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Thank you for coming to the museum today. We look forward to seeing you again.

### Hours

9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (May to Sept.)  
9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Oct. to April)  
Please enter by 30 minutes before the museum closes.

### Closed

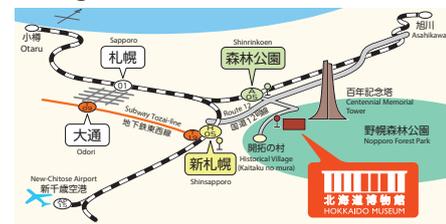
Every Monday (the following weekday if Monday is a holiday or substitute holiday)  
New Year holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)

### Admission (Main Exhibition Hall)

Adults: 600 (500) yen Students: 300 (200) yen

Notes: The amount in parentheses is the charge for members of groups of 10 or more people. There is a separate charge for special exhibitions. People with disabilities are admitted free of charge. Please display your disability certificate when entering. People junior high school age and younger and age 65 and over are admitted free of charge. Please display something that shows your age (such as a student ID, health insurance card or driver's license) when entering.

### Getting Here



#### ●By Bus

From Shinsapporo Station: Bus Terminal Stop 10 (north lane)  
Board JR Hokkaido Bus No. "Shin 22" bound for the Historical Village of Hokkaido, then get off at Hokkaido Museum.

From Shinrinkoen Station: Higashiguchi (East Entrance) stop  
The aforementioned bus from Shinsapporo Station stops at Shinrinkoen Station.

Note: It takes 20 to 25 minutes on foot to reach Hokkaido Museum.

#### ●By Taxi

Approximately 10 minutes from Shinsapporo Station



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Provider: Hokkaido Prefecture (Safe Living Bureau, Department of Environment and Lifestyle)  
Designated administrator: Historical Village of Hokkaido

# Hokkaido Museum Floor Plan and Guide



## Welcome to Hokkaido Museum

Hokkaido Museum, aka Mori no Charenga, is a museum introducing the nature, history and culture of Hokkaido. The museum investigates and researches the relationship between the natural environment and people, the culture of the Ainu, and the lives of immigrants from Honshu. It also collects and preserves materials that represent a precious treasure of the people of Hokkaido, and conducts exhibitions, educational activities and events.

Start by having a look at the Main Exhibition. The Main Exhibition Hall is divided between the 1st Floor and 2nd Floor, and the exhibits are divided into five themes.

There is one Information Desk on the 1st Floor and one on the 2nd Floor, where staff are available to answer various questions.

And the Discovery Square is located on the Lower Level. Visitors from children to adults can have fun with hands-on learning that will satisfy their curiosity. Experiences range from using one's hands and body to encountering genuine items.

## Main Exhibition Hall

The Main Exhibition introduces two concepts: "Hokkaido as Part of Northeast Asia" and "The Interrelationships of Nature and Humans" through five themes integrating Hokkaido's nature, history, and culture. Please start with the theme that interests you most.

**Prologue**  
Meeting of the North and South

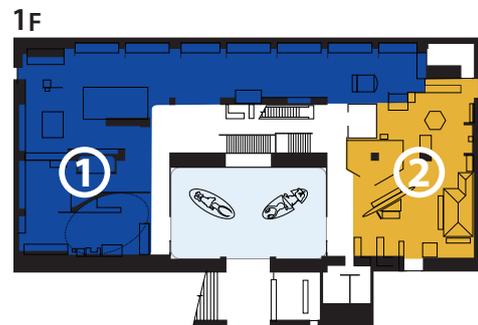
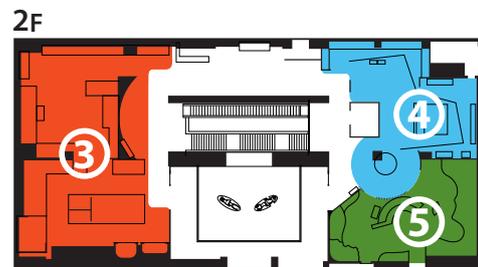
**Theme 1**  
Hokkaido's Tale of 1.2 Million Years

