



## Bathing Snow Monkeys of Jigokudani

**Destination:** Japan  
**Focus:** Bathing Snow Monkeys  
**Grading:** Intermediate - 2 kilometers walk uphill

**Group size:** 7 - 14 photographers  
**Time:** 29 February - 3 March 2020  
**Price:** 1250€, Single supplement 99 €



### Photograph the cutest monkeys in the world!

All wildlife photographers love to photograph bathing Japanese Macaques (aka Snow Monkeys)! Nowhere else in the world can you find monkeys enjoying a hot bath in the middle of mountains.

On this extension, we spend two full days and one night in a special park with Snow Monkeys. This will give us great opportunity to photograph this enigmatic species throughout the day including the first and last light when the park is closed.

Combine Amazing Hokkaido tour with Bathing Snow Monkeys!

### Highlights

Snow Monkeys

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## ITINERARY

### Day 1 Travel from Hokkaido to Nagano

Our flight from Hokkaido arrives to Haneda where we meet our local guide who will assist us during our extension. From airport we take a shuttlebus to railway station to catch a Bullet Train to Nagano. In Nagano we overnight near the railway station in a good hotel.

### Day 2 Snow Monkey photography

After breakfast we leave our luggage at the hotel and take a bus to the Jigokudani Monkey park. We recommend you to leave your suitcase at the hotel and take just necessary equipment and your camera gear with you.

The park opens at 9.00 and we start our walk up the trail with camera gear and other equipment from the gate. The trail is about 2 kilometers long and might be icy. Jigokudani is usually crowded so be prepared to meet many other photographers.

We spend the day photographing Snow Monkeys.

We overnight within the park in Korakukan with camera gear and light luggage. Korakukan is a modest inn located near the monkey park. By staying overnight in Korakukan we are ready to photograph Snow Monkeys in the first morning light and avoid another long walk after 9.00 when the park gate opens. Hopefully there are also less photographers in early morning.

Dinner at Korakukan.

### Day 3 From Jigokudani to Narita

Breakfast at Korakukan. After breakfast Snow Monkey photography until afternoon.

In the afternoon we head back to Tokyo. First, we walk down the hill along the long trail, and then take a bus to our hotel in Nagano to collect our luggage. Then we take a train from Nagano to Tokyo, and a bus from Tokyo to Narita airport to get to the hotel shuttle bus to the airport hotel. It takes approximately 3h 30min from Nagano to Narita.

No meals included.

### Day 4 Departure

Breakfast at the hotel. Hotel shuttle bus to the airport.

For more pictures: [Snow Monkeys-gallery in Flickr](#)

**Price includes:** Land transportation - we start from Haneda airport and end to Narita airport in Tokyo, breakfasts and one dinner, accommodation, Finnature guiding, local guide and entrance fees to Jigokudani.

**Accommodation:** a good hotel in Nagano, modest Korakukan Inn in Jigokudani and airport hotel near Narita airport.

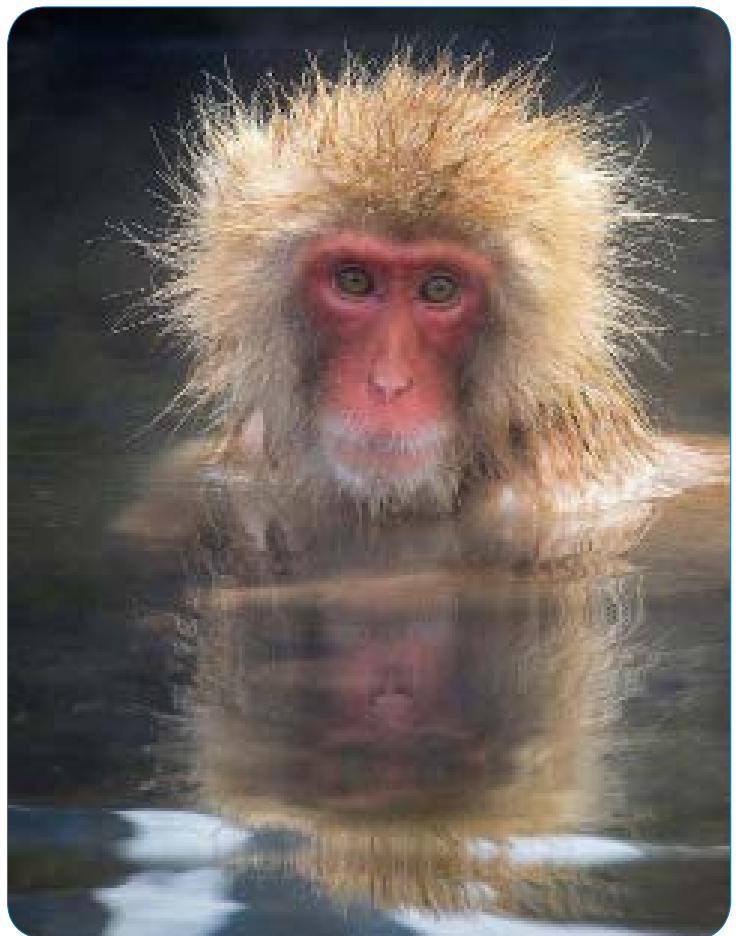
**Food:** Japanese.

**Leader:** [Jari Peltomäki](#), with bigger groups also [Kaisa Peltomäki](#)

**Possible extensions:** This tour is an extension to Amazing Hokkaido 19 – 29 February 2020.

**Booking:** [shop.finnature.com](http://shop.finnature.com)

**Please notice:** The itinerary might change due to weather conditions. Unfortunately we cannot guarantee any of the species, but our expert Finnature guides do their utmost to ensure best possible photography opportunities during the tour.



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