



Hokkaido Furano
Activity Guide
Furano Travel Guide





FURANO HOKKAIDO

Topography

Located in the very center of Hokkaido, Furano is the largest city in the Furano Basin. To the east are the Tokachidake mountains, part of the Daisetsu mountain range, and to the west lie the Ashibetsu mountains, part of the Yubari mountain range. To the south is the Hokkaido Experimental Forest, administered by the University of Tokyo, which is full of large trees that are hundreds of years old.

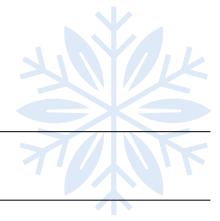
Climate

Furano has a typical inland climate with distinct seasonal transitions. Snow falls from mid-November to early April, and the temperature may drop down to minus 28°C during the cold season. From July to August, the maximum daytime temperature may rise to above 30°C. Mornings and evenings are pleasantly cool and the climate is quite comfortable.





Average seasonal snow base: 150 cm Average seasonal temperature: -6°C

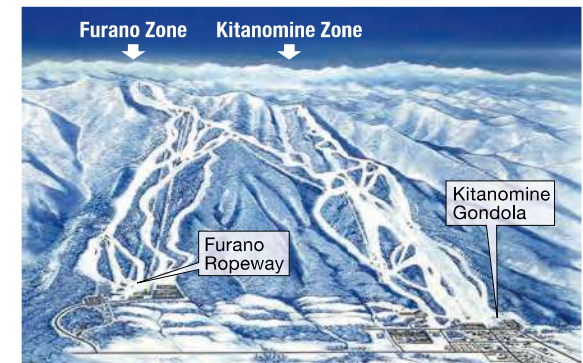


Furano Ski Resort

Skiing and Snowboarding with Panoramic Views

The Furano Ski Resort was introduced to the world during the 1977 FIS World Cup. Since then, Furano has hosted a total of 10 World Cup races, featuring the world's top skiers. In addition, Furano has hosted the Snowboard World Cup, along with the National Athletic Meet and All Japan Championships multiple times. There are a wide variety of runs available that will suit everyone from beginners to experts.

The Furano Ski Resort is divided into two areas, the "Furano Zone" featuring long runs, and the "Kitanomine Zone" with a wide variety of terrain.



Ropeway · Gondola · Lifts

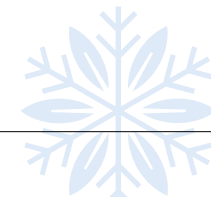
- Furano Ropeway (capacity: 101, length 2,330m)
- Kitamine Gondola (capacity: 6 per car, length 2,958m)
- 2 high-speed quad lifts • 5 standard double lifts

Runs

- 23 runs for beginners to advanced skiers & riders
- Slope composition: Beginner 40%, Intermediate 40%, Advanced 20%
- Maximum pitch: 34 degrees • Longest run: ~ 4,000m
- Vertical Drop: 839m



Furano Ski Resort
Tel (0167)22-1111



Furano Ski School

(All Japan Ski Federation class A ranking)

Ski and snowboard lessons tailored to your level

Most students who come on school trips are trying skiing and snowboarding for the first time. We offer lessons according to their ability and progress. We want the students to enjoy learning skills, familiarize themselves with snow, and to love skiing and snowboarding. We work with the schools to adjust the lessons to meet the needs of their schedule.

A Safe and Comfortable Experience

- Furano Ski Resort has longer and wider runs than most ski resorts, so we recommend setting aside plenty of time to enjoy them.
- To ensure safety, effective teaching and group logistics, the ideal number of people in a group is 12 skiers and 7 snowboarders.
- Please wear warm and waterproof ski jackets and pants. In addition, thermal underwear, helmets, goggles, and warm gloves are essential items.



Upon request, we can issue Certificates of Completion stating the new skills that the students have learned, and of their winter nature experience.



Snow Rafting



Snow Banana Boat





Snow Tubing



Snow Quad



Snowmobile

Winter Activity Set (3-5 options)

A popular plan where you can choose your favorite winter activities.

Select and combine from the 5 activities offered.

- **Snow Rafting**
- **Banana Boat**
- **Snow Tubing**
- **Snow Quad**
- **Snowmobile**

A plan	3 activities
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B plan	4 activities
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C plan	5 activities
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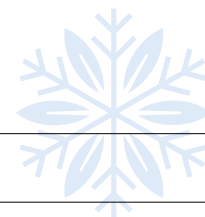
Unique winter activities to enjoy the snow to the fullest. Choose from three plans according to the number of activities you want to experience. Experience each activity by rotating 3 groups for A plan, 4 groups for B plan, and 5 groups for C plan.



Suggested clothing to enjoy these winter activities

- Please come in warm clothes that can get dirty.
- Please do not bring valuables.
- We recommend wearing ski clothes, gloves, hats, and snow boots.
- Shoes with metal spikes on the sole and pin heel shoes cannot be worn.

- Capacity: 10 to 60 people (varies depending on the menu)
- Open: Early December to late March
- Time required: 2 to 2.5 hours (depending on the menu)
- Location: Asobiya (near Furano)



Dogsledding

Experience the thrill of piloting a dog sled through a snowy forest! Drive the Huskies yourself around a 250m path and feel like an Arctic explorer. The activity can be adjusted according to the number of participants and the available time.



- Capacity: 1 person ~ (A large number of people can be accommodated. Consultation required)
- Availability: December 10th to March 20th (depending on the amount of snow and the weather)
- Operation time: 8: 30-15: 00 (last entry)
- Location: Yuma





Wakasagi Ice Fishing

Ice fishing can only be done in very cold regions. A hole is chopped in the ice in the middle of the frozen lake, and drop your line through the hole. Fish for the Japanese Smelt (or Wakasagi), which is then prepared into very fresh tempura or fried on the spot for you to eat.



- Capacity: 10 – 100 people
- Ice Fishing season: Late December to early March
(* Depending on ice conditions)
- Time required: 1.5 to 2 hours
- Location: Lake Kanayama (Minami Furano Town)



Asobiya Tour Office
Tel(0167)23-5910 Fax(0167)22-2905



Furano Nature Club
Tel(0167)22-1311 Fax(0167)23-4385



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Hot Air Balloon Free Flight

Hot air balloon free flights are winter-only activities. No ropes! See the Furano Basin and the Tokachidake mountain range from 100 to 1,000 meters above the ground. It's a superb view and the memory of a lifetime. ※ Please note that the balloon flights may be canceled due to bad weather.



