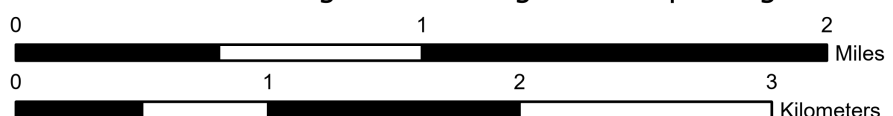


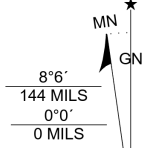
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| Day 3 - 12.1 km (7.5 mi), +124 m (407 ft), -2093 m (6867 ft) |

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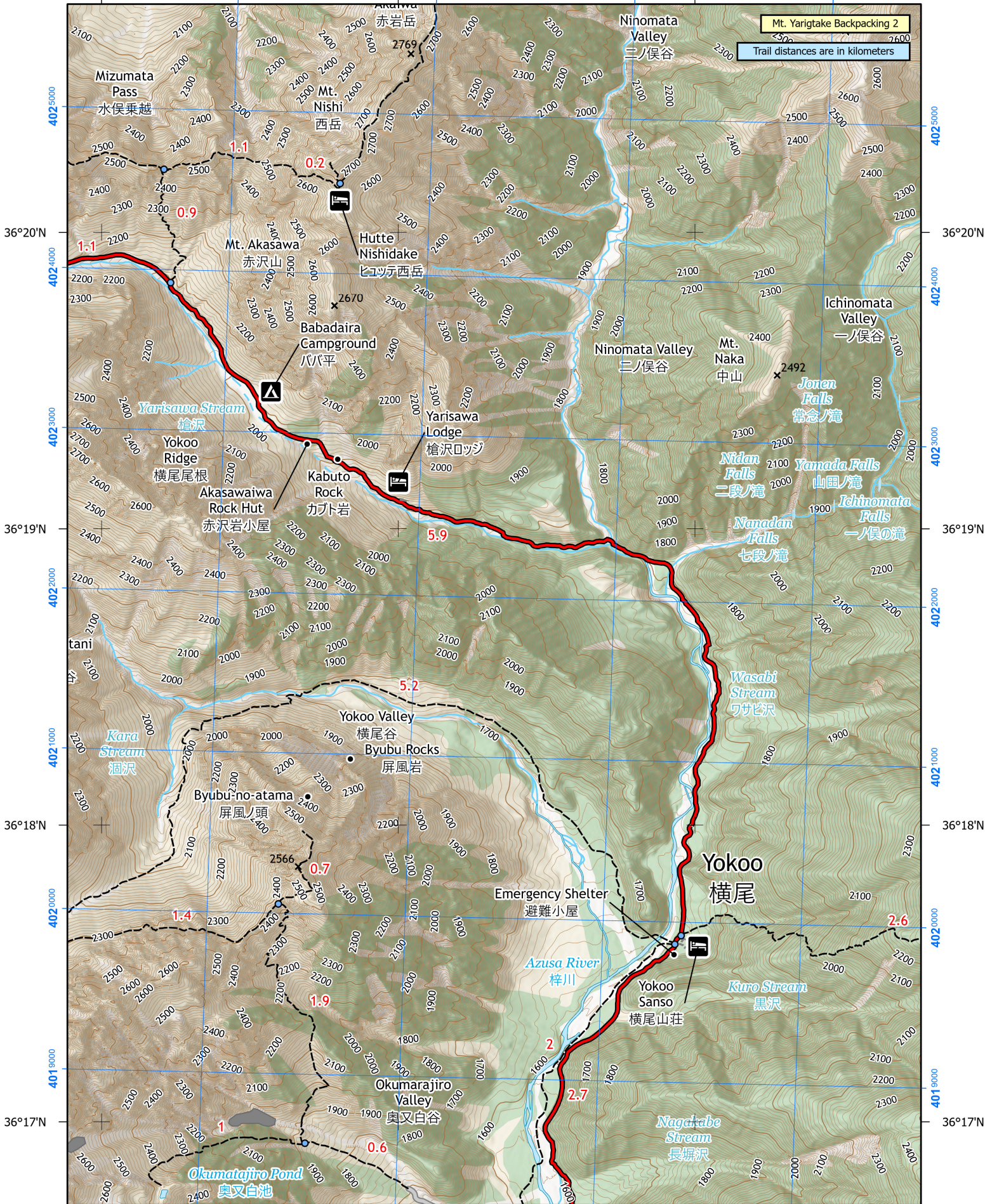
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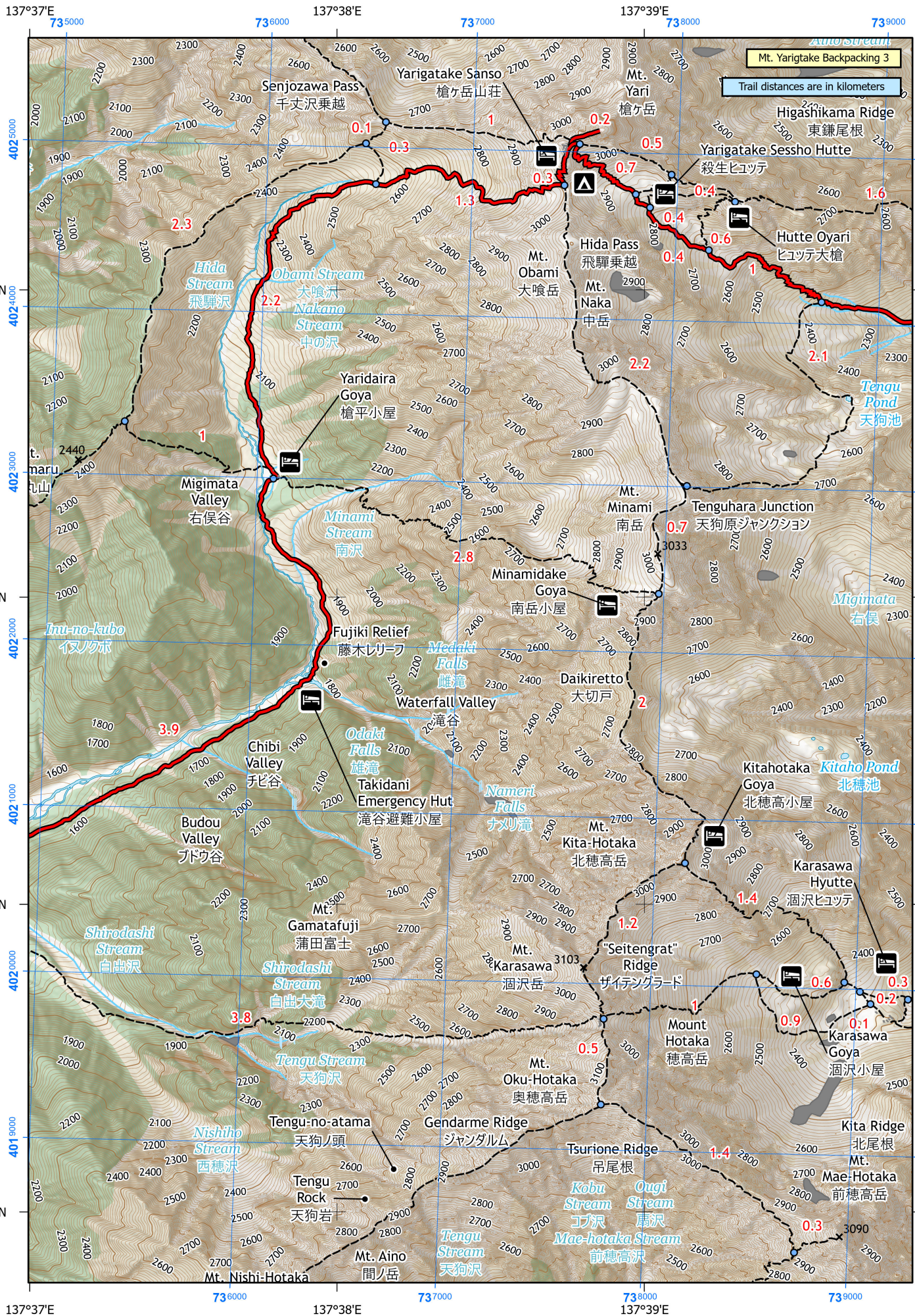
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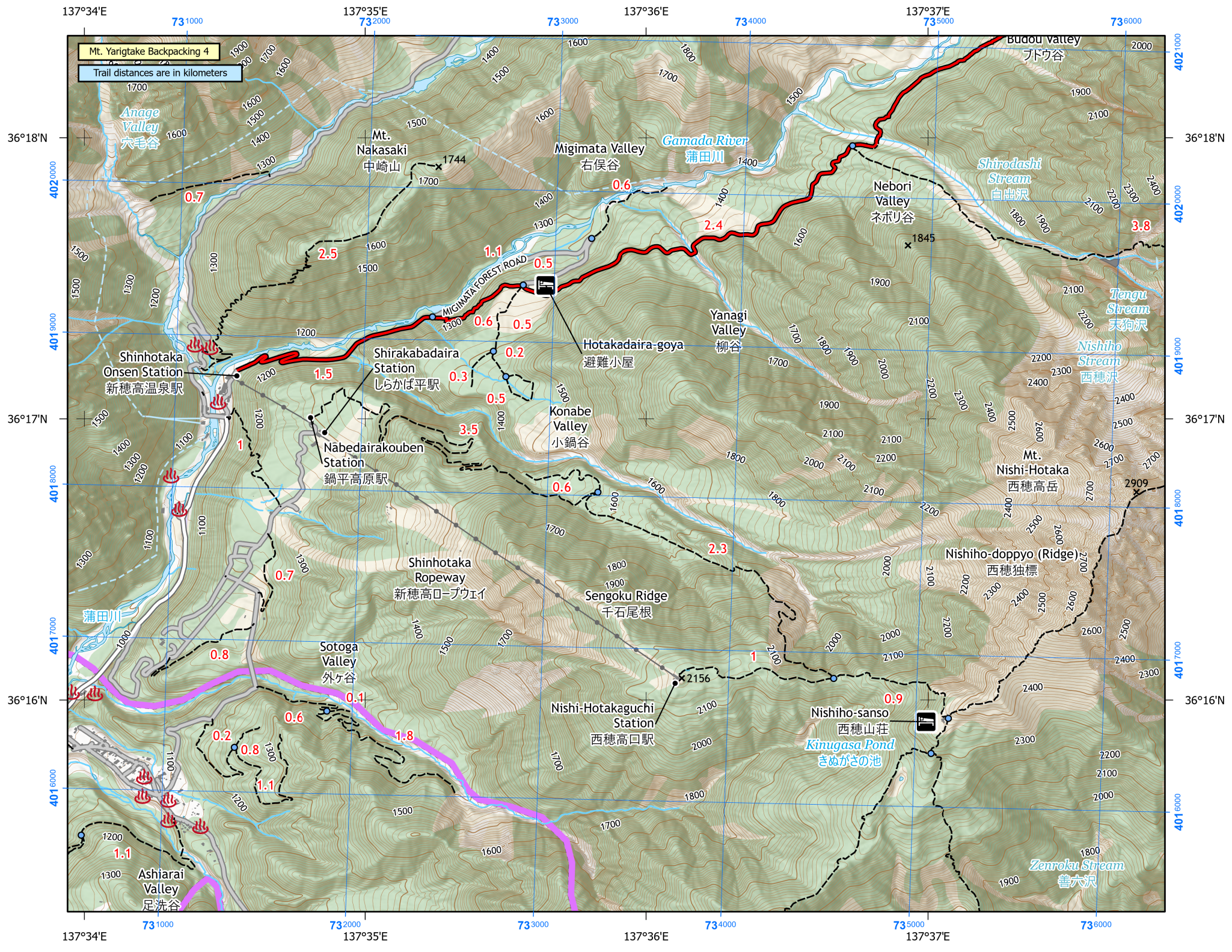
