

## Information

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**Rumoi City** **Rumoi City Hall** ..... 0164-42-1840  
**Rumoi Tourist Association** ..... 0164-43-6817

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**Wakkanai Sightseeing Association** ..... 0162-24-1216

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**Higashikawa Town** (Asahidake Onsen, Tenminkyo Onsen) **Higashikawa Tourism Association** ..... 0166-82-3761

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Asahikawa Tourism and Local Products Information Center (English and Chinese speakers are available.)

East Concourse of JR Asahikawa Station, Miyashita-dori 8-chome 3-ban 1-go, Asahikawa ☎ 0166-26-6665

Asahikawa General Tourist Information Center(Asa Terrace)

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One-Point Notes

### Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter in Hokkaido

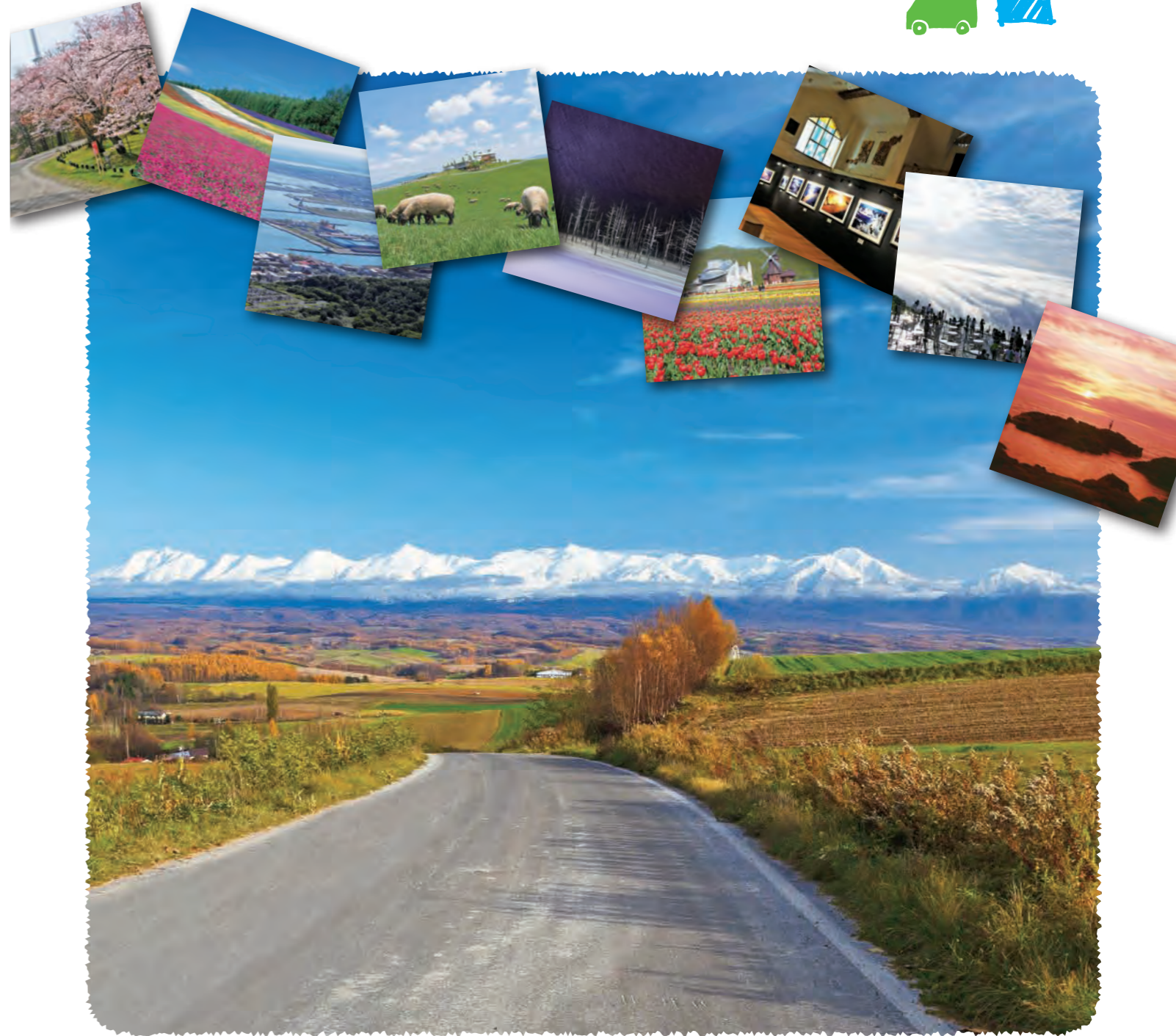
A variety of activities can be enjoyed throughout all seasons in Hokkaido, but the temperature difference between winter and summer is sometimes as much as 60°C. For this reason, it's important to bring the right clothes. Be sure to pack appropriately to get the most from your driving experience in Hokkaido.



