Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency). I watched the online lift-off of Japan's new H3 space launcher and the landing of the lunar rover SLIM.

I have decided to visit Japan to further immerse myself in its culture. I wish to learn more about Japan's history and philosophy by visiting its historical sites (temples, castles, museums, etc.). During this year, I also want to learn musical instruments (such as the shamisen and shakuhachi) and martial arts (like Kendo and Iaido).

With this visa, I could participate in seasonal activities, such as hiking mountains and volcanoes, and attending festivals. I plan to live in different cities to experience the various lifestyles of the Japanese people.

I hope this letter conveys my strong interest in Japan.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Yvain PERES