

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** Karyna Shuliak <[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** Mizuka Ito [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Tea House in Kyoto  
**Date:** Fri, 30 Sep 2016 04:51:38 +0000

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So glad it worked out! I hope you took some pictures!

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 30, 2016, at 13:45, Karyna Shuliak <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Mizuka and Joi,

Last night at Minoya was an unforgettable experience for [REDACTED] and me. It was so kind of you to make this special arrangement for us. And our hosts at the tea house were most gracious and hospitable. We are truly grateful for having this precious glimpse into a mysterious and unique part of your culture!

Karyna.

On Sep 28, 2016, at 8:11 AM, Karyna Shuliak <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Thank you Joi!

On Sep 28, 2016, at 7:11 AM, Joi Ito <[REDACTED]> wrote:

BTW, it's OK to take photos if you ask.

- Joi

On Sep 28, 2016, at 5:21 AM, Mizuka [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Karyna,

I hope that you are enjoying Japan to the fullest.

There is no dress code but you already know about tatami and zabuton at Tawaraya. Short skirts and tight pants are not comfortable, I think.

Minoya  
94 Sueyoshicho  
Higashiyama-ku  
[REDACTED]

Oct 29th Thursday at 7pm

Please contact us if there is anything we can do.

Enjoy the rest of your trip!

Mizuka

2016/09/26 午後7:57、 Karyna Shuliak <[REDACTED]> のメール :

Hi Mizuka,

I forgot to ask what is the dress code for the tea house please?

Thank you!

Karyna.

On Sep 26, 2016, at 10:07 PM, Mizuka Ito <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Karyna!

How about 7pm?

2016/09/26 8:40、 Joi Ito <[REDACTED]> のメッセージ:

OK, we'll arrange the 29th. Keep the evening free. We'll get you instructions, etc. Basically, you will go, they will feed you. (Hopefully, you have no food allergies right?) You will be accompanied by geisha (In Kyoto, they are called "geiko") and Maiko who will hang out with you. After the meal, they will dance for you. You can ask them anything, about Kyoto, their lives, their art, food, etc. Many of them are very funny and interesting. Some don't speak English well, but some do. :-)

- Joi

On Sep 26, 2016, at 8:38 AM, Karyna Shuliak <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Joi,

Thank you so much for the offer, it is very kind of you!

Thursday the 29th would be perfect for us.

Thank you very much!!!

Karyna.

P.S. I wanted to thank Mizuka again for the hotel recommendation in Kyoto, we just arrived today, it is such a special place..

On Sep 26, 2016, at 8:34 PM, Joi Ito <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Karyna,

Mizuka just checked with the Tea House and they are available Thursday the 29th - evening, does that work for you?

- Joi

On Sep 26, 2016, at 7:24 AM, Joi Ito <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Karyna,

Jeffrey mentioned that you might want to go to our teahouse in Kyoto. Can you tell me what evenings you are free. Mizuka will try to arrange it. They have to do some arrangements. The best "typical" evening includes a dinner and then drinks with geisha and maiko including traditional Japanese dance. Does this sound good?

Tell me which evenings you are available. Thanks!

- Joi