**Theme 2**  
The Culture and Recent History of the Ainu

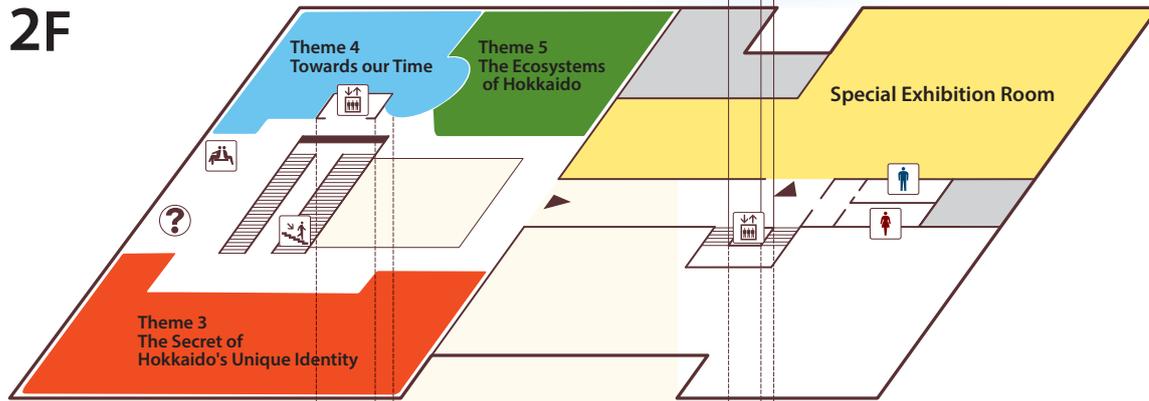
**Theme 3**  
The Secret of Hokkaido's Unique Identity

**Theme 4**  
Towards our Time

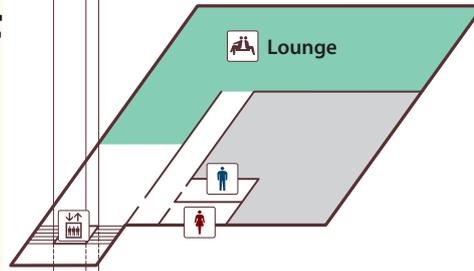
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The Ecosystems of Hokkaido



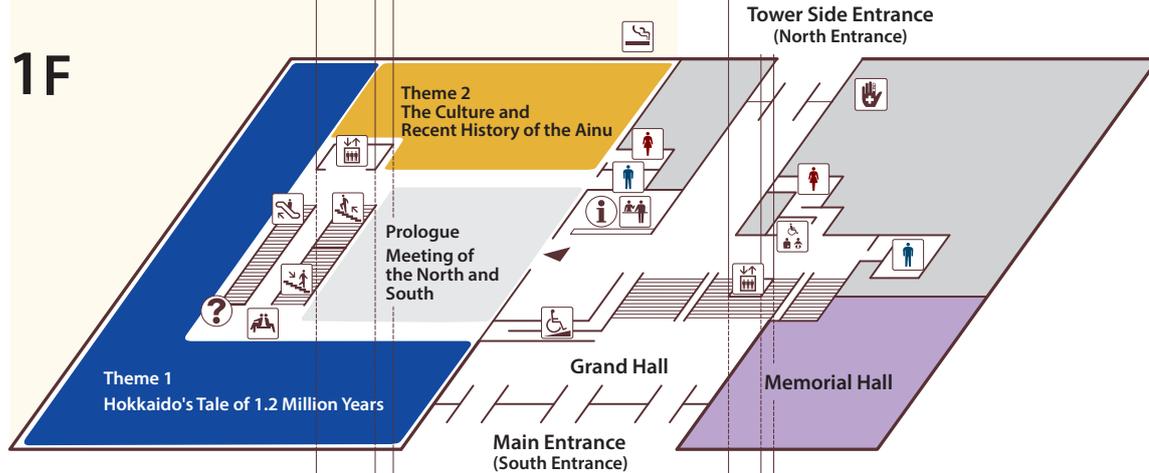
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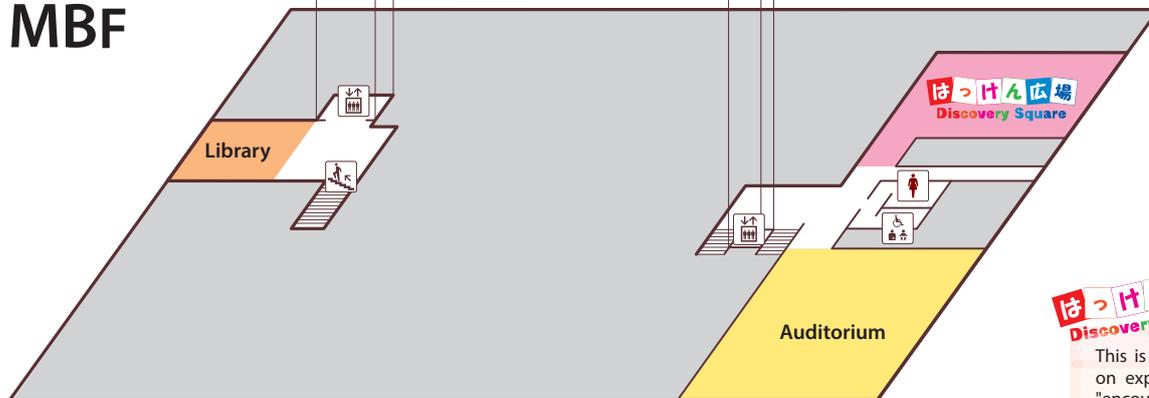
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1F



