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# KUSHIRO, ABASHIRI, SHIRETOKO and AKAN NATIONAL PARK

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"YOKOSO" means "welcome"

Blessed with four distinctive seasons, Hokkaido lies closer to the equator than some of the world's largest cities such as Paris, London, Munich, Rome and Montreal. The island occupies 22.1% of national territory and is 38.2 times the size of metropolitan Tokyo. Featuring a wealth of national parks and quasi-national parks, Hokkaido's rich natural environment includes exceptionally transparent lakes and vast marshland. In particular, eastern Hokkaido offers Kushiro Shitsugen

(Marshland) National Park, Lake Mashu, Lake Akan and the easternmost peninsula of Shiretoko from which Nature's splendor can be enjoyed. Winter in eastern Hokkaido starts around Nov. and lasts until May.

The drift ice of the Sea of Okhotsk is a winter tourist attraction. It seldom snows in the Kushiro Marshland on the Pacific coast but the temperature often drops to  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## Access:

### By Air

To	From	Operated by	Time required	Fare (¥)
Memambetsu	Tokyo (Haneda)	JAL, ADO	1 hr. 40 – 45 min.	37,700 (JAL) 31,200 (ADO)
	Nagoya (Chubu*)	ANA	1 hr. 55 min.	40,400
	Osaka (Kansai)	JAL, ANA	2 hrs. 5 min.	44,400
	Sapporo (New Chitose)	JAL	45 min.	19,600
Kushiro	Tokyo (Haneda)	JAL, ANA	1 hr. 35 min.	35,700
	Nagoya (Chubu*)	JAL	1 hr. 45 min.	38,900
	Osaka (Kansai)	JAL	2 hrs.	42,400
	Sapporo (New Chitose)	HAC	45 min.	18,100
Nemuro (Nakashibetsu)	Tokyo (Haneda)	ANA	1 hr. 40 min.	37,700
	Sapporo (New Chitose)	ANA	45 min.	20,250

\* Central Japan International Airport (Centrair).

Buses to Abashiri and Kitami are available from Memambetsu Airport Terminal.

"Akan-Mashu-Kokuritsu-Koen-sen" Bus operates between Memambetsu Airport and Lake Akan, stopping at major places of interest in between.

### By Train

To	From	Type of Train	Time required	Fare (¥)
Abashiri	Sapporo	JR Limited Express "Okhotsk"	5 hrs. 25 min. – 5 hrs. 32 min.	9,640
Obihiro		JR Limited Express "Tokachi", "Super Tokachi", "Super Ozora", "Marimo"	2 hrs. 11 min. – 4 hrs. 9 min.	7,020
Kushiro		JR Limited Express "Super Ozora", "Marimo"	3 hrs. 39 min. – 6 hrs. 40 min.	9,120
Memambetsu		JR Limited Express "Okhotsk"	5 hrs. 10 min. – 5 hrs. 17 min.	9,640
Nemuro	Kushiro	JR Nemuro Line (local train)	2 hrs. 04 min. – 2 hrs. 31 min.	2,420
Shiretoko-shari		JR Semmo Line (local train)	2 hrs. 14 min. – 2 hrs. 32 min.	2,730

### By Express Bus

To	From	Type of Bus	Time required	Fare (¥)
Abashiri	Sapporo	"Dreamint Okhotsk"	5 hrs. 50 min. – 6 hrs. 20 min.	6,210
Bihoro			5 hrs. 10 min. – 5 hrs. 40 min.	5,600
Kitami			4 hrs. 30 min. – 5 hrs.	5,190
Nemuro		"Aurora"	8 hrs. 25 min.	6,630

## Places of Interest:

### *Kushiro City*

Kushiro, with a population of about 193,000, is the largest city in Eastern Hokkaido. It is known as a base for deep-sea fishing and also as being a "foggy town". Kushiro is a stepping-off point for tourist spots in eastern Hokkaido like Shiretoko and Akan. Kushiro's popular tourist spots include Washo Market and Kushiro Fisherman's Wharf where you can eat, drink, shop, relax and enjoy yourself.

#### ① Washo Market (和商市場)

3-min. walk from JR Kushiro Sta. This market located in front of Kushiro Station was reopened in Mar. 1999 following its restoration. There are as many as 60 shops selling fresh seafood such as saury, hairy crab, salmon, shishamo (a kind of smelt), scallop and seaweed. You can see crabs moving about in water tanks. Open: 8:00–18:00. Closed: Sun.

