



Seafood rice bowl (Kaisen-don)

By Public Transport

Dining

Who does not dream about eating a seafood rice bowl (kaisen-don) generously topped with fresh seafood ingredients when they visit Hakodate? The variety of quality ingredients, as well as the enticing appearance of the toppings, will make one's mouth water. An especially popular spot is the DonburiYokocho in Hakodate Morning Market, which features 11 restaurants offering seafood rice bowls.

Location/View	
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf: 5 min on foot From Minato-cho wharf: 20 min by car From Nishi wharf: 10 min by car
Season	Year-round
Related links	

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Western Cuisine

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Dining

Hakodate was Japan's first international trade port and window for exchange with various foreign countries since old times, thus allowing the western cuisine culture to take root in the place. Experience the profound influence of western cuisine here in Hakodate, from restaurants dating from the Meiji Period, ham and sausage shops that continue to use techniques passed down from Germany in the Taisho Period, to bold new shops that use only the freshest seasonal local ingredients.

Location/View	
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf: 10 min by car From Minato-cho wharf: 20 min by car From Nishi wharf: 5 min by car
Season	Year-round
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Sushi

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Dining

Here in Hakodate, whose periphery is surrounded by sea, you can always find fresh seafood to eat. One of the seafood varieties currently talked about is the Toi tuna from the Tsugaru Strait, and it is said that this is currently the tastiest tuna in the world. Of course, in addition to tuna you can also enjoy delicious seafood in any season, such as sea urchin, scallop, abalone, octopus, and squid.

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Season	Year-round
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Hakodate Morning Market

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Shopping

The Hakodate Morning Market, which features rows of some 250 shops, is a must-see tourist spot when visiting Hakodate. It is a wonderland where you can find seafood, vegetables, fruit, delicacies, and all the tastes of Hakodate - for just a one minute walk from the station. You can feel that the shops are more than willing to offer the best of their products and services. Enjoy chatting with the shop owners too!

Location/View	9-18 Wakamatsu-cho, Hakodate-shi, Hokkaido 040-0063		
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf: 5 min on foot From Minato-cho wharf: 20 min by car From Nishi wharf: 10 min by car		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	5 buses
Related links	Hakodate Morning Market http://www.uu-hokkaido.com/corporate/hakodate-asaichi.shtml		

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Hakodate Jiyu Ichiba Market

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Shopping

With rows of some 30 seafood and produce shops, this market is always bustling with tourists. This is a professional purveyor's market, where local chefs and restaurateurs come to make their purchases. Because the professionals come here for their purchases, it is guaranteed that the products are of high-quality. However this market is not just for professionals - you will always find it bustling with local residents and tourists as well.

Location/View	1-2 Shinkawa-cho, Hakodate-shi, Hokkaido 040-0032		
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf: 15 min on foot From Minato-cho wharf: 20 min by car From Nishi wharf: 10 min by car		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	5 buses
Related links			

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Kanemori Red Brick Warehouses

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Shopping

This is a classic Hakodate sightseeing spot built on the bay area in 1909. It is a symbolic building that in some way exudes a romantic charm. Now done with its role as a warehouse, it is transformed into a restaurant and souvenir shop complex where you can enjoy a wide variety of stores.

Location/View	14-12 Suehiro-cho, Hakodate-shi, Hokkaido 040-0054		
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf: 15 min on foot / 5 min by car From Minato-cho wharf: 20 min by car From Nishi wharf: 15 min on foot / 5 min by car		
Season	Year-round		
Related links	Kanemori Red Brick Warehouse https://hakodate-kanemori.com/en		

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Slopes in Motomachi

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Main Attractions

Another fun thing is to wander around the sloping streets that are inseparable parts of the cityscape. There are 19 steep streets at the foot of Mt. Hakodate with names, such as Hachiman-zaka, Nijukken-zaka, and Yayoi-zaka, as well as many walking routes that allow a view of the historical buildings. Look up and you'll see Mt. Hakodate; look down and you'll see the harbor. The slopes play a supporting role in providing Hakodate-esque landscapes.

