Karuizawa Station 130th Anniversary

SHINANO RAILWAY BANZAI 2-DAY PASS

Valid for two days
有效期間2天

¥1,000 / ¥500 / Free

Sales period / 銷售期間 Feb.1st to Mar.31st, 2018

After the travel period, there is a chance to win a lovely gift with your expired ticket!!!
期間結束後，將從已使用過的車票中抽獎，您也有機會得到精美禮品！！！
Treasure chest of nature, history and gourmet food
Relaxed stay in international resort town

Ever since Canadian missionary A.C. Show came to Karuizawa in 1866 to spend the summer, the town became known as one of the international resort areas in Japan, offering rest and relaxation every season of the year. Popular sightseeing spots include "Former Mikasa Hotel", designated as an important national cultural property, "Shiraito Falls" where the water falls beautifully in white threads, "Kyu-Ushio-Toge Pass" lookout point which commands a grand view of the surrounding mountains, and "Wild bird sanctuary" area with many birds and fauna can be seen. Also recommended at this time of the year is a visit to an onsen or hot spa, as there are several good onsen in the town, such as Hoshino Onsen and Sengokataki Onsen. Sports are also popular, for example, skating, curling, and ice skating in winter, and golf and tennis in green seasons. Shopping areas include "Kyu Karuizawa shopping street" with many shops standing side by side, the well-known "Karuizawa Prince Shopping Plaza", and "Harunire Terrace" with its sophisticated atmosphere. In addition, there are many gourmet restaurants distributed throughout the town, offering Japanese, Italian and French cuisine, as well as Yakiniku restaurants. With so many churches in the town, Karuizawa is known as a desirable place for weddings, and many young couples wish to marry here. Popular souvenirs are Karuizawa style wood carvings and jars.

The combined admission ticket for Former Mikasa Hotel, Oiwakajuku Museum of Local History and Hori Tatsuo Museum of Literature (¥500) is sold at Karuizawa Tourist Information office in the concourse of Karuizawa Station.

Karuizawa
Naka-Karuizawa
Shinano-Owake
Miyata
御代田

Important cultural property, Former Mikasa Hotel

This wooden single story western-style hotel built in the late Meiji period, designed and constructed by the Japanese, is now designated as an important national cultural property. The ten westerners occupied the Maji room was adopted in its building. The hotel has been used as a hotel, restaurant, and tea room for over 100 years, but now it is regularly used as an art gallery. It is now a "Karuizawa National Art Museum". The former Karuizawa Museum of Literature is also located here. Visitors can enjoy the art collection, including paintings, sculptures, and photographs. The former Karuizawa Museum of Literature is now a "Karuizawa National Art Museum". The former Karuizawa Museum of Literature is also located here. Visitors can enjoy the art collection, including paintings, sculptures, and photographs. The former Karuizawa Museum of Literature is now a "Karuizawa National Art Museum". The former Karuizawa Museum of Literature is also located here. Visitors can enjoy the art collection, including paintings, sculptures, and photographs.

Special offers:
- "Karuizawa National Art Museum" admission ticket
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Original goods are given on presentation of an admission ticket or combined admission ticket

Sports facilities

General sports facilities for the area are "Karuizawa Park". There are facilities for various sports, such as tennis, swimming, and golf. Karuizawa's ski resort is one of the best in Japan, with over 20 ski slopes and more than 50 lifts. The ski resort has a "Karuizawa Ski School" for beginners. The ski resort is open from November to March. It is a popular destination for skiers and snowboarders from all over the world.

Special offers:
- "Karuizawa Ski School" lessons for beginners
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Karuizawa Prince Hotel

There are various restaurants, including grill, shabu-shabu, teppanyaki, and buffet in the hotel site. Free tickets for admission to the hotel are included in the admission ticket.

Special offers:
- "Karuizawa Prince Hotel" admission ticket
- "Karuizawa Prince Hotel" admission ticket

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Yakimono & Shabu-shabu Loge

A 4-min walk from hokkaido Station, Supreme quality meat can be cooked to your liking, yakimono, shabu-shabu, sukiyaki, or katsudon, nabe, and more. The main dishes are grilled with the smell of wood.

Special offers:
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1. On arrival at the shop, show BANZAI 2-DAY PASS to the shop assistant.
2. Receive the special offer of the shop.
3. Proceed to the restaurant, show the ticket of the restaurant to the receptionist.
4. Enjoy the special offer.

*Restrictions apply.
*Please refer to the receptionist for details.

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Town in the highlands at the foot of Mt. Asama

The town of Miyota is located at the southern foot of Mt. Asama, one of Japan’s well-known active volcanoes. With its cool climate and low precipitation throughout the year, a variety of high quality highland vegetables are grown. Following the opening of the Shinkenzan bullet train line, access from the metropolitan areas has improved, making the town desirable with its convenience and rich natural environment.

