



# 2026 HOKKAIDO SNOW FESTIVAL TOUR #2

## EXPERIENCE 4 WINTER FESTIVALS:

Lake Shikotsu Ice Festival, Sapporo Snow Festival,  
Asahikawa Winter Festival & Otaru Snow Light Path Festival

Enjoy your choice of Japan Airlines' "Economy," "Premium Economy," or the affordable luxury of "Business" class service. Premium Economy and Business class customers will begin their journey with a relaxing visit to JAL's "Sakura Lounge" and the "Sakura Lounge - Hale" for Business class.

8 Nights / 10 Days • 15 Meals (8 Breakfasts, 4 Lunches, 3 Dinners)  
Escorted from Honolulu • Includes an English-Speaking Local Guide  
February 03 – 12, 2026 • Tour Managers: Darren Upchurch & Johanna Bugarin

### VISIT:

Nagoya • Lake Shikotsu • Noboribetsu • Shiraoi • Sapporo • Ishikari • Asahikawa • Otaru

## ENJOY 2 ONSEN HOT SPRINGS OR LARGE PUBLIC BATH FACILITIES:

Noboribetsu Grand Hotel • OMO7 Asahikawa by Hoshino Resorts

### Non-Stop Travel Exclusive!

**CENTRAIR HOTEL** (Nagoya Airport — 1 Night): The hotel is directly connected to the airport terminal via a covered walkway, making it extremely convenient for travelers. It offers comfortable Western-style rooms with WiFi access. Although a Family Mart convenience store is located within the hotel, guests may want to return to the airport for more dining options, including many Nagoya specialties and classic Japanese dishes. Popular choices include Yabaton (Miso Katsu) and Sekai no Yamachan (Nagoya Cochin Chicken Wings). You'll also find cafés, fast food, and coffee shops on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> floors. In Terminal 1's 4<sup>th</sup> floor, you'll discover two relaxation facilities: the Japanese-style spa "Fu no Yu" and the "Sanatio Spa," the first onsen in Japan with a runway view. Shake the weariness of the 9½ hour flight as you relax in the onsen and watch planes taking off and land, and enjoy panoramic views of Ise Bay. An entry fee of 1,500 yen applies.

### Non-Stop Travel Exclusives!

#### SAPPORO SNOW FESTIVAL (DAY & EVENING VIEWING)

4 nights hotel stay  
in Sapporo

#### CRABS — PICK'EM "LIVE" FROM THE TANK!

Savor the sweet freshly  
steamed morsels!

#### ICE CREAM MAKING

Made with fresh  
Hokkaido milk!

**INCLUDES COMPLIMENTARY SNOW/ICE CLEATS FOR ALL TOUR MEMBERS (\$20 VALUE)**

## COMPLETE PACKAGE!

Includes Roundtrip Airfare from Honolulu,  
8 Nights Hotel, 15 Meals, Tips for Local Tour  
Guides and Bus Drivers, All Taxes & Fees

## JAPAN AIRLINES: CHOICE OF CABINS

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### JAL ECONOMY CLASS

**\$4,788\***

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**HURRY! Only 6 Seats Available at this Price!!**

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### JAL BUSINESS CLASS

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## EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT PER PERSON†

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## Non-Stop Travel Exclusive!

**DON'T MISS A THING!!**

**WHISPER — Wireless Tour  
Guide System!** English narration  
directly to your ear!

**Day 1: Tue, Feb 03** — HONOLULU. Depart Honolulu via Japan Airlines flt #793 at 1:20 pm.

**Day 2: Wed, Feb 04** — NAGOYA. Arrive at the Chubu Centrair International Airport at 5:45 pm. After entry formalities, walk to your hotel connected to the airport terminal. CENTRAIR HOTEL (1 Night)

**Day 3: Thur, Feb 05** — NAGOYA — CHITOSE — LAKE SHIKOTSU — NOBORIBETSU. After a breakfast buffet at your hotel, walk back to the Nagoya airport terminal. Enjoy a bento box at the domestic departure gate. Depart the Chubu Centrair Domestic Airport via Japan Airlines flt #3107 at 1:10 pm and arrive at the Chitose Domestic Airport at 2:50 pm. Upon arrival in Chitose, depart the airport for Lake Shikotsu, where you will explore the **LAKE SHIKOTSU ICE FESTIVAL!** a fantastic world of ice featuring various snow and ice sculptures created from the water of the nearby lake. Arrive in Noboribetsu. Enjoy a buffet dinner at the hotel tonight. Tonight, enjoy a **relaxing soak in the healing waters of Hokkaido's onsen hot springs**. Don't miss out! The onsens — which are divided for men and women — allow you to enjoy the hot springs whether indoors or outdoors. The high-quality service and facilities are sure to become some of your fondest memories of your visit to Japan. NOBORIBETSU GRAND HOTEL (1 Night) (B, L, D)

**Day 4: Fri, Feb 06** — NOBORIBETSU — SHIRAOI — SAPPORO. After breakfast, depart Noboribetsu for Shiraoi and the **National Ainu Museum UPOPOY**. Officially opened on July 12, 2020, the mission of the new National Ainu Museum UPOPOY is "to promote a proper understanding and awareness of Ainu history and culture in Japan and elsewhere out of respect for the dignity of the indigenous Ainu people, while contributing to the creation and development of new aspects of Ainu culture." Learn about the Ainu people and culture via short films shown on the large screen in the 96 seat theater, and through the various artifacts and displays set up in the exhibition rooms located on the 2nd floor of the museum. After lunch, go to **Koropokkuru**, where you will **learn how to make ice cream** using fresh Hokkaido milk! Transfer to Sapporo. Arrive at the hotel for a brief rest, before walking to a nearby restaurant for dinner. MERCURE SAPPORO (4 Nights) (B, L, D)

