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*Working Holiday Visa application*



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**Dear Sir or Madam,**

I am writing to submit my application as part of my request for a Working Holiday Visa, allowing me to stay in Japan for a duration of 10 to 12 months.

As a 30-year-old French citizen, I grew up in a family with a deep sense of adventure, which has given me the opportunity to travel extensively across Europe, and more recently, Asia.

In 2024, I embarked on my first trip to Japan—a country that was previously unknown to me. This journey, organized with my younger brother, allowed us to explore several iconic destinations over 15 days, including Tokyo, Nikko, Yudanaka, Kanazawa, Shirakawago, Kyoto, Nara, and finally, Osaka.

While this experience was both fascinating and enriching, it also left me with a feeling of incompleteness. By following a primarily tourist-oriented itinerary and lacking proficiency in the Japanese language, I was only able to scratch the surface of the country's rich culture. Despite the warm hospitality of the locals and the sense of wonder I felt with every discovery, I experienced a certain frustration—the frustration of not being able to fully grasp the deeper nuances and foundations of Japanese culture.

Since returning to France, my fascination with Japan has never faded. That first trip only fueled my desire to experience Japan from the inside—to immerse myself in daily life. I have since begun studying the language and am actively preparing for my return, with the firm intention of living a much more complete, intense, and genuine immersion. My primary goal is to gain a deeper understanding of Japanese culture, engage in authentic exchanges with its people, and refine my artistic perspective through exposure to the country's rich cultural heritage (while also enjoying the cuisine, which I particularly appreciate).

The Working Holiday Visa represents a precious opportunity for me to bring this ambition to life. I intend to begin my stay in Osaka, where I will reunite with Japanese friends who will help me improve my language skills and adjust to local life. I then plan to continue my journey in Tokyo before experiencing winter life in Sapporo.

Open-minded, sociable, and respectful, I am convinced that this immersion will contribute to both my personal and professional growth.

As an engineer and freelance artist, I am independent, organized, and accustomed to taking on challenges in unfamiliar environments. My adaptability and eagerness to discover a new culture will be valuable assets in making the most of this experience.

I sincerely appreciate your time and consideration of my application. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information. I look forward to your response.

Best Regards,  
Hugo