

Weekly Information "Nature Letter"



View of Asahidake from Sugatami Station

The current appearance of the Sugatami Pond area
The 1.7km pathway at 1,600m is approximately an hour-long walk.
The temperatures dropped at the end of August, and the foliage has started changing colors. You can observe plants such as *Solidago virgaurea* flowers, and encounter animals such as the Spotted Nutcracker and Siberian Chipmunk. They are now preparing for winter. Please come see the first fall foliage in Japan.

Asahidake Sugatami Area



Siberian Chipmunk



Solidago virgaurea ssp. asiatica

Asahidake Fall foliage report



Sieversia pentapetala's red leaves



1st observation platform (September 3rd)

Sorbus matsumurana leaves are starting to change colors around the Sugatami area. Small plants along the paths have also started to color.

Tenninkyo Hagoromo waterfall

★Information★

The pass to Hagoromo Falls is closed.
Hotels in Tenninkyo are open.
Please try the hot spring footbath.



Footbath

Recommended Equipment in Sugatami

Average temperatures in early September : 9~20°C
※according to Asahidake Park Rangers' records

☆It is now fall in the Daisetsu mountains. Please dress warmly.
☆We recommend wearing raingear on rainy days.



Plants information in Sugatami Area



Gentiana nipponica



Vaccinium Ovalifolium (fruit)



Sorbus matsumurana (fluff)



Vaccinium vitis-idaea (fruit)



Gentiana triflora var. *japonica* f. *montana*



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Asahidake Ropeway Operating hours

Sept. 1st – Sept. 29th: 6:30-17:30
(weekdays)
Sept. 2nd – Sept 30th: 6:00 -17:30
(weekends and holidays)
Runs every 15 min!



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Daily updates on
Asahidake and
Sugatami area ! →

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