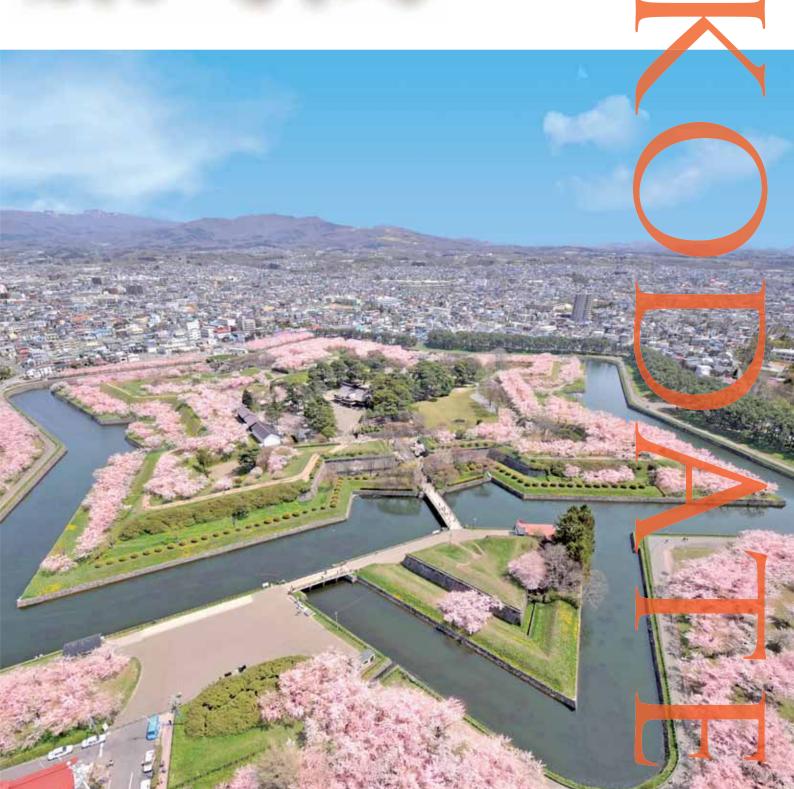


Your guide to historical Hakodate

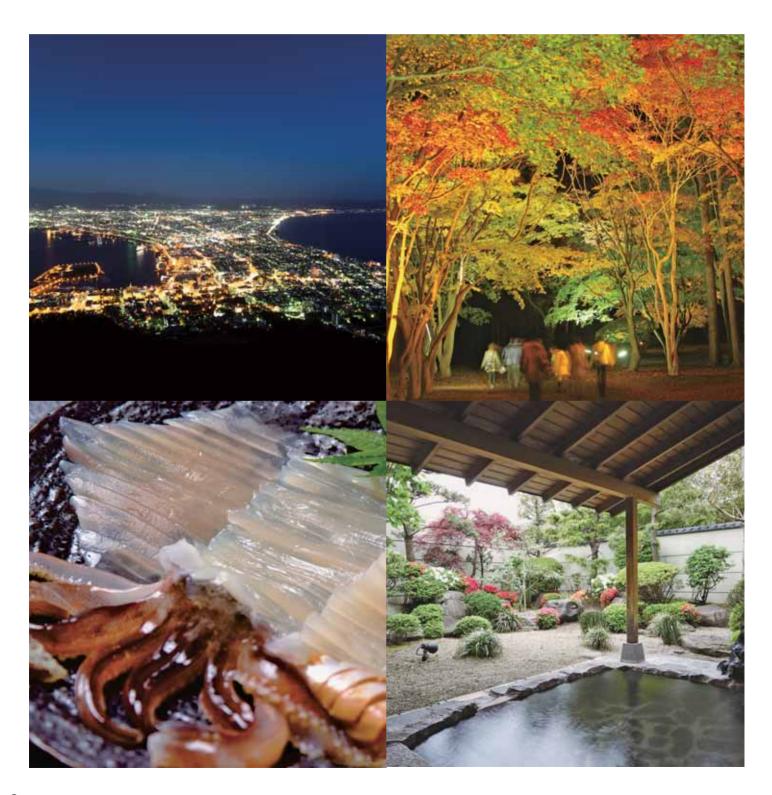
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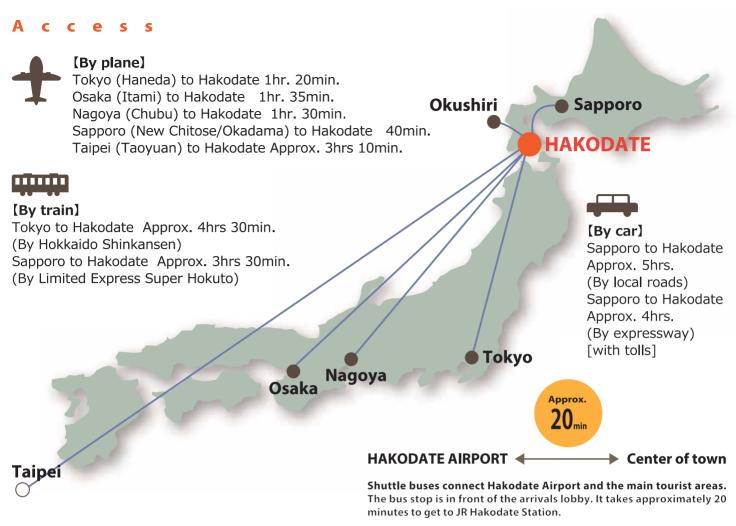
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Welcome to Hakodate!