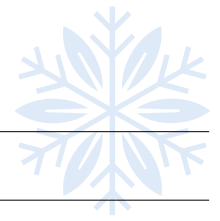
- Capacity: 2 to 30 people (consultation required)
- Flight time: 20 to 30 minutes
- Dates available: Early December to late March
- Location: Furano Basin



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Snowshoeing

Walk on the snow in a winter wonderland! Your hike will be with a guide, so even beginners can go at their own pace and not worry about a thing.



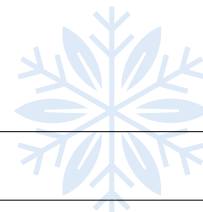
- Capacity: 10-40 people (negotiable)
- Time required: 2 hours
- Snowshoeing season: Early December to late March (depending on the amount of snow and the weather)
- Location: In the foothills around Furano



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Snowball Fight

Nothing more traditional than a good 'ol snowball fight! Use teamwork and strategy to capture the opponent's flag. International Rules are usually used, but can be changed to local rules depending on the number of people and available time.



- Capacity: 28-80 people (negotiable)
- Time required: 2,0 – 2,5 hours
- Availability: Early December to late March
- Location: Asobiya



Snow Sculpture Contest

Create a unique snow sculpture together with your team! From the prepared 180cm high x 90cm wide pillar, scrape snow away to reveal your work, or add parts as desired. Definitely an activity unique to Snow Country where ideas, senses, and techniques are tested.

- Capacity: 10 – 120 people
- Availability: Early December to late March (depending on snow conditions)
- Time required: 2 – 2,5 hours
- Location: Special venue at the Asobiya site.



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Touch Art, Enjoy Art

Miyama Toge Art Park

A tourism and art facility located on Miyama Pass. From the outdoor observation deck, you can overlook the magnificent Daisetsuzan National Park, and see the active Tokachidake volcano.

■ Trick Art Museum

More than 80 "Trick Art" paintings utilize optical illusions for the fun of the viewers. When you take a picture with a painting, it looks like you've entered into the painting itself. A fun museum full of great photo opportunities.



■ Glass Etching

Experience for yourself the art of etching on glass, practiced in Europe for hundreds of years. Create original works with your favorite patterns on glasses, platters, and frames. (Time required 10-60 minutes)



Goto Sumio Art Museum

A museum that holds and exhibits works covering the career of Sumio Goto, a noted painter in the Japanese art world. A number of masterpieces depicting the four seasons of Japan are on display, including the 14m blockbuster "Unkai Kouzan Usei." On the 2nd floor, the Furano Grill restaurant overlooks the Tokachidake mountain range, and features a menu with many local ingredients.



Miyama Toge Art Park
Tel(0167)45-6667 (North 33, West 8, Kamifurano-cho, Sorachi-gun)



Goto Sumio Art Museum
Tel(0167)45-6181 (North 26, East 4, Kamifurano-cho, Sorachi-gun)



Aroma Therapy & Herbal Tea

Blend different aroma oils to create your favorite scent. In addition, make an original herbal tea by blending your own mix of leaves and herbs.

- Capacity: 10-40 people
- Time required: 2 hours
- Availability: Year-round (depending on the operating company)
- Location: Community Center in Furano, or similar



Insect repellent spray made from aroma oil

Make an insect repellent spray using essential oils such as flowers and fruits. As it is 100% natural, it is kind to both people and nature.

- Availability: Late April to early November
- Time required: Approximately 1 hour
- Location: Sportpia Furano







Natural Crafts

Make original wreaths and flower baskets using natural materials such as tree vines, fresh flowers, nuts, and dried flowers. Take it home as a souvenir full of memories.

- Capacity: 10 to 20 people (depending on the company) ■ Availability: Year-round
- Time required: 2 hours ■ Location: Community Center in Furano, or similar



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 Sportpia Furano
Tel(0167)22-1935 Fax(0167)56-7720




Pottery

Molding your own piece of pottery under the guidance of Mr. Kimoto. The completed work is carefully dried, shaved, glazed, fired and finished by Mr. Kimoto, and will be sent in 40 to 60 days.

- Capacity: 5 – 40 people ■ Availability: Year-round ■ Time required: 2.0 – 2.5 hours
- Location: Ceramics workshop in Furano, public facilities, etc.



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RESORT AREA MAP



Furano Travel Center Management Council Program Hosts

Asobiya Tour Office

4746 Gakuden 3-ku, Furano
TEL (0167)23-5910 FAX (0167)22-2905
HP (www.asobiya.jp)
e-mail (daichi@asobiya.jp)

Furano Nature Club

10-22 Kitanomine-cho, Furano
TEL (0167)22-1311 FAX (0167)23-4385
HP (www.alpn.co.jp)
e-mail (inbox@alpn.co.jp)

Furano Agricultural Experience Council (NPO Yamabe Okoshi Network)

2-10 Minamimachi, Yamabe-cho, Furano
TEL (090)3893-9534 FAX (0167)42-2065
HP (www.furano-yamabe-machinet.com/farming-experience)
e-mail (yamabemachinet@ivy.ocn.ne.jp)

Furano Shizenjuku

Shimogoryo, Furano
TEL (0167)22-4019 FAX (0167)22-5385
HP (furano-shizenjuku.com)
e-mail (shizenjuku@furano.ne.jp)

Furano Trekking Support Yuma

Nakagoryo 4, Furano
TEL (0167)23-5110 FAX (0167)22-2811
HP (yuma-horseback.com)
e-mail (yuma@yuma-horseback.com)

Sportpia Furano

Kitanomine Terminal 1F, Kitanomine-cho, Furano
TEL (0167)22-1935 FAX (0167)56-7720
HP (www.spfurano.com) e-mail (info@spfurano.com)

Japan Rental (Jarenko Youth Project)

Sapporo Office: 6-1-35 Yurigahara, Kita-ku, Sapporo
TEL (011)792-7687 FAX (011)792-7282
Furano Office:
Furano Resort Hotel Edel Warme, 9 Kitanominecho, Furano
TEL (080)1970-0753 (December to March)
HP (www.japanrental-hokkaido.co.jp)
e-mail (japanrental@daishin-group.co.jp)

Furano Bus Co.

