

Welcome to Akan-Mashu National Park

Akan-Mashu National Park covers around 914 square kilometers of volcanic terrain. The landscape is the result of major eruptions some hundreds of thousands of years ago, and features active volcanoes, diverse fauna and flora, and Japan's largest caldera lake. Explore the park on one of the many walking and hiking trails introduced in this booklet.

The trails vary in length and difficulty, from short nature walks suitable for families, to challenging mountain climbs for experienced hikers, where climbers are afforded prime views of the vast caldera lakes.

The first stop for any visitor to the park should be one of the visitor centers. Staff at the Kawayu Eco-museum Center, the Akankohan Eco-museum Center, and the Wakoto Field House can recommend the best hike for you and provide any necessary information you might need, including the latest news on bear sightings. For safety reasons, anyone planning to go on a hike must write their name and intended route in the ledger at the trailhead.

We hope you enjoy your time in Hokkaido's great outdoors.