Hakodate is a fascinating city. From enthralling natural scenery and plentiful hot-spring spas to historic cityscapes and a priceless cultural heritage, Hakodate is richly blessed with tourist attractions. We the residents of Hakodate are delighted to offer a warm and heartfelt welcome to people visiting from countries around the world.







Japan Rail Pass

This is an excellent option for people who want to visit lots of places over a short period of time. For example, you can use it to go from Tokyo to Hakodate, and then other cities in Hokkaido. Please see the official website for more information.

www.japanrailpass.net

JR East-South Hokkaido Rail Pass

This pass lets you ride on the Shinkansen and limited express trains in the southern Hokkaido area (including Sapporo, Hakodate and New Chitose Airport) and the eastern Japan area (including the Tohoku region) as a joint product from JR EAST and JR HOKKAIDO.

www.jreasthokkaido.com/e/







Hakodate St. John's Church



Hachiman-zaka Slope



Higashihongan-ji Temple Hakodate Branch (Otani sect of Shinshu Buddhism)



Hakodate Orthodox Church



Old Public Hall of Hakodate Ward 6



To Hakodate Station

Former British Consulate of Hakodate (Opening-Port Memorial Hall)

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Ropeway

Mt. Hakodate



Omachi

Midorinoshima

From the foot of Mt. Hakodate, numerous roads lead to the city and its port.

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Hakodate Dock-mae

These roads are a living encyclopedia of Hakodate's history, speaking volumes about this city that prospered from the Edo period to the Meiji period and whose legacy continues to the present day. Ranks of historic buildings along each road symbolize Hakodate's prosperity. Broad, straight lines offer silent lessons about the dangers of great fires, while the steep lanes and thoroughfares of the Motomachi area preserve the shape of Hakodate's golden era.

Suehiro-cho



To Yachigashira [Recommended Walks] 300m 650m 110m Niiukken-zaka Churches 4 Hachiman-zaka Jujigai Slope of Motomachi (2 min.) Slope (4 min.) (9 min.) 450m 80m 260m 350m Former British Consulate of Hakodate **Omachi** Motomachi (1 min.) (Opening-Port Memorial Hall) (5 min.) Slope Park





Morning Market



Future Center Hakodate





Museum of Northern Peoples

Tree Floating in the Sea 3

One of the pleasures of visiting Hakodate in the winter is an enormous tree that appears over the water in front of the Kanamori warehouse district during the Christmas season. The tree is a gift from Hakodate's sister city, the Canadian city of Halifax, Nova Scotia, and every year it brightens Hakodate's winter evenings.