Headquarters: 1-1 Sumiyoshi-cho, Furano
TEL (0167)23-3131 FAX (0167)23-3731
Chitose Office: Ryutsu 3-2-6, Chitose
TEL (0123)42-1122 FAX (0123)42-2255
HP (www.furanobus.jp)

Furano Ski School

Furano Ski Resort, Kitanomine Zone, Kitanomine-cho, Furano
TEL (0167)22-4907 FAX (0167)22-4961
HP (www.l2.plala.or.jp/Furanoskischool)

Furano Jam Garden

Higashi Rokugo 3, Furano
TEL (0167)29-2233 FAX (0167)29-2650
HP (www.furanojam.com)
e-mail (f-rokugou@furanojam.com)

Furano Cheese Factory

2879 Naka 5-ku, Furano
TEL (0167)23-1156 FAX (0167)23-3600
HP (www.furano-cheese.jp) e-mail (cheese@furano.ne.jp)

Accommodations

New Furano Prince Hotel

Nakagoryo, Furano
TEL (0167)22-1111 FAX (0167)22-1189
HP (www.princehotels.co.jp/newfurano)

Furano Prince Hotel

18-6 Kitanomine-cho, Furano
TEL (0167)23-4111 FAX (0167)22-3430
HP (www.princehotels.co.jp/furano)

Hotel Bell Hills

20-8 Kitanomine-cho, Furano
TEL (0167)22-5200 FAX (0167)22-5725
HP (www.bellhills.jp)

Hotel Edel Warme

9-20 Kitanomine-cho, Furano
TEL (0167)22-1161 FAX (0167)22-1160
HP (www.edelwar.me.jp)

Hotel Naturwald Furano

14-46 Kitanomine-cho, Furano
TEL (0167)22-1211 FAX (0167)22-1212
HP (naturwald-furano.com)

Museums

Miyama Toge Art Park

Nishi 8 Kita 33, Miyama Pass, Kamifurano-cho
TEL (0167)45-6667 FAX (0167)45-6669
HP (tokachidake.com/art)

Goto Sumio Museum

Higashi 4 Kita 26, Kamifurano-cho
TEL (0167)45-6181 FAX (0167)45-6271
HP (gotosumiomuseum.com)
e-mail (kawahara@gotosumiomuseum.com)

Restaurants

Highland Furano

1945-1 Shimanoshita, Furano
TEL (0167)22-5700 FAX (0167)22-5704
HP (www.highland-furano.jp)

Program contents, accommodation facilities, etc. are subject to change without notice.
Events may be canceled due to weather
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Medical Institutions (Copy of insurance card accepted.)



Furano Nishi Hospital

[Specialties] Internal medicine | Surgery | Orthopedics |
Ophthalmology
2-77 Katsuragi-cho, Furano
(5 minutes by car from Kitanomine) TEL (0167)23-6600



Furano Kyoukai Hospital

[Specialties] Internal medicine | Surgery | Orthopedics |
Pediatrics | Ophthalmology
1-30 Sumiyoshi-cho, Furano
(10 minutes by car from Kitanomine) TEL (0167)23-2181

Contact Info

Furano Health Center

2-10 Suehiro-cho, Furano TEL (0167)23-3161

Furano Police Station

11-1 Wakaba-cho, Furano TEL (0167)22-0110

Furano Fire Department

18-20 Sakaemachi, Furano TEL (0167)23-5119

Furano Travel Center

The Furano Educational Travel Center is waiting for you at the Concierge Furano in downtown Furano. We can consult with you regarding accommodation facilities and hands-on learning.

〒076-0031 2-27 Honcho, Furano
Concierge Furano, 2F
Furano Tourism Association
TEL (0167)23-3388 FAX (0167)39-1222





Twin Room



Banquet Hall



Ningle Terrace

New Furano Prince Hotel

Surrounded by rich forests and magnificent mountains, the New Furano Prince Hotel has rooms with Simmons mattresses for a great night's sleep, a dining venue that can accommodate 400 people, and a wealth of special products and original goods. It is a large resort hotel complete with souvenir shops. The hotel features the Furano Ski Resort, "Ningle Terrace", "Wind Garden", "Tree Adventure Furano", and "Park Golf Course".

■ Number of guest rooms

Room Type	Twin Room A	Twin Room B	Double Room	Suite	Total
Rooms	260	110	28	9	407
Capacity	2	3	2	2	
Number of Guests	520	330	56	18	924

■ Accommodation Overview

Restaurants	Banquet Hall
Bathing Facilities	Ensuite Bath
Room Key	Individual Card Key for each room, Autolock doors.
Master Key Borrowing	Possible
Valuables	Use of guest room safe (Free)
Phone	Extension cut possible/outside line cut possible
Video	NA
Vending Machine	Cigarette and drink machines cannot be turned off.
Shop Business Hours	8: 00 A.M ~ 10: 00 P.M. (Convenience store: 7: 00 A.M. ~ Midnight)
Amusement Facilities	Six tennis courts, Game machines cannot be turned off.
PA system in the Building	Lobby only, not available for schools
Elevator	Four units available for students
Emergency Exit	2-3 places on each floor
Fire Protection Equipment	Fire hydrant, fire extinguisher, sprinkler, siren, emergency bell, emergency broadcast
Emergency Shelter	Parking lot 6 minute walk
Bus Parking Lot	12 spaces (free)
Other	

Plan View ▶



Room Allocation Table ▶



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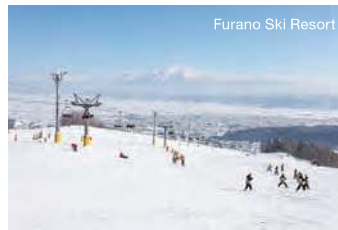
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Twin Room B



Main Dining Room



Furano Ski Resort

Furano Prince Hotel

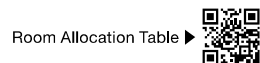
Located in the center of Hokkaido, Furano showcases beautiful scenery in every season. In spring, the fresh green leaves sway in cool breeze, to summer with the scent of lavender and blooming fields of flowers. In autumn, the mountains are covered in golds and reds, which changes to pure white in the winter with skiers enjoying the deep snow. Enjoy creating memories with your friends or family in this magnificent backdrop, learning about nature, and relaxing your mind and body at the Furano Prince Hotel.

