

Stay at an Ice Lodge Igloo at Lake Shikaribetsu Ice Village – Full Enjoyment of Tokachi's Winter Wonderland!



Tokachi's distinctive landscape is formed from a terraced, step-like landform. Forests occupy two thirds of the total land area, and are the basis of its rich ecosystem. Despite the low altitude, the ecosystem around Lake Shikaribetsu (the center of the tour) is similar to that seen in alpine high mountains and the Arctic Circle.

The tour is designed with a focus on geo tourism and the enjoyment of Tokachi Winter World, observing wild birds seen during their wintering period, and riding dog sleds through the magnificent nature and wildlife of the Tokachi Plain.

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Highlights:

- Stay at the ice lodge at Shikaribetsu Ice Village
- Snowshoeing (geo guide walk) to observe the ecosystem of Lake Shikaribetsu
- Dog Sledding run over the vast Tokachi Plain
- Tokachi River Eagle Cruise: Enjoy spectacular views of wild eagles, a Japanese national treasure

Location: Tokachi area, Hokkaido

Main Activity: Stay at the ice lodge at Shikaribetsu Ice Village, Geo Guidewalk

Difficulty: 2

Availability: From February to March

Tour Duration: 3 Nights 4 Days

Pax: Minimum 2 Maximum 4

Price per person: JPY 230,000

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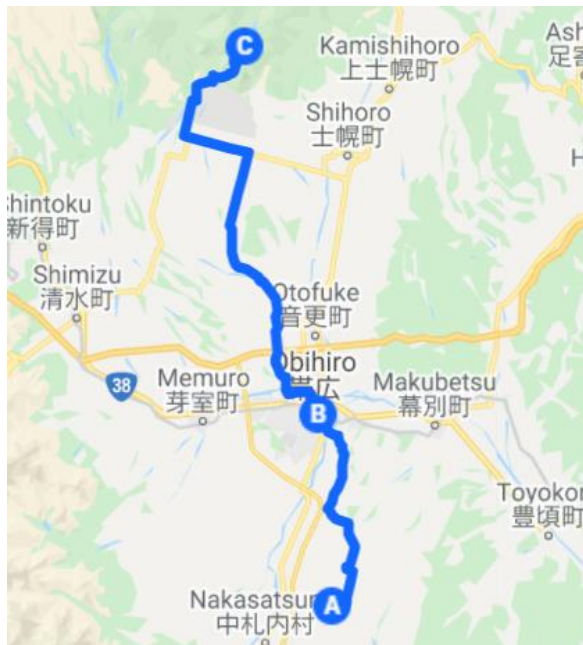
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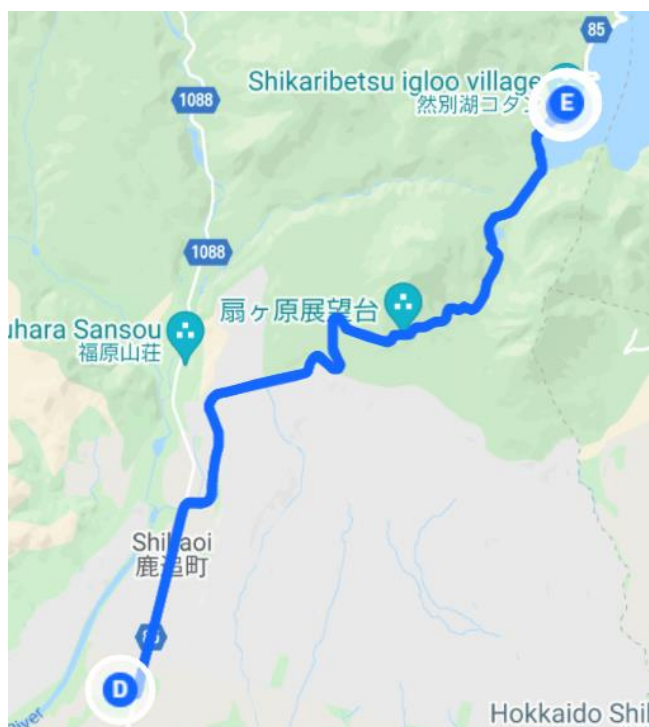
Route map <DAY 1~2>

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- A** Tokachi-Obihiro Airport, Nish...
- B** Obihiro Station, 12 Chome Ni...
- C** Shikaribetsu Kohan Onsen H...

