

**Question:** How can I get to Kamikochi during November 15 to April 16? Is it safe? Do you have a tour?

**Answer:** There is no bus service to Kamikochi from November 16 until April 16, and we do not provide guided tours to Kamikochi.

In winter, Kamikochi is blanketed with deep snow, requiring snowshoes and appropriate winter gear. With the potential dangers of avalanches, ground blizzards, rapidly changing in weather conditions, and temperatures plummeting below -20°C, it is impractical to enter the mountains wearing typical winter clothing from town. Unless you possess experience in winter mountaineering, it is not advisable to enter the mountains without proper preparation for winter climbing and professional guide. Please be aware that entering Kamikochi during this period is done at your own risk.

■ **About Matsumoto - Takayama Bus:**

The nearest bus stop to Kamikochi in winter is the K-26 Nakanoyu bus stop. To reach Nakanoyu bus stop, please board the Matsumoto - Takayama bus. From there, you will need to walk or use snowshoes, approximately 1 hour (3 km) to Taisho Pond and about 2 hours (7 km) to Kappa Bridge. The time required may be significantly longer depending on the snow conditions and weather.

This is a non-reserved bus; you cannot purchase or reserve the bus ticket in advance. You can purchase the ticket at either Matsumoto or Takayama Bus Terminal. For the return trip, please purchase the ticket from the bus driver when boarding from Nakanoyu bus stop. Please check the timetable, bus stops, and fare from [this page](#).

■ **If you decide to enter Kamikochi in winter**

When entering, you must complete a climbing registration at the entrance (Nakanoyu Gate) and submit it in the designated box. We highly recommend you join a tour with a professional guide when going to Kamikochi in winter. Here is our recommended guide: [Raicho Guesthouse](#).

■ [Map and toilet locations](#)

■ For more details, please inquire [Kamikochi official website](#).

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