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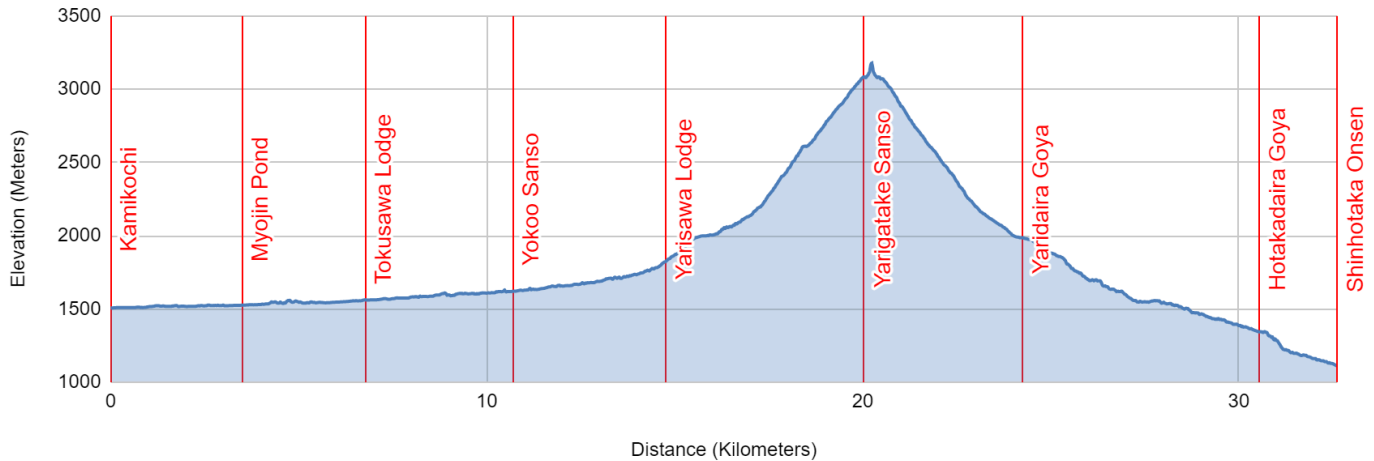
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Mount Yari Trail Elevation (32.6 km / 20.3 mi)