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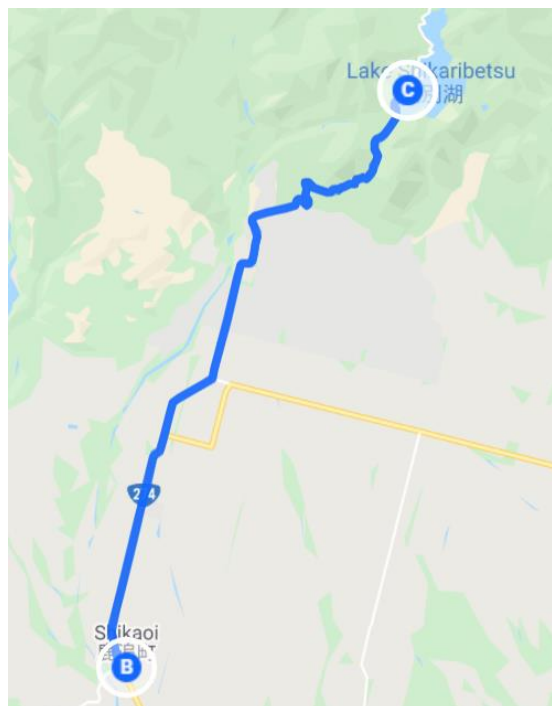


- A** Shikaribetsu Kohan Onsen H...
- B** Tokachishikaoi Geopark Visit...
- C** Hokkaido, Shikaoi, Kitaurima...
- D** Tokachishikaoi Geopark Visit...
- E** Shikaribetsu Kohan Onsen H...

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Route map <DAY 3~4>

< DAY 3 >



- A** Shikaribetsu Kohan Onsen H...
- B** Shikaoi, Hokkaido
- C** Shikaribetsu Kohan Onsen H...

< DAY 4 >



- A** Shikaribetsu Kohan Onsen H...
- B** Tokachi River, Hokkaido
- C** Tokachigawaonsen, Otofuke,...
- D** Obihiro Station, 12 Chome Ni...
- E** Tokachi-Obihiro Airport, Nish...

Day-by-day Itinerary

Day 1 - Transfer to the hotel

Guests arriving by JR, please meet at JR Obihiro Station around 14:17.

Guests arriving by air, please meet at Obihiro Airport around 14:50.

After arrival, all guests will be briefed on the tour. That evening, an optional short night tour (with nature guide escort) to view the starry skies of Shikaribetsu is available.

Dinner

Special Dinner Set

Pork Shabu Shabu, served with seasonal mountain vegetables harvested in the Daisetsuzan and Tokachi areas.

Night watching 【Time】 1 hours

Night Sky Watching (optional)

See the starry skies of Shikaribetsu with a local nature guide. Enjoy the magical night landscape framed by snow and crisp air.

Activity: Night watching

Difficulty: 1



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Day 2 – Tokachi Shikaoi Geopark, Geo Guidewalk (Snowshoeing)

Breakfast Japanese and Western buffet

Tokachi Shikaoi Geopark

【Time】 30 minutes

Tokachi Shikaoi Geo Park is the only Geo Park in Japan to focus on “Shibare: Frozen Bitter Coldness.” Get familiar with this unique natural environment through exhibits, slides and miniature models at the visitor center.

Lunch Café mubanchi

Lunch at the Shikaribetsu Nature Center Cafe. Enjoy magnificent, sweeping views of the lake.

Geo Guidewalk (Snowshoeing)

【Time】 2 hours 【Distance】 3km

Put all you've learned in the morning at the Geo Park to hands-on use while strolling on snowshoes at Komadome Lake.

Surrounded by the total quiet of this wilderness, you'll view mystic landscapes and observe a myriad of wild animals, including white-tailed eagles, Blakiston's fish owls, and more.



Guided Tour of Shikaribetsu-Kotan Ice Village **【Time】 1.5 hours**

Guided by local staff, learn about our tour base of Lake Shikaribetsu, the history of the Kotan (ice village), and stories about the building of the village.

Dinner Special Dinner Set (Venison & Lake Trout)

Enjoy a unique take on “surf and turf,” freshly harvested from the spring waters and foothills of Lake Shikaribetsu.