■ Number of guest rooms

Room Type	Twin Room A	Twin Room B	Family Room	Maisonette Room	Maisonette Suite	Total
Rooms	60	44	2	4	2	112
Capacity	3	2	4	5	2	
Number of Guests	180	88	8	20	4	300

■ Accommodation Overview

Restaurants	Main dining room and the Azeria restaurant
Bathing Facilities	All rooms have ensuite bath
Room Key	1 cylinder type / manual lock in each room
Master Key Borrowing	Not Possible
Valuables	Use of guest room safe (free)
Phone	Extension cut possible / outside line cut possible
Video	NA
Vending Machine	Drink machines can be turned off by request (for large groups)
Shop Business Hours	7: 00 A.M. ~ 10: 00 A.M. • 4: 00 P.M. ~ 10: 00 P.M.
Amusement Facilities	2 Tennis Courts
PA system in the Building	Can be used during general business hours (cannot be connected to guest rooms) Can be used by school when reserved
Elevator	1 unit available for students * There is no elevator in the annex
Emergency Exit	5 on the 1st floor, 6 on the 2nd floor, 4 on the 3rd to 5th floors
Fire Protection Equipment	Fire hydrant, fire extinguisher, sprinkler, siren, emergency bell, emergency broadcast
Emergency Shelter	Parking lot 3 minute walk
Bus Parking Lot	30 spaces (free)
Other	Groups of 150 or more can reserve the entire building.



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Tel(0167)23-4111 Fax(0167)22-3430 (18-6 Kitanomine-cho, Furano)



Hotel Bell Hills

Swiss-style Petit Hotel Bell Hills sits surrounded by the nature of Furano. A natural resort where you can enjoy the magnificent panorama of the Tokachidake mountain range, the relaxing guest rooms overlooking the Furano Basin, the lavender fields in front of the hotel, the seasonal taste of nature, and a farming experience at our own farm. Bell Hills welcomes you.

■ Number of guest rooms

Room Type	Twin Room	Triple Room	Japanese-style Room	Japanese and Western Room	Total
Rooms	25	53	7	8	93
Capacity	2~3	3~4	4~6	5~6	
Number of Guests	83	212	42	28	365

■ Accommodation Overview

Restaurants	1st floor "Lavender" (cap. 340), 2nd floor "Four Seasons Club" (cap. 110)
Bathing Facilities	Large communal bath on the 1st floor. Capacity: 40 people each (Men's/Women's)
Room Key	Single cylinder type / Autolock in each room
Master Key Borrowing	Possible
Valuables	Front desk storage (with valuables bag)
Phone	Extension cut not possible / Outside line cut possible
Video	NA
Vending Machine	Soft drink and alcohol vending machines can be turned off.
Shop Business Hours	7:00 A.M. ~ 9:00 P.M. (varies)
Amusement Facilities	Game machines can be turned off.
PA system in the Building	Available for each floor and for entire building. (Available for school use.)
Elevator	2 available for students
Emergency Exit	2 on each floor, 10 in total
Fire Protection Equipment	Fire hydrant, fire extinguisher, siren, emergency bell, emergency broadcast
Emergency Shelter	Parking lot (at the front entrance)
Bus Parking Lot	20 spaces (free)
Other	



Twin Room



1st floor "Lavender" Dining Room



Large Bath

Plan View ▶



Room Allocation Table ▶



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Hotel Edel Warme

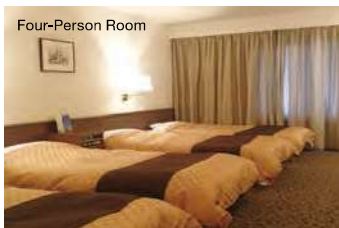
A Scandinavian resort hotel located in Kitanomine at the foot of the ski resort overlooking the Furano countryside. The hotel has two large public baths (accommodating 25 people each) that can be used in combination with a room bath. In addition, the dining venue can accommodate 250 people, so large groups can eat together.

■ Number of guest rooms

Room Type	Twin Room	Double Room	Triple Room	Four-Person Room	Japanese-style Room	Japanese and Western	Total
Rooms	25	3	2	40	3	1	74
Capacity	2	1	3	4~5	6	5	
Number of Guests	50	3	6	168	18	5	250

■ Accommodation Overview

Restaurants	1st floor restaurant (cap. 80), 2nd floor restaurant (cap. 250)
Bathing Facilities	Large communal bath (Cap: 25 people x 2) or ensuite bath
Room Key	Single cylinder type / Manual lock in each room
Master Key Borrowing	May be borrowed only for room checks for school groups.
Valuables	Front desk storage (with valuables bag)
Phone	Extension cut not possible / Outside line cut possible
Video	NA
Vending Machine	Drink machines can be turned off by request (for large groups)
Shop Business Hours	8: 00 A.M. ~ 8: 00 P.M. (varies)
Amusement Facilities	NA
PA system in the Building	Broadcast throughout the building (only by reservation for large groups)
Elevator	1 for student use (cannot be used to enter/leave the building)
Emergency Exit	1st floor - 3, 2nd floor - 5, 3rd & 4th floors - 4 each
Fire Protection Equipment	Fire hydrant, fire extinguisher, sprinkler, siren, emergency bell, emergency broadcast
Emergency Shelter	Parking lot (at the front entrance)
Bus Parking Lot	6 spaces (free)
Other	



Four-Person Room



Restaurant



Fireplace

Plan View ▶



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Suite



Restaurant



Bathhouse

Hotel Naturwald Furano

"Naturwald" (or "natural forest" in German) showcases our desire to protect the nature of Furano forever. We hope you enjoy the natural vistas of Furano, taste the delicious local agricultural products, and experience the unique lifestyle of people who live in Furano. We offer a home-style service to make you feel comfortable during your stay with us.