In addition, prehistoric earthenware pottery known as “Jomon earthenware” used some 13,000 years ago in the Jomon period, has been found. Over 100 pieces of “Jomon earthenware” designated as a national important cultural property are exhibited in the “Miyota Jomon Museum.” Furthermore, “Nakamura,” the old main road built 200 years ago to connect Tokyo and Kyoto runs through the town. Old houses and other historic remains found along the road give an echo of earlier times.

Festivals are also held as traditional events. Among these are Dragon festival taken from the legend of Sasuke Koji, Winter water splash, where men clad only in headwear and a blanket, splash water on themselves on the coldest day of the calendar (20 Jan.). As for the products of the town, soba (buckwheat noodle), miso (fermented soy bean paste), and echou (malt beverage) made from pumpkin, are recommended as seasonings.

Karuizawa

Karuizawa Marriott Hotel

Miyota Town Tourism Association

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Miyota

Teishiba Garden

Komoro Tourist Information Office

Soba & pasta Harada
A poetic highland former castle town

Komoro City is located in the eastern part of Nagano, 24 min. from Karuizawa on the Shinomine Railway. The city has low precipitation and its fine-day ratio is one of the highest in Japan. It is located in the highlands with an altitude ranging from some 600 to 2,000m. There is a trailhead to volcanic Mt. Asama (one of the 100 Famous Japanese Mountains), and the main part of the castle (Kaiko-en, ruins of Komoro Castle) is located at a lower level than the rest of the old castle town. This is a unique feature of Komoro. Kaiko-on is selected as one of Japan’s Top 100 Best Castles as well as Japan’s Top 100 Cherry Blossom Villages. The view of cherry blossoms from the top of the castle grounds in mid-April to early May is spectacular. Fresh green in summer, maple-colored in autumn, and a snow-covered landscape in winter are all wonderful in the park. In Takamine highlands at the foot of Mt. Asama, there is Asama 2000 Park ski slope, known for its high quality powdery snow. There is also an onsen inn where guests can enjoy riding the snowmobile in winter. From the top of the hill, stars and city light appear beautifully at night and closed shops do in the morning. The farm areas, apple picking and strawberry picking can be enjoyed in the season. Furthermore, taking advantage of the contours at the foot of Mt. Asama, cycle racing is held. The city was also described in the animation, “Waiting in the Summer” and a comic “Long Riders!”, with a bicycle theme, and attracts a lot of animation fans.
Post-town with natural environment, wine and history

Yunomatu highland is a place that can be enjoyed throughout the year. A large field of Rhododendron profile in spring, the deep green leaves of trees in summer, autumn colors, and Yunomatu ski slope in winter are all attractive features. There is Ikemoto Town marshall pond in Saneus-gu, a fountain basin, which is a treasure-trove of rare plants and insects, namely wetland plants. Meanwhile in Umouji the old Hakokoku road, traditional architectural houses in the style of Edo period inns and scuricure houses of the Meiji period, when sericulture was a flourishing industry, is still standing in harmony. The doll festival is held from Saturday 24 February to Sunday 25 March in Umouji, and doll festicale dolls are displayed in the houses along the street. During this period, street lights are lit creating a mystical atmosphere. There are also a selection of events in the town such as Yurari-kan which commands a good view, Myojikken with a view of Mt. Asama, and Yurafuru Tanaka by Tanaka Station, Shimo Radiation. Moreover, in the recent years, a unique winery was created, and as one of their wines won a prize at the Asian Wine Competition, it is gathering the attention of wine connoisseurs as a centre of good wine production.

Yurari-kan local products shop
Local products of Tanaka and specialties are sold, as well as craft beer. Open 10 AM-5 PM. Look at products usually in Tanaka. Open 10 AM-5 PM. Ask about products usually in Tanaka.

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Yurafuru Tanaka
Yurafuru Tanaka is a wine producer located in Tanaka Station, Shimo Radiation. They produce a variety of wines, including red, white, and sparkling. They also offer wine tastings and tours of the winery.
A town where history, sweets, good scenery and strawberry picking can be enjoyed

Ueda city is in the eastern part of Nagano, with Japan’s longest river, the Chikuma running through the center. Surrounded by two highland areas, Suga denim and Utsukushi-gahara, the city offers a rich natural environment. In Suga denim, a close view of snow monsters and great commanding views can be enjoyed from the 2,207 m peak of Mt. Nejo. From Utsukushi-gahara on the other hand, Mt. Fuji, Yatsugatake, and the chain of mountains of the Northern Alps can be observed.