#### ② Kushiro Fisherman's Wharf MOO (釧路フィッシャーメンズワーフMOO)

15-min. walk from JR Kushiro Sta. A popular multi-purpose complex standing beside Nusamai Bridge. Everything is fun to do here from shopping to eating and drinking. The entire building is covered with glass in which there is an all-season botanical garden called EGG. Open: shopping zone: 10:00–19:00 (9:00–19:00, Jul.–Aug.), restaurants: 11:00–22:00. Closed: Jan. 1.

#### ③ Nusamai Bridge (幣舞橋)

15-min. walk from JR Kushiro Sta., it is this city's symbol spanning Kushiro River. Erected on the bridge railings are four bronze statues—maidens of the four seasons created by four well-known Japanese sculptors.

### *Around Kushiro*

#### ④ Kushiro Shitsugen (Marshland) National Park (釧路湿原国立公園)

40 min. by bus from JR Kushiro Sta. The nation's newest national park—designated in July 1987—stretches over several municipalities including the city and town of Kushiro. Measuring and occupying 26,861ha, 10 km east-west by 35 km north-south, this is Japan's largest marshland. It is a natural paradise inhabited by over 2,000 species of animals and plants. The park has several observatories with the most popular being Hosooka observatory (10-min. walk from JR Kushiro Shitsugen Sta.). On a clear day you can see all the way to the northern edge of the marshland, Shari Peak, and to the northwest, the Akan Mountain Range.

#### ⑤ Cape Kiritappu (霧多布岬)

25 min. by bus from JR Hamanaka Sta., it is officially called Cape Tofutsu. From the lighthouse standing on the tip, you can see the Ainu-Kubiwa rock as well as the magnificent ocean view.

#### ⑥ Tsurui Dosanko Ranch (鶴居どさんこ牧場)

50 min. by bus from JR Kushiro Sta. and 40-min. walk from Tsurumidai Bus Stop (a public pickup bus is available: free, reservation required). You can ride a horse or hike to enjoy the natural splendor of the Kushiro Marshland. Open: 9:00–17:00. Closed: Dec. 31–Jan. 3.

#### ⑦ Cape Aikappu (愛冠岬)

7 min. by bus bound for Kiritappu from JR Akkeshi Sta. Representative sightseeing spot in the town of Akkeshi. The islands Daikokujima and Kojima, famous for their wild seals, can be seen just offshore. The "bell of love" called Bell Arch on the cape is popular among young couples.

### *Nemuro City*

The long and narrow Nemuro Peninsula divides the Pacific Ocean and the Sea of Okhotsk. Nemuro is Hokkaido's easternmost city. Right in front of Cape Nosappu lie the Kurile Islands. Nemuro is a small provincial town with a population of 31,000. Most appealing about Nemuro is

the rich natural environment surrounding it. The southwestern part of the peninsula is resplendent with verdant woods, scores of lakes, swamps and marshlands, and beautiful coastlines.

### *Abashiri City*

#### ⑧ Hokkaido Museum of Northern Peoples (北海道立北方民族博物館)

15 min. by bus from JR Abashiri Sta. A very rare type of museum dealing with northern ethnic groups of Greenland, Scandinavia, and others. State-of-the-art equipment including "Magic Vision". Open: 9:00–17:00 (Jul.–Sep.), 9:30–16:30 (Oct.–Jun.). Closed: Mon. (the following day when Mon. falls on national holiday), Dec. 4–7 and Dec. 29–Jan. 3. Admission: ¥450.

#### ⑨ Abashiri Prison Museum (博物館網走監獄)

10 min. by bus from JR Abashiri Sta. Located halfway up Mt. Tento, is the original Abashiri Prison building—used as a prison until 1984—that has been moved and opened as a museum. Open: Daily 8:00–18:00 (Apr.–Oct.), 9:00–17:00 (Nov.–Mar.). Enter 1 hour before closing. Admission: ¥1,050.

<http://www.kangoku.jp/world/index.htm>

#### ⑩ Okhotsk Ryu-hyo (drift ice) Museum (オホーツク流氷館)

12 min. by bus from JR Abashiri Sta. A science museum adjoins Tentozan Observatory. A permanent display of real drift ice is maintained. One room enables you to experience drift ice and another room features a three-screen super-wide-vision theater. Open: 8:00–18:00 (Apr.–Oct.), 9:00–16:30 (Nov.–Mar.). Closed: Dec. 29–Jan. 5. Admission: ¥520.