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# drive map

NORTH HOKKAIDO  
北海道



## 北海道花めぐり Tour Around the Flowers

- Wakkanai City**  
Wakkanai Park  
Wakkanai Park, Wakkanai  
Best Season: Mid-May  
This park is located on a small hill with a commanding view of the Wakkanai area. On the way to the hill, there are approximately 800 Sargent cherry trees, and the cherry blossoms can be seen in their full glory from the hill's summit.  
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- Toyotomi Town**  
Sarobetsu Wetland Center  
Kami Sarobetsu 8662, Toyotomi-cho  
Best Season: Late May - Late September  
Various kinds of plants bloom in this marsh between spring and autumn. The day lilies here, which have several yellow flowers on a fresh-green stalk, are at their best from mid-June to mid-July.  
MAPCODE: 709 699 203
- Nayoro City**  
Sunpillar Park  
Aza Nishin 147, Nayoro  
Best Season: Early July - Mid-August  
Nayoro is known for its fields of sunflowers, which can be seen across the city. The sunflower field in this park sits on a hill with panoramic views over the city and expanses of sunflowers. It is illuminated at night, creating a spectacular sight that contrasts with its daytime appearance.  
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- Rumoi City**  
Kamuiwa Park  
Kasuga-cho, Rumoi  
Best Season: Mid-May  
At the Twenty-First-Century Cherry Blossom Hill in Kamuiwa Park, which is located in a mountain valley 5 km east of Rumoi, cherry trees are planted every spring. The cherry blossoms are at their best in the middle of May, coloring the gentle slopes pink.  
MAPCODE: 416 397 392
- Takinoue Town**  
Takinoue Park  
Motomachi, Takinoue-cho  
Best Season: Early May - Early June  
Moss phlox seedlings brought here in 1957 have grown into a 100,000-square-meter colony, creating the largest moss phlox park in Japan. During the best season of the flower, moss phloxes carpet the entire park.  
MAPCODE: 570 699 560
- Kamikawa Town**  
Daisetsu Forest Garden  
Asahigaoka, Daisetsu Kogen, Kamikawa  
Best Season: Early June - Late September  
This garden's wealth of beautiful seasonal flowers offers opportunities for enjoyment and relaxation in splendid natural surroundings, and also features a café and a restaurant. Winter activities here include snowmobiling and other outdoor pursuits on Hokkaido's renowned powder snow.  
MAPCODE: 623 459 609
- Asahikawa City**  
Asahiya Park  
Kuranuma, Higashi Asahikawa-cho, Asahikawa  
Best Season: Mid-May  
This park adjacent to Asahiya Zoo is known as one of the best places to admire cherry blossoms in bloom, thanks to its approximately 3,500 Sargent cherry trees. From the top of the hill, visitors can enjoy a fine view of Asahikawa City and the cherry blossoms.  
MAPCODE: 79 358 601
- Higashikawa Town**  
Asahidake Sugatami Area  
Asahidake Onsen, Higashikawa-cho  
Best Season: Late June - Late July  
In early summer, the sight of so many alpine plants blooming in unison might make you think you have been transported to an earthly paradise. In the middle of July, the white avens covering the slopes along the highland are especially beautiful.  
MAPCODE: 796 895 138
- Asahikawa City**  
Shikisai-no-oka  
Shinsei Daisan, Biei-cho  
Best Season: May - October  
This panoramic flower garden spreads over 7 hectares of fields and is set against the magnificent Tokachidake Mountain Range and rolling hills. Several dozen varieties of flowers bloom here from spring to autumn.  
MAPCODE: 349 701 276
- Mombetsu City**  
Lavender Field in the Okhotsk Sea Ice Park  
Motomachi, Takinoue-cho  
Best Season: Mid-July - Mid-August  
Four different kinds of lavender, totaling 17,000 plants, occupy the Okhotsk Lavender Field, dazzling visitors in summer with their vivid color and wonderful aroma.  
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- Wakkanai City**
- Toyotomi Town**
- Nayoro City**
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- Yubetsu Town**
- Rumoi City**
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- Kamikawa Town**
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Farm Tomita  
Kisen Kita 15-go, Nakafurano-cho  
Best Season: Mid-April - Mid-October  
This is the most famous lavender field in Furano, where nearly one million visitors come annually. Although the best season for the lavender is in July, the area's seven varieties of colorful striped flowerbeds also attract visitors from spring to autumn.  
MAPCODE: 349 306 079
- Kamifurano Town**  
Miyama Pass  
Kita 23-go, Nishi 9-ten, Kamifurano-cho  
Best season: Mid - Late July  
This is the gateway to Kamifurano Town when coming from Asahikawa. Lavenders and other colorful flowers and beautiful scenery extending over the hills can be observed from the pass. The area also has many places to stop for a rest and to pick up local souvenirs.  
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## 北海道映画・ドラマ 北海道探訪