Free Time at the Ice Village (Ice Bar, Outdoor Bath on The Rocks)

【Time】 30m ~ 1hours

Everything in the Ice Bar – except the drinks! – is made from ice. Tables and chairs, the building, the bar, cups and glasses – everything! We guarantee you've never seen anything like this before. After being mesmerized by this unique establishment (and enjoying a few drinks), move on to magical evening lake views while soaking in a steaming hot outdoor bath on the frozen lake.

Ice Lodge

Enjoy staying at Ice Lodge in extremely cold weather. At igloo, you can feel the sound of ice.

※We also prepare a hotel room



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Difficulty: 2

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Day 3 – Dog Sledding

Breakfast

Japanese and Western buffet

Breakfast at the hotel, with no-charge late checkout due to the late-morning start of the day's activities.

Dog Sledding (AM)

【Time】 1 hours

Experts believe that dog sledding dates back at least 4,000 years. You'll enjoy this tradition and heritage as you ride on a sleigh pulled by 4 to 8 dogs, running through the foothills of Daisetsuzan National Park, woodlands, river and stream paths, and snowfields. The Hidaka Mountain Range and Daisetsuzan mountains can be seen in the background on clear days.

Lunch

Catering

Lunch in a cozy tent heated by a wood-burning stove. Warm yourself in a sauna-like heating room, and savor potato cakes, corn, and potatoes grilled on the stove.

Dog Sledding (PM)

【Time】 2.5 hours 【Distance】 12km

A more challenging dog sledding run awaits you in the afternoon, followed by a coffee break with your guide.

Dinner

Dinner at a local izakaya (Japanese-style pub).

Enjoy the friendly atmosphere and assortment of local cuisine specialties while you talk over the highlights of your day's adventures.

Activity: **Dog Sledding**

Difficulty: **2**



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Day 4 – Transfer to Obihiro Station or Tokachi-Obihiro Airport

Breakfast Japanese and Western buffet



Tokachi River Eagle Cruise 【Time】 2 hours

White-tailed eagles and Steller's sea eagles (both designated as national treasures of Japan) migrate during winter and are often sighted along the Tokachi River. Enjoy viewing these rare wild birds, as well as distinctive local red-crowned cranes and whooping swans.

Lunch Local restaurant
Grilled Mirai Memuro Ushi (local organic beef)
and vegetables



Tokachigawa Hot Spring Resort 【Time】 1 hours

Luxuriate in a rejuvenating hot spring experience at the Roadside Station Garden Spa Tokachigawa, where you'll soak in a plant-derived moor hot spring. (Bathing suits can be worn in the spa.)

Activity: Tokachi River Eagle Cruise

Difficulty: 2

Accommodations :

Day 1 : Shikaribetsu Kohan Onsen Hotel Fusui

Day 2 : Ice Lodge (Shikaribetsu Kohan Onsen Hotel Fusui)

Day 3 : Shikaribetsu Kohan Onsen Hotel Fusui

What's included

- Activities Fee
- Meals
- Tour Guide
- Private Car

We provide & What to bring

We provide

- Water and Energy Snacks
- First Aid Equipment Set
- Clear SUP Set
- Canoeing Equipment

What to bring

= Necessary / = Recommended

Regular warm clothing Hat · cap

Gloves

bathing suit

Bath Towel

Extreme cold weather winter wear (such as ski clothes), warm waterproof winter shoes

Personal toiletries

Personal toiletries

My Bottle, My Cup, My Chopsticks, etc.

Camera and smart phone

Disposable heating pads

About us

The company is certified by JATA's Tour Quality Japan Quality Assurance System for Tour Operators. Our mission is to provide the highest quality services to our clients. We specialize in Japan inbound tours focusing on Hokkaido.

