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## Hokkaido Spring Flower Festivals

### \*\*Shibazakura + Tulip + Lilac + More...\*\*

Cities covered: Chitose, Tokachigawa, Abashiri  
Asahikawa, Takikawa, Sunagawa, Otaru, & Sapporo

Sapporo Lilac Festival

Price per person:

**\$ 4,288**

Travel Dates (11 Days): May 12 – 22, 2026

Incl. Tax & Fuel Surcharge Single Supp: \$ 1150

### Tour Package Includes:



- \* International Flight from HONOLULU by **JAPAN AIRLINES**
- \* Deluxe Hotel Accommodations (based on double occupancy)
- \* Admissions and **17** Meals as Stated
- \* Natural Hot Springs Ryokan (**4** Nights)
- \* The **68<sup>th</sup>** Sapporo Lilac Festival
- \* A Rare Spring Flower in Hokkaido – Shibazakura
- \* Tulip Fair - Kamiyubetsu Park
- \* Iwamizawa Canola Flower Fields
- \* Nijo Fish Market – Fresh Fish
- \* Hand-on Activity – Music Box DIY
- \* Local Special Meals Included:
  - Hokkaido Crab Feast
  - Japanese Kaiseki
- \* Gratuity for Local Tour Guides & Drivers

**FREE**  
Use of  
Wireless  
Tour Guide System



Higashimokoto Shibazakura Park



Kamiyubetsu Park – Tulip

**Day 1\*\*May 12****Honolulu → Chitose**

We begin our journey by boarding an international flight to **Hokkaido**, Japan's second largest island and northernmost prefecture and island. Meals and snacks will be served on the plane.

**Day 2\*\*May 13****Chitose**

Upon arrival at New Chitose International Airport in Sapporo, we will meet with an Air and Sea Travel representative who will escort us and walk to our hotel in Chitose.

**Day 3\*\*May 14****Chitose — Tokachigawa ♨****( B, L, D )**

After breakfast, we will make our way to **Tokachigawa**. It is a famous onsen town has its source on the bank of the Tokachi River in Otofuke Town at the center of the Tokachi Plains. First, we will transfer to **Yuni Garden**. We can enjoy the colorful garden in spring, summer and autumn in Hokkaido. In spring, we can see Cat Mint, Thyme Longikauris, Nanohana and Crab apple. After lunch, we will transfer to **Sahoro Bear Mountain**. The brown bear is the largest land animal in Japan, inhabiting only in Hokkaido. Unlike in a zoo or in a bear reserve, here you can see them living in a real forest. Then, we will transfer to our onsen hotel in **Tokachigawa**. Tonight, we will enjoy a **Buffet Dinner** at the hotel.

**Day 4\*\*May 15****Tokachigawa ♨****( B, D )**

After breakfast, we will visit **Ryugetsu Sweetpia Garden**, a popular confectionery company that originated in Obihiro city. Ryugetsu Co., Ltd. received the 1st Excellent Company Award from the Governor of Hokkaido in 2005. We can see the production line from the second floor as we tour the factory. We can also **decorate our own cookie** here. After that, we will stop by **Aeon Mall Obihiro** for some shopping and enjoy our own lunch. After that, we will visit and see the **Boya Farm Sheep Dog Show**. Stop at the **Ikeda Wine Castle** to take a tour of the winery and taste a few of their products. After that, we will return to our hotel and enjoy our dinner.

**Day 5\*\*May 16****Tokachigawa — Lake Akan — Abashiri ♨****( B, L, D )**

Today, we will transfer to Abashiri. Our first stop Akan National Park to see **Lake Akan** (Akanko), a beautiful crater lake and one of the clearest lakes in the world. It is home to marimo, a rare algae species that forms itself into beautiful green balls. We will take a sightseeing cruise ride to enjoy the beautiful scenery of the lake. After lunch, we will transfer to the largest **Ainu Village (Ainu Kotan)** in Hokkaido. We will visit **Onne Cise**, an art museum of the Lake Akan Ainu that preserves tradition while creating new culture. **Okhotsk Ryuhyo Museum** which is famous for its permanent display of drift ice for tourists to see and touch. A simulated drift ice environment will allow us to experience what negative 15 degrees Celsius feels like. The four seasons of Okhotsk can be seen in a HI-vision theater. If weather permits, we might see the **Sea of Okhotsk** from afar. Tonight, we will transfer to Abashiri, a city abundant with seasonal seafood available throughout the year. Tonight's dinner features the **Abashiri Kaiseki**. After dinner, we can relax at the **Hot Spring** tonight.

