

# 9D HOKKAIDO EASTERN EXPERIENCE

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Hokkaido • Obihiro/Tokachi • Lake Akan • Sounkyo • Otaru • Lake Toya/Noboribetsu • Sapporo

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Old Koufuku Station
- Tokachi Ikeda Wine Castle
- Kushiro Washo seafood market
- Akan Ainu Kotan (Ainu Village)
- Lake Kussharo
- Abashiri History Prison Museum
- Okhotsk Ryu-Hyo Museum
- The Kamurin Tower
- Sounkyo Gorge
- Asahiyama Zoo
- Royce Cacao and Chocolate Town
- Otaru Canal
- Music Box Museum & Kitaichi Glass Shop
- Bear Ranch
- Silo Observation
- Jigokudani
- Mitsui Outlet Fashion Park
- Sapporo Beer Museum
- Hokkaido Shrine
- Tanuki Koji

## MEAL PLAN

- 7 Breakfasts • 4 Lunches • 5 Dinners

## SPECIAL MEALS

- Hokkaido Crab All-You-Can-Eat
- Hotel Buffet Dinner
- Shabu Shabu Hot Pot
- BBQ Buffet
- Sashimi + Tempura
- Kaiseki Cuisine

### Day 01 SINGAPORE → OBIHIRO (HOKKAIDO)

Assemble at Changi International Airport for your flight to Obihiro (Hokkaido), Japan (via Tokyo). For morning departures, check in at the airport hotel upon your arrival.

### Day 02 OBIHIRO/TOKACHI

Dinner

Embark on a picturesque drive to **Old Koufuku Station**, a charming "Happiness Station" located in Obihiro. The iconic pink station house of Koufuku Station has gained fame as a beloved photo spot, its walls adorned with countless business cards left by visitors seeking good fortune.



Visit **Tokachi Ikeda Wine Castle**, renowned as Japan's inaugural winery operated by a local government entity. Situated in the heart of Hokkaido's wine country, Tokachi Ikeda Wine Castle proudly represents the region's vinicultural heritage.

### Day 03 OBIHIRO/TOKACHI KUSHIRO LAKE AKAN

Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Begin your day in the vibrant atmosphere of **Kushiro Washo Seafood Market**, located near the bustling Kushiro fishing port. One of Hokkaido's top three markets, this bustling hub is a haven for seafood enthusiasts, offering an array of fresh catches and local delicacies that are not to be missed. Next, venture to **Kushiro Shitsugen National Park** in East Hokkaido to witness the majestic Red-crowned Cranes, iconic protected species that call this pristine park home. Marvel at these graceful creatures in their natural habitat then continue to the tranquil hot spring town nestled around **Lake Akan**, home to one of Hokkaido's largest Ainu settlements: **Akan Ainu Kotan (Ainu Village)**. Here, you'll have the unique opportunity to immerse yourself in the rich tapestry of Ainu culture. In the evening, unwind and rejuvenate yourself with a soothing hot spring bath at your hotel.

### Day 04 LAKE AKAN ABASHIRI KITAMI SOUNKYO

Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Explore the serene beauty of **Lake Kussharo**, a stunning caldera lake renowned for its picturesque vistas. Discover the captivating history of Abashiri at the **Abashiri History Prison Museum**, an outdoor museum brimming with fascinating exhibits and rich narratives. Witness real drift ice year-round at the **Okhotsk Ryu-Hyo Museum**, offering an unforgettable encounter with nature's wonders. Capture a memorable photo at the awe-inspiring **Kamurin Tower**, home to one of the world's largest mechanical cuckoo clocks. In the evening, indulge in the ultimate relaxation with a soothing hot spring bath. *(Note: In February, the Okhotsk Ryu-Hyo Museum will be replaced by an Ice Breaking Cruise in Abashiri or Mombetsu)*



## Day 05 SOUNKYO 🚗 FURANO 🚗 OTARU

*Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner*

This morning, visit **Sounkyo Gorge**, flanked majestically on both sides by 150-meter-high perpendicular cliffs with columnar joints. See the Milky Way Waterfall and Shooting Stars Waterfall. Tour **Asahiyama Zoo** and meet adorable creatures such as penguins, polar bears, and seals. Next, proceed to **Royce Cacao and Chocolate Town**, one of Sapporo's newest and largest attractions. Explores the process of chocolate-making and the history behind Royce Chocolates!

## Day 06 OTARU 🚗 LAKE TOYA/ NOBORIBETSU

*Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner*

Head to Otaru, the most romantic town in Japan and enjoy a photo stop at **Otaru Canal**. Immerse yourself in the charm of Otaru at the **Music Box Museum & Kitachi Glass Shop**. Then, visit the charming **Bear Ranch** in Hokkaido, where you can encounter the delightful brown bears. Capture picturesque moments at **Silo Observation**, an observation deck on the western shore offering stunning vistas of **Lake Toya** and **Mt. Showa Shinzan**. Following that, venture to the renowned **Jigokudani**, or Hell Valley. In the evening, enjoy a relaxing hot spring bath.

## Day 07 SAPPORO

*Breakfast*

Shop at **Mitsui Outlet Fashion Park** for some retail therapy. Drive past **Odori Park** and **Sapporo TV Tower**, situated in the heart of Sapporo. Visit and savour Sapporo beer at **Sapporo Beer Museum** - Japan's only museum dedicated to beer, which explores the long history of Sapporo Beer. See **Hokkaido Shrine**, a traditional place of worship for the Japanese "Shindo" and the oldest shrine in Hokkaido. Lastly, indulge in shopping along **Tanuki Koji**, Hokkaido's longest and most bustling shopping street.

## Day 08 SAPPORO (FREE DAY)

*Breakfast*

Today, you have leisurely free time to enjoy Sapporo, the largest city in Hokkaido.

*(Note: There will be no free day on Day 8 for 9D6N or 8D6N itinerary and you will transfer to the airport for your flight to Singapore.)*

## Day 09 SAPPORO/CHITOSE → SINGAPORE

*Breakfast*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home. We hope you have had an exciting holiday with SA Tours!



### REMARKS:

- Tour is conducted in Mandarin.
- 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.

### CONTACT US!