#### ⑪ Kitahama Station (北浜駅)

20 min. by JR Semmo Line from Abashiri Sta. The station in the film, Abashiri Bangaichi, was modeled on Kitahama and Mokoto Stations. The inside walls of Kitahama Sta. are covered with stamps and name cards pasted on by travelers. A tearoom sits next to the station.

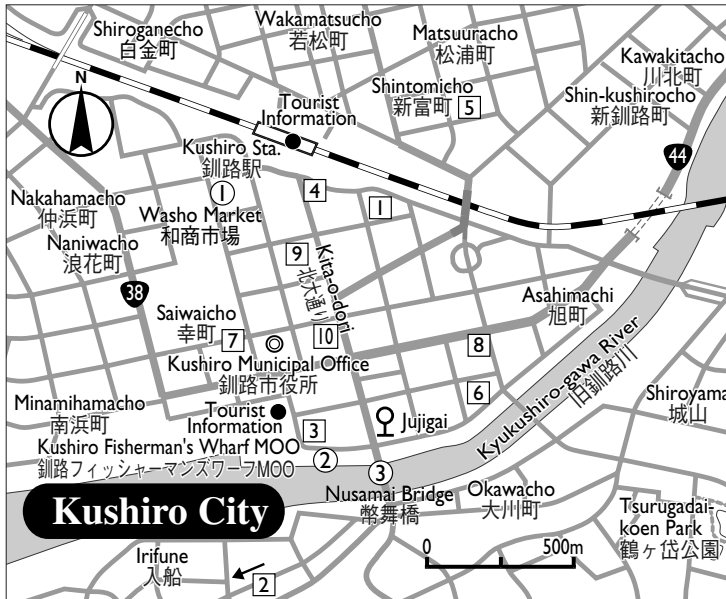
#### ⑫ Sightseeing Icebreaker "Aurora" (流氷観光砕氷船・おーろら号)

10 min. by taxi from JR Abashiri Sta., it departs from Abashiri Port. This cruise ship moves forward by breaking the 80-cm.-thick drift ice in front of it. During the one-hour cruise you might see wild eagles and seals. Operating period: Jan. 20–1st Sun. of Apr. Fare: ¥3,000.

