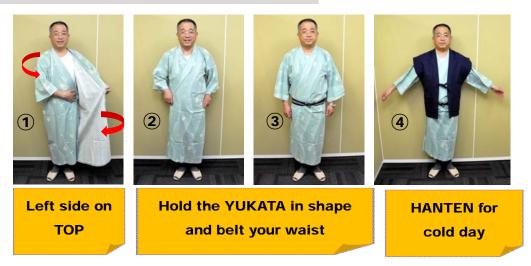
## HOW TO PUT ON THE "YUKATA" ROBE?

## CULTURAL BACKGROUND

YUKATA is a light cotton kimono to be worn at home for relaxation in the old days, and it is also a typical custom for Japan Summer Festival till now. "YUKATA" now becomes a symbol for the special moment, a magic items bringing Japanese out of their everyday life.

It is typical that visitors wear YUKATA inside ONSEN resort area. So please don't be shy. Have a try on the YUKATA, and start your JAPANESE EXPLORATION.

## STEPS TOWARDS A "YUKATA" EXPERIENCE



- 1. Put the YUKATA robe on.
  - \*Tips: the length should reach your ankle. Find a right size before moving on, there must be a perfect one for you in the room drawer
- 2. Bring the right collar end to your left side of your body with your hand keep holding on the collar edge.
- 3. Then, bring the left collar to the right side. Keep holding the YUKATA in shape with your left hand and belt your waist with the right hand.
  - \*Tips: Be aware that the left side of the garment shall always be on top, not matter which gender you are. Right side on top may only be worn once, at the last moment of a person's life, when one is dead.
- 4. Tie the belt with a bowknot around your waist to secure the YUKATA.
- 5. Get to the front of a mirror. OH! How charming!
- 6. If it is a cold day, you can gear up with a HANTEN vest. The vests can be found inside the room corset.