



# 8D BEST OF HOKKAIDO + FLORA SEASON

**TOUR CODE**  
JPHA08  
APR - SEP 2023

SOUNKYO/LAKE AKAN/ABASHIRI/SAPPORO/OTARU/FURANO/BIEI/HAKODATE/LAKE TOYA

Most  
Comprehensive  
Itinerary



## DAY 1: SINGAPORE – HOKKAIDO

Assemble at Changi International Airport to check in for your flight to Japan Hokkaido (via Tokyo) For morning departures, check in to the airport hotel upon arrival. Note: If flight flies into Hakodate, sequence of tour will be adjusted accordingly.

## DAY 2: HOKKAIDO – FURANO – BIEI - SOUNKYO

Start your day at **Furano Tomita Farm** and enjoy the beautiful mountain peaks afar. Be surrounded by blooming flowers and immerse yourself in breathtaking nature. At **Furano Greenhouse**, you will see beautiful lavender in all seasons! Visit **Hill of Shikisai**, popular for its large flower fields and beautiful scenery. Biei is famous for its many appearances in films or commercials due to its incredible beauty. In the afternoon, visit **Sounkyo Gorge**, flanked majestically on both sides by 150 meter high perpendicular cliffs with columnar joints. Visit the famed 120 meters high **Milky Way Waterfall** and 90 meters high **Shooting Stars Waterfall**. Tonight, stay at Sounkyo Hot Spring, one of the most famous hot springs in Hokkaido. (Lunch/ Dinner)

## DAY 3: SOUNKYO – LAKE AKAN/ABASHIRI

After breakfast, journey to **Lake Akan**, a beautiful crater lake in Hokkaido. It is home to **Marimo**, a rare algae species that forms itself into beautiful green balls. After lunch, visit **Ainu Kotan**, a small Ainu village in Akankohan. Stroll through the streets lined with souvenir shops specializing in Ainu handicrafts. Continue to **Lake Mashu**, one of Japan's deepest and most beautiful lakes. Be mesmerized by the world's clearest lake of glassy blue water which is often enveloped in heavy fog. Tonight, stay at Hot Spring. Spring Bonus : **Higashimokoto Park – Pink Moss\*** (Mid - End May). Enjoy the spectacular view of the park covered in pink, white and light purple flowers that you would not want to miss during springtime in Hokkaido. (Breakfast/ Lunch/ Dinner)

## DAY 4: LAKE AKAN/ABASHIRI – ASAHIKAWA

After breakfast, visit **Mount Tonto** to enjoy a 360° view of Okhotsk Sea. Visit the **Okhotsk Ryu-hyo Museum (Drift Ice Museum)** featuring an immersive theater with massive screens depicting a world of drifting ice (ryu-hyo). Visitors can touch and learn more about real drift ice. Next, proceed to the **Abashiri Prison Museum**, an outdoor

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

### Specialty Meals

- ★ Hokkaido Crab Eat all You Can
- ★ Hotel Buffet Dinner
- ★ Ramen Meal
- ★ Bbq Buffet
- ★ Kaiseki Cuisine

### Attractions

- ☆ East & West Trail of Hokkaido
- ☆ Higashimokoto Park Pink Moss\* (Mid-End May)
- ☆ Kamiyubetsu Tulip Park\* (Mid - End may)
- ☆ Ubaranai Sango Grassland\* (Sep)
- ☆ Furano Tomita Farm \* (Apr- Sep)  
Lavender/Sunflower\* (Mid Jun - Aug)
- ☆ Seasonal Fruit Picking \* ( May – Oct )
- ☆ Goryokaku Park – Cherry blossom viewing \*  
(End April – Mid May)
- ☆ Abshairi Prison Museum
- ☆ Tea Break at otaru - coffee/tea & slice of cake  
Otaru Cup as a souvenir.
- ☆ Free Ice Cream at Tomita Farm \*

\* Fruit picking and flower viewing are subject to seasonality and availability



museum of history where buildings of the original prison are conserved and exhibited. Abashiri Prison and the City of Abashiri have maintained close relationships since the Meiji era (1868-1912). This complex had once held dangerous criminals and today it houses a comprehensive museum that documents the daily lives of the prisoners.

