

Lean Japan Tour

4-10 NOVEMBER 2012



LEAN TOUR:

4 Best Practice
Lean Manufacturers

Discussions with
Factory Management

JMAC Lean Seminar

Interpreter &
Sightseeing

PARTICIPATION FEE:

\$7200*

Includes:

Accommodation, Meals,
Bullet Train, Transfers,
Tours, Seminar,
Sightseeing, Interpreter

*AIRFARE & TRAVEL INSURANCE
NOT INCLUDED



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Join the Australian Industry Group's 2012 Lean Japan Tour for an experience of a lifetime.

Immerse yourself over five days into the original Japanese thinking behind lean and its successful application across a range of industries. Whether you are new to the concept of lean, or searching for that next level of achievement, you will come home with a better understanding of how lean can be achieved.



The Challenge

Many manufacturers have attempted implementing lean manufacturing programs in recent years, but there are limited cases of its successful and ongoing implementation outside of Japan. There are some key reasons behind this:

1. Companies have never seen a genuinely successful example to benchmark against.
2. Companies overlook the people and culture side when implementing lean programs.
3. Companies miss the true essence of lean due to a flood of misinterpreted material and opinions in the marketplace.

Benefits of the Tour

The Lean Japan Tour will broaden your thinking and build your knowledge of lean management principles. You'll experience lean implementation in some of Japan's top companies, and develop the understanding necessary to implement these within your organisation.

Shinka Management consultants have been running the Australian Industry Group Lean Japan Tours since 2007. The tour includes five intensive days of training, company tours, senior management discussions and Japanese cultural experiences. We look after you from the moment you touch-down in Tokyo, providing all transfers, first-class accommodation and meals, cultural guidance and interpreting services.

Companies we visit

Shinka Management together with Japanese partner JMA Consultants have an extensive network of world-leading Japanese lean companies. Since 2007 our tours have visited lean companies in a range of industries.

[Toyota](#)
[Rinnai Corporation](#)
[Gifu Auto Body](#)
[Kewpie Mayonnaise](#)
[Panasonic](#)
[Sekisui Heim](#)
[Glory](#)
[Sanden](#)
[Daihatsu](#)
[Inoac](#)

Lean Concepts

Move beyond theory and experience lean manufacturing in action. Discuss managers' experiences and learn how to implement lean tools within your organisation.

You'll return home ready to help your company take its next step in its lean journey.

[TPM / TQM](#)
[TPS](#)
[Just-In-Time](#)
[Jidoka](#)
[5S](#)
[SMED](#)
[Poka-yoke](#)
[Kanban](#)
[Visual Management](#)



Comments from Previous Tours

"Experienced Japanese manufacturing and culture beyond expectations."

"Sensational! To see lean operate in a different industry was excellent."

"Enjoyed the sessions with management. Felt they were very forthcoming."

"It doesn't hit home until you see the real thing."

"By the end of Day Four I couldn't take any more in - I was just overwhelmed with possibilities for what this could mean for my team. Absolutely brilliant!"

Highlights from the Tour

Gifu Auto Body - Aichi Prefecture

Experience the Toyota Production System in action with excellent examples of JIT delivery, electric kanban systems, poka-yoke, 5S and TPM in action at Gifu Body, a supplier of finished vehicles to the Toyota Group. The tour group will visit three separate factories at Gifu Body; the welding/paint/assembly factory, the pressed components factory, and the seat track factory for the Toyota Hi-Ace vehicle. Learn about the lean journey at Gifu Body, during two days of discussions led by a former manager. During this visit the group will also participate in practical training sessions on lean concepts in a world-class lean training facility.

JMA Consultants Lean Seminar - Tokyo

Take part in a seminar focusing on lean implementation in Japan and the latest manufacturing management trends in Japan. This training session in JMAC's Tokyo headquarters will be led by an experienced senior consultant from JMAC's Production Division. JMAC is one of the world's leading process innovation consulting firms, and the oldest, largest and most respected management consulting firm in Japan. JMAC with its clients have been developing many of the famous tools of 'lean thinking' and implementing these globally for almost 70 years.

Toyota - Aichi Prefecture

Take a tour of one of Toyota's production plants in Toyota City. Tour participants will experience the shop floor atmosphere and Toyota's interactive training areas. The tour incorporates content on the two pillars of the Toyota Production System; Jidoka and Just-In-Time. The second half of the Toyota visit will take the group to the Toyota Kaikan Museum, located adjacent to Toyota global headquarters, which is a showcase of Toyota's philosophy and corporate direction.

