



Men's National Hockey Team "Samurai Japan"

January–February New Zealand Expedition Participant List

Period: January 27 to February 5, 2026 / Auckland, New Zealand

| No | POSITION | NAME | AFFILIATION | AGE | REMARKS |
|----|--------------------------------|------------------|---|-----|---------|
| 1 | Head Coach | Yoshihiro Anai | Japan Hockey Association | 38 | |
| 2 | Team Manager & Assistant Coach | Ippei Fujimoto | My Hoceky Plus | 36 | |
| 3 | Assistant Coach | Yosuke Matsumura | Iwate Town Ichikatai Junior High School | 33 | |
| 4 | Analyst | Tomohiro Chujo | Japan Hockey Association | 35 | |
| 5 | S&C Coach | Kazuya Nishitani | Japan Hockey Association | 30 | |
| 6 | Physio | Kosuke Sekiya | Hinode Medical Co | 49 | |
| 7 | Physio | Yuya Toishita | Gifu Core Balance Inc | 28 | |

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|-----|----------|--------------------|---|-----|--|
| 1 | GK | Takashi Yoshikawa | GIFU ASAHI BLUE DEVILS (Affiliation: Chunichi Copro Corporation) | 31 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 2 | GK | Kisho Kuroda | Tenri University | 22 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 3 | DF | Manabu Yamashita | Freaks Tokyo (Affiliation: Japan Hockey Association) | 36 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 4 | DF | Shota Yamada | GIFU ASAHI BLUE DEVILS (Affiliation: API Corporation) | 31 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 5 | DF | Yusuke Kawamura | LIEBE Tochigi (Affiliation: Kitakanto Sogo Security Service Co.) | 24 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 6 | DF | Hyota Yamada | Asahi University | 22 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 7 | DF | Jun Watanabe | Tenri University | 22 | 2024 Men's Junior Asia Cup (U21) FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 |
| 8 | DF | Yamato Kawahara | Ritumeikan University | 21 | Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 FIH Hockey Men's Junior World Cup 2025 (U21) |
| 9 | MF | Seren Tanaka | GIFU ASAHI BLUE DEVILS | 33 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 10 | MF | Kaito Tanaka | GIFU ASAHI BLUE DEVILS | 30 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 11 | MF | Raiki Fujishima | ALDER HANNO | 26 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 12 | MF | Taiki Takade | Lille Métropole Hockey Club (France) | 24 | FIH Hockey Olympic Qualifiers Valencia 2024 2024 Sultan Azlan Shah Cup |
| 13 | MF | Hiro Saito | Vercosta Fukui (Affiliation: KITISYO CO.) | 23 | 2024 Sultan Azlan Shah Cup FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 |
| 14 | MF | Yuto Higuchi | Ritumeikan University | 20 | Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 FIH Hockey Men's Junior World Cup 2025 (U21) |
| 15 | FW | Koji Yamasaki | BlueSticks SHIGA | 29 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 16 | FW | Kosei Kawabe | GIFU ASAHI BLUE DEVILS (Affiliation: Chunichi Copro Corporation) | 26 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 17 | FW | Kazumasa Matsumoto | Miyazaki Prefecture Sports Association | 25 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 18 | FW | Ryoma Ooka | LIEBE Tochigi (Affiliation: Kitakanto Sogo Security Service Co.) | 24 | 2024 Sultan Azlan Shah Cup FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 |
| 19 | FW | Ryosuke Shinohara | Yamanashi Gakuin University | 20 | FIH Hockey Men's Nations Cup Malaysia 2025 Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 |
| 20 | FW | Naru Kimura | Ritumeikan University | 20 | Hero Asia Cup Rajgir 2025 FIH Hockey Men's Junior World Cup 2025 (U21) |

Affiliation and age as of December 4, 2025