



Teshiodake Hut Environs

天塩岳ヒュッテ周辺 Ski Tour Map 1:25000



0 250 500 750 1000 m

1cm on the map equals 250m on the ground
Magnetic declination: 9° 40' W

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Symbol Key (some may not be present)

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



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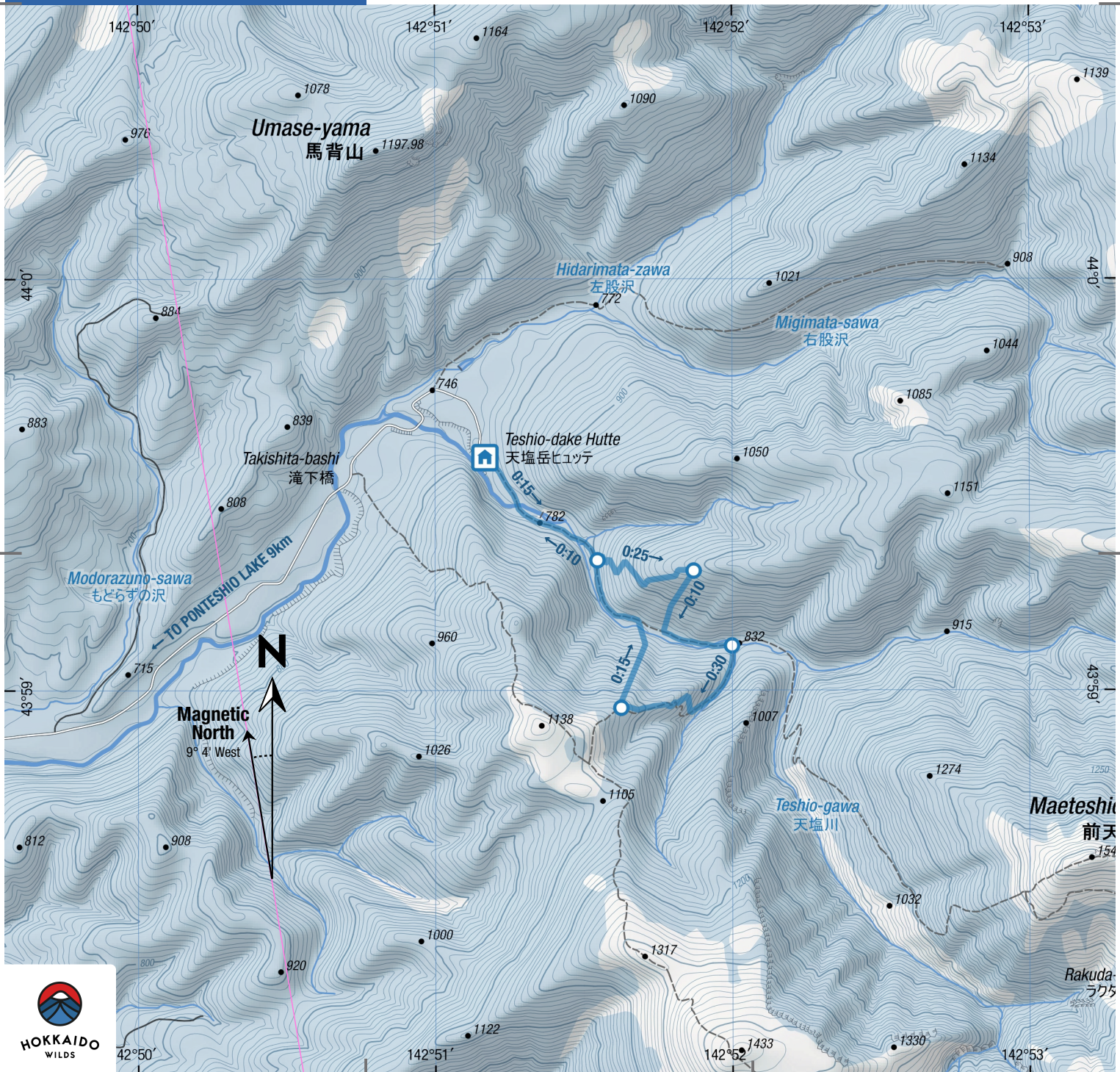


Japanese Map Glossary

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

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3hrs Time	450m Total Climb	1040m Highest point
4.5km Distance	5/10 Difficulty	Jan-Apr Best season

Teshiodake Hütte (天塩岳ヒュッテ, 765m) sits at the entrance of the main summer hiking trails up Teshio-dake (天塩岳, 1558m) in northern Hokkaido. Immediately southeast of the hut is a veritable smorgasbord of terrain. Snow conditions will vary by season and by day, so experienced ski tourers will enjoy poring over maps to scope out the best, easily accessible lines. The two, lappable downhill slopes shown here are simply two slopes we skied, with varying success in February 2020, a particularly low snow year. As such, a sense of cautious adventure is required here to make the most of the terrain.