MBF



- Escalator
- Elevator
- Stairs
- Women's restroom
- Men's restroom
- Accessible Restroom (Ostomate Facilities, Diaper Changing Station)
- Slope
- Lounge
- Nursing Room
- Smoking Area
- Information (Welcome Center)
- Ticket Office
- Information Desk

**Audio Guides**

Audio Guides are available for rental at the Welcome Center on the 1st Floor.

**Multilingual Explanation Boards**

In the Main Exhibition Hall, there are explanation boards in each exhibition area. Please feel free to use them.

**Information Desks**

Information Desks are located on the 1st and 2nd floors; our staff are happy to answer questions.

**Meeting Square**

The Meeting Square is located near the 1st Floor and 2nd Floor stairs. There are desks and chairs here and the area can be used for resting or meetings. (Eating and drinking are not allowed.) The 2nd Floor has a mural depicting scenes from the frontier days of Hokkaido and an area introducing museum staff.

**Close-Up Exhibitions**

These are exhibition spaces where the materials and topic are changed periodically. There are seven in the exhibition hall.

**Events**

On weekends and holidays, there are highlight tours that explain for approximately one hour the highlights of the Main Exhibition, and various events are held. For details talk to a member of the staff or see the website.

**Library (MBF)**

The Library is near the spot where one exits the Main Exhibition Hall elevator and the stairs from the 1st Floor to the Lower Level. Here a person can research and receive reference services.

**Sky View Square (RF)**

When you ascend to the roof from the elevator, an incredible view of the city of Sapporo, Nopporo Forest Park and the Hokkaido Centennial Memorial Tower awaits you. (Only open during events.)

**Lounge (M2F)**

Here visitors may partake of food and beverages they have brought with them, while gazing upon the Hokkaido Centennial Memorial Tower.

**Memorial Hall (1F)**

This magnificent space has a red carpet, an enormous tapestry, some 1,600 horseshoes and an incredibly high ceiling.



This is a room where visitors can have hands-on experiences involving "observing intently," "encountering the real thing," "using a tool" and "making something." Using Discovery Kits that allow them to experience such things as touching a fossil or encountering Ainu culture, visitors can discover a mystery of nature, the wisdom of a person from the past or something else they didn't know. Exciting "Discovery Events" are held on weekends and holidays.

**Recommended itineraries**

- Short Visit (1 hour)** ..... Main Exhibition Hall 1F (30 min.) ..... Main Exhibition Hall 2F (30 min.)
  - Moderate-Length Visit (2 hours)** ..... Main Exhibition Hall 1F (45 min.) ..... Main Exhibition Hall 2F (45 min.) ..... Discovery Square (30 min.)
  - Long Visit (3 hours)** ..... Main Exhibition Hall 1F (60 min.) ..... Main Exhibition Hall 2F (60 min.) ..... Sky View Square\* (15 min.) ..... Memorial Hall (5 min.) ..... Discovery Square (40 min.)
- Note: If you view the Special Exhibition Room, it will take an extra 30 to 60 minutes. \*Only open during events.