**Day 6\*\*May 17****Abashiri ♨****( B, D )**

We start our morning by driving for flower viewing. Our first stop is **Higashimokoto Shibazakura Park**. What is Shibazakura? Shiba means "lawn" and Zakura means "sakura" (cherry blossom). It is cherry blossoms that lie on the ground, which is different from viewing traditional Japanese cherry blossoms on trees. The Shibazakura of Higashimokoto comes in a variety of colors. Although light pink shibazakura dominates most of the areas of the hillside, there are also white, light purple and red moss phloxes. The first thing that comes to our mind is a pink carpet crafted by a million moss phloxes. Then, we will go to **Marchen Hill**, the "fairy tale hill" where the fields that line the gentle hills draw a beautiful rural landscape every season, and the view point where the idyllic landscape of the fields and the sky is impressive. **The Hokkaido Museum of Northern Peoples** introduces the culture and traditional everyday life of the peoples inhabiting the northern, subarctic regions of the globe, including the Ainu, the First Nations people of northern Canada, the Inuit, the Sami and the Siberian peoples. The museum covers topics such as clothing, food, transport, dwellings and the spiritual world with many exhibits, illustrating the differences and many similarities between the various peoples. There is also a corner on Okhotsk Culture. We will return to our hotel after a whole day tour.

**Day 7\*\*May 18****Abashiri — Asahikawa****( B, D )**

After breakfast, we will transfer to **Kamiyubetsu Park** where 200 varieties of colorful tulips vividly bloom in the vast 17 acre garden. From May 1 to early June every year, when late spring comes to the Okhotsk area, the Tulip Fair is held in the park, attracting many tourists. Then, we will make our way to Asahikawa, the second-largest city in Hokkaido, after Sapporo. Upon arrival, we will stop at **Asahikawa Ramen Village** and enjoy some Ramen on our own. Then, we will stop at the **Otokoyama Sake Brewery & Museum**. Otokoyama is a well-known sake brand both within Japan and worldwide. The museum comprehensively covers the rich sake brewing heritage, as well as the ancient sake-related literature and art. Enjoy some Sake Tasting and the special gift shop. We will check-in our hotel near Asahikawa Station, and enjoy our dinner after.

**Day 8\*\*May 19****Asahikawa — Takikawa — Asahikawa****( B )**

This morning, we will make our way to **Takikawa's Canola flower fields**. "Nanohana" is the word for Canola flowers in Japanese. We can enjoy the endless bright yellow blooms here. Then, we will transfer **Asahiyama Zoo**, home to 700 animals representing 124 different species. It is the first facility in Japan to successfully breed in captivity, animals that live in cold regions, such as polar bears, Amur leopards, and Scops owls. Afterward, we will return to our hotel and enjoy our own dinner in the Asahikawa Station. **Asahikawa Station** is the central train station for Asahikawa. Apart from its spanking new interior, the station complex boasts various facilities such as a post office, souvenir shops, a tourist information center and even art galleries. We will enjoy our own browsing or shopping at this busy train station area.

**Day 9\*\*May 20****Asahikawa — Sunagawa — Sapporo****( B, D )**

We will transfer this morning from Asahikawa to Sapporo via **Sunagawa**. **Sunagawa Highway Oasis**, is not just a stop along the way, but a destination unto itself where we can find many local products such as Hokkaido Pumpkin Seed Cookies. Upon arrival Sapporo, we will visit **Nijo Market**, is a public market in central Sapporo that occupies about one city block. Both locals and tourists visit the market to shop for fresh local produce and seafood such as crabs, salmon eggs, sea urchin and various fresh and prepared fish. We can enjoy our own lunch here. Sapporo is known as a festival city because many different festivals are held here. Many locals eagerly look forward to **The Sapporo Lilac Festival** because it marks the end of a long winter and the start of a warmer season when they can enjoy strolling and eating outdoors. Odori Park has about 400 lilac trees, and on the first day of the festival, lilac seedlings are given away to visitors. There is also a music festival, an outdoor tea ceremony, and a stamp rally. We will participate in this year's **68<sup>th</sup> Sapporo Lilac Festival at Odori Park**. "Odori" means "large street" in Japanese. It stretches from east to west and divides the city into northern and southern sections. Local landmarks including the Sapporo TV Tower and the Sapporo City Archive Museum are located within its boundaries. With all the shopping centers, cafes, and restaurants finding a meal is quite easy. A **Crab Feast** is arranged for our dinner before we check-in to the hotel.