Location/View			
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf: 10 min by car From Minato-cho wharf: 25 min by car From Nishi wharf: 5 min by car		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	5 buses
Related links	Hakodate Official Travel Guide - Hokkaido, Japan TRAVEL Hakodate https://www.hakodate.travel/en/sightseeing_spots/view/slopes-in-motomachi		

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Goryokaku

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Main Attractions

Completed in 1864, Goryokaku was Japan's first western style fort. It is a star-shaped fortress that was designated a special historical site by the government. It was the site of the Battle of Hakodate, the last battle in the Boshin War, and the final stronghold of Enomoto Takeaki and Hijikata Toshizo, leaders of the Shinsengumi. It is generally more familiar as Goryokaku Park. You will rave once you see the view from Goryokaku Tower.

Location/View	44 Goryokaku-cho, Hakodate-shi, Hokkaido 040-0001	
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf: 15 min by car From Minato-cho wharf: 15 min by car From Nishi wharf: 20 min by car	
Season	Year-round	
Related links	Goryokaku Tower https://www.goryokaku-tower.co.jp/en/	

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Motomachi

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Main Attractions

There are many historical buildings to be found in the Motomachi area. Around Motoi-zaka you can find western style buildings such as the Old Public Hall of Hakodate Ward and others that symbolize a stylish Hakodate. At the top of Daisan-zaka there are many classical churches, while on Shiden-dori Street there are heavy concrete buildings. Semi-western style houses, where the 1st floor is Japanese style while the 2nd floor is western style, are only to be found in Hakodate.

Location/View	040-0001		
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf: 10 min by car From Minato-cho wharf: 25 min by car From Nishi wharf: 5 min by car		
Season	Year-round	Parking for tour buses	10 buses
Related links	Hakodate Official Travel Guide - Hokkaido, Japan TRAVEL Hakodate https://www.hakodate.travel/en/top7/motomachi		

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Mt. Hakodate

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Main Attractions

The view from the Mt. Hakodate standing 334 meters above sea level, is called one of the world's three best night sceneries. The overlooking view will surely impress you, as the night scenery unfolds like an overturned treasure chest. Take a ride on the gondola that holds 125 people to reach the summit in three minutes flat. You can also enjoy a meal while catching the scenery at the observation deck restaurant.

Location/View	Hakodateyama, Hakodate-shi
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf to ropeway sta.: 10 min by car From Minato-cho wharf to ropeway sta.: 25 min by car From Nishi wharf to ropeway sta.: 10 min by car
Season	Year-round
Related links	Mt. Hakodate Ropeway https://334.co.jp/eng/

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Kakinoshima site/Hakodate Jomon Culture Center

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Main Attractions

The Kakinoshima site is a very valuable spot with the remains of a long-term settlement - a settlement from about 9,000 to 3,000 years ago. This site was registered as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2021. The Hakodate Jomon Culture Center, the neighboring facility, is a museum exhibiting the national treasure, the Hollow Clay Figure (Chuku-Dogu), and various other clay and metal instruments.

Location/View	551-1,Usujiri-cho,Hakodate-shi,Hokkaido 041-1613
Access	From Wakamatsu wharf: 50 min by car From Minato-cho wharf: 50 min by car From Nishi wharf: 55 min by car
Season	Year-round
Related links	Hakodate Jomon Culture Center http://www.hjcc.jp/index_e.html

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Hakodate Port Festival

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Topics

The Hakodate Port Festival is held every year from August 1 to 5, and it represents the summer in Hakodate. Southern Hokkaido's largest fireworks festival is held on Aug. 1, and there are parades on Aug. 2 and Aug. 3. During the parade, anyone can jump in and join the Ika-Odori dance. Moreover, rows of restaurant stalls and temporary outdoor beer gardens add to the festive atmosphere.

Location/View	
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Season	August 1 to 5
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