**Day 5: Sat, Feb 07** — SAPPORO — ISHIKARI — SAPPORO. After breakfast, begin the day with a drive-by sightseeing tour of Sapporo — including the **TV Tower**, the **Clock Tower**, and the **Former Government Office Building**. Next, take in the wonders of the **SAPPORO SNOW FESTIVAL!** at Odori Park and in the Susukino area. The Sapporo Snow Festival was started in 1950, when high school students built a few snow statues and it has since developed into a WORLD-CLASS EVENT attracting more than two million visitors. The Local Guide will spend the morning showcasing the highlights of the festival. For lunch, stop at a local **Wholesale**

**Seafood Market** where an abundance of fresh seafood and the freshest local products can be found. While there, **pick out "LIVE" crabs** from the tanks, to enjoy with a special kaisen don (fresh seafood over rice) lunch. Before returning to the hotel, stop for a tour of the new **ROYCE' Cacao and Chocolate Town** to learn how the famous ROYCE' chocolate treats are made. Receive a complimentary sample at the end of the tour. The remainder of the day is free to explore more of Sapporo on your own. Don't miss out on the seeing the festival at night, when some of the sculptures are illuminated with lights. (B, L)

\*One live crab for every 6th tour member. Live crab subject to weather conditions and availability.

**Day 6: Sun, Feb 08** — SAPPORO. Spend the morning with the Local Guide, who will point out sites of interest at the **SAPPORO SNOW FESTIVAL!** The remainder of the day is at your leisure. Don't forget the shopping opportunities at Susukino shopping area, or the Tanuki Koji Shopping Arcade, the largest and oldest shopping arcade in Sapporo, which houses over 200 shops. (B)

**Day 7: Mon, Feb 09** — SAPPORO. Day of leisure. The perfect opportunity to explore more of the **SAPPORO SNOW FESTIVAL!** on your own. (B)

**Day 8: Tue, Feb 10** — SAPPORO — ASHIKAWA. After breakfast, depart Sapporo. En route to Asahikawa, stop at the **Sunagawa Highway Oasis**, a shopper's paradise. Warm yourself with lunch (on your own) at the **Asahikawa Ramen Village**, where you'll get to choose the type of ramen lunch you'll have from one of eight ramen shops. Asahikawa is known for their shoyu based broths, while Sapporo is known for its miso based broths and Hakodate for its salt based broths. Which one will you try? After lunch, visit the **Asahiyama Zoo** to observe the **"Penguin Walk,"** in which the zoo's penguins walk along a 500 meter snow covered walkway, a way for the zoo to keep the birds fit during the winter months. While the penguins have a tendency to keep together as a group during these walks, sometimes some wander off course towards the crowd of visitors, and need to be "reminded" where they are going. Have your camera ready as these birds waddle pass you on their daily walk. Arrive at the hotel for a brief rest, before going to a nearby restaurant for dinner. Don't forget to take a **soak in the hotel's large public bath**. OMOT ASHIKAWA BY HOSHINO RESORTS (1 Night) (B, D)

**Day 9: Wed, Feb 11** — ASHIKAWA — OTARU. After breakfast, experience one of the most popular winter festivals in Hokkaido, the **ASHIKAWA WINTER FESTIVAL!** As Hokkaido's second largest winter festival, after Sapporo's Snow Festival, Asahikawa Winter Festival boasts one of the biggest snow sculptures. Each year, one massive sculpture is made as a stage for music or other performances. The giant sculpture has a different theme each year. What will the theme be this year? Will it top the giant sculpture built in 1994 which made it into the book of Guinness World Records as the largest snow construction ever built? Depart



Asahikawa for Otaru. After lunch, arrive in Otaru. Take a stroll along the **Otaru Canal**. Next, stop at the **Otaru Music Box Museum**. A visit to the **Kitaichi Glass Company** will delight your eyes with beautiful creations. Then take in the sights of the **OTARU SNOW LIGHT PATH FESTIVAL!** The remainder of the evening is at your leisure. GRAND PARK OTARU (1 Night) (B, L)

**Day 10: Thur, Feb 12** — OTARU — CHITOSE — HANEDA — HONOLULU. Depart Otaru for the Chitose Airport. En route, stop at **Tanaka Sake Brewery**. Learn how sake is made and sample some of their tasty products. Make a final shopping stop at an **AEON MALL**, where you will have time to shop and enjoy lunch (on your own). After lunch, depart for the Chitose airport. Arrive at the Chitose Airport and begin exploring the **shopping mall located within the Domestic Terminal**. Consisting of four floors of restaurants, shops, and activities, there's something for everyone. Those with a sweet tooth will enjoy the Sweets Zone, where you can enjoy Hokkaido sweets in a spacious and relaxing setting, and the ROYCE' Chocolate World (factory, museum, shop, and bakery) and LeTAO Chocolatier. The kids (and those young at heart) will enjoy the Doraemon Sky Park and Hello Kitty Happy Flight, which have an activity area, shop and café (fees may apply) or the Pokémon store. UNIQLO aims to provide customers with "ultimate casual clothes." And there are more than two dozen shops at the airport that specialize in various fresh, frozen, or dried seafood that can be eaten there or packed for you to bring home. Or you can relax in the airport onsen or movie theater (for a fee). Depart Chitose via Japan Airlines flt #518 at 5:00 pm. Arrive in Tokyo's Haneda Domestic Airport at 6:45 pm. Depart Tokyo's Haneda International Airport via Japan Airlines flt #74 at 9:00 pm and arrive Honolulu at 8:45 am the same day. Aloha and welcome home! (B)

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with your loved ones!*

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