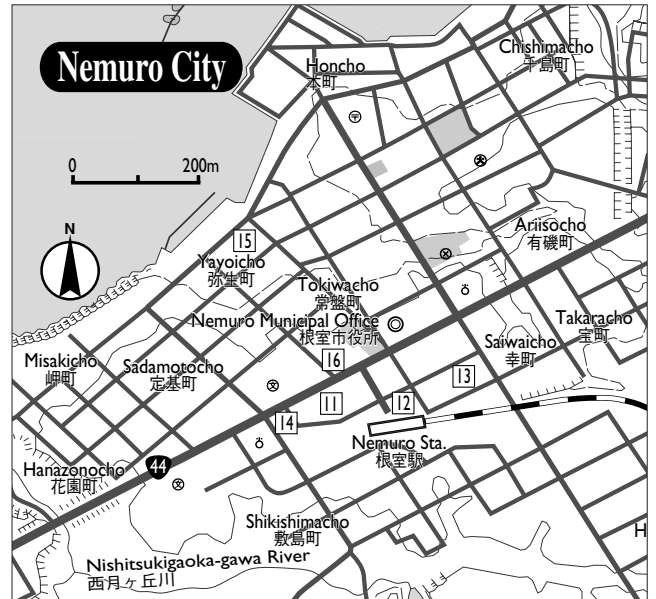
### *Vicinity of Abashiri City*

#### ⑬ Lake Saroma (サロマ湖)

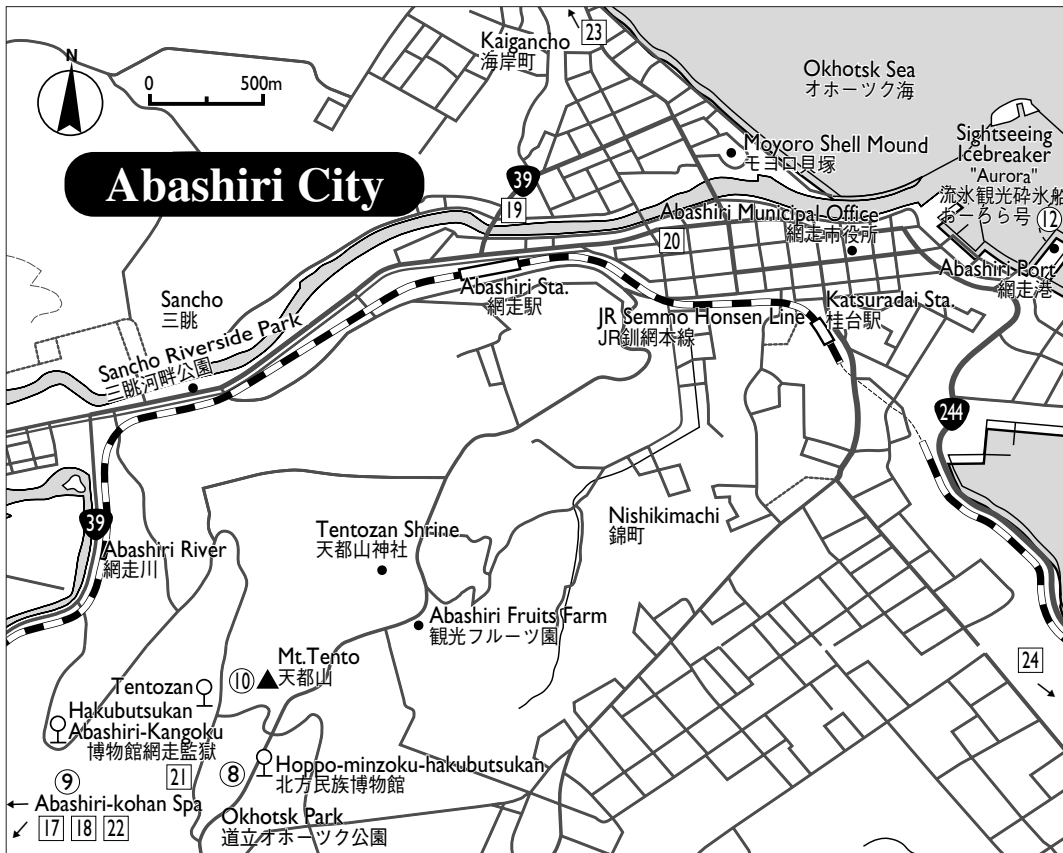
1 hr. by bus from JR Abashiri Sta. to Saromako-Sakaeura Bus Stop at the northeastern shore of the lake. The largest lake in Hokkaido and the third largest in Japan. The sunset viewed from the coast of the Sea of Okhotsk is breathtaking.



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**Sightseeing Bus Tours:**

**New-Pirika-go (by Akan Bus)**

(Stops at: Lake Akan, Lake Mashu, Lake Kussharo and Kushiro Marshland Observatory, etc.)  
 Operating Season: May-Oct. Fare: ¥5,800

Departure Time: 8:00 (JR Kushiro Sta.)  
 Time required: 9 hrs. 45 min. Tel. (0154)37-2221 (Reservation required)

**Shiretoko Roman Fureai-go (by Shari Bus)**

(Stops at: Shiretoko Pass, Kamuiwakka Falls, Shiretoko 5 Lakes, etc.)  
 Operating Season: Apr. 28-Oct. 31. Fare: ¥1,640 from Shari (1 hr.), ¥2,740 from Utoro (4 hr. 05 min.)

Departure Time: 8:40 (Shari Bus Terminal) or 9:50 (Utoro Onsen Bus Terminal). Tel. (01522)3-2451 (Reservation required)

**“Akan-Mashu-Kokuritsu-Koen-sen” Bus (by Akan Bus)**

(Stops at: Memambetsu Airport, Bihoro Sta., Bihoro Pass, Wakoto Peninsula, Sunayu, Kawayu Spa, Mt. Iou, Kawayu Sta., Observatory No. 1 at Lake Mashu, Lake Akan, etc.)

Daily runs: 1 (9:35: Abashiri Sta. – 18:55: Abashiri Sta.)

Fare: ¥4,900 (For the entire trip)

Departure time (From Memambetsu Airport): 10:00. The bus stops for 10-20 min. in major bus stops for passengers to look around the area. There are bus departures from Lake Akan as well. (Reservation not required)

## Akan National Park

### Lake Mashu (摩周湖):

Take the JR Semmo Honsen line and get off at Mashu Sta. Lake Mashu prides itself as being the world's most transparent lake. It features the most beautiful transparent emerald-colored surface that changes moment by moment. The Ainu people have revered this lake as the "lake of the gods" from ancient times. You cannot go down to the lakeshore, but you can enjoy a splendid view from the 3 observatories. Another special feature of this lake is that it is always covered with mist, thereby also being called "Misty Lake Mashu". Near Lake Mashu is Mashu Hot-spring Spa.

