

Enjoy Winter in Goshogawara! Goshogawara Snow Cycling



The Appeal of Fat Bikes

Fat bikes are designed to be usable on outdoor trails even in snowy winters. While they are easily recognizable for their wild-looking extra-chunky tires, these bikes actually have an addictively plush ride as harsh bumps are cushioned by the plentiful rubber.

Try fat-biking and snowshoeing! Frolic through Aomori's winter on an easy and active private tour.

This is a snow cycling tour through the Iizume area within Goshogawara's city limits. The route is very flat and has little vehicle traffic, so it's great for beginners. Simply riding a bicycle on snow is exciting enough, but the stunning winter scenery creates a unique and refreshing experience quite different from cycling in summer. Once you reach the tour's final location, we recommend returning to Goshogawara City on the Tsugaru Railway Stove Train, a famous winter attraction in Tsugaru. Enjoy this private tour with your family, friends, or a special someone.



Mt. Iwaki



1 The cycling trip starts from Tsugaru Kanayama Pottery! This earthenware workshop is open from 9 a.m., so you can have a look around and buy some souvenirs before the tour starts. **2** Mt. Iwaki is visible behind orchards of leafless apple trees. Ride along and view the scenery rich with Tsugaru's winter ambience! **3** Winter is a perfect time for animal tracking. It's fascinating to examine the animal prints left in the snow and imagine the lifestyles and behaviors of these creatures. **4** See a land of snowy white underneath the clear blue sky. Pedaling gets easier when you feel the excitement rush through you. **5** Choenji Temple in the Iizume area is a place of spiritual power which many visitors from far and wide come to see. It is home to Shiwase Kannon, the Buddha of Happiness. **6** You can step off your bicycle and into some snowshoes! Appreciate the snowy Tsugaru winter scenery at a slower pace on this mini snowshoe hiking experience. **7** After the snowshoe trek, have a break and enjoy some hot drinks on makeshift cafe tables carved out of the snow. **8** The final destination is the retro-looking Tsugaru-Iizume Station. We recommend riding the Stove Train (Tsugaru Railway) back into the city!



Message from your guide
Be guided by me,
a born and raised Tsugaru local!

Route Guide
Distance: About 5.5km
Grade: ★★★★★



1 Tsugaru Kanayama Pottery
〒037-0011 Aomori-ken Goshogawara-shi Kaneyama Chiyozuru 5-79
Hours 9:00 - 17:00 (every day, all year)
TEL 0173-29-3350
http://kanamayayaki.com



2 Chubachi - Kanayama Pottery Classroom
〒037-0011 Aomori-ken Goshogawara-shi Kaneyama Chiyozuru 107-4
Hours 9:00 - 17:00 (irregular holidays)
TEL 080-8488-2485
https://yakimonoya3.localinfo.jp



3 Tsugaru Railway Stove Train
Operating Season 12/1 - 3/31 annually (stove train runs only 3 round trips daily; please inquire for December operation schedule)
TEL 0173-34-2148
https://tsutetsu.com/stove.html



4 Community Cafe Del Sole
〒037-0063 Aomori-ken Goshogawara-shi Omachi 39, Tsugaru Railway Building 1F
Hours 10:00 - 16:00 (food & drink service 11:00 - 14:00)
TEL 0173-34-3971
https://www.delsole-aomori.jp

Tsugaru Kanayama-yaki is a style of pottery with a uniquely sophisticated texture and appearance. It is made with locally sourced clay and baked in a wood-burning oven. Feel free to look around the store gallery and see the displayed works for sale.

This is recommended for those who wish to make their own original Kanayama pottery! You can enjoy the feel of the clay and make your own unique piece of art. Reservations required.

This classic Stove Train operates only during the winter season. The seats and window frames are made of wood, and the cabins of these nostalgic vintage passenger cars are heated with coal stoves. It is popular among domestic and international tourists alike.

Del Sole is just outside Tsugaru-Goshogawara Station, and you can taste warm traditional foods made with local ingredients. The "wakaoi" seaweed rice ball set is a must try.

Tour Season	December - March
Tour Prices	3 to 4 persons: ¥ 10,000 ※ Price is per person (tax included) 2 persons: ¥ 15,000 ※ Price includes bike and helmet rental 1 person: ¥ 30,000 ※ Admission fees, food, and train fares at sightseeing spots will be borne by the participants. ※ Option: Snowshoe experience costs an additional ¥5000 (for any number of participants)
Tour Capacity	1 to 4 persons
Total Duration	About 3 hours Meet-up time: 10:00 am ※ If the tour is judged to be dangerous due to weather or road conditions, it may be shortened or cancelled.
Gathering Location/Disbanding Location	[Gathering Location] Tsugaru Kanayama Pottery 〒037-0011 Aomori-ken Goshogawara-shi Kaneyama Chiyozuru 5-79 ※ About 13 minutes by car from Goshogawara City [Disbanding Location] Tsugaru Railway Tsugaru-Iizume Station
Things to Bring & Wear	To stay warm and comfortable, please wear full-body weather-proof clothing suitable for winter outdoor activities. (E.g. skiwear, snow boots, winter gloves, knit cap, neck warmer, etc.)

Precautions

○ **Tour Participation**

- Riders must be at least 150 cm tall due to equipment limitations.
- Please fill out the prescribed application form before the tour starts.
- Equipment used is covered by TS insurance, and the guided tour is covered by compensation insurance.
- As compensation is limited by the provided insurances, additional insurance coverage for participants is highly recommended.
- If the tour is judged to be dangerous due to weather or road conditions, it may be shortened or cancelled. Your safety is our top priority. Thank you for your understanding.

○ **Cancellation Fees**

Day-of cancellation: 100% of total price / 1 day before: 50% / 2 days before: 40% / 3+ days before: no fee / No-show: 100%

For reservations & more information, contact
BBB Aomori Tour Guides (101DESIGNS)
〒036-8345 Aomori-ken Hirosaki-shi Kuranushi-cho 9-21
TEL: 0172-78-5090
OPEN 9:00 CLOSE 18:00
(No recurring holidays)
Tour scheduling prioritized
Website: ca101d.com
Email: ca101@alpha.ocn.ne.jp

Cycling Web Site of Aomori Prefecture

AOMORI CYCLING

Information on recommended courses and drop-by sightseeing spots, accommodation for cyclists, etc.

AOMORI CYCLING Search **aomori-cycling.com**