■ Number of guest rooms

Room Type	Twin Room	Triple Room	Four-Person Room	Japanese-Style Room	Suite	Total
Rooms	7	51	18	3	2	81
Capacity	2	2~3	2~4	2~4	2~4	
Number of Guests	14	153	72	18	8	265

■ Accommodation Overview


Restaurants	1st floor restaurant, buffet type (Cap: 70)
Bathing Facilities	1st floor (Cap: 20 each Men/Women)
Room Key	Cylinder type autolock (all rooms)
Master Key Borrowing	Not Possible
Valuables	Each room
Phone	Extension and outside lines cannot be cut
Video	NA
Vending Machine	Drink machines cannot be turned off
Shop Business Hours	7:00 A.M.~21:00 P.M.
Amusement Facilities	Kids corner
PA system in the Building	Not Possible
Elevator	1
Emergency Exit	2 on each floor
Fire Protection Equipment	Fire hydrant, fire extinguisher, sprinkler, siren, emergency bell, emergency broadcast
Emergency Shelter	Parking Lot
Bus Parking Lot	NA
Other	We do not accept bookings for school trips.

Plan View ▶



Room Allocation Table ▶



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SPRING



SUMMER



AUTUMN



WINTER



Furano / Biei Area Map

Biei-Kamifurano-Nakafurano-Furano-Minamifurano-Shimukappu / Tomamu



Information

Roadside Station

Ski Area

Hot Spring

Campground



Important

Please do not enter the farmland or flower fields without permission. We ask for your cooperation in order to prevent the invasion of pests and to prevent damage to crops and flowers. Help keep the countryside and flower fields beautiful.





Minamifurano

Shimukappu

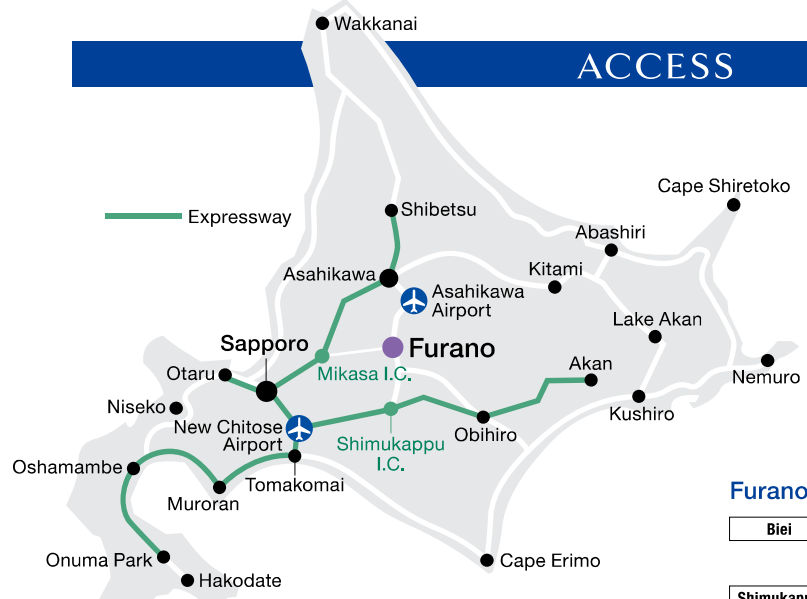
Hospitals in Furano

Furano Kyokai Hospital

Furano Nishi Hospital

Furano Station

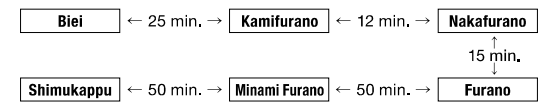
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Distances & Travel Times from Furano Ski Resort

- Furano Jam Garden / Anpanman Shop 21 km (25 min.)
- Furano Cheese Factory ----- 4 km (6 min.)
- Farm Tomita----- 11 km (16 min.)
- Tokachidake Hot Springs ----- 35 km (52 min.)
- Blue Pond----- 35 km (52 min.)
- Biei----- 34 km (51 min.)
- Asahikawa Airport ----- 45 km (54 min.)

Furano / Biei Area Driving Times



Driving Information

● New Chitose Airport ~ Furano (via Sapporo)

Chitose Airport	40 km (30 min.)	Sapporo JCT	42 km (30 min.)	Mikasa I.C. (Hokkaido Expwy)	Hwy 116	Hwy 452	Hwy 135	Furano
					20 km	23 km	23 km	

(75 min.)

● New Chitose Airport ~ Furano (via Shimukappu)

Chitose Airport	Hokkaido Expwy	Chitose East I.C.	Doto Expwy	Shimukappu IC	Hwy 237 (becomes Hwy 38)	Furano
	9 km (5 min.)		50 km (55 min.)		49 km (62 min.)	

● Asahikawa ~ Furano

Asahikawa	Hwy 237	Furano
	59 km (80 min.)	

● Asahikawa Airport ~ Furano

Asahikawa Airport	Hwy 237	Furano
	44 km (60 min.)	

Bus Information

Sapporo~Furano	Chuo Bus "Furano Expwy" (2 hours 30 min. in summer, 3 hours in winter)	📞(0167)22-1911
Asahikawa~Furano (via Asahikawa Airport)	Furano Bus "Lavender" (1 hour 40 min.)	📞(0167)22-1911
Shimukappu~Furano	Shimukappu Bus (1 hour 10 min.)	📞(0167)56-2173
Obihiro~Furano	Dohoku Bus (advance reservation required)	📞(0166)23-4161

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Furano Bus acquired ISO14001 certification in 2004, the international standard for environmental management systems, as part of Furano's tourism concept, "Rural Environmental Tourism."

