

# Okhotsk is transcendentally



## Skunk Cabbage (*Lysichiton camtschatcense*)

Abashiri City, Yubetsu Town, Ozora Town, etc.

Spring

The Abashiri lakeside is known as one of the largest skunk cabbage communities in Japan, and the Memanbetsu side of the area is designated as a national natural treasure. At the community on the Saroma lakeside in Yubetsu, boardwalks are in good condition.

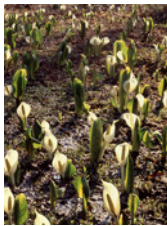
 Mid-April - early May

Please refer to the following web sites for more information.

Abashiri City <http://www.abakanko.jp/seen/hana.html> **E K S T**

Yubetsu Town <http://www.town.yubetsu.lg.jp/60kanko/02keikan/flower.html> **E K S T**

Ozora Town <http://www.town.ozora.hokkaido.jp/dd.aspx?menuid=1342>



## Onneyu Onsen Tsutsuji Park


Kitami City


Spring


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There is a huge community of *Ezomurasakitsutsuji* (*Rhododendron dauricum*), and includes 70,000 plants and 280,000 trees. It is renowned as one of the largest communities in the country. During the season when the plants are in full bloom, the flowers are so splendid and they turn all the hillsides into a beautiful magenta color.

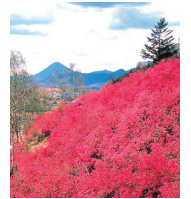
Hanaoka, Rubeshibe-cho, Kitami City

 Early May - mid-May (*Ezomurasakitsutsuji* / *Rhododendron dauricum*)

 9:00-18:00 (Addmition Time of Mt. Tsutsuji)

 Approx. 20 min. by bus from JR Rubeshibe Station; get off the bus at "Onneyu Onsen (Hot Springs)"; approx. 10 min. on foot

<http://www.kitamikanko.jp/kanko/shizen/shizen08.html> **E K S T**



## Yoshokuen Garden


Takinoue Town


Spring Summer Autumn

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An 80,000 square meters park that was created by a single man who spent more than 50 years planting trees and flowers, digging ponds and building paths. More than 800 kinds of flowers are changing daily by the season, showing a different view every time one visits this very special park.

Akebono-machi, Takinoue Town

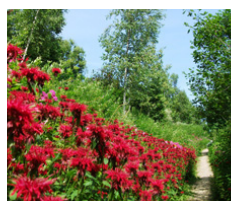
 Late Apr. - late Sep.

 Apr. 29 - last Sunday in Sep. (10:00 - 17:00; admission until 14:30)

 ¥1,000

 Approx. 5min. by car from Michinoeki (Roadside Station) Kaori no Sato Takinoue

<http://takinoue.com/?yoshok> **E**



## Hana Tendo: Flower Garden



Abashiri City

Summer Autumn

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It is a spacious flower garden on top of Mt. Tendo-zan that is kept by some volunteer citizens' groups from summer to autumn, and is a ski ground in winter. All visitors are fascinated with the multicolored landscape there. Using Abashiri City Sightseeing Bus (by Abashiri Bus), one can get from Abashiri City to Hana Tent: Flower Garden.

Yobito, Abashiri City

 Mid-Aug. - mid-Oct.  Free of charge

 Approx. 15 min. by bus from JR Abashiri Station; get off the bus at "Museum of Northern Peoples"; approx. 10 min. on foot (operated only from late July - early Oct.)

<http://abashiri.jp/tabinavi/19hanatento> **E K S T**



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## ← Takinoue Park Spring Takinoue Town

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Moss phlox forming a huge carpet of blooms in Takinoue Park from mid-May to early June started from a single box of tiny moss phlox plants from a nursery that were planted there. These plants have grown year by year through the efforts of town's people, and are now covers an area of 100,000 square meters. It is the largest moss phlox community in Japan. Takinoue Town is covered by the vivid pink color and the sweet scent of the cute, tiny flowers.

- Motomachi, Takinoue Town
- 🌸 Mid-May - early June
- 🕒 7:00 - 18:00 (only during the period of the Moss Phlox Festival)
- 💰 Adults: ¥500 (only during the period of the Moss Phlox Festival)

Moss Phlox Festival in the Fairy Tale Village of Takinoue: mid-May - early June

- 🚗 Approx. 5 min. by car from Michinoeki (Roadside Station) Kaori no Sato Takinoue
- 🌐 <http://takinoue.com/?shiba> **E**

## Higashimokoto Spring Shibazakura (Moss Phlox) Park

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In spring, the slopes of low hills in the park begin to turn light and dark pink with moss phlox. When they are in full bloom, broad slopes covering more than 100,000 square meters are covered with a beautiful velvet-like carpet of flowers.

