



At HNT, we specialize in creating and guiding private custom-made tours around Hokkaido in every season. Our passion for travel, attention to detail and love of Hokkaido will guide you to one of the best holidays of your life!

Find out why guests consistently rave about our tours and honor us with 5-star ratings. We not only care about your holiday, we're right there with you, offering complete logistical support, dedicated Englishspeaking nature guides and private transportation on every tour.

Enjoy Nature, Be Happy!

Tour Synopsis

Make the most of your trip to Hokkaido on a private custom-made tour with HNT! Get to know our favorite routes & breathtaking landscapes, great gourmet & cultural experiences, famous sightseeing spots and off-the-beaten-path destinations. On this 8day tour you will see the best Hokkaido has to offer in spring with a variety of great activities. From being dazzled at charming flower festivals in eastern Hokkaido, to the



volcanic sites of Daisetsuzan N.P., to the kaleidoscope of gourmet experiences at all destinations - our carefully selected activities will allow you to fully discover Hokkaido's seasonal highlights. We'll also visit the farmlands of Furano & Biei, explore Noboribetsu's Hell Valley, visit a chipmunk park, and much more! Top it off with superb Hokkaido gourmet, soothing hot springs and famous Japanese hospitality at our favorite hotels & onsen resorts, and you will have a fantastic vacation with memories that will last a lifetime!

Highlights of the Tour

 \checkmark Tour guided by a local English-speaking nature guide

- \checkmark Top seasonal highlights including flower festivals & nature sightseeing
- \checkmark Some of Hokkaido's top destinations, including Nobori
betsu's Hell Valley, Lake
- Toya, Niseko, Otaru historical town, Sapporo, Furano & Biei & Abashiri
- \checkmark A variety of famous sightseeing spots and off-the-beaten-path locations
- \checkmark Stay at our carefully selected quality hotels & onsen resort accommodations, including 3 dinners & daily breakfasts

 \checkmark Top rated onsen destinations for you to relax during your tour

Tour Route

Day 1: New Chitose Airport \rightarrow Noboribetsu Onsen \rightarrow Lake Toya \rightarrow Kyogoku \rightarrow Niseko

Day 2: Niseko \rightarrow Shakotan Peninsula \rightarrow Otaru

Day 3: Otaru \rightarrow Sapporo \rightarrow Sounkyo Onsen

Day 4: Sounkyo Onsen \rightarrow Takinou
e \rightarrow Kamiyubetsu \rightarrow Lake Saroma

Day 5: Lake Saroma \rightarrow Abashiri \rightarrow Asahikawa

Day 6: Asahikawa
 \rightarrow Biei \rightarrow Furano

Day 7: Furano $\boldsymbol{\rightarrow}$ Chitose $\boldsymbol{\rightarrow}$ New Chitose Airport

Why Travel with Us?

 \checkmark Unforgettable private tours in Hokkaido with an Englishspeaking guide & private transportation

 \checkmark Carefully selected, never outsourced, enthusiastic and highly-experienced nature guides with insider knowledge of Hokkaido

 \checkmark Award-winning, uniquely crafted, custom-made it ineraries built around your personal preferences

✓ Complete logistical support and itinerary creation from our HNT travel experts

✓ Superior flexibility during your tour with the ability to change activities as you go, as well as refund policies for missed activities beyond your control





Guest Information

Name & No. of Guests	Activity Preferences	Pace of Tour
SAMPLE 10 pax	Spring Sightseeing, Spring Festivals, Flower Fields, Spring Gourmet	Mix of Active & Relaxation
Tour Dates	Personal Preferences	Budget
7 Day Spring Variety Tour	 Itinerary can be customized according to guest preferences Tour price is relative to the number of people; all group sizes welcomed 	Flexible budget
Country of Residence	Tour Starting & Ending Points	Splurge
SAMPLE	Starting Point: Morning pick-up from New Chitose Airport on Day 1 (please confirm flight details) Ending Point: Afternoon drop-off at New Chitose Airport on Day 7	Nature Activities, Gourmet, Accommodation, Health & Relaxation

Your Custom-Made Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Noboribetsu, Lake Toya & Niseko

Pick-up at New Chitose Airport	Our guide will be waiting at the lobby of the hotel at 9:00am to begin the tour
Noboribetsu Hell Valley & Geothermal Sightseeing	Explore the geothermal spots of Noboribetsu by foot or car, such as the 450m long Hell Valley, the huge Oyunuma hot springs lake, river and waterfalls, and have a foot bath in the middle of the forest
Orofuretoge Mountain Pass Scenic Drive	Panoramic views of the Central Mountain Range, including Mt. Yotei, the "Fuji of the North"
Lunch at Lake Toya	Recommended: Wakasaimo with lake views and quality Japanese cuisine; other options also available