#### ⑭ Observatory No. 1 at Lake Mashu (摩周湖第一展望台)

15 min. by "Akan-Mashu-Kokuritsu-Koen-sen" Bus from Mashu Sta. Bus stop. Get off at Mashu-ko Dai-ichi Tembodai Bus Stop. On the observatory at the south side of Mashu Lake, is a souvenir center. To the right is Kamuinupuri (Mashu Peak) and in the center of the lake is Kamuishsu Island.

#### ⑮ Observatory No. 3 at Lake Mashu (摩周湖第三展望台)

5 min. by "Akan-Mashu-Kokuritsu-Koen-sen" Bus from Observatory No. 1 at Lake Mashu. Get off at Mashu-ko Dai-san Tembodai Bus Stop. At this observatory, visited by few people, you can see a sea of clouds high above the horizon.

### Lake Akan (阿寒湖):

2 hrs. by Akan Bus bound for Akanko Bus Terminal from Kushiro Sta. Lake Akan sits in a resplendent natural setting surrounded by Meakan Peak and Oakan Peak running from east to west. Marimo (a type of green seaweed), considered to be the nation's commemorative plant, exists here. There are 4 islands in the lake, and from the end of May to mid Nov., there are lake cruises on the lake. On the southern lakeshore is Akanko Spa Town, a prominent tourist destination.

#### ⑯ Ainu Kotan in the Akan Lakeside Hokkaido (阿寒湖アイヌコタン)

15 min. walk from Akanko Bus Stop. In the largest Ainu village located just outside hot-spring village toward the west are about 36 houses in which reside about 200 people. On the west side of the village street are about 30 souvenir shops crammed shoulder to shoulder. Traditional Ainu dances, which have been designated as important intangible cultural assets, can be seen in the Onne-Chise (very big house) in the center of the Kotan. There are also places where you can take pictures wearing traditional Ainu costumes.

#### Lake Akan Boat Cruise (阿寒湖観光遊覧船)

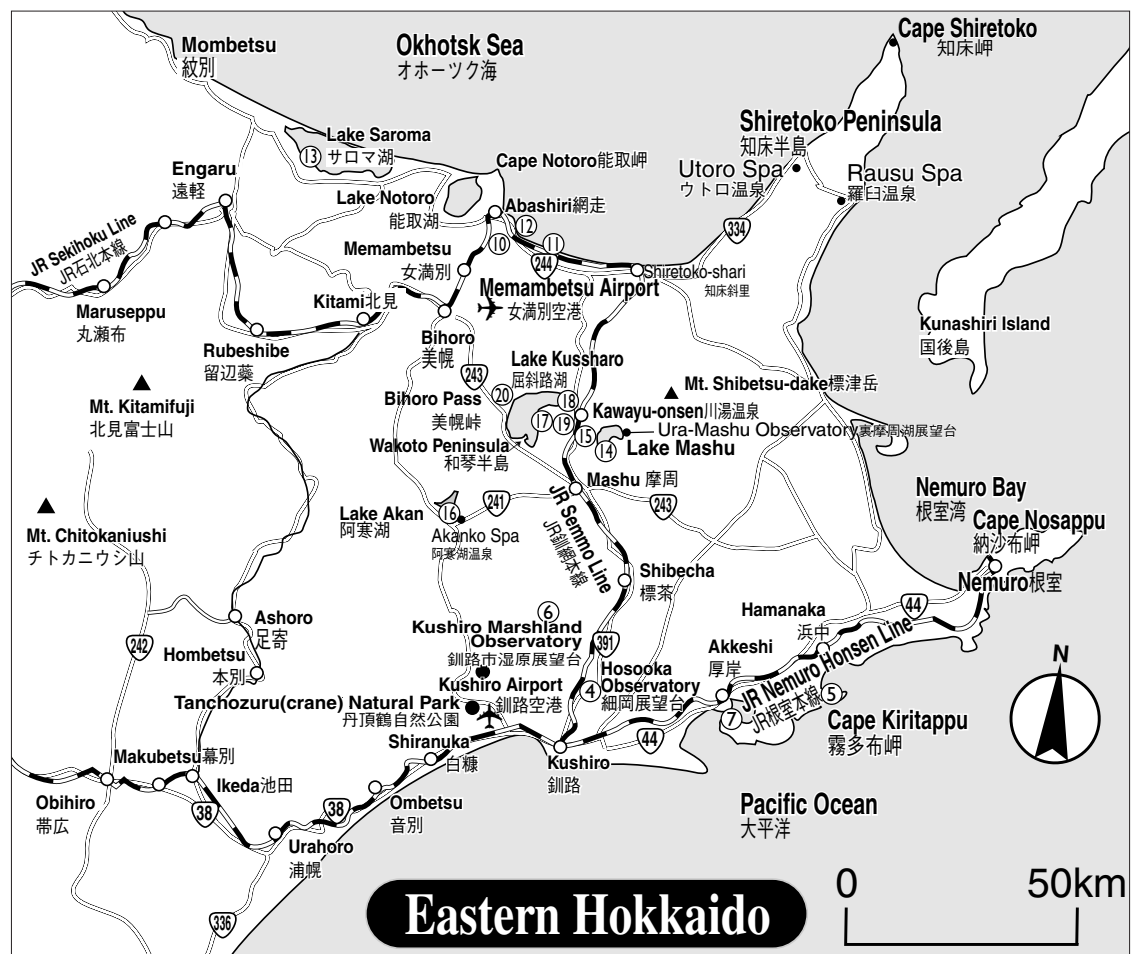
You can enjoy the great view of Lake Akan from the boat. The boat cruises around a number of tourist sites. Fare: ¥1,220. Time required: 1 hr. Operating season: May 1–Nov. 15.

