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## HokkaidoWilds.org announces launch of GeoPDF maps for print and navigation

**Sapporo City** | Popular Hokkaido adventure website HokkaidoWilds.org announced Wednesday the launch of a new line of online topographical maps in GeoPDF format. Users of the site can download the PDFs for free, and can see their current location in real time using the free Avenza Maps™ app for iPhone and Android. Users can still download the PDF maps to print using home or convenience store printers.

Aimed at backcountry skiers, hikers, and canoeists, the maps are available on the site as well as the Avenza Maps™ mapstore. Avenza Maps™ mapstore is trusted by big-name map producers such as National Geographic and the US Forestry Service. GeoPDF topographical maps are available for all ski, hike, and canoe routes published on HokkaidoWilds.org after October 31<sup>st</sup> 2019. Routes published earlier than this date will be updated with GeoPDFs as time allows.

**Example GeoPDFs** (Avenza Mapstore : <https://www.avenzamaps.com/vendor/4777>)

- **Rausu-dake Backcountry Ski Touring**
  - Printable GeoPDF - <https://hokw.jp/2Gglbcu>
  - Avenza Maps™ - <https://www.avenzamaps.com/maps/1093125>
  - Online route guide - <https://hokw.jp/rausuki>
- **Asahidake to Nakadake Onsen Loop Hike**
  - Printable GeoPDF - <https://hokw.jp/2O7lqZZ>
  - Avenza Maps™ - <https://www.avenzamaps.com/maps/1093113>
  - Online route guide - <https://hokw.jp/asa-naka>
- **Lake Kussharo Wakoto Peninsula Canoe Route**
  - Printable GeoPDF - <https://hokw.jp/2Kbpull>
  - Avenza Maps™ - <https://www.avenzamaps.com/maps/1095794>
  - Online route guide - <https://hokw.jp/kushsteam>

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**About HokkaidoWilds.org** | [The Hokkaido Wilds](#) is a non-profit website that exists to inspire people to explore and enjoy Hokkaido and the surrounding areas' extraordinary outdoors by ski, bicycle, foot and canoe in an informed and responsible way. In addition to detailed written route guides with great photography, we also provide GPS route files, custom English-language GeoPDF topographical maps (using Japan government map data), and safety notes. HokkaidoWilds.org enjoys the support of a number of local Hokkaido NPOs and tourism promotion bureaus.

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