

Hamamatsu Flower Park

Hamamatsu Flower Park is a botanical garden established in 1970 on about 30 hectares of land northwest of central Hamamatsu, bordering Lake Hamana. The park's rolling slopes display a vast array of seasonal flowers, from domestic varieties to rare and exotic plants from overseas. Facilities include a large children's play area, a gift shop, cafés and restaurants, and open stretches of grass where visitors are welcome to picnic. The proceeds of entry fees to the park are used in the upkeep of the garden and allow the caretakers to pursue new development in horticulture. The garden tulips and cherry blossom garden and wisteria trellis exhibit are illustrative of the work put into creating new floral displays. Discount tickets covering access to both Hamamatsu Flower Park and the adjacent Hamamatsu Zoological Garden are available.

The majority of the park is highly accessible and benches and rest areas are placed at regular intervals. An electric cable car carries passengers, including those in wheelchairs and strollers, up and down one of the steeper slopes for no additional fee. A locomotive-themed "flower train" tour bus circumnavigates the park in 15 minutes and stops at five points along the way, making it a popular option for tour groups and those short on time.