Calculated from 10m DEM resolution, Sampling Interval 25'



Type: 2-Night Backpacking, One Way Shuttle

Total Distance: 32.6 km (20.3 mi) round trip

Cumulative Elevation Gain/Loss: +1093 feet (333 m), -3240 feet (988 m).

- **Day 1 (Starting from Kappa Bridge):** Distance: 14.8 km (9.2 mi) Overall Cumulative Gain and Loss: 540 meters (1772 feet) gain, 225 meters (738 feet) loss Time: 7 hours, which includes lunch, breaks, and exploring Overnight: Yarisawa Lodge

- **Day 2 (Distance/Elevation includes climbing the peak of Mt. Yari):** Distance: 5.7 km (3.5 mi) Overall Cumulative Gain and Loss: 1396 meters (4580 feet) gain, 136 meters (446 feet) loss Time: 7.5 hours to get to the lodge, which includes lunch and breaks. It took an additional 50 minutes to climb to the peak of Mt. Yari and back. Overnight: Yurigatake Sanso

- **Day 3 (Ending at Shinhotaka Ropeway):** Distance: 12.1 km (7.6 mi) Overall Cumulative Gain and Loss: 124 meters (407 feet) gain, 2093 meters (6867 feet) loss Time: 9 hours, which includes lunch and breaks Overnight: Yari-mikan in Shinhotaka Onsen

Trail Markings: Trail signs at intersections, markings painted on rocks: "O" (safe route), "X" (avoid)

Difficulty: Strenuous

Directions to Kappa Bridge: [36.248845](#), [137.637819](#)

Day 1

- **0.0 km / 0.0 mi** - From Kappa Bridge in Kamikochi, head north on the gravel path along the river.
- **0.2 km / 0.1 mi** - Where the road and the path join briefly, bear right to stay on the path. A trail sign points toward "Myojin-Ike Pond" in 3.3 km. After about 5-10 minutes on the trail, you'll enter Dakesawa Marsh via a boardwalk.
- **0.7 km / 0.4 mi** - Bear right at the intersection, following the sign to "Myojin-Ike Pond" in 2.8 km. This section goes through the forest, crossing many bridges with views of the Azusa River on the right.
- **2.4 km / 1.5 mi** - Turn right when the trail intersects with the Chisan transport road. Follow the sign for "Myojin-Ike Pond" in 1.1 km.
- **2.7 km / 1.7 mi** - Turn right back onto a walking trail, off of the road, following the sign for "Myojin-Ike Pond" in 0.8 km. The trail runs parallel to the road, along some boardwalk sections.
- **3.5 km / 2.2 mi** - Arrive at the Myojin Pond area. If you'd like to check out the shrine and pond, head left at the trail sign to "Myojin-Ike Pond" in 0.1 km. Otherwise, continue straight toward Myojin Bridge.
- **3.6 km / 2.2 mi** - At the bridge, turn right to cross the Azusa River via Myojin Bridge.
- **3.9 km / 2.4 mi** - Arrive at Myojinkan Lodge, staying to the right of the building. At the T intersection with the main building, head left. A trail sign points to 徳沢 (Tokusawa) in 3.4 miles.
- **4.2 km / 2.6 mi** - Continue straight at the intersection with Tokugotoge Shimashimadani, toward Tokusawa-Yokoo.
- **5.6 km / 3.5 mi** - Pass by Furuike (Old Pond).

