



Minamiasaba-yama (Horokanai Pass)

幌加内峠南浅羽山 Ski Tour Map 1:25000



0 250 500 750 1000 m

1cm on the map equals 250m on the ground
Magnetic declination: 9° 49' W

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Symbol Key (some may not be present)

- Route (time between points)
- National Highway
- Prefectural Road
- Municipal Road
- Minor Municipal Road
- Walkway
- Bus route (bus stop)
- Designated campsite
- Contour lines (100m, 10m)
- Power transmission lines
- Trees/shrubs
- Rocks/cliffs
- Onsen (hot spring)
- Fumerole
- Highway number
- Hut

Japanese Map Glossary

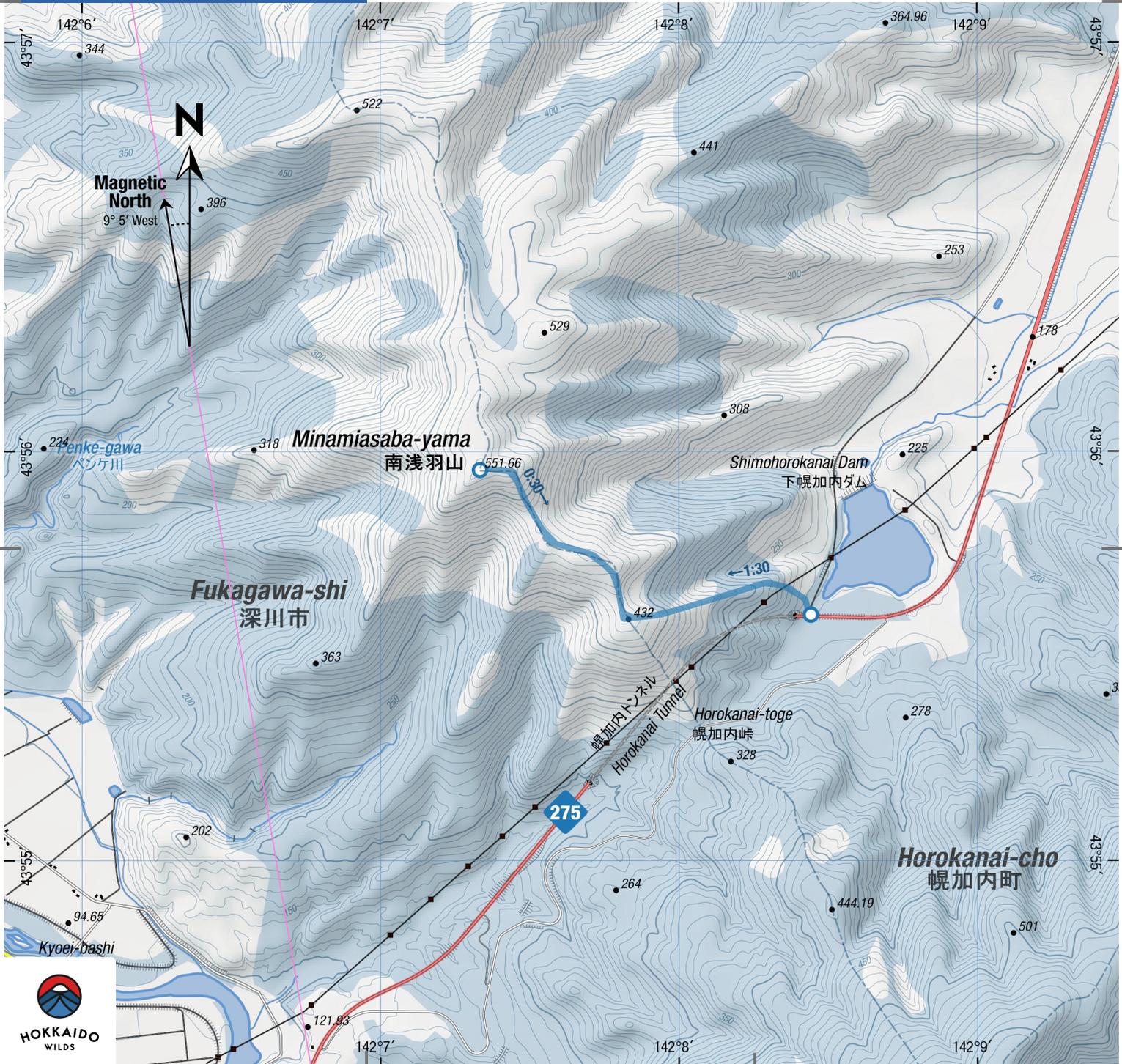
Romaji	Kanji	English
<i>bunki cho</i>	分岐町	junction town
<i>dake/mine eki</i>	岳/峯 駅	peak station
<i>goya/koya hinangoya</i>	小屋 避難小屋	hut shelter
<i>ike</i>	池	pond
<i>kawa/gawa</i>	川	river
<i>kako</i>	火口	crater
<i>ko/mizumi</i>	湖 峡	lake gorge
<i>kyo</i>	沼	pond
<i>numa</i>	温泉	hot spring
<i>onsen</i>	沢	stream
<i>sawa</i>	平	plateau
<i>taira/daira</i>	谷	valley
<i>tani/dani</i>	滝	waterfall
<i>taki</i>	峠	pass
<i>toge</i>	峠	pass
<i>yama/san/zan</i>	山	mountain