Kompirayama Trail of Destruction	The trail passes ruins where you'll see the destructive power of volcanos by observing the damage that was inflicted from the most recent eruption in 2000
Lake Hill Farm & Silo Observatory	Famous gelato with great countryside views, followed by the iconic Lake Toya caldera rim viewpoint at Silo Observatory
Mt. Yotei Scenic Drive	Enjoy scenic views of Mt. Yotei, known as the Mt. Fuji of the North
Kyogoku Freshwater Spring	Bring your water bottles to fill-up at this revered local spring, the most scenic freshwater spring in Hokkaido
Drive to Niseko	Estimated driving time is approx. 30 min.
Hotel Check-in, Onsen & Dinner	Niseko is a popular winter resort surrounded by nature that is more peaceful in the offseason

Overnight: Hotel Niseko Alpen or similar (dinner & breakfast included)



Day 2: Niseko, Shakotan Peninsula & Otaru

Niseko Milk Kobo

Check out this locally renowned dairy producer in Niseko, with a variety of cheeses & sweets, and beautiful views of Mt. Yotei

Kutchan Pink Moss Phlox This pink moss hillside started by a local continues to grow every year, with a carpet of pink & white flowers covering the fields and Mt. Yotei as a backdrop



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Drive to Shakotan Peninsula	Estimated driving time is approx. 1 hr. 15 min.	
Cape Kamui Sightseeing	This dramatic, "dragon's back" cape offers stunning sea views and lovely nature trail to the lighthouse	
Lunch at Shakotan Peninsula	Shakotan Peninsula is renowned for its fresh and delectable seafood; Recommended: Fuji Sushi for fantastic seafood and a varied menu; other options also available	
Drive to Yoichi	Estimated driving time is approx. 30 min.	
Nikka Whisky Distillery	Tour the beautiful distillery grounds and learn about the history of Hokkaido's most famous whisky brand; samples & purchases available	
Otaru Sakaimachi Historical District & Otaru Canal	Free & Easy time to visit quaint shops and dessert houses along a restored, century-old avenue of historic buildings, including LaTao Chocolate, Music Box Museum and many more, along with the nearby atmospheric canal	
Hotel Check-in	Stay at one of Hokkaido's best historical towns, with the charming Otaru Canal lit up at night	
Dinner in Otaru	Choose from a variety of recommended local restaurants, where the specialty is fresh seafood from the Sea of Japan	

Overnight: Dormy Inn Premium Otaru Natural Hot Spring Hotel or similar (breakfast included)



Day 3: Sapporo & Sounkyo

Drive to Sapporo	Estimated driving time is approx. 1 hr.	
Shiroi Koibito Park (Chocolate Factory)	Explore this Victorian-era style chocolate factory on the newly renovated factory tour, then try the delicious desserts at the café; samples and purchases available	
Tanuki Koji Shopping Arcade	Take some time for shopping at the many shops along Sapporo's best outdoor marketplace	
Lunch in Sapporo	Choose from a variety of Japanese & international restaurants in downtown Sapporo	
Drive to Sounkyo Onsen Resort	Estimated driving time is approx. 3 hrs.	
Hotel Check-in, Onsen & Dinner	Located at the base of Mt. Kurodake, this resort is tucked into Sounkyo Gorge, Hokkaido's largest and most spectacular gorge	

Overnight: Sounkyo Onsen Choyo Resort or similar (dinner & breakfast included)



Day 4: Sounkyo, Takinoue, Kamiyubetsu & Lake Saroma

Kurodake Ropeway & Chairlift	Ride the ropeway to the mid-mountain level with stunning views, nature trails & hiking routes
Sounkyo Gorge Waterfalls	Gaze at the stunning Ginga & Ryusei Falls plunging off the high gorge walls



Drive to Takinoue	Estimated driving time is approx. 1 hr.	
Lunch in Takinoue	Choose from a variety of local restaurants	
Takinoue Pink Moss Phlox Festival	Admire the incredible carpet of pink moss phlox flowers on this hillside in a remote corner of Hokkaido	
Drive to Kamiyubetsu	Estimated driving time is approx. 1 hr.	
Kamiyubetsu Tulip Festival	See Hokkaido's biggest tulip festival and Holland- themed park, in full bloom in late May & early June	
Drive to Lake Saroma	Estimated driving time is approx. 45 min.	
Hotel Check-in, Onsen & Dinner	Lake Saroma is the largest lake in Hokkaido and is surrounded by remote countryside	