**Day 10\*\*May 21****Sapporo****( B )**

After breakfast, enjoy a free day to shop around the city and eat whatever looks interesting on our own. The **Tanuki Koji Shopping Arcade**, the unique feature of this 123-year old mall is that we will find traditional merchants selling kimonos, tea or incense side-by-side with modern stores specializing in computer software or state-of-the-art electronics.

**Day 11\*\*May 22****Sapporo — Chitose → Honolulu****( B )**

After breakfast, we will visit **Royce' Cacao & Chocolate Town**. ROYCE', is a Japanese chocolate manufacturing company. The company is best known for its "nama chocolate", a form of ganache made with melted cacao and fresh cream, and dusted with fine cocoa powder. In here, we can have a chance to see the production line attached to the Royce Town Factory. In the late afternoon, we will get transferred to the New Chitose International Airport for our return flight to **Honolulu**, taking with us lasting memories of a magnificent trip to delightful Hokkaido.

*We wish you a safe journey and many wonderful memories to share with family and friends!* ☺

**B: Breakfast | L: Lunch | D: Dinner**



### Remarks:

- ✦ Fares are per person; USD based on double occupancy and includes all airline taxes and fees.
- ✦ Escorted tour with a minimum of 20 passengers
- ✦ Refer to "General Condition of Air & Sea"
- ✦ We reserve the right to modify the itinerary to ensure smooth operation
- ✦ Gratuity for Local Tour Guides and Drivers is included
- ✦ Tour price is subject to change according to any airfare increase, increase in government taxes, additional fuel charges and fluctuation of the rate of exchange between U.S. and foreign currency
- ✦ Tour price includes fuel surcharge & government taxes and fees. The tour price shown is current at time of listing and pricing on Oct 24, 2025
- ✦ It is mandatory to inform Air and Sea Travel of any existing conditions that may require medical attention or accommodations during the trip. You need to provide this information in writing in the Tour Supplemental Information section of the application. If you do not have a travel companion who can help you with your special needs, you need to talk to your agent to determine if this is an appropriate tour for you. Some tours may be too strenuous depending on your condition. Air and Sea Travel reserves the right to reject or cancel your booking. You are responsible for any cancellation penalty that this may incur.
- ✦ All travelers, regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status, are welcome to travel with us and will no longer be required to provide proof of pre-departure testing, except for specific countries where COVID-19 vaccination, testing, or additional documentation is required by law. Please visit or revisit the government site to verify the travel requirements. Fully vaccinated is recommended. Vaccines combined with multi-layered preventative health and safety measures will help us provide a safe and healthy vacation environment.
- ✦ As government regulations evolve, our health and safety protocols will evolve as needed to ensure compliance. This may mean different protocols from state to state and city to city based on local requirements.

### Payment Policy:

**CHECK OR CASH PAYMENT ONLY.** A deposit of \$350 per person is required at the time of application.

The balance is due on **Feb 2, 2026**. In the event balance payment is not made within the required time period, Air and Sea Travel Center reserves the right to cancel reservations and charge a service fee for cancellation.

### Cancellation Policy:

**Written notice is required for any cancellation. After Feb 2, 2026, The cancellation fee will be as follow:**

\*\* **Feb 3 – Mar 23, 2026**, **50%** of total price plus any other service fee caused by the cancellation;

\*\* **From Mar 24, 2026 to departure** or withdrawing during the tour shall be regarded as willingly giving up all rights concerned, **100%** of total price, and request for other services as a substitute shall not be accepted.

**\*\*We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance when you make a reservation\*\***