

HOKKAIDŌ

There's lots of snow up here in the northerly latitudes, along with ski resorts such as Niseko, Furano and Sapporo Teine. There are also some great backcountry ski opportunities.

NORTHERN HONSHŪ

Great snowfall and off-the-beaten-path ski resorts for foreigners, such as Zaō Onsen Ski Resort and Tazawako Ski Park.

NIIGATA

Head here for excellent snow and accessibility, and resorts such as Echigo-Yuzawa Onsen and Naeba.



NAGANO & JAPAN ALPS

Featuring Japan's highest mountains, there are ski resorts everywhere, including Hakuba, Shiga Kōgen, Nozawa Onsen and Myōkō Kōgen.

DAISEN

For the best skiing in western Japan, head to this stand-alone volcano (1729m) near the Sea of Japan coast.