LOCATION

Teshiodake Hutte (天塩岳ヒュッテ) is tucked in at the very upper reaches of the Teshio River, at the foot of Teshio-dake (天塩岳, 1558m), the highest peak on mainland northern Hokkaido. This route is a sampling of some of the short, lappable

slopes southeast of the hut. The route starts and finishes at the hut, 9km (3-4hrs) skin along a flat road from Ponteshio Lake.

GENERAL NOTES

For the experienced ski tourer, the terrain around Teshiodake Hutte gives plenty to pore over as one studies the map of the area. Generally, the challenge will not be finding a suitably angled slope to lap, but a slope with suitably spaced trees. Our pick of the two downhill sections in the route here is the southerly aspect one – the trees were nicely spaced, enough to allow enjoyable skiing. Given the low elevation of the lower foothills and ridges of Teshio-dake, this area is very suited to exploring when the weather otherwise doesn't give an opportunity to get up higher into the alpine.

ROUTE TIMING AND NOTES

Starting from the hut, head southeast along the summer trail. After crossing the river for the second time, gain the spur on the looker's left of the trail. The ridge here is tight with thin trees, and you may be wondering how on earth you might ski down through this – don't worry, the downhill on this southerly aspect slope is further around, and has a mix of mid- to old-growth trees, well spaced apart. At around 1000m elevation on the ridge, rip skins and drop the fall line back to the summer trail. If you'd like to sample the northern aspect of this valley, then head up the summer trail to the junction with the Connecting Route (連絡コース), and head up the heavily wooded spur on the looker's left. Once again, at around 1000m elevation on the ridge, rip skins and enjoy a slightly steeper ski back down to the summer trail. This side of the valley here requires a good base to cover the brush. We were there in February 2020, and being a very low snow year, we struggled a bit on this side – the southerly aspect slope was less bushy.

TRANSPORT

By car: Teshiodake Hutte is not accessible by car in winter. There is good access to the 'trailhead' at the end of Ponteshio Lake, via the quaint little town of Aibetsu in the south. From Ponteshio Lake, it is a 9km flat skin along a snowed in road to the hut – allow 3-4 hours. Aibetsu town has an amazing soba restaurant, as well as a convenience store. There is no official parking or cleared parking areas at the end of the roadclearing at the end of Ponteshio Lake. Therefore, park well to the side of the road, and avoid parking in the snow clearer's turn around spots (the two big snow-cleared 'divots' perpendicular to the road). Please

leave a note on the dashboard indicating your intentions – we've heard of the police being called by concerned dam workers when our friends stayed at the hut for a couple of days.

Public transport: This route is not accessible by public transport.

SAFETY NOTES

In winter, this is an extraordinarily remote location. Skiers must be self-sufficient, experienced, and well prepared. Note that cell reception is very limited in the area, including around the hut. We recommend some sort of GPS messenger, such as the Garmin inReach for emergency communications. Much of the route to the summit is beyond the treeline – be prepared for temperatures to plunge below -20°C.

ONSEN NEARBY

The closest onsen to the trailhead is arguably the super local Kyowa Onsen (協和温泉, 500yen). There's no outdoor bath, but the retro indoor baths boast a couple of tubs, a sauna, and a cold pool. They're open from 8am till 10pm, and also offer accommodation and a small restaurant.



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TESHIODAKE HUTTE



Details: Available for use year-round. Access in winter via 9km skin along closed road, boards over doors and windows to be returned before leaving. Wood available. No booking required.

Capacity: 40 persons.

Cost: Free.

Contact: Shibetsu City Asahi Subdivision, TEL: 0165-28-2121.



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STEP 1

Load your printer with A4 printer paper (210mm x 297mm). If you've only got Letter size (215.9mm x 279.4 mm), just follow the instructions below. You'll achieve an accurate scale, but the map will be clipped a little at the top and bottom.

STEP 2

Open the print window by clicking on File > Print (or hitting Ctrl + P on your keyboard).

STEP 3

Make sure "Actual Size" is selected.

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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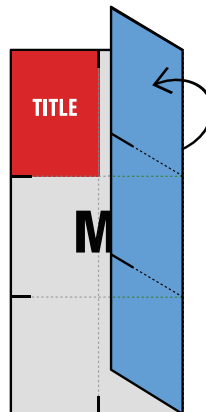
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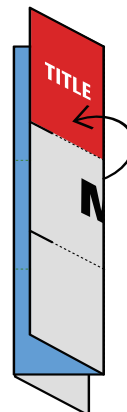
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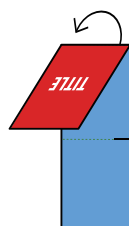
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