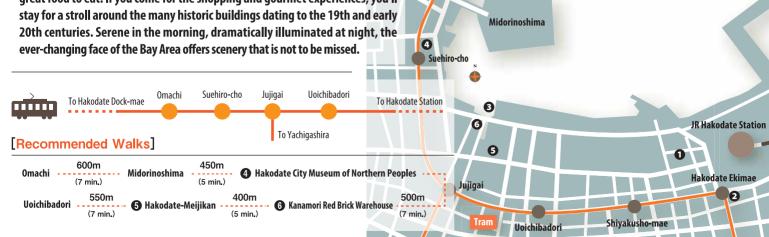
Hakodate-Meijikan (Old Hakodate Post Office)



Kanemori Red Brick Warehouse 6

The Hakodate Morning Market, red-brick warehouses lining the Port of Hakodate and other attractions make the Bay Area a vibrant district full of things to see and great food to eat. If you come for the shopping and gourmet experiences, you'll ever-changing face of the Bay Area offers scenery that is not to be missed.





AREA



Goryokaku Park, Goryokaku Tower



Hakodate Magistrate's Office 2

Hijikata Toshizo

M E M O

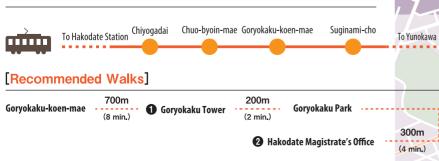
The most famous man in the history of Goryokaku is surely Hijikata Toshizo. Known as the "Demon Vice-Commander" of the Shinsengumi, a paramilitary force of the Tokugawa Shogunate, Hijikata died in action at the Battle of Hakodate (1868–1869). This battle was the final act of the Boshin War, by which the new Imperial government defeated the remnants of the Shogunate army.

This facility has been used as government office reception for foreign countries during the mid-19th century.



Goryokaku Park

The Goryokaku area, which embraces Goryokaku Park and Goryokaku Tower, forms the heart of Hakodate. Arrayed in the shape of a five-pointed star, Goryokaku Park changes dynamically in aspect from season to season, from cherry blossoms in spring to illuminations in winter.





1653. The Yunokawa area includes venerable institutions

is named after the

convent, as well

were opened

AREA

Yukura Shrine Yunokawa Yunokawa-onsen Trappistine Convent OA Yunohama Park 2 Yunokawa Hot Spring Resort Matsukuragawa River Nesaki Park Hakodate Airport



Tropical Botanical Garden

M E M O

At Hakodate Tropical Botanical Garden, from December to early May you can watch Japanese monkeys soaking contentedly in the hot springs. It is heart-warming to see the monkeys soak in the hot springs to withstand the cold and blowing snow of winter, just as humans do.



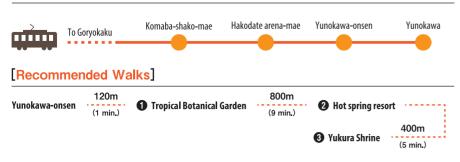


Trappistine Convent



Yunokawa Hot Spring Resort 2

Yunokawa Hot Spring Resort is one of the pre-eminent hot spring areas in Hokkaido. Nearby is Japan's first Christian convent, the Trappistine Convent, established in 1898. You'll also find Yukura Shrine, a Shinto shrine with over 300 years of history. Yunokawa is richly endowed with historic locations of a strikingly different character than those of Hakodate's west side.









Mt. Hakodate Ropeway

Senjojiki 2

"千畳敷, Senjojiki",the name of place is composed of 3 Japanese charac-



ters."千, Sen"means 1,000,"畳, jo"means Japanese traditional floor mats called tatami which is made of straw and rush,"敷, jiki" means spreading. Literally, the place is called so because of its huge area where around 1,000 pieces of tatami can be spread out. It might be a good idea to bring a lunch box with you on a sunny day!



Tachimachimisaki Cape 4

"立待岬, Tachimachimisaki"the name of place is composed of 3 Japanese letters. The first one,"立, Tachi", means standing. The

second one, "待, machi", means ambushing. The last one, "岬, misaki", means a cape. Once Ainu, indigenous people of Hokkaido, stood and ambushed fish to catch on this cape. So please visit there to see the beautiful sight!



