

# Newsletter

## January 2022

### Slot Release Schedule for FEBRUARY 2022

◆ Applicable Operation Dates ◆

- **RJTT / RJCC: 01FEB22 – 28FEB22**
- **RJAA: 06FEB22 – 05MAR22**
- **RJBB: 01FEB22 – 28FEB22**

◆ Monthly Application Deadline ◆

- **RJTT / RJCC: 07JAN22 0730Z (1630L)**
- **RJAA: 05JAN22 0730Z (1630L)**
- **RJBB: 10JAN22 0730Z (1630L)**

◆ Daily Application Starts at ◆

- **RJTT / RJCC: 20JAN22 0800Z (1700L)**
- **RJAA: 17JAN22 0800Z (1700L)**
- **RJBB: 20JAN22 0800Z (1700L)**

(\*L=JST)

\*Slots for today through 31JAN2022 may be applied for on a daily basis for RJTT/RJCC.

\*Slots for today through 05FEB2022 may be applied for on a daily basis for RJAA.

\*Slots for today through 31JAN2022 may be applied for on a daily basis for RJBB.



### JAPAN'S SEASONAL TOPICS

#### New Year's Special Soup

“Ozoni” is a traditional Japanese New Year's special soup made with “Mochi” (rice cake). While eating the very chewy and elastic rice cake, we wish for good luck throughout the year.

Interestingly, the ingredients and flavor of ozoni vary depending on the region of Japan. The most common shape of the rice

cake used for ozoni is rectangular in the Eastern Japan. On the other hand, a round shape is common in the Western Japan. The taste of the soup also varies depending on the region. Ozoni and its many variations is a frequent topic of discussion in Japan around New Year's time.

## Japanese Coming-of-Age Ceremony

In Japan there is a special ceremony to celebrate those who become 20 years old. And one purpose of the ceremony is to help make the young people aware of their responsibilities as adults. For the ceremony, women commonly wear a traditional Japanese Kimono and most of men wear suits. Becoming 20 years



old is a major milestone in Japan where you become an adult and are allowed to drink alcohol. The ceremony is held at local prefectural (government) offices all over Japan. Many people attend the ceremony held in their hometowns. It is a very fun event, reuniting with old friends and drinking with them.

## **RECOMMENDED SIGHTSEEING SPOT**



### **Snow Monsters**

Have you ever seen snow monsters? They are created by a cycle of ice accumulation that changes scrubby fir trees into interesting shapes of snow and ice. There are several places in the world where you could see them and Mt. Zao is the one of best. Late February to mid-March is the best time to see them. By accessing to the upper slope of the mountain, you can get to the snow monster area. And if you are an advanced skier, you can ski amongst the snow monsters.

Also, there are famous hot springs in Mt. Zao. After enjoying the snow monsters, you can enjoy the hot spring in Zao Onsen.

### **Nearest Airport: RJSS / Sendai Airport**

- Airport of entry
- Operational Hours: 0730L - 2200L
- CIQ Hours: 0830L - 1700L from Mon to Fri  
(close on Sat. and Sun. due to COVID19)
- Business Jet Terminal: NOT available
- It takes about 40 min from the airport by car

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