Rinnai - Aichi Prefecture

Visit a corporation obsessed with quality. At Rinnai all employees participate in continuous improvement and Total Productive Maintenance efforts. Following the catchphrase 'quality is our destiny', Rinnai strives for a zero-defect status. Managers will lead the group through a plant tour and presentation of Rinnai's business, with a focus on its multi-product, mixed-flow production system based on actual demand.

Note: The Chairman of Rinnai Corporation is Mr Susumu Naito. He is also President of the National Federation of Japan-Australia Societies and the New Zealand Honorary Consul in Nagoya. Chairman Naito is likely to join our discussion.

Japanese Cultural Experience

Enjoy a journey like no other as you immerse yourself in an exhilarating mix of cultural and sightseeing experiences. You'll have plenty of time to take in Japanese food and culture and explore some of Japan's most amazing urban landscapes.

Visit www.shinkamanagement.com for further details and up-to-date tour schedules.

Recommended International Flights

Participants are required to make their own air travel arrangements. Direct flights from Australia and New Zealand are available via Sydney and Auckland. A number of carriers also provide air services via regional hubs such as Singapore, Malaysia and Hong Kong.

From Australia:



- QF21** Depart Sydney Sat 3rd Nov 22:20
Arrive Tokyo Narita Sun 4th Nov 06:10
- QF22** Depart Tokyo Narita Sat 10th Nov 19:50
Arrive Sydney Sun 11th Nov 07:25

From New Zealand:



- NZ0099** Depart Auckland Sun 4th Nov 09:05
Arrive Tokyo Narita Sun 4th Nov 16:25
- NZ0090** Depart Tokyo Narita Sat 10th Nov 18:30
Arrive Auckland Sun 11th Nov 12:40

Tour Itinerary

Sunday: Arrive Tokyo Narita

- Tokyo sightseeing
- Evening briefing and dinner

Monday: JMA Consultants Briefing

- Lean implementation in Japan
- Latest manufacturing trends

Tuesday: Nagoya - Site Visits & Training

- Hi-Ace weld & assembly plant visit
- Pressed component plant visit

Wednesday: Nagoya - Site Visits & Training

- Seat track plant visit
- Practical applications of TPS

Thursday: Nagoya - Site Visits

- Toyota site and museum tour
- Rinnai visit

Friday: Nagoya - Site Visit & Debriefing

- Factory visit
- Review Session

Saturday: Tokyo - Recovery

- Tokyo Sightseeing
- Departure from Narita Airport



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Registration Form



COMPANY DETAILS

Company Name			
Postal Address		State	Postcode
Phone Number		Facsimile Number	
AI Group Member (<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No)		Membership Number	Total Number of Participants

PARTICIPANT DETAILS 1

Title	First Name	Surname	
Position		Email	
Direct Phone		Mobile Number	

PARTICIPANT DETAILS 2

Title	First Name	Surname	
Position		Email	
Direct Phone		Mobile Number	

PARTICIPANT DETAILS 3

Title	First Name	Surname	
Position		Email	
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Conditions & Allowances

Participation fee does not include airfare, travel insurance or hotel personal expenses. GST will not be charged. Participants may choose alternate flights to those prescribed, but are required to be in the hotel lobby by 7pm, Sunday, 4 November. Tour content descriptions based on previous tours. 2012 tour actual content may vary. Schedule subject to change without notice. Photo and video imagery from Tours may be used by Ai Group and Shinka Management for marketing purposes. **CANCELLATION POLICY:** Registration of a completed Form indicates the participant's intention to take part in the Tour. Once this intention has been notified to Shinka Management, the participant's booking must be secured by full payment of the fee to Shinka Management by COB, Friday, 26 October 2012. Any participant may cancel their booking without penalty prior to 30 September 2012. Any booking cancellation between 1 October 2012 and 14 October 2012 will forfeit 50% of the fee. Any cancellation after 15 October 2012 will entirely forfeit the fee. The transfer of registration by participants within the same company is permitted. Shinka Management reserves the right to cancel the tour on or before Friday, 28 September, 2012. Shinka Management asks participants to refrain from purchasing their airfare or travel insurance prior to this date unless given earlier confirmation by Shinka Management. Shinka Management will take no responsibility for the refund of airfares or travel insurance.

AUTHORISATION: I am an authorised representative of the organisation identified above and have read and understand the cancellation policy.

I have read and agree to the Conditions & Allowances as specified above.

Authorised Representative Name	Signature	Date
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REGISTER - Please complete and send the form to:

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