Adventure tourism Exploring the Nature and Culture in Hirosaki

Hirosaki City



Adventure tourism

- Connecting with Nature
- Cultural Exchange
- Activities



Hirosaki

























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01.About Hirosaki



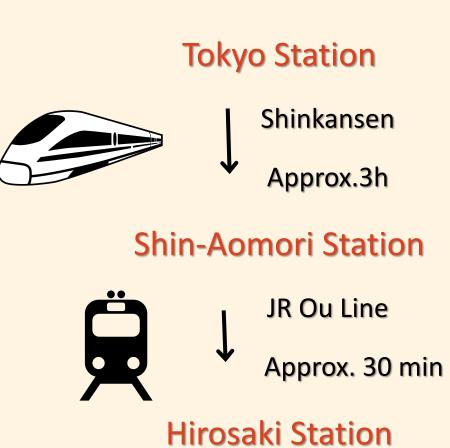
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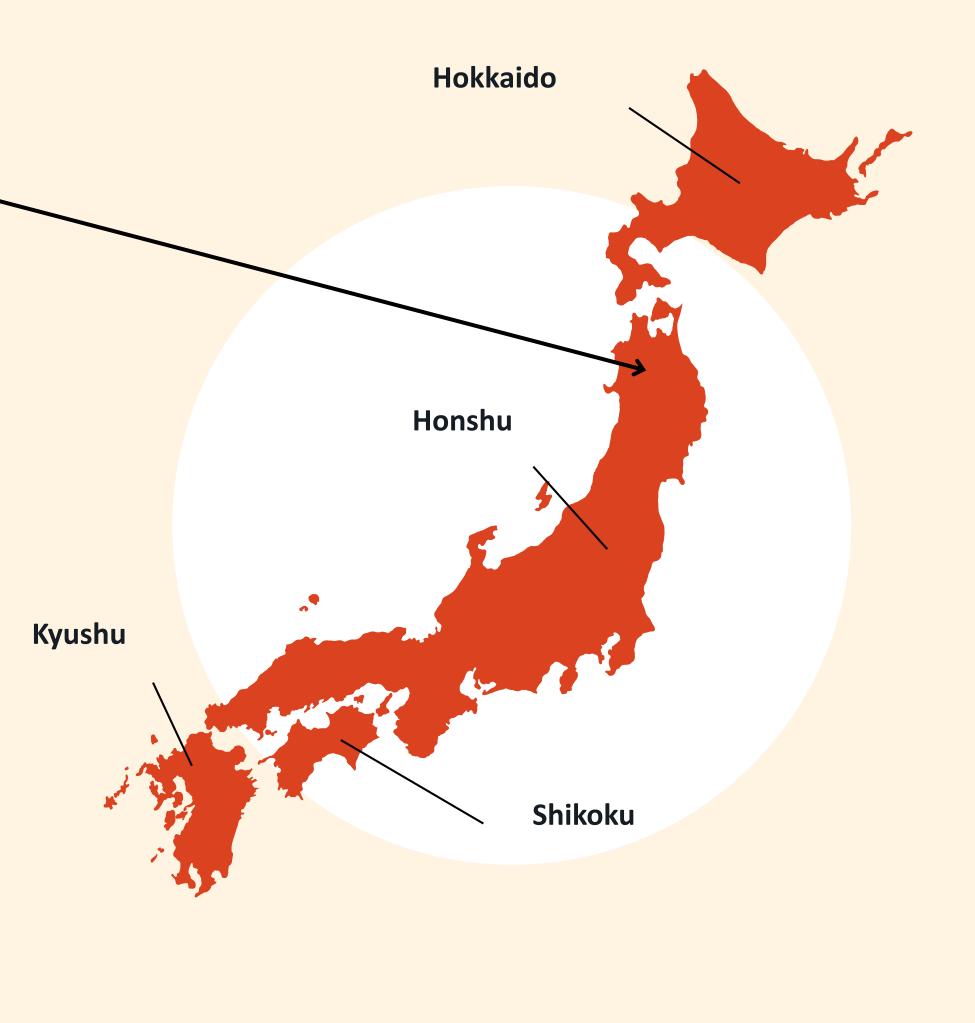


Located in Aomori Prefecture,

in the northern part of Honshu.