### Lake Kussharo (屈斜路湖):

40 min. from Kawayu-eki-dori Bus Stop (near Kawayu-Onsen Sta.) by the Akan Bus, get off at Sunayu Bus Stop. This is a crater lake with a circumference of 57 km. There is also a central island floating on the lake with a circumference of 12 km. This is Hokkaido's largest fresh water lake, and is second to Lake Saroma among lakes in the prefecture. On the eastern cliff there are outdoor baths.

#### ⑰ Sunayu Hot Springs (砂湯温泉)

As one of the most luxurious destinations, this is a very popular outdoor bathing site on the shores of lake Kussharo. As there are too many tourists already using the ready-made bathtubs, the best thing to do is to go as far as back as possible, dig your own hole, and make your own bathtub. Don't forget to bring your own bucket and shovel so that you can adjust the temperature with your shovel and lake water.



⑱ **Kawayu Hot Springs** (川湯温泉)

10 min. by bus from JR Kawayu-Onsen Sta. bound for Kawayu Hot-spring Spa. Get off at the terminus. This is a hot-spring town located northeast of Lake Kussharo. The spring quality is of strong sulphuric hydrogen, which is rare in Hokkaido, and it acts as an antibacterium. It is especially effective against athletes foot and skin disorders.

⑲ **Mt. Iou** (硫黄山)

5 min. by Akan Bus from Kawayu-eki-dori Bus Stop (near Kawayu-Onsen Sta.). Get off at Iou-zan Bus Stop. Mt. Iou is a slightly elevated active volcano 574m above sea level, located south of Kawayu Spa. In Ainu language it is called Atosanupuri (which means "Naked Mountain") and it erupted about 600 years ago. At the foot of the mountain there is a group of azaleas. From mid Jun. to mid Jul., the pure white flowers are in their full glory.

⑳ **Bihoro Pass** (美幌峠)

1 hr. 50 min. by Akan Bus from Kawayu-eki-dori Bus Stop. Get off at Bihoro Toge Bus Stop. From the 525-m observatory, you can have a splendid view of Lake Kussharo on which Nakajima Island floats. If the weather is clear, you can also see Lake Mashu and Shari Peak.

## Shiretoko Peninsula

The rising mountains of Shiretoko is home to the cliffs and waterfalls, species of seabirds and sea kelp fish. The entire peninsula is designated as a national park, and the interior of which is said to be an unexplored primeval forest. This peninsula was designated as the World Heritage in 2005.

㉑ **Utoro** (ウトロ)

Located on the west coast of Shiretoko Peninsula, Utoro serves a base to explore untouched places such as Kamuiwakka Hot Waterfall and the Shiretoko Five Lakes. Utoro is a hot-spring town and there are about 25 Japanese inns, hotels and Minshuku.

㉒ **Kamuiwakka Hot Waterfall** (カムイワッカ湯の滝)

1 hr. by Shari Bus bound for Kamuiwakka-yu-no-taki Bus Stop from Utoro Onsen Bus Terminal (operated from Jul. 13 to Sep. 20), get off at the terminus and a 30-min. walk upstream. When you go up the river, you will notice that the basin of the waterfall has been made into an outdoor hot spring. This waterfall is a natural hot spring, which comes from inside Mt. Iou.