Remains of Mt. Hakodate Gun Battery (old fortification)



Hiking trails

M E M O

Senjojiki Trail

Why not walk to the top of Mt. Hakodate? There are a number of dearly marked trails which are popular all year round. Enjoy the peace and quiet and perhaps do some birdwatching on the way. It takes about an hour to reach the top.



Mt. HAKODATE

Jizoyama Trail nagari Trai**l**

Yachigashira Tachimachimisaki Cape

(8 min.)

5 Hakodate Park Aoyagi-cho

Horai-cho

Mt. Hakodate

Hakodate Dock-mae

Omachi

Suehiro-cho

There are lots of things to see on and around Mt. Hakodate. Of course, the view from the top is spectacular, especially at night. That's not all, though. If you walk around on the mountain you can see a wide range of plants and birds, and you may even come across some disused army fortifications.

To Hakodate Dock-mae Horai-cho Yachigashira Aoyagi-cho To Hakodate Station Jujigai [Recommended Walks] 120m Aoyagi-cho (3) Hakodate Park Hakodate Museum (1 min.) (4 min.) 600m Mt. Hakodate (3 min, ride to the peak) Ropeway Base Station

Kanemori Red Brick Warehouse



Old Public Hall of Hakodate Ward



Hakodate St. John's Church



Motomachi Roman Catholic Church



Hakodate Orthodox Church



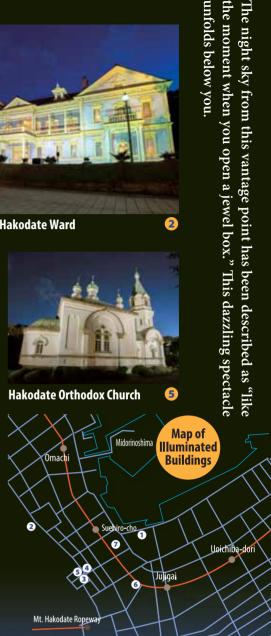
unfolds below you.

Hakodate Community Design Center

(Old Suehirocho branch office of Hakodate municipal government)



of Literature (Old Daiichi Bank Hakodate Branch)



M E M O

The trip from the boarding platform of the Mt. Hakodate Ropeway to the summit takes about 3 minutes.

Hours of operation: First ascent: 10:00AM Last ascent: 9:50PM Last descent: 10:00PM

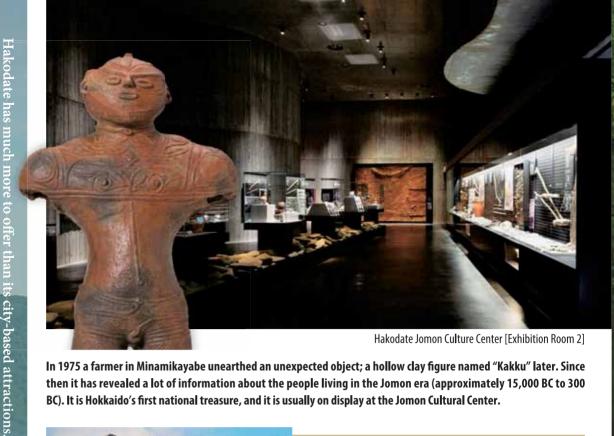
(From October 16 to April 24: Last ascent: 8:50PM Last descent: 9:00PM)

You can also reach the summit by the Hakodate Tozan bus, a 30-minute ride from JR Hakodate Station to the peak (operates from late April to mid-November).

If you wish to drive to the top of Mt. Hakodate, please note that the roads are closed in winter, and even in summer access may be restricted at certain times of day. For details please visit Travel Hakodate (http://www.hakodate.travel/en), the official tourist-information website.



Get off the beaten path and take a road trip along Route 278



In 1975 a farmer in Minamikayabe unearthed an unexpected object; a hollow clay figure named "Kakku" later. Since then it has revealed a lot of information about the people living in the Jomon era (approximately 15,000 BC to 300 BC). It is Hokkaido's first national treasure, and it is usually on display at the Jomon Cultural Center.