- Population: 159,436人 (2024.10)
- Famous: Sakura, Apple
- Access





02. Experience

- a. Zazen Meditation
- **b.** Temple Training Experience
- c. Dressing Experience in Lord and Princess Attire
- d. Hirosaki Park Inner Moat Tour Boat







Experience Duration (May to the end of November)
 Available between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM
 Approximately 60 minutes
 Participation Fee
 ¥700 per person
 (includes a souvenir and insurance)

Advance reservation is required (up to 7 days in advance)
"You need to be accompanied by an interpreter (who can speak English)."

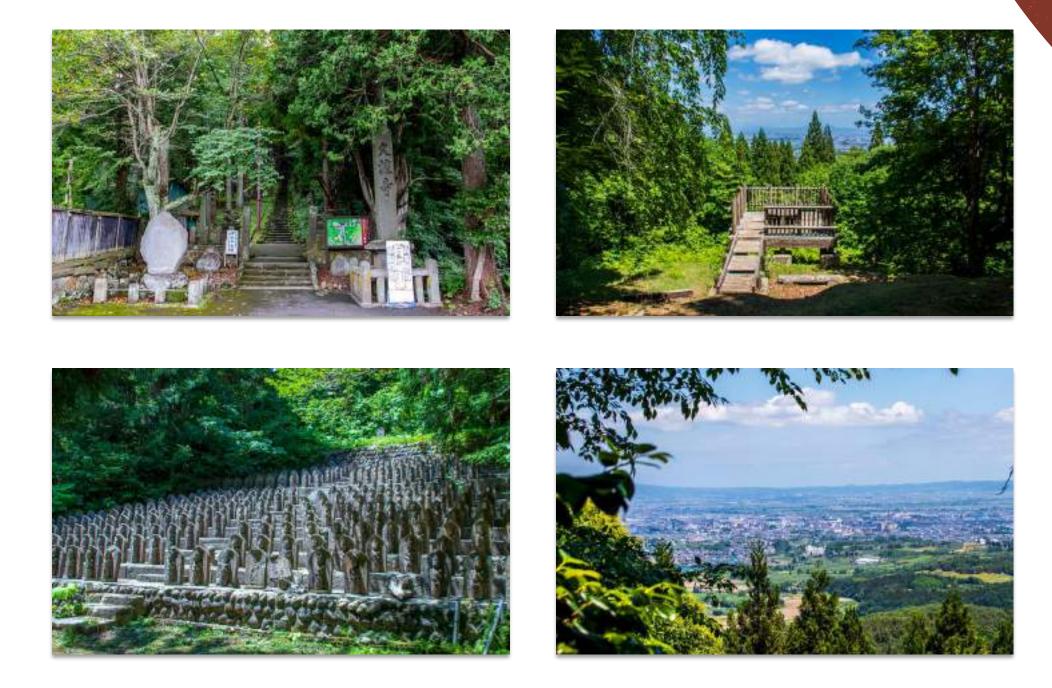


Zazen Meditation

Zenrin Street is located southwest of Hirosaki Castle and is considered the "rear demon gate" according to traditional feng shui.

A temple-lined street featuring 33 Soto Zen temples gathered from all over the Tsugaru region.