㉓ **Oshin-Koshin Falls** (オシンコシンの滝)

42 min. by Shari Bus for Utoro Spa from Shiretoko-Shari Sta. Get off at Oshin-koshin-no-taki Bus Stop. Shiretoko's largest waterfall with a height of 80 m was chosen as one of Japan's best 100 waterfalls.

㉔ **Shiretoko Sightseeing Boat "Aurora"** (知床観光船おーら)

It sails along the west coast of Shiretoko Peninsula and continues below the cliffs. Sights that cannot be seen from land can be enjoyed on Shiretoko's sightseeing boat, the Aurora. Shiretoko Cape Course (Jun.-Sep.): Duration: 3 hrs. 45 min. Fare: ¥6,000 (1 tour a day). Mt. Iou Course (Apr. 28-Oct. 22): Duration: 1 hr. 30 min. Fare: ¥2,700 (4-5 tours a day). 10-min. walk from Utoro Onsen Bus Stop to the pier.

㉕ **Shiretoko Five Lakes** (知床五湖)

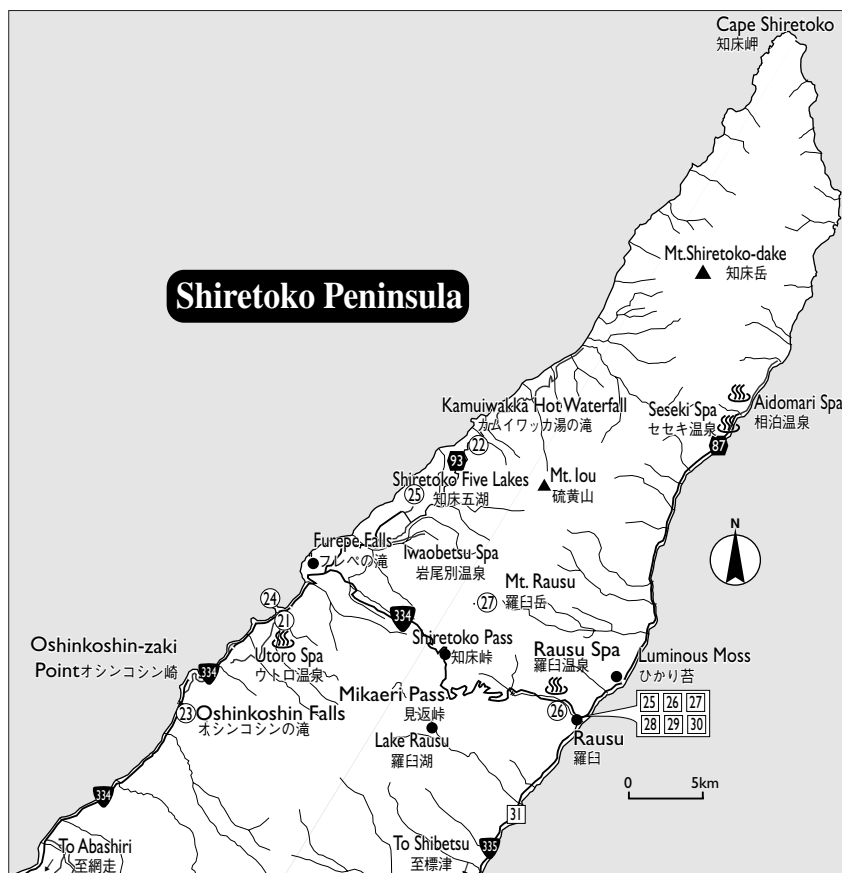
30 min. by Shari Bus bound for Shiretoko-Goko from Utoro Onsen Bus Terminal which is operated from late April to the end of November. Shiretoko Five Lakes are located in an untouched primeval forest. Taking approx. 1-hr. walk to complete the walk, it is a popular spot where a mysterious landscape unfolds every season. Open: 7:30-18:00. Closed: End of Nov.- mid Apr. Admission : Free.

㉖ **Rausu** (羅臼)

Rausu, located on the east coast of Shiretoko Peninsula, is reached in 3 hrs. 50 min. by bus from Kushiro Sta., or 50 min. by bus from Utoro, which operates from mid-June to mid-October. Shiretoko Crossroad, which is closed during winter, connects Rausu with Utoro. This is a port town famous for its Rausu sea kelp. Here you can enjoy fresh seafood and king crab. The outdoor baths and hot springs in Aidomari and Seseki offer a pastoral perfect setting. Aidomari is the terminus of the route stretching across the eastern coast along the Nemuro Strait from Rausu.