### Information on Film and TV Locations

#### Hitsuji to Hagane no Mori (Forest of Wool and Steel)

(Japanese film: to be released in June 2018)

Tomura, a high school student with no aspirations for the future, meets a piano technician named Itadori at school. Sensing an aroma identical to that of the woods in his hometown in the piano tuned by Itadori, he becomes fascinated by the world of tuning and ventures into it as if it were an endlessly deep and far-reaching forest. This film was shot in Asahikawa City and Higashikawa Town. Cast: Kento Yamazaki, Ryohhei Suzuki, Tomokazu Miura and others

- Asahibashi Bridge**  
Embattled Tomura walks alone on this bridge as he makes his way home. The arch bridge, which looks just as it did when it was originally built in 1932, is registered as a Hokkaido Heritage site and is known as a photo spot in Asahikawa.  
MAPCODE: 79 403 170
- Chikabumi Station**  
An unstaffed station near Tomura's hometown, where Tomura arrives to take employment. It is popular among residents as a station along the local line to Asahikawa Station.  
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#### Kodoku no Gourmet (Solitary Gourmet)

(Drama: broadcast on January 1, 2016)

The first season of this drama began in January 2012, and this special program was broadcast as a compilation of its fifth season. Goro Inogashira, an import goods trader, has just finished business negotiations with a client. Goro hasn't eaten and is feeling famished. When he sets foot onto a backstreet, he notices a restaurant. Feeling as if he is being drawn to something, Goro enters the restaurant. This drama was filmed entirely in Asahikawa. Leading actor: Yutaka Matsushige. Guest starring: Hirofumi Honda, Yoshiko Tokoshima, Hiroyuki Morisaki, Aki Nishihara and others

- Dokushaku Sanshiro**  
Goro eats shinkoyaki (half of a young chicken grilled with a salty-sweet sauce), mushroom soup, dried herring and other dishes at this izakaya (Japanese-style pub) that also offers a wide selection of local sake.  
MAPCODE: 79 343 786\* 46
- Jiyuken**  
The Goro Set, a special set meal comprised of crab cream croquettes, deep-fried Okhotsk Alka mackerel, special miso soup and rice that Goro eats in the program, is tremendously popular with customers.  
MAPCODE: 79 373 147\* 81

#### Yurusarezarumono (Unforgiven)

(Japanese film: released in September 2013)

In Hokkaido during the early Meiji era, Jubei—a man once feared as the fiercest assassin—decides to mend his ways and never kill again. While living a quiet life with his children, Jubei is invited to join an old friend in carrying out a revenge killing to pull his family out of poverty. This film was shot on an outdoor set in Kamikawa Town. Cast: Ken Watanabe, Koichi Sato, Akira Emoto and others

- Asahigaoka**  
A vast outdoor set was established at the foot of Mt. Taietsu. Although most of the set has been dismantled, the gate of Washiro Village in Kamikawa-gun, where the film is set, and a bridge have been preserved. A monument has also been set up.  
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