

# Hiking from Morioka Station

## Winter in Morioka Let's walk the streets of a castle town

On this course, you can enjoy the history and culture of the city of Morioka as you walk streets alive with the atmosphere of a castle town.

The view of snow-capped Mount Iwate from the city is one of the special winter scenes you can enjoy here.

## Participation Method

Ekikara Hiking (Hiking from the Station) events are one-day events starting from stations throughout the eastern Japan area that anyone can participate in easily. They consist of hiking while experiencing the historical buildings and abundant nature of the areas around the stations. Participation is free of charge. On the day of the event, you can participate after signing up at the reception counter at the hiking spot!

## Organization of the Event



### Points to Note:

- You will be walking for about 4 hours so please wear sturdy clothes and shoes, etc. on the hike.
- The event will still take place even if it is raining on the day. In the event of rain please bring your rain gear with you.
- Please take all of your trash home with you. Thank you for your cooperation.
- For safety reasons, please plan to reach the goal by 4:30 p.m.
- Please wear cold-weather outerwear and footwear.
- Hiking is subject to emergency cancellation due to bad weather conditions.

## Recommended Passes and Tickets for Getting to Morioka

**JR EAST PASS**  
(Tohoku area)

**JR Tohoku-South Hokkaido Rail Pass**

**JR East-South Hokkaido Rail Pass**

## Overview of the Hiking

Hiking from Morioka Station is a limited-period hike, available on your preferred day from Monday, January 7 to Sunday, March 31, 2019.

There is no participation fee, and it would make a wonderful memory of your trip to Japan.

Date	Monday, January 7 to Sunday, March 31, 2019
Application Time	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Nearest Station	JR Morioka Station
Reception Area	Iwate & Morioka regional Tourist Information Center
Walking Time	Approx. 4 hours
Walking Distance	Approx. 8 km
Tour Fee	Free of charge
Lunch	Please bring your own meal or eat at one of the restaurants on the course (at your own expense).
Guide	In principle, a guide cannot be provided. You are free to view sites of your own choice using the map.

All participants will receive gifts!



**Original Can Badge & Hiking Map**

\*The Can Badge may differ from the image shown here.

## Special offers for Hiking from Morioka Station participants only

### [Special Offer 1]

**Asabiraki (Showa Asahi Brewery)**

Show map for free cup of sake

### [Special Offer 2]

**Morioka Takuboku and Kenji Museum "Seishunkan"**

Free admission (there may be a charge for special exhibitions), show map to receive 50 yen discount on coffee at Akogare café

## Recommended Trains

From Tokyo Station		Tohoku Shinkansen Hayabusa No. 3	Tohoku Shinkansen Hayabusa No. 5	Tohoku Shinkansen Hayabusa No. 7	Tohoku Shinkansen Hayabusa No. 9
<a href="#">Tokyo station</a>	dep.	7:36	8:20	8:40	9:08
		▼	▼	▼	▼
<a href="#">Morioka station</a>	arr.	9:52	10:31	10:55	11:21

As of December 2018.

## Recommended Places

### Zaimokucho



Here you can fully experience the fantastic world of Kenji Miyazawa by viewing six statues with light and music motifs. Also found here is Kogensha, a store strongly associated with Kenji. The photo shows a statue of Kenji sitting on a stone seat.

### Asabiraki (Showa Asahi Brewery)



Completed in 1988, this is a sake brewery of Asabiraki, a brewer founded in 1871. White walls and black roof tiles are used for a pure Japanese style. Inside, choice sake is produced using state-of-the-art facilities. Tours of the sake-brewing process are available.

### Sakurayama Shrine



Located on the former grounds of Morioka Castle, this shrine was founded in 1749 and enshrines Nambu clan lords Mitsuyuki (1st), Nobunao (26th), Toshinao (27th), and Toshitaka (36th). City residents refer to the shrine affectionately as "Sakurayama-san."

## List of places to visit

MALIOS Viewing Deck, Zaimokucho, Takuboku's Honeymoon House, Ishiwarizakura ("Rock-Splitting Cherry Tree" at Morioka District Court), Plaza Odette, Morioka Takuboku and Kenji Museum "Seishunkan," Asabiraki (Showa Asahi Brewery), Morioka Machiya Monogatari Museum, Bishamon Bridge, Sakurayama Shrine, Odori Shopping Arcade, Kaiun Bridge