Temple Training Experience

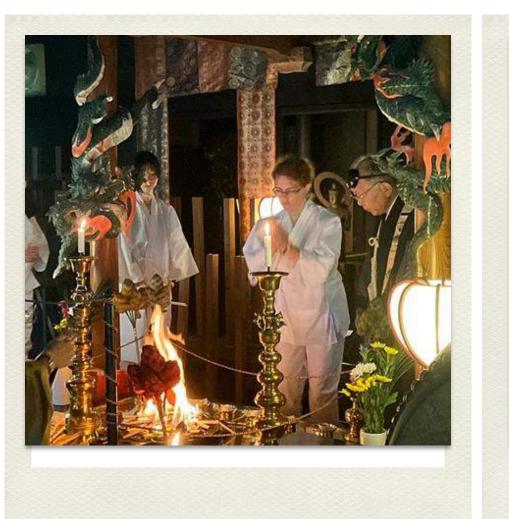


Kudoji Temple

Founded over 800 years ago and served as the prayer temple for the Hirosaki domain during the Edo period. Nestled approximately 600 meters above sea level in the mountains, this temple offers visitors the rare opportunity to experience temple training under a chief priest who has undergone extensive practice at Mount Koya.



Temple Training Experience



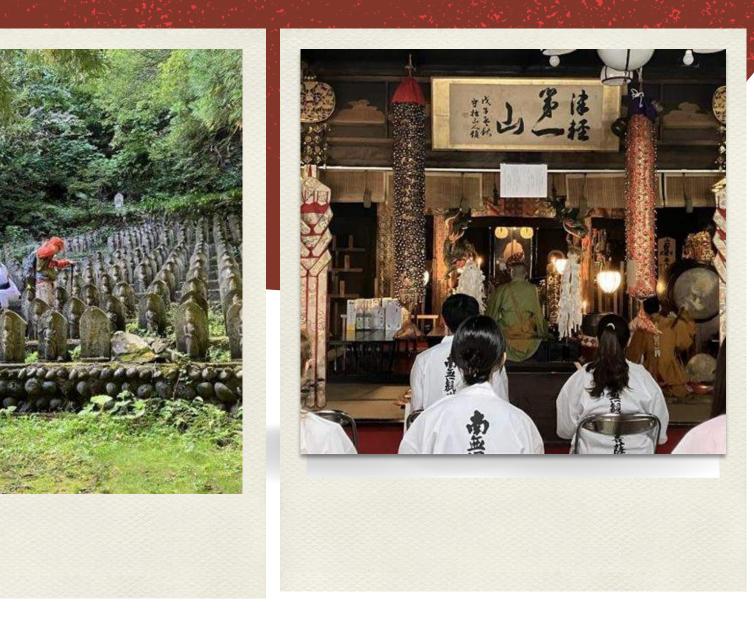




Temple Training Experience Highlights

Goma Fire Ritual Experience, Climbing New Kunimidai via the Saigoku 33 Kannon Route, Samu Practice (Tasks include poli), Shakyo and Shabutsu Experience (Sutra and Buddhist image copying), Creating Your Original Seal Stamp







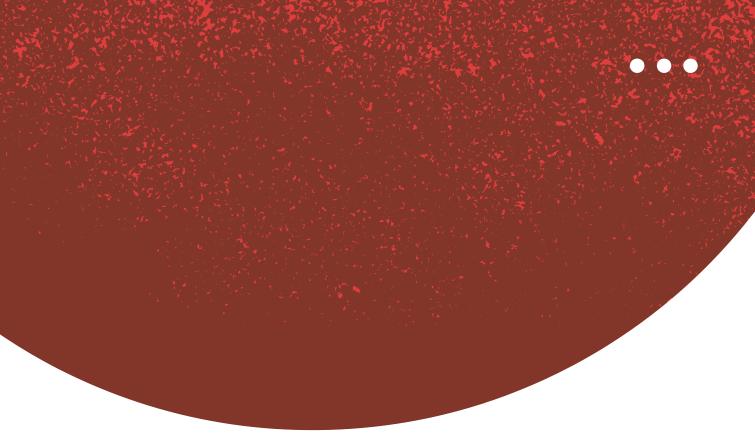
Dressing Experience in Lord and Princess Attire

Experience the elegance of Japan's historical nobility by dressing up as a feudal lord or princess in traditional attire. This unique activity allows you to immerse yourself in the culture and history of Japan, complete with authentic costumes and accessories.

