

Experience 2 days of cat skiing at our Shimamaki location and get ready to ride untouched powder in the Karibayama mountain range!

### **Terrain**

The Shimamaki cat skiing zone reaches up to 1,520 meters at the top of Mt. Kariba and runs descend an average of 450 vertical meters. The terrain is a mix of open alpine bowls and perfectly spaced trees. Slopes range from 15-35 degrees (a typical resort black run is 32°). On average guests ski and ride 4,000 vertical meters of powdery snow. As with any cat, ski terrain the amount of runs/day depends on weather, avalanche conditions, and the group's ability level.

### **Lodging**

This trip is a unique package, blending deep powder skiing with a rich cultural experience. For 2 nights you will be staying in the sleepy, coastal village of Shimamaki, a two hour drive Southwest of Niseko. The area is famous for big mountains, trophy salmon fishing, and an abundance of seafood. At the end of each day, you can relax at your accommodations in the rustic, yet charming Motta Onsen or Chihasegawa Onsen hot spring lodges. At these traditional Japanese lodges, guests will have full access to the Onsen pools, indulge in fresh local seafood dishes, and enjoy Japanese beer and sake. Accommodations are based on three guests to one traditional ryokan room, complete with bamboo mats and futon cushions. Private lodging options are available at additional cost.

### **Itinerary:**

#### **Night 1**

13:00 – Pickup from your desired location in Niseko and transport to Shimamaki

18:30 – Dinner and briefing

#### **Day 1**

8:00 – Departure to cat staging area

8:45 – Avalanche Briefing

9:15 – Start shredding (lunch and snacks served on board)

15:30 – Last run

18:30 – Dinner

**Day 2**

8:00 – Departure to cat staging area

8:45 – Start shredding (lunch and snacks served on board)

15:30 – Last run

17:00 – Depart to Niseko

20:00 – Last drop off at Niseko

**Price Includes**

- 2 days guided cat skiing
- 2 nights lodging accommodations
- Mandatory avalanche gear
- Roundtrip van transportation: Niseko to Shimamaki
- Breakfast, mountain lunches, and Japanese-style dinners served at your accommodation.

**ABILITY**

# Skill Level



You should be an advanced skier able to ski steep terrain and trees in deep powder.