NATURE CALENDAR

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
Sunrise	5:14	4:25	3:53	3:53	4:19	4:53	5:27
Sunset	17:56	18:31	19:04	19:15	18:54	18:07	17:13
Avg. High Temperature	12.0°C	21.9°C	22.7°C	26.3°C	25.7°C	23.3°C	15.8°C
Avg. Low Temperature	-0.9°C	7.1°C	11.9°C	16.8°C	16.5°C	11.4°C	6.1°C
Total Precipitation/Snowfall	22.5mm	59.0mm	56.0mm	56.5mm	181.5mm	138.5mm	162.0mm
Suggested Clothing							
Nature	Fukinotou	Fresh Green	Sea of Clouds	Wheat Fields	Morning Dew	Hatsushimo	First Snowfall
Flowers	Cherry Blossoms	Lupine	Peony	Hamanasu	Lavender	Cosmos	Cleome
Seasonal Crops	Asparagus	Mountain Wasabi	Japanese Leeks	Bell Peppers · Tomatoes	Mini Tomatoes	Lily Root	Lettuce · Broccoli

※ The sunrise/sunset times are approximate & calculated on the first day of each month. (C) NAOJ
 ※ Average maximum/minimum temperatures are from October 2018 to September 2019 (from Furano Tourism Association)
 ※ Precipitation and snowfall are from October 2018 to September 2019 (Source: Meteorological Agency website)

Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
6:04	6:42	7:03	6:47	6:08
16:23	15:56	16:05	16:41	17:19
8.1°C	-0.9°C	-4.8°C	-3.5°C	3.5°C
0.8°C	-7.9°C	-12.7°C	-12.0°C	-5.7°C
63cm	172cm	145cm	110cm	91cm
Tree Ice, Hoar Frost, Diamond Dust		Thaw		
	Beginning of Snowfall		Sun Pillar	



The cherry blossoms bloom around the end of April every year. The cherry blossoms in full bloom against the backdrop of the snow-covered mountains are a spectacular view unique to a snowy region. The Hanabito Kaido is also colored in June, and the early lavender is in full bloom in late June. Enjoy the colorful flower fields until the end of September. The first snowfall occurs in late October and the snowfall begins in earnest in December, celebrating the full-scale winter resort season.



Many vegetables are grown with minimal pesticides because of the cold winter. The rich soil and the temperature difference between day and night make melons and watermelons sweet and juicy. Enjoy buying directly from the roadside stands.

Furano / Biei Area Specialties and Local Food

The Furano / Biei area is full of popular sweets.

Some of these nationally famous shops may have significant waiting lines during the tourist season. These cafes and restaurants feature original desserts, often with fresh melons, and are directly managed by local farmers.



Sweet and Juicy Melons and Watermelons

Due to the large temperature difference between day and night, Furano melons and watermelons are juicy and have a very high sugar content. Many farmers have direct sales stores along National Routes 237 and 38, which has the nickname "Melon Road."



Delicious Wild Plants in Shimukappu Village

Surrounded by vast forests, Shimukappu Village harvests various types of wild plants and sells them at roadside stations and supermarkets. In addition, the annual "Sansai Contest" gives awards for the best original edible wild plant recipes, and draws many fans of wild food.



Hokkaido ingredients go great with curry! They are a popular addition to local curry dishes.



Furano Omu Curry

A local dish combining curry and omelet rice. Most of the ingredients such as rice, vegetables, meat and eggs are from Furano. In addition, Furano cheese or wine is used, and Furano Milk is usually served with the set.

Minamifurano Fried Deer Curry

Ezo-style deer cutlet curry that combines fried sika deer meat and curry. The vegetables are from Minamifurano, and rice is from Hokkaido. "Kumasasa tea" known as healthy tea is included in the set.



Biei Curry Udon

Udon noodles made from Biei wheat, along with Biei pork shabu-shabu and seasonal local vegetables. The oven-baked Biei Curry Udon <Yakimen> and the winter-only <Kakemen> are also popular.

Yakiniku Menu Unique to a Pig-Farming Town

Kamifurano Pork [Pork Sagari]

In Kamifurano-cho, a pig-farming town, the standard menu for yakiniku is "pork sagari." It is a low-calorie and healthy part of the diaphragm that weighs only 250-300g from each pig. It is also available as a souvenir from a local butcher shop.



Made with fresh, rich raw milk Furano cheese is excellent!

Natural cheese produced from fresh milk collected from local dairy farms is a specialty of Furano. At Furano Cheese Factory, you can observe the cheese manufacturing process, and enjoy a tasting corner and an exhibition that introduces the history of cheese.



At the Furano Winery, sample some wine and observe the manufacturing process.

Due to the suitable climate for grape cultivation, the Furano Vineyard Research Institute was established in 1972, and now "Furano Wine" has grown into a brand that has won awards in various national competitions. There is also a "Grape Juice Factory" located nearby, where you can enjoy fresh grape juice produced from local grapes.





~Night Programs~ Night Tours

Enjoy a night tour and see the sky full of stars on a clear night – something that has become difficult to see in urban areas. On cloudy nights, we adjust the activity according to the weather and your wishes, such as a night walk, or walking to a viewpoint to see the night view of the city.



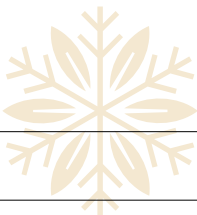
- Capacity: 10-40 people ■ Availability: Year-round
- Time required: Approximately 2 hours between 19:30 and 21:30 (including travel time)
- Location: Furano suburbs



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Butter-Making Experience

Make your own butter with rich, fresh Hokkaido milk. The finished butter will be sent to a domestic address by refrigerated mail at a later date.


- Capacity: 1 – 100 people
- Availability: Year-round
- Time required: 40 – 60 minutes
- Location: Furano Cheese Factory, hotels in Furano city, community centers, etc.


Cheese-Making Experience

Make your own mascarpone cheese using fresh milk and cream sent directly from local dairy farms. At Furano Cheese Factory, you can also observe the manufacturing process and learn about the culture and history of cheese.

- Capacity: 1 – 26 people
- Availability: Year-round
- Time required: approx. 1 hour
- Location: Furano Cheese Factory



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Sausage-Making Experience

Make your own delicious additive-free sausages with Hokkaido pork and herbs. Squeeze the ingredients out of the bag and try to pack the intestines. Immediately boil the freshly made sausages and taste your work.

- Capacity: 15-40 people
- Availability: Year-round
- Time required: 2.0 – 2.5 hours
- Location: Hotels in Furano city, community centers, etc.