Dressing Experience in Lord and Princess Attire



Location: Hirosaki Park, Butokuden Hall Period: Available year-round Time: 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM children's attire: ¥500 option)



- Fees:Jinbaori (battle surcoat), Lord attire, Princess kimono, or
- Optional commemorative photo: ¥500 (includes photo frame



Hirosaki Park Inner Moat Tour Boat

Spring Sakura Cruise Period: Hirosaki Cherry Blossom Festival

Fee:1,500 yen (tax included) Elementary school students: 1,000 yen (tax included) Preschool children: Free (limited to one child per adult)

 Autumn Foliage Cruise
 Period: Hirosaki Castle Chrysanthemum and Autumn Foliage Festival
 Fee:1,000 yen (tax included)
 Elementary school students: 500 yen (tax included)
 Preschool children: Free (limited to one child per adult)



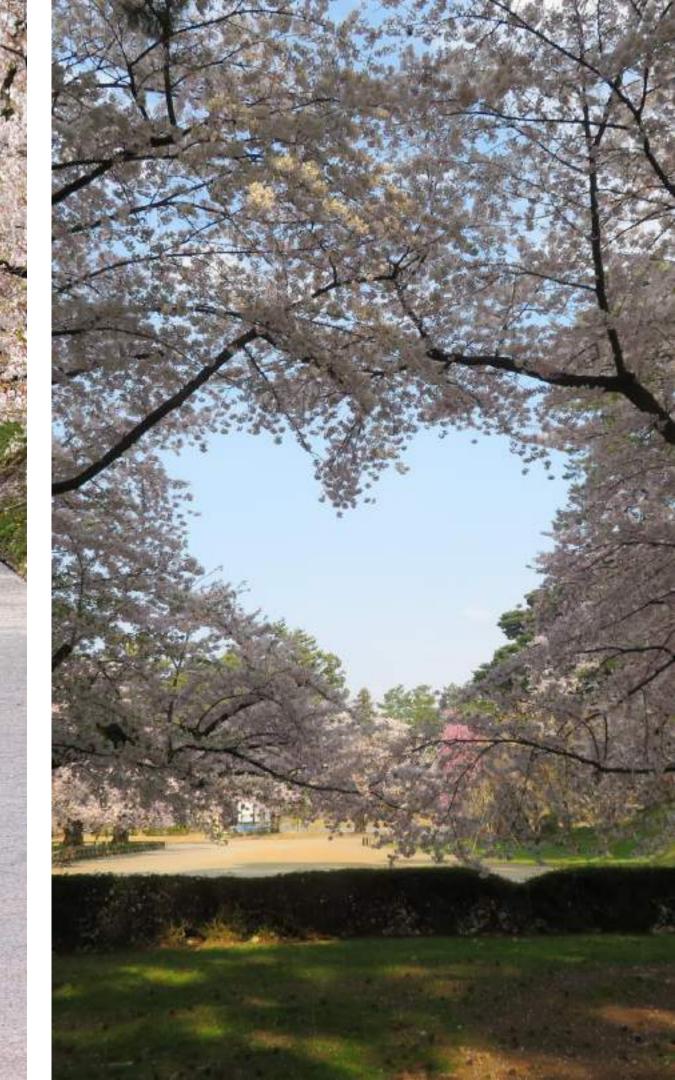


03.Festival

- Hirosaki Cherry Blossom Festival
- Summer (August 1~7)
- Hirosaki Neputa Festival
- Autumn (October~November)
- Hirosaki Castle Chrysanthemum and
- Autumn Foliage Festival
- Winter (February)
- Hirosaki Castle Snow Lantern Festival

