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Ministry of the Environment Ishikawa Prefecture

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Kuroyuri lily (Fritillaria camschatcensis)

Beech forest

Hakusan National Park stretches across an area of 47,700 hectares including parts of Ishikawa, Fukui, Toyama, and Gifu prefectures. The park and its namesake mountain are known as one of the finest environments for alpine plants in Japan. The lower areas of the mountain are covered with vast Japanese beech forests inhabited by a wide range of animals, making it a critically important nature reserve.

Preserve the beauty of Hakusan for future generations:

- Take all waste home with you
- Picking plants or disturbing wildlife is punishable by law
- Only camp in designated areas
- Pets are not allowed in Hakusan National Park

Memo/stamps

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Open: May 1 to November 5 (heavy snow may cause early closures)

Hours: 8:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Entrance: Free

Access

Bus: From Kanazawa Station, take the bus that goes to Ichinose (a roughly one hour and 45-minute trip.) At Ichinose, switch to the bus going to Betto Deai (around 30 minutes). Be sure to check in advance if the bus will be running on the date you arrive.

Contact: Hokuriku Telephone Service Center, Tel: (076)237-5115

Car: Approx. two hours from Kanazawa or Fukui

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Get to Know Hakusan National Park

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The center provides a wide range of information on the animals, plants, and rich history and geology of Hakusan Natural Park. Exhibitions, videos, and maps ensure visitors are fully informed before setting out on the trails. Staff will happily explain the various routes, and can provide the registration forms that everyone climbing Mt. Hakusan is required to fill out.

Nature Trails

For those who prefer to remain at lower altitudes, the Visitor Center is close to several nature trails. Guided nature walks are also held regularly; please ask the staff for more information.