Mt.Esan: Active Volcano

This is the symbolic mountain of Esan Prefectural Natural Park.Mt.Esan is missing half of its shape because it collapsed due to an eruption about 2,500 years ago. Rhododendron kaempferi and 60 types of alpine plant bloom here in spring. In addition, the landscape is colored with the fall leaves of redvein enkianthus in late October.



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This place, where many Rhododendron kaempferi originally grew wild, was developed into a park in the late 1970s / early 1980s. It is said that about 600,000 Rhododendron kaempferi bloom red in full glory over Mt.Esan as a whole, including Azalea Park, in spring. Many tourists visit to see this.

Scattered along Route 278 are villages that have existed for centuries. Toi, off which some of Japan's finest tuna are caught; Esan and Todohokke, verdant communities designated as prefectural natural parks; and Minamikayabe, where the nation's best kombu is harvested and dried. Hemmed between sea and mountains, this region is the distilled essence of the charm of Hakodate.







[By Car]

Hakodate to Toi Approx. 40min. Hakodate to Esan Approx. 55min. Hakodate to Todohokke Approx. 1hr.

Hakodate to Minamikayabe Approx. 35min.

●Shiokubi Lighthouse and Arch Bridge Along Route 278

⊘Cape Shiokubi

⑤Toi Water Park

Haraki-cho 285-1 Tel: 0138-82-2000

Michi-no-Eki Natowa Esan Hinohama-cho 3-12 Tel: 0138-85-4010 **⑤**Esantsutsuji Park

Kashiwano-cho

⊙Cape Esan Lighthouse Esanmisaki-cho 80-9

7Hotel Cape

Esanmisaki-cho 61-2 Tel: 0138-86-2121 **⊕**Kakkumi Park

②Hakodate Jomon Culture Center Usujiri-cho 551-1 Tel: 0138-25-2030

Michi-no-Eki Jomon Roman Minamikayabe Usujiri-cho 551-1 Tel: 0138-25-2030

OHotel Hiromeso

Ofune-cho 832-2 Tel: 0138-25-6111



Minamikayabe

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Nanae



The striking scenery of this town includes Onuma Quasi National Park and Shirotai Ranch. Nanae is a fertile agricultural area renouned in particular for its apples. Activities that await you here include cycling, canoeing, fruit picking and skiing, making Nanae an attractive destination year-round.

especially when seen from the tree-lined road leading to its front gates. Hokuto's flat, fertile plain is perfect for growing rice. The lookout at Kijihiki is well worth a visit, as you can see many much of the Onuma and Hakodate area.

Matsumae



Perched on the southernmost tip of the island, Matsumae is Hokkaido's only castle town. Its park has some 10,000 cherry trees, which bloom spectacularly between the end of April and early May. If you want to escape from the hustle and bustle of city life, Matsumae is a great place to go!



(By Car)

Hakodate to Onuma Approx. 40min.

Hakodate to Matsumae Approx. 2hrs.

Hakodate to Esashi Approx. 1hr. 30min.

to Shin-Hakodate-Hokuto Station Approx. 30min.

Hakodate to Shikabe Approx. 1hr.

Hakodate to Okushiri (By ferry from Esashi) Approx. 2hrs. 20min.

(By plane from Hakodate) Approx. 30min.

Kikonai



The opening of Kikonai Station on the Hokkaido Shinkansen has brought an air of excitement to Kikonai. Michi-no-Eki Misogi-no-Sato Kikonai, which opened at the same time, has grabbed attention as a new gourmet and shopping attraction.

Esashi



For a small, isolated town, Esashi has experienced periods of great prosperity and drama. It once hosted a thriving herring fishery, and the sinking of the warship Kaiyo Maru there marked its involvement in the Meiji Restoration. You can see and experience reminders of these times at Kamome-jima and in the town center.

Shikabe



The coastal waters of Shikabe are dotted with colourful buoys from which the finest kombu in Japan is cultivated. You might see some being dried on stony beds above the beach. Treat your feet to a warm bath while you wait for the geyser to erupt. There is a variety of accommodation options around Onuma.

