

HAKUBA JAPAN

January 26 to February 9, 2023



Shimabashi District from Tokyo Tower

Fall Line is now offering the much anticipated, and several times delayed, trip to Japan for the 2022-23 Ski Season: The Hakuba Ski Valley located 4+ hours drive NW of Tokyo on the main island of Honshu. Host of the 1998 Nagano Winter Olympics, Hakuba Valley offers some of the best skiing in all of Japan. Everything from gentle beginner slopes to steeps, bumps and long groomers. And do you want Powder? How about an average of 10 to 11 meters (that's 32 to 36 feet)!

From gentle groomed runs to 8-km-long cruising courses, HAKUBA VALLEY has something for everyone.

Upon arriving in Tokyo from Newark International, we overnight at the Hilton Narita Airport and depart the next morning for the Hakuba Valley by tour bus. We will stay at the highly rated Hakuba Tokyu Hotel for 7 nights and 6 days skiing, with options for local tours on non ski days. We return to Tokyo to continue the adventure with a 5 night stay in the luxurious Shiba Park Hotel located in the famous Shimabashi District, close to many attractions: The Imperial Palace, Tokyo Tower, Zojoji Temple, and many others as well as unlimited dining and shopping opportunities.

- 10 ski resorts on one ski pass
- Degree of difficulty percentages for trails: Beginner 30% / Intermediate 40% / Advanced 30%
- Highest elevation: Hakuba-one 6007 feet
- Night Skiing is available at four of the resorts
- Biggest Vertical: Hakuba-one 3,514 feet
- 10 to 11 meters average snowfall (32 to 36 feet!!)
- 149 trails. Longest run 8km

Included in the Price

- Nonstop direct flights between Newark & Tokyo on United.
- All ground transportation in Japan between all hotels & the airport.
- All lodging with breakfast included each day. In Hakuba, dinner included for 3 nights of your choice, to allow exploration of the local dining scene.
- Fall Line Ski Club personal luggage tags.
- Group party!

The trip opens at the July 19, 2022 Mixer Meeting at The Taproom, 427 Crystal Lake Avenue, Haddonfield NJ 08033. The price for this incredible destination trip is \$4,129, early sign up price, and \$4,204 after August 18, 2022.

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Please Note: Japan has only recently opened to tourism in June and is taking a cautious approach at this time. Only group travel is currently permitted and requires a guide or chaperone to accompany groups on most activities. Exceptions are being made for outdoor activities like skiing, hiking. Japan is also requiring strict COVID precautions be adhered to (masking, etc.) and requires a negative PCR test prior to enter. These precautions are similar to those required of visitors to most European countries last ski season. The rules are considered to be temporary and expected to be revised, and possibly relaxed, by next ski season. The guide requirement could add to the overall costs, but could be considered an added benefit, as they would be a local person with valuable knowledge of the places we would be visiting. Not only that, but they would be able to read and speak Japanese, which we assume most of us can not do.