Spring Bonus : **Kamiyubetsu Tulip Garden** (Mid – End May ) See a colorful sea of tulips, comprising about 120 different types.

Autumn Bonus : **Ubaranai Sango Grassland** (Sep) in the autumn for their whole marshlands filled with red glassworts. In September, the coral grass at Lake Notoro changes colour and turns the whole beach into a sea of red! . (Breakfast/ Lunch/ Dinner)

## DAY 5: ASAHIKAWA – OTARU - SAPPORO

This morning, stop for photos at **Otaru Canal**, a popular destination for visitors who flock to the canal to enjoy its nostalgic atmosphere. Visit **Otaru Music Box Museum & Kita. Tea Break** will be arranged in Otaru. A cup of coffee/ tea/ juice with a slice of cake will be served. Otaru Cup can be taken home as a souvenir. Stop for photos at **Sapporo TV Tower & Tokei-Dai (Clock Tower)** which was built in 1878 and **Odori Park**, a park located in the heart of Sapporo. Shop at **Tanuki Koji**, the longest and busiest shopping street in Hokkaido. (Breakfast/ Lunch/ Dinner)

## DAY 6: SAPPORO – HAKODATE

See the making of famous Hokkaido chocolate at **Ishiya Chocolate Factory**. Take an excursion through its Chocolate Museum to discover the history and production of Hokkaido chocolate. Coach to Hakodate and visit **Kanemori Red Brick Warehouse**, a commercial shopping area that was the first commercial warehouse in Hakodate. Visit **Goryokaku Park & Goryokaku Tower**. Enjoy the view over the famed star-shaped fort or the panoramic view of the city and the nearby mountains, Mount Hakodate at the Goryokaku Tower. Ascend **Mt. Hakodate** by ropeway to enjoy the spectacular night view, voted one of top 3 in the world (subject to weather conditions).

Spring Bonus : **Goryokaku Park** (End Apr – Mid May) See cherry blossoms blooming from nearly 1,500 cherry blossom trees.

(Breakfast/ Lunch/ Dinner)

## DAY 7: HAKODATE – LAKE TOYA – SAPPORO/CHITOSE

Discover **Hakodate Morning Market** which sells various types of fresh seafood. Stop for photos at **Silo Observation** this is an observation deck on the west bank of Silo Observation. It is a great place to overlook **Lake Toya** as well as Nakajima Island, Mt. Usu and **Mt. Showa Shinzan**.. Next, visit the lovely brown bears of Hokkaido at **\*Brown Bear Ranch**. Visit and experience boiling ponds and steaming streams at the famous **Jigokudani**, also known as Hell Valley. Lastly, shop to your heart's content at **Mitsui Outlet Fashion Park** for some retail therapy and pick from a wide range of domestic and imported brand items.

\*Bear Ranch will be replaced by fruit picking from (May to Sep) (Breakfast/ Lunch)

## DAY 8 : SAPPORO/CHITOSE - SINGAPORE

After breakfast, Bid farewell to Hokkaido and transfer to the airport for our flight back Singapore (via Tokyo) we hope you have had an exciting holiday with SA Tours! (Breakfast)



### Remarks:

\*Tour is conducted in Mandarin. Minimum\*.We reserve the right to merge our tour groups .Some accommodations may not have specific twin, double or triple room types .Due to unforeseen circumstances, or last-minute changes in flight schedule, sequence of the itinerary is subject to change with/without prior notice. If a place of visit or attraction is close to visitors, it will be replaced with an alternative, if possible, with no exchange or refund .During major festivals/trade exhibitions/peak season, accommodation may be relocated to outside of the city .Non - Singapore passport holders please check with our staff for tourist visa requirements.\*Fruit picking and flower viewing are subject to seasonality and availability \*Hakodate or chitose airport