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May

June

July

August

EVENTS

You can enjoy various events in Hakodate throughout the year: hanami (cherry blossom viewing) in spring, festivals in summer and Christmas events in winter.





[Hakodate Horse Racing]

[Hakodate Port Festival] [from 1 to 5 on August]



[Esan Azalea Festival] [Late May to early June]





[Hakodate Marathon]





[Minamikayabe Hirome Boat Festival]

[Festival of Hakodate Hachimangu Shrine]

[Hakodate Open-air Theater] [Some weekends in July and August]



[World Music and Dance Festival] [Early August]

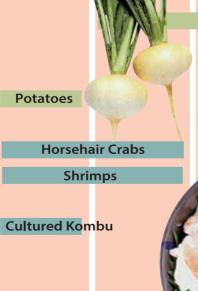


Fertile soil, long hours of summer sunshine and plenty of rain allow Hakodate's farmers to grow some amazingly fresh produce. This, when combined with locally caught seafood, means that dining in Hakodate is a real gourmet experience.



Average maximum temperature (°C) Average minimum temperature (°C)

Travel advice





Asparagus



Corn

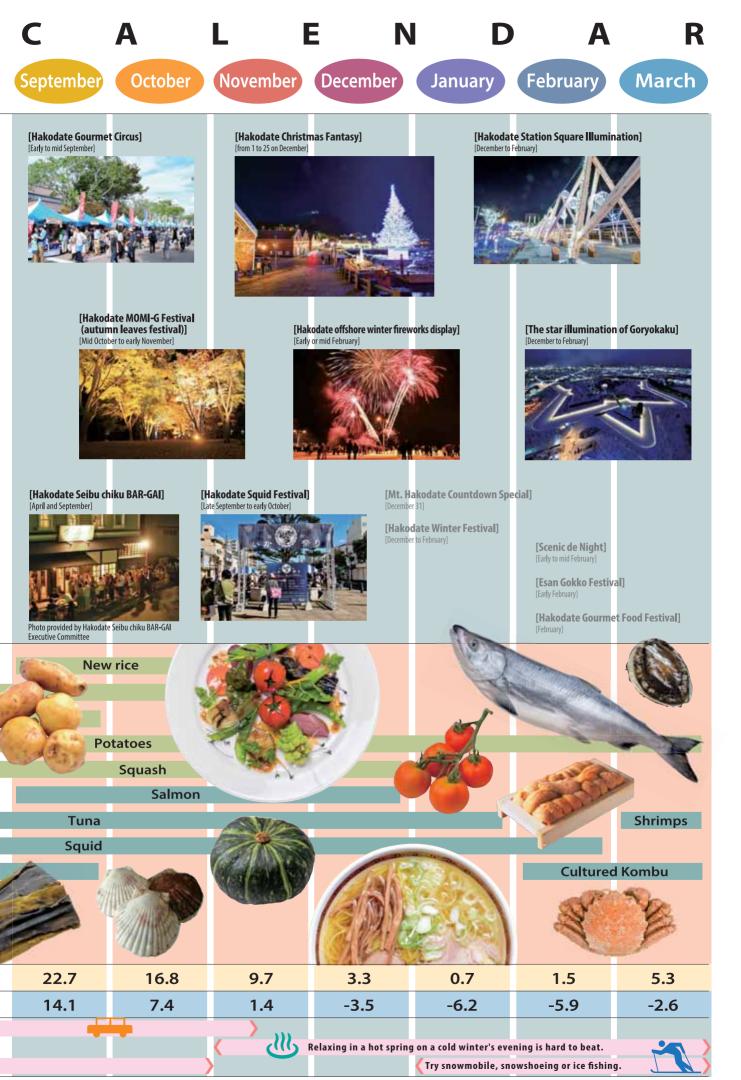
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Good weather for a road trip!



Favorable seasons for strolling around the town.





Hakodate's trams have been in operation for over a hundred years, and are appreciated by locals and visitors alike.