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Raw Caramel Making Experience

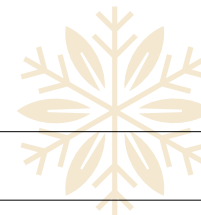
Make some delicious Hokkaido raw caramel by hand, wrap them and take them home to enjoy. This activity can also be combined with making homemade ice cream.

- Capacity: 10 – 160 people
- Availability: Year-round
- Time required: 1 to 2 hours
- Location: Hotels in Furano city, community centers, etc.



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Ice Cream Making Experience

Using fresh milk and cream from Hokkaido, the dairy kingdom, make ice cream by hand and then eat it. This activity can also be combined with jam or caramel making

- Capacity: 10 – 160 people
- Availability: Year-round
- Time required: 50 – 60 minutes
- Location: Furano Cheese Factory, hotels in Furano city, community centers, etc.



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Potato Harvesting & Baked Potato Feast

In the neighboring town of Nakafurano, experience harvesting potatoes by hand, which are local specialties. Learn the tips for harvesting carefully and quickly so as not to damage the surface, and experience farming for about 30 – 60 minutes. Then, using the potatoes you harvested, have a fresh baked potato with Hokkaido butter on top, known as Jaga Butter (literally Potato Butter). In addition, each participant gets 2kg of potatoes for souvenirs.



- Capacity: 20 - 40 people (negotiable)
- Availability: August-early October
- Time required: 60 – 90 minutes
- Location: Potato fields in Nakafurano Town, etc.



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Strawberry Picking & Jam Making


We use our own strawberries to make natural jams with no additives. The staff will help you, so even beginners can experience it with confidence. Place the finished jam on crackers and sample it fresh, or bottle it and take it home as a souvenir.

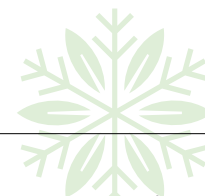


- Capacity: 1 – 40 people
- Time required: 60 minutes
- Location: Furano Jam Garden (Higashi Rokugo, Furano)
※ Approximately 20 minutes by car from downtown Furano



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Furano Shizenjuku (presided over by writer Soh Kuramoto)

Learn about the global environment through the senses.
This is a non-profit environmental education facility.

An environmental education program run by Soh Kuramoto, the author of the "Kita no Kuni Kara" television show, who lives in Furano. With the closure of the Furano Prince Hotel Golf Course, the school was opened in 2006 using approximately 35 hectares, or 6 holes of the course. While returning the field to the forest, you can recognize the seriousness of environmental problems by experiencing a workshop that revives the "five senses" by using the environmental education equipment nature has already provided us. This is a program that allows instructors to dramatically express themselves using the techniques cultivated in theater, to stimulate the imagination of participants, and to learn about environmental issues while experiencing them.

Be Aware of the SDGs Lecture on nature and global environment in Hokkaido

Learning the greatness of nature also creates "learning" in skiing and rafting experiences. Please use it as a night program at your accommodation or as a backup in stormy weather. (Time required 60-90 minutes)



- Capacity: up to 200 people. ※ Larger groups can divide into two, and do a morning and afternoon session on the same day.
- Availability: Late April to early November ※ Lecture program is available year round
- Time required: 70 minutes to 3 hours
- Location: Furano Nature School (Shimogoryo, Furano)



4.6 Billion Years, The Earth's Road

Follow the path that condenses the 4.6 billion year history of the earth into a 460m long walk, with dramatic commentary by the instructor. (Time required 50 minutes)



Tree Planting

While imagining the appearance of the forest 50 or 100 years from now, dig the hard ground of the former golf course with a shovel and plant new trees. (Time required 30 minutes)



Barefoot Road

Blindfolded and barefoot, walk on various paths such as lawn, gravel, fallen leaves, and logs, and feel the earth with a sense other than sight. (Time required 30 minutes)



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Farm Life Experience

Farm Visit

Day Trip Farming Experience

Doing farm work and touching living being to feel the preciousness and strength of life.

We can plan Farms Work Visit in Furano area for your group. The farms are located in KamiFurano, Furano and Minamifurano that need to take 15-30 minutes from your accommodation by bus. Please contact us if you need any information about the route or farms etc.



- Capacity: Up to 500 people per day (consultation required)
- Content: Varies. Crops will differ by farm, so students may not do the same work. Work will vary by season, so may be planting, maintenance, or harvest.
- Time required:
 - Half-day experience (3 hours morning/afternoon)
 - 1 day experience (3 hours in the morning and afternoon)
- Availability: May – October (Contact us for other times)



Furano Agricultural Experience (NPO Yamabe Machiokoshi Network)
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Fossil Excavation Experience

In the Late Cretaceous period (65-99 million years ago), the earth was warm and the sea level was high, and most of the mountainous areas of Hokkaido were under water. Therefore, ammonites and fossil plants can be seen in mountainous rocks. You will experience fossil excavation in the Yubari Mountains, a site famous for collecting many fossils.



- Capacity: 15-40 people
- Availability: Late April-early November
- Time required: 2 hours (approx)
- Location: Near Kamiashibetsu (Ashibetsu City)





Horseback Riding Lesson

Horse Trekking

Riding a horse led by the staff and go on a trail around the ranch. You can also experience horse brushing and riding while learning how to interact with horse in the lesson.



- Capacity: 10-40 people
- Time required: 1 to 4 hours
(depending on the number of people and content)
- Location: Furano ■ Availability: Late April to early November



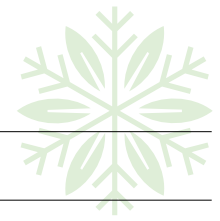
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Trekking

Walking

Walking in the forest on the outskirts of Furano, passing through areas with conifers, broad-leaved trees, and wild flowers. There are various trail options depending on the operating company, such as "Blue Pond / Shirogane Nature Walk" and "Ansei Crater Hiking", which involve a drive to Biei and Kamifurano.



- Capacity: 10-200 people
- Availability: Late April-early November
- Walking time: 1 to 3 hours
 - ※ The number of people, availability, and the walking time will vary depending on the destination.
- Location: Near Furano, Biei Shirogane, Tokachidake, etc.



