

# Northern Islands of Hokkaido

Do you want to go somewhere **different** this year? This new exciting itinerary explores the northern most National Park of Japan on a 5 night 6 day tour. Discover the secluded twin islands of Rishiri and Rebun, which provide wonderful playgrounds for cyclists, hikers, kayakers, flower enthusiasts and bird watchers.



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Did you know that Japan is made up of more than 6000 islands? The islands offer Japan's vibrant fishing culture and they provide wonderful outdoor playgrounds. There are 5 inhabited islands off the Hokkaido coast, and we are visiting the two islands Rishiri and Rebun on this new tour. Ayaka has been to all five and she assures they are the best!

Rishiri and Rebun Islands and Sarobetsu Wetland together make the northern most National Park of Japan, attracting cyclists, hikers, flower and bird watchers from the rest of Japan. Rishiri is almost a circular in shape, approx 50km in circumference. 25km of which are designated cycling roads, with the view of Mt Rishiri on one side and the ocean view on the other. Rebun, on the other hand is known for its great hiking. Located so high in latitude Rebun has more than 300 different species of naturally growing alpine plants. This tour has been designed so that you can combine it with the 10 day Secrets of Hokkaido June 21 departure. For those who are combining the two tours we will provide transport between tours free of charge. Combine the two trips and enjoying cycling in Hokkaido with us for 16 days!

- *Devised and researched by Ayaka, a Hokkaido local*
- *Starts and finishes in Wakkanai, the northern most town of Hokkaido*
- *Explore the Rishiri-Rebun-Sarobetsu National Park, undiscovered cycling paradise*
- *Cycle-friendly rural wide roads, including purpose built cycling lanes in Rishiri Island*
- *Spectacular hiking in Rebun Island, home to numerous alpine flowers*
- *Experience Hokkaido's fresh seafood oriental cuisines and unique onsen (Japanese style natural hot pools)*
- *Selection of comfortable accommodation: hotel, minshuku (Japanese style guest houses), ryokan (traditional Japanese inn with hot springs)*
- *Full vehicle support throughout, English speaking Japanese guides*
- *Bike rental included*



<b>DURATION</b>	5 nights, 6 days itinerary
<b>MEALS</b>	5 breakfasts, 3 dinners
<b>PRICES</b>	Trip price ¥143,900 Single Supplement ¥35,300
<b>START</b>	Wakkanai
<b>FINISH</b>	Wakkanai, after breakfast

**2010 DATES** July 2 - 7