We recommend them as a cheap and convenient way of getting around Hakodate.

[By Ferry]

Hakodate Dock-mae

0machi -

Aomori to Hakodate Approx. 3hrs. 50min. Oma to Hakodate Approx. 1hr. 30min.

Hakodate Liner

South Hokkaido Railway

JR Hakodate Main Line

Hakodate Ferry Terminal

Tourist Information

There are two tourist information centers in Hakodate. Feel free to pick up a map or a brochure.

Hakodate Station

Location : JR Hakodate Station premises (12-13 Wakamatsu-cho, Hakodate) Open : 9: 00-19: 00

Phone : 0138-23-5440 (English spoken)

BAY AREA

Jujigai

Station

Shiyakusho-mae

Hakodate Ekimae

Matsukaze-cho

Shinkawa-cho

Suehiro-cho Uoichibadori

Help Desk

If you get sick or injured while traveling in Hakodate, an interpreter can visit you in hospital or in your hotel. (charges apply)

Phone: 090-2694-7985

24 hours / 365 days

Languages supported: English, Chinese, Taiwanese, Thai, Korean, Russian, French, Tagalog, Myanmar 6,000 yen for the first hour, and 3,000 yen per hour thereafter (separate transportation costs)

MOTOMACHI AREA

Mt. Hakodate

Ropeway

Hakodate Park

Mt.HAKODATE AREA

Aoyagi-cho

Horai-cho

HAKODATE



Tram/bus combination tickets

One-day combination ticket:

Adults ¥1,000 Children ¥500
One-day tram ticket:

Adults ¥600 Children ¥300

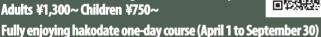
Two-day combination ticket:
Adults ¥1,700 Children ¥850
One-day bus ticket (Hakodate Bus)
Adults ¥800 Children ¥400

"You can also use Suica, nimoca and other transportation IC cards on Hakodate trams and Hakodate buses!"

Inquiries about the tram: 0138-32-1730 (Japanese only)
Inquiries about buses: 0138-51-3137 (Japanese only)

Scheduled bus tours

Mt. Hakodate Romantic Night View Course (all year)
Adults ¥1,300~ Children ¥750~



Adults ¥5,400 Children ¥4,000 (Including facility fees)
*English, Chinese or Korean guidance are available only in this course.

Inquiries: 0138-57-4000 (Japanese only / Prices may change)

Hakodate Highly Recommended Course (April 1 to October 31)
Adults: From ¥5,000 / Children: From ¥2,800 (Including facility fees)
Onuma Park Fun Course (April 28 to October 31)
Adults: From ¥4,500 / Children: From ¥2,400 (Including facility fees)
This information is current as of April 1, 2018.

Common Admission Ticket

This ticket offers discounts to the Old Public Hall, the Opening-Port Memorial Hall and the Museum of Northern Peoples. It is sold at the above locations and Tourist Information Centers.

Hakodate Special Tickets

This consists of a "transportation ticket" for the tram and bus and some coupons that you can use at 23 attractions. This can be purchased for 2,500 yen from the Tourist Information Center in Hakodate Station.



 ${f *}$ Participating facilities, prices and other information are subject to change.

HAKODATE FREE Wi-Fi

Free Wi-Fi is available in the major tourist areas of Hakodate.

Wi-Fi name: 00_HAKODATE_FREE_ Wi-Fi

You can connect by registering Facebook, Twitter, Google account or receivable mail address.

TOWN MAP



TELEPHONE INFORMATION

Tourist Information Center (in JR Hakodate Station)

12-13 Wakamatsu-cho, Hakodate 0138-23-5440 (English spoken)

Hakodate International Tourism and Convention Association

33-14 Motomachi, Hakodate 0138-27-3535 (Japanese only)

Tourism Department, City of Hakodate

4-13 Shinonome-cho, Hakodate 0138-21-3454 (Japanese only)

INTERNET INFORMATION

Hakodate Official Travel Guide

https://www.hakodate.travel/en/

Hakodate and Southern Hokkaido Tourist Guide

https://www.hakodate-kankou.com/en/

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