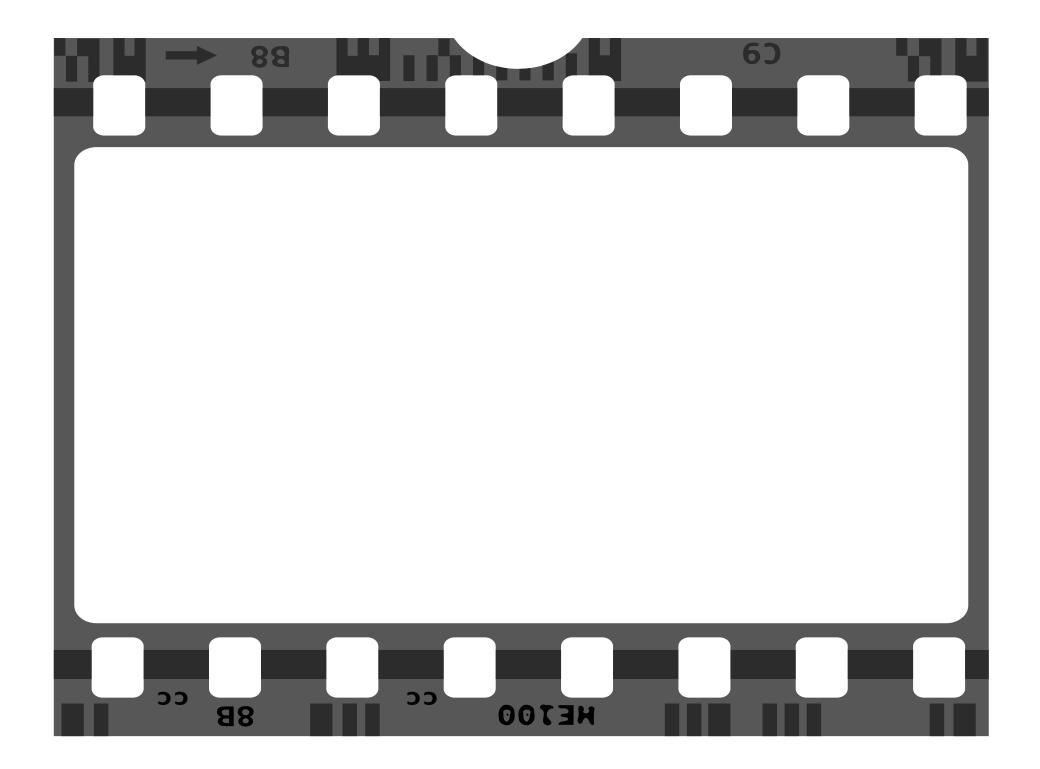
• Spring (April~May)

