

# HOKKAIDO SPARKLING SNOW TOUR 2025 FULL ITINERARY

GROUP 1  
GROUP 2

 = notable winter festival

DAY 1  
JAN 30  
FEB 1

Meet group members at HNL  
Relax at HIS-exclusive LeaLea Lounge  
Depart from HNL on Japan Airlines  
Fly to New Chitose Airport via Haneda (Tokyo)

DAY 1  
JAN 31  
FEB 2

Arrive at New Chitose Airport  
Meet local guide  
Walk to hotel directly connected to airport  
Bento box dinner handed out, relax in your room  
Rest at hotel (**Air Terminal Hotel Chitose** or similar), [enjoy onsen](#)

DAY 2  
FEB 1  
FEB 3

Breakfast at hotel  
Head to Wonderland Sapporo for snowmobiling experience - drive through the snowy forest!  
\*Outdoor clothing, boots, etc., are provided for you  
Lunch at local restaurant  
Visit Otaru for city highlights + free time for omiyage shopping around Sakaimachi Street  
Dinner at local restaurant, check in to hotel (**Grand Park Otaru** or similar)

DAY 3  
FEB 2  
FEB 4

Breakfast at hotel  
Start driving toward central Hokkaido & Asahikawa, stop at Sunagawa Highway Oasis  
Sightseeing at Asahiyama Zoo - don't miss the famous penguin walk!  
Lunch at local restaurant  
Visit Craft-kan (artisan wooden items) and Otokoyama Sake Museum (free tastings!)  
Drive to Sounkyo Onsen, check in to hotel (**Sounkyo Kanko Hotel** or similar)  
Deluxe buffet at hotel, [enjoy onsen!](#)  
Head over to the Sounkyo Ice Waterfall festival (walking distance), plus fireworks! 

DAY 4  
FEB 3  
FEB 5

Breakfast at hotel  
Photo stop at Ginga and Ryuusei frozen waterfalls  
Driving to Kitami, visit the Great Northern Aquarium (exhibits on Hokkaido's local fish)  
Lunch at local restaurant  
Reach Abashiri, enjoy Sea of Okhotsk Drift Ice Museum  
Shopping at Michi no Eki Ryuhyo Kaido, then ice-breaker boat cruise to see drift ice  
Check in to hotel (**Abashiri Koso** or similar), deluxe kaiseki dinner, [enjoy onsen!](#)

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DAY 5  
FEB 4  
FEB 6

Breakfast at hotel  
Smelt ice fishing experience on Lake Abashiri (tents keep you warm while on the lake)  
Lunch at local restaurant  
Hokkaido Museum of Northern Peoples (Ainu cultural exhibits and more)  
Lake Tofutsu Wetland Center - look out for sea eagles and swans!  
Hands-on dyeing experience with local specialty Okhotsk onion skins  
Dinner at local restaurant, return to hotel (**Abashiri Koso** or similar), [enjoy onsen!](#)

DAY 6  
FEB 5  
FEB 7

Breakfast at hotel  
Driving to Lake Mashu, sightseeing at observatory  
Head to Tsurui-Ito Tancho Sanctuary (wild Japanese Red-Crowned Cranes!)  
Lunch at local restaurant  
Move to Lake Akan, arrive at hotel (**Lake Akan Tsuruga Wings** or similar), [enjoy onsen!](#)  
Free time in the afternoon to explore Ainu Kotan traditional craft village  
Deluxe buffet dinner at hotel, then "Lost Kamuy" performance (digital art + Ainu dance)

DAY 7  
FEB 6  
FEB 8

Breakfast at hotel  
Drive to Lake Shikaribetsu for Shikaribetsu Ice Village festival ❄️  
Lunch at local restaurant  
Head to Obihiro, shopping at Ryugetsu Sweetpia Garden - renowned Hokkaido confectionery!  
Arrive at hotel (**Hokkaido Hotel** or similar), [enjoy onsen!](#)  
Dinner at local restaurant  
Sairinka Ice Flower music and illumination festival ❄️

DAY 8  
FEB 7  
FEB 9

Breakfast at hotel  
Stop by Kofuku former train station (famous area for good luck)  
Drive to Furano, then lunch at local restaurant  
Ningle Terrace sightseeing & handicrafts shopping  
Furano Cheese Factory omiyage shopping - everything made using local Furano milk!  
Drive to Sapporo, check in to hotel (**Mercure Hotel Sapporo** or similar)  
Special farewell deluxe dinner at local restaurant

DAY 9  
FEB 8  
FEB 10

Breakfast at hotel  
Free day to wander the city and see the famous Sapporo Snow Festival! ❄️  
\*No bus or guide on this day. Need recommendations? Ask us for suggestions!  
**Mercure Hotel Sapporo** or similar

DAY 10  
FEB 9  
FEB 11

Breakfast at hotel  
Free morning to explore Sapporo. Last chance for shopping and dining!  
Meet guide in afternoon, transfer to New Chitose Airport  
Shopping at airport, then depart for HNL via Haneda on Japan Airlines