- Suehiro, Higashimokoto, Ozora Town
- 🌸 Early May - early June
- 🕒 8:00 - 17:00
- 💰 Adults: ¥500 (only during the blooming season)
- 🚗 Approx. 50 min. by bus from JR Abashiri Station; get off the bus at "Higashimokoto, Ozora Town"; approx. 6 min. by car

🌐 <http://www.shibazakura.net> **E K T**

## Koshimizu Wild Flower Park Spring Summer Koshimizu Town Autumn

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It is a natural flower garden where approximately 70 species of flowers like *Ezosukashiyuri* (a variety of lilies) bloom all the way along an approximately 8 km long dune between the sea and the lake.

- Hama-koshimizu, Koshimizu Town
- 🌸 Late May - early Sep.
- 🚗 Get off the train at JR Genseikaen Station (It temporarily stops here during the period from May - Oct.)
- 🌐 <http://www.town.koshimizu.hokkaido.jp/hotnews/detail/00000164.html>



## Yuri-no-Sato Koshimizu Lily Park Summer Koshimizu Town

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There are 7 million lilies (85 varieties) on hilly parts of the approximately 13 hectares. Visitors can also drive along the walking tracks with rented carts.

- 11-ku, Koshimizu, Koshimizu Town
- 🌸 Mid-July - early Sep.
- 🕒 9:00 - 17:00 (Lilies blossom season; \*until 16:00 except the aforementioned season)
- 💰 Adults: ¥600
- 🚗 Approx. 45min. by car from JR Abashiri Station

🌐 <http://www.lilypark.info>



## Kamiyubetsu Tulip Park

Yubetsu Town Spring  
MAP P25-B2

Over 1,200,000 tulips fill all flower gardens in the park which cover a total area of 70,000 square meters. An observatory in the shape of a Dutch windmill is very popular.

- Tonden-shigaichi, Kamiyubetsu, Yubetsu Town
- 🌸 Early May - early June
- 🕒 8:00 - 18:00 (admission until 17:30)
- 💰 Adults: ¥600 (a reduced rate is set depending on the blooming situation)
- 🚗 Approx. 15 min. by bus from JR Engaru Station; get off the bus at "Tulip Park"

🌐 <http://www.town.yubetsu.lg.jp/tulipark> **E K S T**



## Niji-no-Hiroba: Taiyo-no-Oka Engaru Park

Engaru Town Spring Summer  
Autumn  
MAP P25-B2

It is one of the largest cosmos gardens in Japan that covers an area of 10 hectares with approximately 10 million cosmos plants. Moss phlox and tulips are in full bloom in spring, and cosmos and zinnia entertain in autumn.

- Marudai, Engaru Town
- 🌸 Late Aug. - early Oct. (Cosmos)
- 🕒 Apr. 29 - Oct. 31 (9:00 - 17:00)
- 💰 Adults: ¥300 (only during the cosmos blooming season)
- 🚗 Approx. 10 min. by car from JR Engaru Station
- 🌐 <http://cosmos-love.com> **E K T**



## Wakka Wild Flower Park

Kitami City Spring Summer  
Autumn  
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It is a seashore grassland that separates the sea of Okhotsk from Lake Saroma. The area is a mixture of forest, grassland, marsh and sand, and more than 300 kinds of flowers and plants can be found.

- Sakaeura, Tokoro-cho, Kitami City (Saroma lakeside)
- 🌸 Late Apr. - mid-Oct.
- 🚗 Approx. 40 min. by car from JR Abashiri Station

🌐 <http://tokorollc.sakura.ne.jp/wakka/index.htm>



## Flower Park Kamu

Nishiokoppe Village Spring Summer  
Autumn  
MAP P25-A2

It is part of a roadside station, and more than 400 kinds of flowers bloom continuously from May to September. Bergamot (*Citrus bergamia*), which blooms from late July to early August, is very popular.

- Kamiokoppe, Nishiokoppe Village
- 🌸 Early May - late Sep.
- 🕒 May - Sep. (10:00 - 18:00; until 17:00 in Sep.)
- 💰 High school students and older: ¥200 (in the charged areas)
- 🚗 Includes Michinoeki (Roadside Station) Nishiokoppe Kamu
- 🌐 <http://www.vill.nishiokoppe.hokkaido.jp/section/sangyou/kamu> **E**



## Viewing seasons of flowers and plants

Okhotsk is an outstanding flowerland in Japan where various flowers bloom in vivid colors one after another from spring to autumn. It will be a special memory of each traveler to stroll in a boundless flower garden against the "Okhotsk blue" sky in the background.