㉗ **Mt. Rausu** (羅臼岳)

10-min. walk from Rausu Onsen Bus Stop to the beginning of the mountain trail. Mt. Rausu, the highest peak in the Shiretoko Mountains Range with an altitude of 1,661m, is known as Shiretoko's Mt. Fuji. At the end of July, you can see alpine plants in full bloom. From the summit, you have a 360° panoramic view, in which you can clearly see as far as Kunashiri Island.



**Accommodations:**

Name of facilities	Tel.	Fax.	Room rate (¥)
<b>Kushiro City</b>			
① Ekimae Hotel Palude Kushiro (H)	(0154)22-3111	(0154)22-3116	¥
② Kushiro Seaside Hotel (H)	(0154)41-1717	(0154)41-2306	¥¥
③ ANA Hotel Kushiro (H)	(0154)31-4111	(0154)24-8640	¥¥¥
④ Kushiro Tokyu Inn (H)	(0154)22-0109	(0154)24-5498	¥¥
⑤ Kushiro Park Hotel (BH)	(0154)22-6535	(0154)22-6564	¥
⑥ Kushiro Pacific Hotel (H)	(0154)24-8811	(0154)23-9191	¥¥
⑦ Kushiro Prince Hotel (H)	(0154)31-1111	(0154)31-1202	¥¥¥
⑧ Kushiro Central Hotel (BH)	(0154)23-3311	(0154)23-6433	¥
⑨ Super Hotel Kushiro (BH)	(0154)24-9000	(0154)24-9100	¥
⑩ Toyoko Inn Kushiro Juji-gai (BH)	(0154)23-1045	(0154)23-1046	¥
<b>Nemuro City</b>			
⑪ Hotel New Nemuro (BH)	(0153)24-4141	(0153)24-1271	¥
⑫ Ebisuya (M)	(0153)24-5743	(0153)24-5743	¥
⑬ Nemuro Grand Hotel (H)	(0153)24-6611	(0153)23-3593	¥¥
⑭ East Harbor Hotel (BH)	(0153)24-1515	(0153)24-0835	¥
⑮ Nemuro Green Hotel (BH)	(0153)24-7711	(0153)24-7722	¥
⑯ Azuma Ryokan (R)	(0153)23-2134	(0153)24-7973	¥¥

Name of facilities	Tel.	Fax.	Room rate (¥)
<b>Abashiri City</b>			
⑰ Abashiri Grand Hotel (R)	(0152)48-3211	(0152)48-3220	¥¥
⑱ Abashiri Kanko Hotel (R)	(0152)48-2121	(0152)48-2124	¥¥
⑲ Abashiri Royal Hotel (H)	(0152)43-1888	(0152)43-4305	¥¥
⑳ Abashiri Central Hotel (H)	(0152)44-5151	(0152)43-5177	¥¥¥
㉑ Abashiri View Park Resort (H)	(0152)44-2211	(0152)44-2220	¥
㉒ Motoyoshi (R)	(0152)48-2241	(0152)48-2252	¥
㉓ Ryuhyo no Oka (Y)	(0152)43-8558	(0152)43-8558	¥
㉔ Abashiri Genseikaen (Y)	(0152)46-2630	(0152)46-2630	¥
<b>Rausu Spa in Shiretoko Peninsula</b>			
㉕ Hotel Minenoyu (H)	(0153)87-3001	(0153)87-3025	¥¥
㉖ Rausu Dai-ichi Hotel (R)	(0153)87-2259	(0153)87-2277	¥¥
㉗ Shiretoko Kanko Hotel (R)	(0153)87-2181	(0153)87-3044	¥
㉘ Hotel Sakaeya (BH)	(0153)87-2171	(0153)87-5017	¥
㉙ Business Hotel Isaribi (BH)	(0153)87-2533	(0153)87-2641	¥
㉚ Takashimaya Ryokan (R)	(0153)87-2191	(0153)87-2191	¥
㉛ Rausu no yado Marumi (M)	(0153)88-1313	(0153)88-2128	¥¥

**Remarks:**

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- H =Hotel Rate for a twin room.  
R =Ryokan Rate per person.  
BH =Business Hotel Rate per person.  
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3-3 Saiwai-cho, Kushiro City, Hokkaido

Open: 9:00–19:00. Closed: Dec.31–Jan.5 Tel. (0154)31-1993

**(JR Kushiro Station)**

Open: 9:00–17:30. Closed: Dec.31–Jan.5 Tel. (0154)22-8294

**(Kushiro Airport)**

Open: 9:00–17:00 (Nov.–Jun.), 9:00–20:00 (Jul.–Oct.)

Tel. (0154)57-8304

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