

5-Day Cycling Tour to “the End of the Earth” Shiretoko



Location: Abashiri, Shari, Kiyosato, Koshimizu

Main Activity: Cycling

Difficulty: 4/5

Duration: 5 days 4 nights

Pax: Min. 4, Max. 10

Price: JPY230,000~

Highlights

- Cycle up to 144km(88miles) in total, and about 72km(44miles) a day
- Feel the drift ice and see the fisheries that are affected by global warming
- Experience various changing environments and terrains while traveling on a bicycle
- Fetch water at the Raiun Shrine, where the natural spring water of Mt. Shari originates



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Experience environmentally-friendly activities



Take a walk through the Shiretoko Goko Lakes with a local nature guide



Japan's easternmost national park “Shiretoko” and experience its nature

Overview

This once-in-a-lifetime cycling tour will take you from Abashiri City through the UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site of Shiretoko as you follow the course of the winter drift ice. The Japanese name “Shiretoko” is derived from the indigenous Ainu “Sir Etok,” meaning “the end of the earth.” Together with your local professional cycling guide, you will ride along the coast of the Sea of Okhotsk and head towards the Shiretoko peninsula. During this tour, you have a chance to immerse yourself in the local lifestyle and learn how life here is connected to the drift ice phenomenon. This ride will be a total of 144 km(88 miles) of cycling along the coast and on medium hills to Japan’s famous “End of the Earth.”

Located on the far Eastern edge of Hokkaido, the Shiretoko peninsula is registered as a UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site due to its rich nature – both in the peninsula itself and in the sea that surrounds it. In part, thanks to the drift ice, a mass of ice made of seawater gets thinned by the natural forces of the Amur River over 1000 km(621 miles) from Hokkaido. The ice carries nutrients to the sea around Shiretoko in the winter and supports the abundant nature of this region. This drift ice also creates an icy surface covering the sea in Okhotsk in the winter.

Itinerary

- Day 1 Meet your group at Memanbetsu Airport and transfer to Abashiri
- Day 2 Guided kayaking and bird watching, plus handmade pizza for lunch
- Day 3 Guided cycling from Abashiri to Kiyosato
- Day 4 Guided cycling from Kiyosato to Shiretoko
- Day 5 Transfer to Sapporo and Farewells

Meal

Day	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
1	-	-	Buffet dinner at hotel
2	At hotel	Handmade pizza made with local vegetables	BBQ dinner
3	Fresh breakfast prepared by local farmers	Popular curry dish uses plenty of local ingredients	Kaiseki Dinner at hotel
4	At hotel	Lunch at a cafe at the pottery workshop	Buffet Dinner at hotel
5	At hotel	A “food mileage zero” lunch box	-

Accommodations

Day	Area	Facility Type	Room Type	Onsen/Spa	WiFi
1	Abashiri	Hotel	Private room with Ensuite	Onsen	✓
2	Abashiri	Hotel	Private room with Ensuite	Onsen	✓
3	Kiyosato	Hotel	Private room with Ensuite	Onsen	-
4	Shiretoko	Hotel	Private room with Ensuite	Onsen	✓

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