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# 2027 HOKKAIDO SNOW FESTIVAL PLUS KAWAZU CHERRY BLOSSOMS & ATAMI PLUM BLOSSOMS FESTIVAL TOUR #1

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

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SAPPORO SNOW FESTIVAL (SUSUKINO SITE)

**Day 1: Sat, Jan 30** – HONOLULU. Depart Honolulu via Japan Airlines flt #73 at 11:40 am.

**Day 2: Sun, Jan 31** – HANEDA. Arrive at the Haneda International Airport at 4:05 pm. After entry formalities, walk to your hotel connected to the airport terminal. Enjoy dinner at the hotel. HOTEL VILLA FONTAINE GRAND HANEDA AIRPORT (1 Night) (D)

**Day 3: Mon, Feb 01** – HANEDA – CHITOSE – LAKE SHIKOTSU – NOBORIBETSU. After a breakfast buffet at your hotel, transfer to the Haneda airport terminal. Enjoy a bento box at the domestic departure gate. Depart Haneda Domestic Airport via Japan Airlines flt #513 at 11:30 am and arrive at the Chitose Domestic Airport at 1:10 pm. Upon arrival in Chitose, depart the airport for 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, enjoy a relaxing soak in the **healing waters of Hokkaido's onsens**. Don't miss out! The onsens are divided for men and women, and can be enjoyed indoors or outdoors. The high-quality service and facilities are sure to become some of your fondest memories of your visit to Japan. NOBORIBETSU DAIICHI TAKIMOTOKAN (1 Night) (B, L, D)

**Day 4: Tue, Feb 02** – NOBORIBETSU – SHIRAOI – SAPPORO. After breakfast, depart Noboribetsu for Shiraoi and the **UPOPOY National Ainu Museum and Park**, whose mission is to promote a proper understanding and awareness of Ainu history and culture 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 theater and through the various artifacts and displays set up in the exhibition rooms. After lunch, **learn how to make ice cream** using fresh Hokkaido milk! A delicious treat! Transfer to Sapporo. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before arriving at the hotel for the evening. SAPPORO GRAND HOTEL (4 Nights) (B, L, D)

**Day 5: Wed, Feb 03** – SAPPORO – ISHIKARI – SAPPORO. After breakfast, begin the day with 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. 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. After, take a **drive-by sightseeing tour** of Sapporo – including the **TV Tower, Clock Tower, and the Former Government Office Building**. This afternoon, you'll have the chance to **experience two of the three main sites** of the **SAPPORO SNOW FESTIVAL**: Odori and Susukino. Started in 1950, when high school students built a few snow statues, the Sapporo Snow Festival has since developed into a **world-class event** attracting more than two million visitors. The Odori site is the festival's main venue and was the original site of the first glacial gathering. This site stretches across Odori Park, with each of the 11 street blocks housing various interactive points or sights. The main highlights include snow sculptures from local artisans and Sapporo citizens, snowboard experience activities, and an impressive projection mapping show.



SAPPORO SNOW FESTIVAL (TSUDOME SITE)

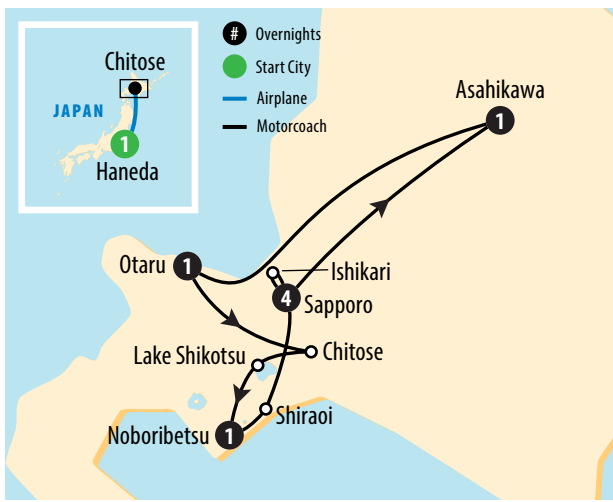
While the Tsudome (the third main site of the festival) and Odori Park sites mainly use snow for their sculptures, the Susukino site focuses more on ice sculptures. One of the main events of the Susukino venue is the Ice Sculpture Contest, where budding ice artisans compete to create captivating caricatures. In the evening, the site transforms as organizers illuminate the venue with neon lights to bring the sculptures to life. The Local Guide will spend some time showcasing the highlights of the festival. The remainder of the evening is free to explore more of Sapporo on your own or return to the hotel for an evening of leisure. (B, L)