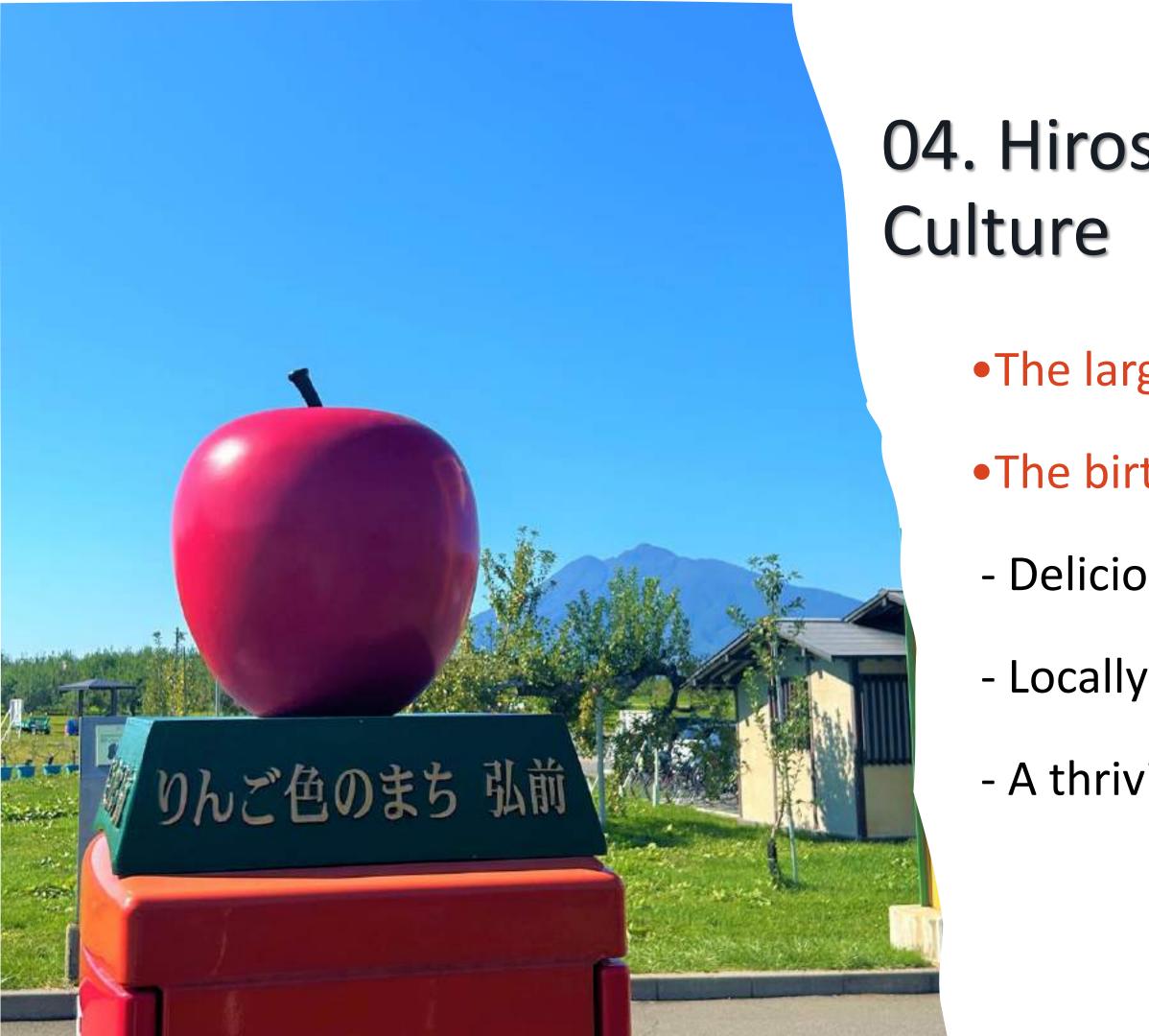












04. Hirosaki and Its Apple

- •The largest production in Japan
- •The birthplace of Japanese cider
- Delicious apple pies
- Locally crafted ciders
- A thriving apple industry



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Apple pie





Cider Company

2-meter giant apple pie



Illustrated Apples

Hirosaki Apple Pie Guide Map (En) <u>https://www.hirosaki-kanko.or.jp/</u> <u>individual/admin_foreign_lang/apgmen.pdf</u>

Cider can be purchased at Hirosaki City Apple Park. ■Contact Hirosaki Municipal Tourist Center TEL: +81-172-37-5501 Hirosaki Tourist Information Center TEL: +81-172-26-3600 ■TEL: +81-172-35-3131 ■E-mail Address: hirokan5@jomon.ne.jp hirokan5501@gmail.com

05. Hirosaki Cuisine



Niboshi Ramen (Dried sardine-based ramen)



Igamenchi (Fried squid patties)



Kenoshiru (Vegetable and miso soup)





Kaiyaki Miso (Shell-grilled miso dish)

Dakekimi (Premium sweet corn from Mount Dake)

06. Green Tourism Farming and Countryside Living

A farm stay where you can enjoy farming activities, Tsugaru dialect, hot springs, and delicious meals.

OAccommodations

- Koki Tanaka
- Yoko Farm Iwaki
- <u>Tsugaru Yumeringo Farm</u>
- ANEKKO House
- Farm Inn Apple Heart
- Flower Garden Mimi
- Farm Inn Sakura





Agricultural Experiences (From planting to harvest), Seasonal Vegetable Farming Activities, Apple Thinning Experience (Including flower picking and thinning), Apple Harvesting Experience, Corn Harvesting, Wood Stove Cooking Experience, Snow Shoveling Experience



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