

Shiretoko Circumnavigation

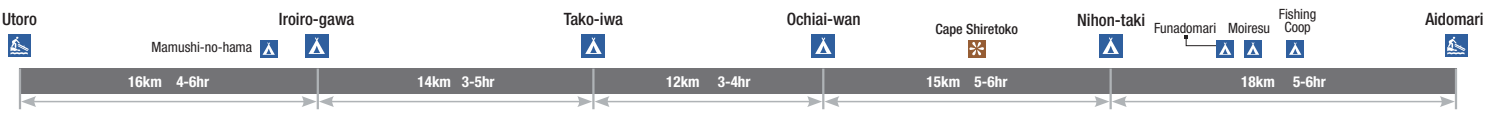
UTORO TO AIDOMARI (75km)

Can be paddled counterclockwise or clockwise. A maximum of six padding days will allow plenty of time to enjoy remote campsites and campfires. Allow two backup days, however, for a total of up to eight days in lieu of wind-bound days.

Conditions: Prevailing summer weather is southeast; the Utoro side is often leeward. The Utoro side (Okhotsk Sea) coast has fewer landing/camping options, however; expect cliffs and steep, rocky beaches. The Rausu side (Nemuro Strait) coast has comparatively less fetch, but persistent southerlies are common. Relatively more favourable landing/camping options.

Camping: Utoro coast north of Ubushinotta, and Rausu coast north of Aidomari are dotted with operational *banya* fishing huts. Avoid camping in their vicinities. Otherwise, all suitable coves and beaches are fair game (particularly suitable locations are marked on the map).

Kayak-specific information: Veteran Shiretoko kayak guide Akio Shinya published *Coastal Pilot for Shiretoko Kayakers* in 2022. See our translation here: <https://hokw.jp/shiretokopilot>



Shiretoko Circumnavigation Overview Map
 1:180,000 Grid: 5km Sep 2024

LEGEND

- Camp/no camp
- Water / Info.
- Put-in/take-out
- Bears common
- Onsen hotel
- Wild onsen
- Bus stop / shop
- Banya / Cove
- Prone to conditions



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