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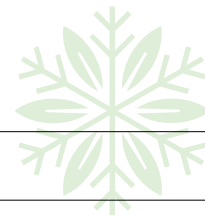
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Cycling


Tour-style cycling led by a guide. Pass through beautiful countryside and hills such as Yahataoka, in the foothills near Furano. The distance is about 14 to 16km. There is also an option to go as far as Biei, which is famous as a hill town. Most of the bicycles used are MTB, but depends on the operating company and tour.




- Capacity: 20-80 people
- Time required: 1.5 – 2 hours
- Availability: Late April to early November
- Location:
Rokugo, Yahataoka, Nakafurano-cho, Beberui, Biei, hills, etc.

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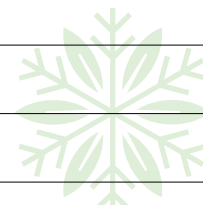
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Sea of Clouds

Ropeway



The Furano Ski Resort ropeway and gondola operate early in the morning during the green season. Ride to an altitude of 900m in about 7 minutes. Beyond the rural landscape of the Furano Basin, you can see the panorama of Daisetsuzan National Park, which stretches from north to south. A combination of different weather conditions can lead to a splendid sea of clouds.

- Capacity: Negotiable
- Availability: Late June to early October
- Time Required: depends on the content
- Location: Furano Ski Resort



Furano Ski Resort
Tel (0167)22-1111



~ Morning experience ~
Hot Air Balloon Moored Flight

Enjoy the natural landscape from the sky with a tethered hot air balloon flight. See the vast Furano Basin and the Tokachidake mountain range with its volcanic steam. The hot air balloons are attached with four mooring ropes, so you can safely experience air travel. In winter, experience a true free flight as the balloon flies for 30 minutes down the Furano valley.



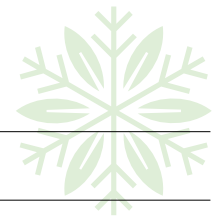
- Capacity: 20 to 160 people (negotiable), 4 to 6 people per flight
- Availability: Year-round
- Time Required: Depends on the number of people.
Each flight is 3-5 minutes
- Location: Furano
※ Length of flight and office hours vary depending on the season.



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Fishing


After receiving instruction and hints on how to fish, enjoy fishing on the shores of lakes and rivers. You can catch rainbow trout, whitespotted char, and Dolly Varden trout, which is endemic to Hokkaido, depending on the season. You can cook the fish on the spot and enjoy your catch. It is also possible to prepare river fish for tasting in advance.




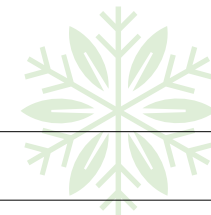
- Capacity: 10 to 80 people ■ Time required: 1.5 – 2 hours
 - Availability: Late April to early November
 - Location: Beberui River (Kamifurano Town), Sorachi River (Furano), Lake Takisato (Ashibetsu)
- ※ Depending on the operating company, it is also possible to prepare local vegetables and meat in addition to the fish and have a barbecue.

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Kayaking

A canoeing experience on Lake Kanayama, the headwaters of the Sorachi River. After arriving at the lake, receive some brief instruction before boarding in pairs. Although it is an artificial lake created with the construction of the Kanayama Dam, it is a lake with a beautiful landscape surrounded by forests and is also known as a habitat for the phantom fish "Ito".



- Capacity: 10-40 people
- Time required: 1 hour
- Availability: Late April-October
- Location: Lake Kanayama (Minamifurano Town)



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Inflatable Kayak (Ducky Packraft)

Experience going down a gentle river on a rubber boat type canoe. Paddle with one or two people and row in the wilderness with your own power. The guide will be in another boat. It is a program that even beginners can participate with peace of mind.



- Capacity: 10-40 people ■ Time required: 2.0 – 2.5 hours
- ※ Length may vary depending on the number of participants and river conditions.
- Availability: Late April to early November
- Location: Sorachi River (Furano)



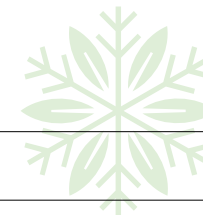
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Whitewater Rafting

Most popular activity!

In early spring, choose the plan that suits your time and taste, such as running the river at high volume due to melting snow (Ochiai), or the leisurely section (Shimo-Kanayama). You can also swim in the river from a boat in the calm sections. The number of participants can be up to 200 people at one time. Each boat is steered by a trained guide.

- Capacity: Up to 480 people can be accepted per day
- Time required: 2.5 – 3.0 hours ■ Time: 9:00 to 17:00
- Location:
 - ◎ Shimokanayama, Minamifurano Town, downstream of the Sorachi River (about 30 minutes from Furano)
 - ◎ Ochiai, Minamifurano Town, upstream of Sorachi River (about 1 hour from Furano)
- Availability: Late April to early November
 - ※ Waterproof dry suits will be used in early summer and autumn.


Free Video Service





During the ride, the guide and staff will shoot video and send it you on a USB memory stick at a later date. Shooting is a free service, so please forgive us in case of equipment trouble. If we supply the USB stick, you will only be charged for the USB cost.

※ Video shooting services are available only from Asobiya.



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Furano – A City of Agriculture and Tourism

Furano is a garden-like city based on agriculture and tourism in a fertile valley surrounded by magnificent mountains and carved by the clear Sorachi River. The rich volcanic soil produces a wide variety of agricultural products that live up to the motto "Safety and Security." Specialty products such as "Furano Wine" and "Furano Cheese" are highly regarded as part of the Furano brand. The "Made in Furano" mark certifies foods grown/produced in Furano and using local products. Furano will continue to connect and strengthen the agriculture, manufacturing, restaurant and tourism industries in Furano.

Abundant Activities to Enjoy Year-Round

Furano Ski Resort is located near the town, and is a popular winter destination. It is regarded as one of the best ski resorts in Hokkaido, and is renowned for its dry powder snow. A variety of runs provide a panoramic view of Daisetsuzan National Park. Cherry blossoms bloom as the snow melts, and seasonal flowers attract visitors all summer long. There are a wide variety of summer activities to enjoy such as rafting and canoeing on the Sorachi River, Mu River, and Lake Kanayama. In addition, there are hiking trails ranging from easy to full-scale mountain climbing. Furano's charm lets you experience nature all year round.

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