- **6.8 km / 4.2 mi** - Keep left at the intersection. However, if you want to take a break or explore, you could bear right toward Tokusawa Lodge. You'll pass another intersection in a few minutes, which also leads to the lodge. Shortly after that, you'll pass a bathroom, then Tokusawa Campground, and some lodges. Keep straight until you get to Michikusa Shokudo.
- **7.1 km / 4.4 mi** - Turn left at Michikusa Shokudo, another lodge.
- **7.3 km / 4.5 mi** - Keep right at the intersection, toward 横尾 (translated as Yokoo).
- **8.0 km / 5.0 mi** - Continue straight to "Yokoo-Karasawa-Yari" and pass a suspension bridge (Shinmura Bridge) on your left that crosses the Azusa River.
- **10.7 km / 6.7 mi** - Arrive at the Yokoo area, where there is a lodge, campground, and restrooms. Continue straight, with the lodge buildings on your right. A large bridge will be on your left. Follow the sign toward "檜ヶ岳", or Yarigatake. After this point, the trail becomes more of a true hiking trail rather than a gravel path.
- **14.8 km / 9.2 mi** - Arrive at Yarisawa Lodge! Stay the night, and continue on the trail in the morning.

Day 2

- **16.7 km / 10.4 mi** - Head left at the intersection with Minamata. Follow the sign toward Yarigatake.
- **17.8 km / 11.1 mi** - Bear right at the intersection (left leads to Mt. Minami and Tenguhara Junction).
- **18.7 km / 11.6 mi** - Continue straight at the intersection with the trail that goes to Hutte Oyari. There's a trail sign all in Japanese.
- **19.2 km / 11.9 mi** - Continue straight at the intersection with the trail to Sessho Hyutte.
- **19.3 km / 12.0 mi** - Continue straight at another intersection that goes to Sessho Hyutte. Then, make the last push to Yarigatake Sanso.
- **20.0 km / 12.4 mi** - Turn left at the intersection, and climb a short distance to arrive at Yarigatake Sanso! Check-in and relax. Optionally, climb to the peak of Mt. Yari.
- **20.0 km / 12.4 mi** - Optionally, climb to the peak of Mt. Yari. From Yarigatake Sanso, head left out of the main doors toward the peak beside the lodge. At the base, a sign points to "The top of Mt. Yarigatake" in 0.2 mi. There are separate routes to ascend and descend. Follow the route to ascend with multiple chains and ladders.
- **20.2 km / 12.6 mi** - Climb the last ladder to the top, enjoy the view and shrine, then head back down along the descent route.
- **20.4 km / 12.7 mi** - Arrive back at Yarigatake Sanso.

Day 3

- **20.4 km / 12.7 mi** - Exit Yarigatake Sanso, turn right, and pass the campground. You'll pass a trail sign pointing to "Shinhotaka-onsen Spa" in 14.4 km, and "Mt. Hotaka-dake" in 9.0 km.
- **20.7 km / 12.9 mi** - Turn right at the intersection. A worn sign (in Japanese) is there, but it can be hard to read.
- **22.0 km / 13.7 mi** - Continue straight at the intersection.
- **24.2 km / 15.0 mi** - Continue straight at the intersection.
- **24.3 km / 15.1 mi** - Continue straight at the intersection, past Yaridaira Goya mountain hut.
- **25.7 km / 16.0 mi** - Pass Takidani Junction, where there may be some stream crossings.
- **27.9 km / 17.3 mi** - Continue straight at the intersection, past the dam. The trail turns into a gravel road.
- **28.1 km / 17.5 mi** - After the dam, continue straight past the intersection.
- **30.5 km / 19.0 mi** - Go past Hotakadaira-goya mountain hut. Locate the trail heading to the west, near the mountain hut. If you can't find it, continue on the road (this is what we did) though it will take slightly longer.
- **31.2 km / 19.4 mi** - Turn left, back onto the road as the trail ends.
- **32.6 km / 20.3 mi** - Arrive in Shinhotaka Onsen and relax!