Much cultural heritage remains in the city, including temples and shrines. The city of Ueda was once the place of the Senju clan, known for its clever leader during the civil war period.

You can also stroll around Ueda city wearing a kimono in tsumugi weaving, or enjoy in Yasui-machi, where old houses still remain, some sweets, Oidare yaki-koake and sake. Sanada shrine in Ueda Castle Ruins Park known as guardian of this impermanent castle is, popular tourists taking exams as well as athletes. Meanwhile in Ueda City Tourist Hall, replicas of the armour used in TV dramas are on show. Strawberry picking in winter can also be fun. So together with lovely scenery of the season, please enjoy your trip to Ueda.

*For Ueda city’s gift that comes with the BANZAI 2-DAY PASS, get a coupon at the Tourist Information counter at Ueda station.

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Yutaka, casual kimono shop

Kumano-cho 2-chome, Ueda-tai, Ueda-shi, Nagano Prefecture

Recommanded sweets “Umeda yaki”, loved by people once above age 30.

With coupon, 3 skewers of Oidare yaki-koake per person

Ueda City Museum

Armour of historical events including Sanada family and other materials on site are exhibited together with materials of the Ueda region, which will be the history of the area since the Edo period.

A reduction of ¥50 on admission with coupon

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Yanagimachiya

A shop in an old town house in Yasui-machi on the Chikuma River. Red sake and sake-apple tea are particularly recommended.

One recommend eat per person is given in exchange for coupon “Single-use coupon” exchange for special price

In addition, free drink is available.

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Okazaki sake brewery

Being established in 1856, the company is the main sake brewery in Ueda. The products include the sake “Yama no Mori”, made in cooperation with the sake brewery “Yama no Mori”.

One tasting of “Kirei” sake with coupon “Single-use coupon” exchange for special price

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Higashiyama tourist farm

You can make strawberry picking even in red winter. Accessible from Ueda Station in 10 min. on the Tohoku Line.

A 65% reduction on strawberry picking (exact as much as you like for 30 min.). Single-use coupon needs reservation in advance.

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Ueda City Tourist Hall

A souvenir shop apposite Ueda Castle Ruins Park.

A clear file (A5) is given at the information counter on the 2nd floor.

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Oidare yaki-koake

A favorite among the local people.

One Jiman yaki is given for a coupon “Single-use coupon” exchange for special price

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Ikenami Shoutarou Sanada Taiteki Kan

The birthplace and museum of the famous samurai from the Sengoku period.

Ueda Tourism & Convention Association

One day in Ueda, see the beautiful scenery of the castle from the top of the castle, enjoy the taste of Japanese sweets.

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Oidare yaki shop Ueda-tai, Ueda-shi, Nagano Prefecture

Jinya yaki shop Ueda-tai, Ueda-shi, Nagano Prefecture

Red sake and sake-apple tea are particularly recommended.

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Way of receiving Ueda City benefit is different from the other product.

For Ueda city’s gift that comes with the BANZAI 2-DAY PASS, get a coupon at the Tourist Information counter at Ueda station.
Land of onsen, beautiful apricot blossoms and the moon

Chikuma city was established in 2003 by amalgamation of several tourist towns and villages, including "Obasute", known for beautiful moon viewing, "Mori", the best apricot village and "Yogura Kami-yama", developed as an onsen resort. In the center of Chikuma city runs the Chikuma river, which is the upper stream of the Shinano river, the longest river in Japan. The Northern Alps and chain of Togakushi mountains viewed over the Chikuma river is superb. Obasute is known not only for moon viewing, but for its terraced paddy fields which extend over a wide area. Another charm point of Obasute is a stroll through coniferous trees. Mori has a view of over 5,000 apricot trees on a field laid out on terraced land, which is one of the original scenes of Japan. Mori is the village of apricot, and in spring over 150,000 people visit the village over a two-week period to see the apricot blossom. While Yogura Kami-yama, Osenos is a town of onsen, it retains an image of the 70s and 80s. The town was one of the well-known places of entertainment and there were many geisha girls. There are still some remnants of those times, but today the town is popular with families and women especially, "as onsen make the skin smooth".

Welcome Station In Yashiro Station

A stop by in Yashiro Station, entrance to Shinsu Chikuma city, feels products made of locally grown apricots and other products of Chikuma.

Discount of 5% on Chikuma brand products "For purchase of ¥3,000 and over"

Zukudashi Eco Tours

Rental of sports goods (¥1,500 - 2,000) and guided tour (¥2,000 - 2,500). The tour lasts 2.5 hours, and includes cycling and walking around the town. Regular tours are available from May to October, as well as private tours for up to 30 people. (Individual tours are available for up to 10 people)

Discount of ¥100 on bicycle rental, and ¥50 on guided tour "Advanced reservation required".

