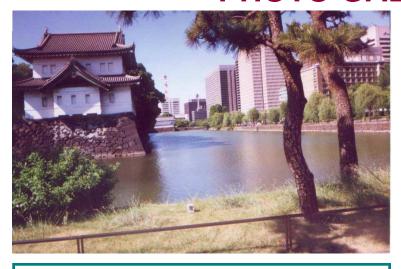
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These top two photos are from Tokyo. On the left is part of the wall surrounding the Imperial Palace, with its mote. You can see the contrast of the old and the modern buildings across the street. On the right is a shot from the downtown electronics market area. It's about a square mile, by my estimate, of nothing but electronics shops,





Above is a beautiful example of why people like to visit Kyoto, a short commuter train ride from Kobe. This is the Golden Palace, named for obvious reasons. It's actually covered in gold leaf. You can't get to the building itself, physically, but it's surrounded with beautiful gardens and this lake. Below is a look at Kobe and a bit of its harbor. Obviously this is a very modern city, with interesting architecture.







Above I'm standing in front of an interesting and sprawling temple in the hills overlooking Kyoto. To the left is a garden at the Shogun Palace.



Above is a good look at one section of the harbor at Rotterdam. Notice the amazing bridge on the right, one of several actually in sight of this spot. To the right is the "Gateway to India" the arch on the right side of the picture, with the Taj Mahal Hotel to its left. Below right is a street scene in Mumbai. The people are dressed for a church festival that lasted each evening for a week. Below is a shot of the waterfront, with it's promenade, also in Mumbai. Notice that the "beach" isn't really a beach, it's just an outcrppping of rocks leading up to the water. Both Rotterdam and Mumbai are really about water, historically and up to the present, since they are two major port cities, each connecting large land masses with the rest of the world.





Below, a street in Assisi, Italy. To its right, one of the "Davids" in Florence. Next to it is the Duomo in Florence and at the bottom is me standing in front of the Louvre, in Paris.