Overnight: Lake Saroma Tsuruga Resort or similar (dinner & breakfast included; specialty premium seafood dinner upgrade ¥5,000 pp)



Day 5: Abashiri & Asahikawa

Drive to Abashiri	Estimated driving time is approx. 30 min.
Cape Notoro Sightseeing	A classic cape with a lighthouse, with panoramic views of the Sea of Okhotsk
Abashiri Prison Museum OR Okhotsk Ryuhyo	The most feared prison in all of Japan during the Meiji Restoration Period – we'll see the living conditions that prisoners persevered through in a fascinating look back at the frontier days of Hokkaido's history
Museum	OR

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	Learn all about drift ice at this modern museum in eastern Hokkaido, the southernmost place on earth with drift ice
Lunch at Abashiri	Be it the freshest crabs & shellfish at the local seafood market, or a variety of other local restaurants, Abashiri is a great place to eat!
Okhotsk Chipmunk Park	Located on the shores of Lake Abashiri, this chipmunk park is the perfect place to mingle with one of Hokkaido's cutest animals as they timidly approach you for their favorite snacks
Drive to Asahikawa	Estimated driving time is approx. 3 hrs.
Hotel Check-in	Asahikawa is Hokkaido's 2 nd largest city with a wide range of shopping and dining options
Dinner in Asahikawa	Choose from a variety of local, national and international options around downtown Asahikawa

Overnight: Art Hotel Asahikawa or similar (breakfast included)



Day 6: Biei & Furano

Drive to Biei

Estimated driving time is approx. 30 min.

Shikisai no Oka Flower Fields In these vast, spectacular flower gardens which are planted with spring flowers, you can ride a tractor, buggy, or pet the alpaca at the mini alpaca farm (on site activities are self-pay)



Biei Patchwork Road Scenic Drive	Drive through the farming hills of Biei with their mesmerizing patterned fields and the Daisetsuzan Range as a backdrop, stopping at Hokusei Observatory, Bi.ble bakery and famous sightseeing spots
Lunch in Biei	Choose from a variety of restaurants at this famous agricultural village of Biei
Biei Blue Pond & Shirahige Falls	Recently, the Blue Pond has become one of Hokkaido's premier sites; the nearby Shirahige Falls spill into the same milky-blue waters of the Biei River
Mt. Tokachidake Base Walk	Walk on the hardened lava of past eruptions at the base of Mt. Tokachidake - one of Hokkaido's most active and deadliest volcanoes
Drive to Furano	Estimated driving time is approx. 1 hr.
Ningle Terrace Artisan Village	An artisan village of log houses set in a birch forest, where you can buy products directly from the artists
Dinner in Furano	Choose from a variety of great restaurants, including Kumagera, a fantastic izakaya famous for nabe and shabu-shabu, and even has bear meat on the menu!
Hotel Check-in	Furano is one of Hokkaido's best mountain towns, great in every season

Overnight: New Furano Prince Hotel or similar (breakfast included)



Day 7: Furano, Chitose & New Chitose Airport

Tomita Farm	Visit the most famous flower field in Hokkaido, and although early in the season, the atmosphere and the freshly planted patches are worth a visit	
Furano Gourmet Sites	Choose your favorite gourmet stops in Furano: Furano Cheese Factory for amazing pizzas & cheese, Furano Delice for the best desserts in town, and Furano Marche for local products shopping & souvenirs	
Drive to Chitose	Estimated driving time is approx. 2 hrs.	
Rera Outlet Mall & Lunch	Last minute brand-name shopping with outlet discounts and a variety of on-site restaurants (if time permits)	
Drive to New Chitose Airport	Estimated driving time is approx. 15 min.	
Drop-off at New Chitose Airport	Drop-off in time for the departure flight; Unfortunately, this marks the end of our tour together until next time!	