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

**Day 6: Thur, Feb 04** – SAPPORO. After breakfast, depart the hotel for the **third main site** of the **SAPPORO SNOW FESTIVAL**: the Tsudome (Sapporo Community Dome) site. The Tsudome site boasts the most family-friendly interactive winter activities and games, including a maze, slides, and much more. Various food stalls will also be set up at its perimeter, allowing you to try local delicacies from grilled lamb to Sapporo-style ramen noodles. Then return to the hotel, where the remainder of the day is at your leisure. The perfect opportunity to explore more of the Sapporo Snow Festival on your own. (B)

**Day 7: Fri, Feb 05** – SAPPORO. Day of Leisure. The perfect opportunity to explore more of the **SAPPORO SNOW FESTIVAL** on your own. Or visit with family and friends. Don't forget the shopping opportunities at the Susukino Shopping Area, or the Tanuki Koji Shopping Arcade, the largest and oldest shopping arcade in Sapporo, which houses over 200 shops. Need more opportunities to shop? Drop by the MEGA Don Quijote Sapporo Tanukikoji Honten store in the Tanuki Koji area! (B)

**Day 8: Sat, Feb 06** – SAPPORO – ASAHIKAWA. 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 past you on their daily walk. Then experience one of the most popular winter festivals in Hokkaido, the **ASAHIKAWA WINTER FESTIVAL**. As Hokkaido's second largest winter festival, after Sapporo's snow festival, Asahikawa Snow 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? Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before arriving at the hotel. Don't forget to warm up in the **hotel's public bath**. ART HOTEL ASAHIKAWA (1 Night) (B, D)



**Day 9: Sun, Feb 07** – ASAHIKAWA – OTARU. After breakfast, 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. Visit the **Tanaka Sake Brewery** and learn how sake is made and **sample some of their tasty products**. 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: Mon, Feb 08** – OTARU – CHITOSE – HANEDA – YOKOHAMA. After breakfast, depart Otaru for the Chitose Airport. Depart the Chitose Domestic Airport via Japan Airlines flt #508 at 11:40 am and arrive at the Haneda Domestic Airport at 1:25 pm. Upon arrival in Haneda, depart for **Yokohama's Chinatown**, the largest in Japan. Take a stroll along the narrow and colorful streets of Chinatown. After dinner at a local restaurant, transfer to the hotel for the evening. YOKOHAMA BAY SHERATON HOTEL & TOWERS (1 Night) (B, D)

**Day 11: Tue, Feb 09** – YOKOHAMA – KAWAZU – ATAMI. After breakfast, walk to Yokohama Train Station where you will board an **Odoriko Limited Express Train** to Kawazu on the beautiful Izu Peninsula. As soon as you step off the train in Kawazu, you are greeted by the aromas of freshly roasted corn, grilled chicken and squid from the nearby food stalls. Enjoy a day at the **KAWAZU CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL**. The pink of the Kawazu cherry blossoms and the yellow of the field mustard which is lined along the Kawazu Cherry Blossom Lane create a vivid and fantastic contrast of colors. Next, board the **Odoriko Limited Express Train** to Atami. Enjoy dinner at the hotel. Tonight is your **last chance to warm up in an onsen**. Don't miss out! ATAMI KORAKUEN HOTEL (1 Night) (B, D)

**Day 12: Wed, Feb 10** – ATAMI – TOKYO. Begin the day at the **Atami Baien (Plum Garden)**, which opened in 1886 and is the home to some of Japan's earliest blooming plum tree varieties. The annual **ATAMI PLUM BLOSSOM FESTIVAL** showcases close to 500 plum trees, in 59 varieties – blooming from the palest of pinks to the boldest of blush. During the festival, special footbaths are installed in the garden and souvenir shops are opened. After lunch, **pick strawberries** for a fresh and sweet dessert. Have you ever visited a shotengai before? Shotengai refers to a covered shopping arcade or shopping street in Japan that is typically closed to traffic. Take time to explore the approximately 50 shops that make up **Heiwadori Shotengai**, a great street for snacking on snacks like kamaboko (a type of fishcake), satsuma-age (fried fishcakes), and senbei (rice crackers). It's also known for onsen manju, one of Atami's most popular souvenirs. These sweet buns, which are usually filled with bean paste, are traditionally cooked in hot spring steam, hence the name, fortunately, you do not have to venture to the hot springs to savor these treats. Arrive at the hotel for an evening of leisure. Located in the center of Shinjuku, the hub of shopping and restaurants in Tokyo, there are numerous options for dining (and shopping) in the area. KEIO PLAZA HOTEL TOKYO (2 Nights) (B, L)