Kamei inn

A small, traditional Japanese inn popular for its Kamei pumpkin snacks and good location for the ski resorts. Japanese-style rooms and private rooms are available, and a morning tour of the town is free for guests. The inn is convenient for departure from Shinano River and Togakushi mountain areas.

A discount of 10% on direct reservations "Advance reservation required."

Onsen and the amazing landscape around it

Central shop

Features of Chikuma city, such as fresh apricots and tomatoes, are sold here. The shop is located in the center of Chikuma city, and is open from 9 am to 5 pm. April to September.

Discount of 5% on onsen purchases of ¥5,000 and over

Central shop

Shinshu Chikuma Tourist Information Bureau

Shinshu Chikuma Tourist Information Bureau is located in the 1F of the city hall. The bureau provides information on Chikuma city and the surrounding area. It is open from 9 am to 5 pm. April to September. The bureau is also available for private tours.

Discount of 10% on advanced sale ticket "Non-restrictive seats only (2F)"

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Shinshu Chikuma Tourist Information Bureau

Shinshu Brave Warriors

A group of professional basketball team based in Chikuma city. The team is supported by the local community and has a strong fan base. They play their home games at the Shinshu Chikuma Stadium located in the city center. The team is known for their strong defense and fast-paced offense.

Discount of ¥100 on one rame

Chikuma city General tourist hall

Chikuma city General tourist hall is located in the Togakushi area. The hall is open from 9 am to 5 pm. April to September. The hall provides information on the city and the surrounding area. It is also available for private tours.

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How to purchase BANZAI 2-DAY PASS

- The ticket is sold only at Karuizawa Station of Shinano Railway (3F or 1F).
- Present your passport, JR Wide pass, or Resident card at the counter, at point of purchase.
- The ticket must be purchased on the day of use.
- Payment must be in cash only.

How to get on the train

- Show the BANZAI 2-DAY PASS to station staff when getting on the train.
- When there are no station staff, just get on/off the train with BANZAI 2-DAY PASS.

How to get the special offers of BANZAI 2-DAY PASS

- Check the leaflet for the nearest station of each shop with special offers.
- Get off at the appropriate station and make your way to the shop. (Take note of business hours and closing day.)
- On arrival at the shop, show BANZAI 2-DAY PASS to the shop assistant.
- Receive the special offer of the shop. (Please be aware that some offers are provided under certain conditions.)
- Some shops are located away from the station so another form of public transportation may be required, such as bus or taxi. (Please note that BANZAI 2-DAY PASS is applicable only on Shinano railway and no other public transportation system, so extra cost may be incurred.)
- Basically, the special offer is available only once at each shop.

What is the significance of 1888?

Karuizawa Station was first opened in 1888 when the horse-drawn tram line was laid between Karuizawa and Yokokawa Station, and we are celebrating the 130th anniversary this year. BANZAI 2-DAY PASS is sold in commemoration of this, and 1888 is designed by using as a motif, the number plate of Abt system electric train.

For your reference, the BANZAI 7-DAY PASS is blessed by the Soneda Shrine which enshrines the Soneda clan leader of Ueda Castle, considered to be impregnable. This makes the ticket worthy of keeping as a good luck charm.

所謂1888

所谓1888年，轻井泽车站作为“樱花马车行驶”的车站，与横川车站等从早期起行约130年。根据这一纪年，轻井泽在2005年设立了轻井泽2005年纪念碑，以纪念从1888年至今的悠久历史。

Meaning of BANZAI

BANZAI is the word and action to congratulate on longevity and long-lasting prosperity. In practice, people raise both arms as they shout BANZAI! In Nagano Prefecture, the local culture is to call BANZAI three times as a group, to close a social event.

所謂萬歲

所謂是日本長壽和久遠悠長的語言和動作，一般說萬歲，一連向上伸出雙臂。在長野縣，作為各種活動的結束形式，有三甲萬歲的地域文化（習慣）。

For more information: http://karuizawa-town.jp/banzai-nagano/(June to Dec., 2018)

Sales company: Shinano Railway Co., Ltd. Organizer: Yoshihiko Ogihara

Rokunomon No.1 (From Karuizawa to Nagano)

Delicious dishes have been selected from outstanding local restaurants along the route.
Each passenger is offered a complimentary drink.
Choose from wine, sake, soda, or a selection of soft drinks.

Tour price: ¥14,800 per person (for both adults and children)

Rokunomon No.2 (From Nagano to Karuizawa)

Delicious Kaiseki dishes have been selected from an outstanding local restaurant.
Each passenger is offered a complimentary drink.
Choose from wine, sake, soda, or a selection of soft drinks.

Tour price: ¥14,800 per person (for both adults and children)