Tour Price

Tour Price	¥326,800 pp
Sales Tax	¥32,680 pp
Total Tour Price	¥359,500 pp
5% OFF Early-Booking Tour Price*	¥341,500 pp

* 5% Early-booking discount available for tours booked 3 months prior to the tour date

 \ast Tour prices above are per person based on 3/4 star accommodation; other accommodation budget available

 \ast Children 5-12 y.o. receive 30% OFF, 3-4 y.o. 50% OFF, infants free of charge if using existing bedding/meals

What is included in this tour	What is not included in this tour
 Tour guided by an English-speaking nature guide Transportation in a tour quality bus with driver Entry & participation fees for all activities listed in the itinerary except additional activities at Shikisai no Oka Flower Fields 7 nights of 3/4 star hotel and/or onsen resort accommodation 3 hotel dinners Daily hotel breakfasts Hot springs entry fees and taxes Guide photos provided following the tour 	 Daily lunches 4 Dinners Additional activities at Shikisai no Oka Flower Fields Wi-Fi (please ask us about mobile Wi- Fi or SIM card rental from New Chitose Airport)

Sample Hotels for HNT Custom-Made Tours

★ 4	Ki Niseko	Niseko
	Lake Shikotsu Tsuruga Resort Spa Mizu no Uta	Lake Shikotsu
	Lake Toya Nanokaze Resort	Lake Toya
	Sapporo Grand Hotel	Sapporo
*	New Furano Prince Hotel	Furano
~	Yunokawa Prince Hotel Nagisatei	Hakodate
	Dai-ichi Takimotokan Resort	Noboribetsu Onsen Resort
	Asahidake Yumoto Yukomanso Ryokan	Asahidake Onsen Resort
★ 3 ★	Natulux Hotel	Furano
	Hotel Niseko Alpen	Niseko
	Asahikawa Park Hotel	Asahikawa
	Lake Toya Sun Palace Resort	Lake Toya
	Kushiro Castle Hotel	Kushiro
	Ibis Styles Sapporo	Sapporo
	Air Terminal Hotel	New Chitose Airport
	Toya Kanko Hotel	Lake Toya

Policy & Payment Information

What to Bring

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HNT Guiding Policy

Paramount for HNT Tours is the safety and wellbeing of our guests. Our extensive experience in the mountains of Hokkaido and internationally gives us a profound respect for nature, and we may be forced to alter a tour itinerary if we encounter adverse conditions that may put our guests at risk. All tour activities in the itinerary are subject to modification depending on safety conditions. Your safety is our top priority.



Payment Methods

Please specify your preferred payment method for the 50% deposit:

- 1. Domestic Bank Transfer (no additional charges other than remitter fees)
- 2. International Bank Transfer (subject to bank fees of \$4,000 per transaction in addition to remitter fees)
- 3. Credit Card (subject to payment fees of 4% per transaction)
- 4. PayPal (subject to payment fees of 4% per transaction)



Deposit & Cancellation Policy

A minimum 50% deposit must be received in order to confirm your tour with us at HNT. Any cancellations by any participants made prior to 30 days before the start of a tour are eligible for a 50% deposit refund (e.g. appx. 25% of the total tour price). Any cancellations by any participants made within & including 30 days before the start of a tour are not eligible for a deposit refund. Remainder payments can be settled in advance of the tour (2 weeks prior preferred) OR in cash (yen only) upon pick-up on Day 1 of the tour. Please note that tour cancellations made due to government mandated travel bans on/by Japan vis-a-vis the guest's Country of Residence will be eligible for more lenient refund policies (please inquire for details). Tours affected by nationally mandated border closures are eligible for free postponement upon consultation with HNT.

Disclaimer

We take great care in creating fantastic tours for our guests which are custommade to match their preferences. We will endeavor to follow the itinerary to the greatest possible extent. However, if changes to an itinerary must be made due to weather conditions, guest safety concerns or unexpected delays during a tour, HNT is not responsible if aspects of a tour cannot be achieved. If aspects of a tour are missed due to reasons beyond the guest's control (such as weather related,



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Awards, Recognition & Social Media

2020/21, 2021/22 Private Tour Company of the Year Luxury Travel Guide (LTG)

2018, 2019, 2021, 2022 Tour Company of the Year Travel & Hospitality Awards (THA)

2017-2020 Certificate of Excellence / Travellers' Choice Awards TripAdvisor

2016 - Present: Active Member All Nippon Travel Agents Association (ANTA)



What Our Guests are Saying

"The most enjoyable and relaxing holiday we've ever experienced!" – A.W. (Indonesia)

"Absolutely brilliant! I would recommend these guys to anyone who wants to see the REAL Hokkaido. I was looked after with the utmost care and every one of my needs were met." – U.Y. (England)

"I can't speak highly enough of the organization: A professional guide service with a human touch, you won't go wrong with Hokkaido Nature Tours!" - Chris Tharp (America), National Geographic Traveller UK

