

Early Fall Flowers

Fall begins early in Hachimantai due to the high elevation, with the first signs of the changing season starting in August. Plantain lilies, purple *ezo-oyamarindo* gentian, white-flowered burnet, *mizugiku* aster, lobelia, goldenrod, purple *okutorikabuto* monkshood and other flowers burst into bloom one after another, followed by the wetland grasses changing colors. The fall colors are at their peak in October.