**Day 13: Thur, Feb 11** – TOKYO. Day at leisure. Enjoy the various shopping and dining available in the bustling Shinjuku area. The perfect day to relax and/or visit with family and friends in Tokyo. Your Local Guide will be available to assist as needed. (B)

## ENJOY 3 ONSEN HOT SPRING BATH / LARGE PUBLIC BATH FACILITIES



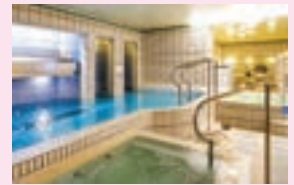
### Noboribetsu Daiichi Takimotokan

Half of Japan's 10 types of onsen hot spring waters can be found here: sulfur, salt, ferrous sulphate, sodium, and alum. Overlooking Jigokudani (Hell Valley), the Grand Bath's five naturally flowing springs feeds a total of 35 baths. Enjoy the unique benefits of each type at any time of the day!



### ART HOTEL Asahikawa

Guests can enjoy Spa Alpa, which offers two types of saunas, jacuzzi, lie-down baths, and a cold water bath. You can also enjoy beauty treatments and exfoliation at the Manoar Beauty Studio, located inside Spa Alpa.



### Atami Korakuen Hotel

Experience something truly special with a relaxing soak in the grand panoramic bath Umi no Yu, which offers sweeping views of the Sagami-nada Sea and twinkling lights of the town at night. The calcium/sodium chloride spring provides many therapeutic benefits and leaves your skin feeling smooth and moisturized.



**Day 14: Fri, Feb 12** – TOKYO – HANEDA – HONOLULU. Today's highlight will be a hands-on **sushi making session**, which will yield your delicious lunch. Then, visit **Asakusa**, the center of Tokyo's shitamachi (low city) and one of Tokyo's districts where an atmosphere of the Tokyo of past decades survives. Asakusa's Main attraction is **Sensoji**, a very popular Buddhist temple, built in the 7<sup>th</sup> century. The temple is approached via the **Nakamise**, a shopping street that has been providing temple visitors with a variety of traditional local snacks and tourist souvenirs for centuries. Lastly, visit **Ameyoko**, a busy market street between Okachimachi and Ueno Stations. Various products such as clothes, bags, cosmetics, fresh fish, dried food, and spices are sold along Ameyoko. Transfer to the Haneda Airport for the flight home. Depart Haneda International Airport via Japan Airlines flt #72 at 9:55 pm and arrive Honolulu at 9:40 am the same day. Aloha and welcome home! (B, L)

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

UPOPOY National Ainu Museum and Park, ROYCE' Cacao and Chocolate Town, Local Wholesale Seafood Market, TV Tower (Drive By), Clock Tower (Drive By), Former Hokkaido Government Office Building (Drive By), Sunagawa Highway Oasis, Asahikawa Ramen Village, Asahiyama Zoo, Otaru Canal, Otaru Music Box Museum, Kitaichi Glass Company, Yokohama Chinatown, Odoriko Limited Express Train Ride, Kawazu Cherry Blossom Festival, Atami Baien (Plum Garden), Atami Plum Blossom Festival, Heiwadori Shotengai, Asakusa Sensoji Temple, Nakamise Shopping & Ameyoko Shopping

## HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES:

Ice Cream Making, Tanaka Sake Brewery Tasting, Strawberry Picking & Sushi Making

## VISIT 4 SNOW FESTIVALS! <sup>◇</sup>

### Lake Shikotsu Ice Festival

Also known as the "Ice Museum," walk into and between surreal, translucent ice mounds made from Lake Shikotsu's ultra-clear water. As night falls, the ice glows in brilliant hues, creating a magical experience.



### Sapporo Snow Festival

Attracting millions of visitors each year, this world-famous event transforms Sapporo into a snowy wonderland featuring massive snow and ice sculptures. The festival is held across three main sites: Odori Park, Susukino, and Tsudome (Sapporo Community Dome).



## Non-Stop Travel Hokkaido Exclusives!

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Savor the sweet freshly  
steamed morsels!

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### Asahikawa Winter Festival

Known for showcasing one of the world's largest snow sculptures, this annual festival features stunning nighttime illuminations and outdoor activities, such as ice slides and snowmobiles.



### Otaru Snow Light Path Festival

Otaru Canal is transformed into a floating sea of flickering lights by glass-blown candles. You can also see snow sculptures bathed in the warm glow of candlelight along Former Temiya Railway, and various light displays all over the area.



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