- ATTA Members

Guides

Shoji Ishikawa

Completed advanced Fire Department first aid training

English speaking

Certified Hokkaido Nature Guide, Hokkaido Nature Center (license #33) (mountain guide license #116, nature guide license #439, canoe guide license #907)

1992 join the Hokkaido Nature Center

2002 get the license of mountain guide

2004 get the license of canoe guide

2005 get the license of nature guide

2019 get the license of master guide

Kazuaki Shimada

Completed advanced Fire Department first aid training

English speaking

Certified Hokkaido Nature Guide, Hokkaido Nature Center (license #1198) (canoe guide license #1214)

2006 join the Hokkaido Nature Center

2018 get the license of canoe guide

2018 get the license of nature guide

2021 get the license of WILDERNESS ADVANCED FIRST AID

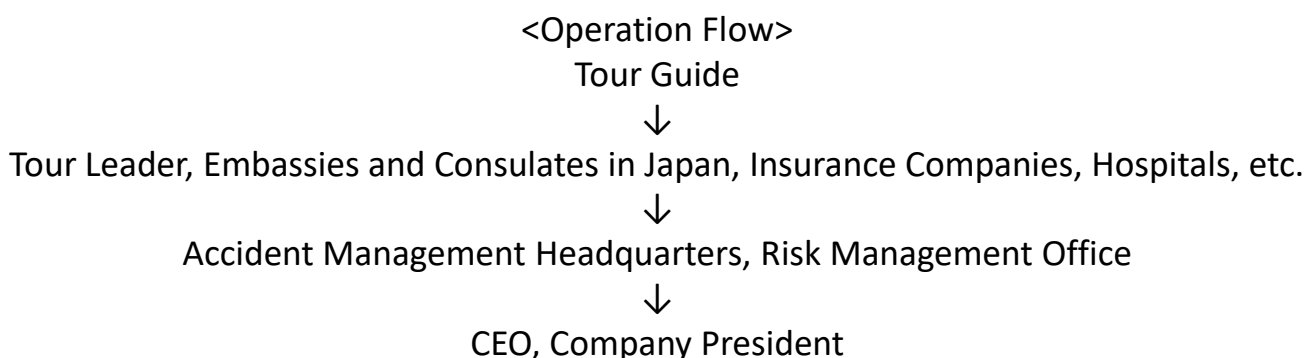
Information and Requirements

Dietary Restrictions

We provide special meals for participants with allergies upon advance request.

Emergency Response Plan

- Completed First Aid Training (Basic First Aid Class such as CPR or AED, injury treatment (treat or transport) for broken bones and sprains, treatments for heatstroke, hypothermia, bee stings and allergies including anaphylactic shock, outdoor emergency response training for simulated scenes, such as communication, treatment and transportation)
- Practice sessions at the beginning of each guiding season (summer and winter).



Reservation & Cancellation Policy

Payment Methods

We will send a booking confirmation by email with an invoice requesting 10% deposit per person due within 2 weeks of invoice date. The remaining balance is due 2 weeks prior to arrival. If KNT Hokkaido has not received deposit amount by the due date, the booking will be cancelled.

Cancellation

Cancellation Policy / 10% : 1 month Before Departure
20% : 21 Days Before Departure
30% : 15 Days Before Departure
50% : 1 Week Before Departure
80% : Less Than 1 Week

Disclaimer

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We are not liable or responsible for any damages or injuries caused by the following actions and/or reasons:

- Willful or gross negligence caused by insurance policy holders, other insured persons and insurance beneficiaries
- Fights, suicides and criminal behavior
- Traffic accidents whether or not drivers are insured, the driving of motorcycles without licenses, driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, whether prescription or illegal
- Brain and other diseases, insanity
- Pregnancy, childbirth, premature birth, abortion
- Surgical operations (except for accidents caused by us)
- Accidents and riots related to wars and revolutions
- Earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tsunamis, and other Acts of God
- Nuclear contamination caused by nuclear accidents
- Mountain climbing using tools such as ice axes; rock climbing; luge; bobsled; skeleton sports; flying planes; sky diving; hang gliding; riding super-light powered machines such as motor hang gliders, micro light aircraft, and ultra light aircraft.
- Racing, competing, performing and test driving of automobiles, motorcycles, motorboats, etc.
- Whiplash or back pain without independent medical proof.
- Willful or gross negligence caused by you.
- Liability for damages directly caused by your performance of duties (damages occurring during your work)
- Liability for damages to your consigned goods caused by you (damage to hotel facilities and rooms is however covered)
- Liability for damages caused by your ownership, usage or management of the following items: vehicles including golf carts and rental cars, motorized bicycles, aircraft, ships including motorboats, and firearms including air guns.
- Liability for damages to your family members living at the same address as you, and family members traveling together.
- Liability for damages caused by your loss of mental facilities.

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