

# Newsletter

December 2022

## ***Slot Release Schedule for January 2023***

### ◆Applicable Operation Dates◆

- RJTT / RJCC: 05JAN23 – 31JAN23
- RJAA: 08JAN23 – 04FEB23
- RJBB: 01JAN23 – 31JAN23

### ◆Monthly Application Deadline◆

- RJTT / RJCC: 09DEC22 0730Z (1630L)
- RJAA: 05DEC22 0730Z (1630L)
- RJBB: 09DEC22 0730Z (1630L)

### ◆Daily Application Starts at◆

- RJTT / RJCC: 20DEC22 0800Z (1700L)
- RJAA: 15DEC22 0800Z (1700L)
- RJBB: 20DEC22 0800Z (1700L)

(\*L=JST)

\*Slots for today through 04JAN2023 may be applied for on a daily basis for RJTT/RJCC.

\*Slots for today through 07JAN2022 may be applied for on a daily basis for RJAA.

\*Slots for today through 31DEC2022 may be applied for on a daily basis for RJBB.

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## **LATEST TOPICS**

### **Samurai Blue - Japan's National Soccer Team**

FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 has begun and Japan's National soccer team is participating. Japan's team is called "Samurai Blue" in Japan, which comes from their uniform color. The blue color represents the blue ocean and sky of



Japan. And samurai is the symbol of a strong Japanese warrior. So the National team players come to the game with the country's pride and history on their shoulders. Japan was not a major football region until the end of the 1980s. Before that there were only small amateur teams. In the 1990s, when football became fully professionalized, Japan emerged as having one of the most successful teams in Asia. They have been qualified for the last seven FIFA World Cups, with knockout stage appearances in 2002, 2010, and 2018. They also won the AFC Asian Cup in 1992, 2000, 2004 and 2011. FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 will last until mid December. Support your country's national team or the team your favorite player belongs to. Get excited!

### **RECOMMENDED SIGHTSEEING SPOT**



### **Sapporo White Illumination**

The Sapporo White Illumination is one of the best winter attractions in Sapporo, the capital city of Hokkaido. The event started in 1981, with 1,048 lights decorating a single art object in Nishi 2 Chome Square within Odori Park. It was the first illumination event held in Japan. In the 40 years since then, the event has been expanded and now you can enjoy about 740,000 lights decorating trees and art objects at several locations across the city.

This year, the events started at all locations on November 22<sup>nd</sup> and depending on the venue, some will end on Christmas Day, some will end on Feb 12<sup>th</sup> and some will last until March 14<sup>th</sup>.

The Sapporo White Illumination is held annually and admission is free. If you are planning to visit Hokkaido during winter season, be sure not to miss this spectacular display of colorful sparkling lights in the white snow.

**Nearest Airport: [RJCC/ New Chitose Airport](#)**

- Airport of entry
- Operational Hours: 0700L - 2200L everyday
  - \*For winter season (01DEC to 31MAR), overnight parking is not available due to heavy snow and airport rule.
- CIQ Hours: 0730L - 2130L everyday
- Business Jet Terminal: Not Available
- It takes about 60 mins from airport to Sapporo by car

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