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Minamiasaba-yama

(Horokanai Pass)



2hrs Time	305m Total Climb	552m Highest point
3.9km Distance	4/10 Difficulty	Dec-Mar Best season

Minamiasaba-yama (南浅羽山, 552m) is a popular minor peak accessible from Horokanai Pass (幌加内峠, 278m). When snow conditions are right, the peak allows for some very accessible lappable slopes. Despite the peak's low height, Horokanai consistently has some of Hokkaido's lowest temperatures and very high snowfall, making this some of the best low-altitude skiing you'll do in Hokkaido.

LOCATION

Minamiasaba-yama is a minor peak to the northwest of Horokanai Pass in northern Hokkaido, about 1 hour north of central Asahikawa City. This route starts at the Horokanai Pass parking area on the Horokanai Town side of the tunnel.

GENERAL NOTES

Like most ski touring routes in Horokanai (Japan's coldest and lowest population



density town), this route from Horokanai Pass to Minamiasaba-yama is accessed via a road pass. This means plenty of parking, and some good elevation already gained.

ROUTE TIMING AND NOTES

This route is not marked. Expect about 1.5 hour from carpark to the summit of Minamiasaba-yama, and just over another 30 minutes back down. From the Horokanai Pass parking area on the Horokanai town side of the tunnel walk back up along the road to about 50m before the tunnel. From there, climb up onto the snow and start skinning. Find a good spot to gain the ridge to your left, and follow this up to the summit. There are a couple of quite flat spots in between, before a last sustained climb up to the non-descript, rather flat summit. There's one lone small sign on a spindly tree indicating the approximate summit point. On the descent, any of the bowls to the skier's left of the main ridge can be enjoyed, but watch for glide-cracks from late February onwards.

TRANSPORT

By car: There is ample parking in the Horokanai Pass parking area.

Public transport: There are no public transport direct to this route.

SAFETY NOTES

We've never seen as many glide-cracks anywhere in Hokkaido as we did on the slopes off the main ridge of this route (early March, 2019, and late Feb 2020). The main, wide ridge was not a problem, but care should be taken if venturing off into any of the bowls along the

route. We've never seen glide-cracks on any of the other routes we've skied in Horokanai, so it seems to be a localized issue to this particular area directly west of Horokanai Pass. Also note that Horokanai is well known for its bone-chilling cold temperatures. Plan accordingly, with extra cold-weather gear.

ONSEN NEARBY

Just down the road is the excellent Seiwa Onsen (せいわ温泉ルオント, 500yen) next to the *michi-no-eki*. At 500yen per person, there's an attached soba restaurant, plus sauna and outdoor baths. ■



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STEP 3

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STEP 4

For double-sided printing, select "Print on both sides of paper".

STEP 5

For best results, select the highest quality print option available on your printer (settings will vary).

STEP 6

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STEP 7

Click "Print".

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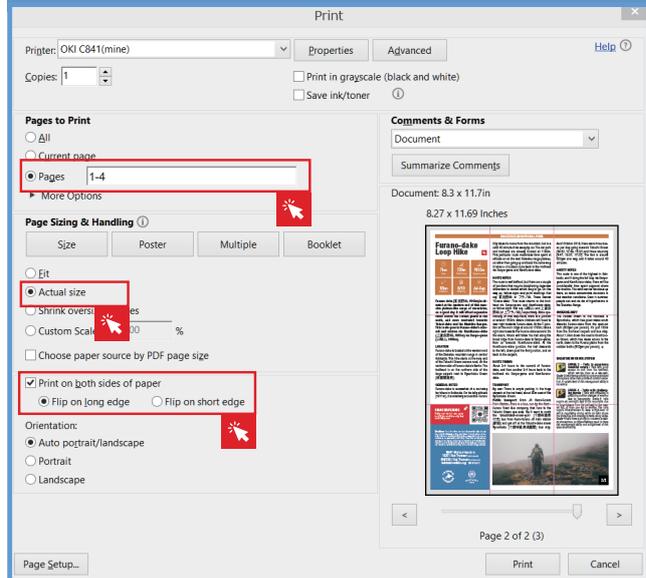


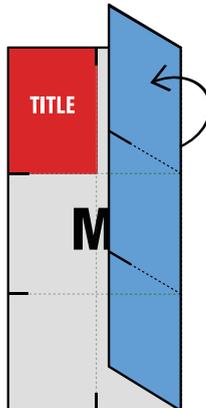
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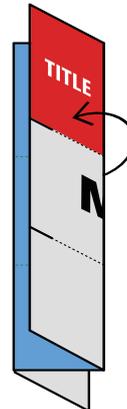
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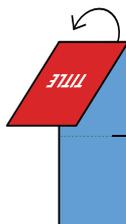
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