Letters from Nikko National Park

We will introduce you to the beautiful nature in Okunikko. Listening birds chirping, take a deep breath in forest...They will give you a comfortable time.





In the clear sky, I climbed Mt. Nantai from Shizu* area for the first time in a long time on June 12th. The Larch(Karamatsu) sprouted at top of the mountain, and Japanese alpine cherry (Takane-zakura) was in the best time to see.

*Shizu... It is located in the north of Mt. Nantai, and the distance from the parking lot to the trailhead is long. There is a lot of shade, it is easy to climb on a sunny day.

Flowers

◆ Siebold's crabapple (Zumi) and Hare-tail cotton-grass (Watasuge)

At Senjogahara marshland, the best time to see Siebold's crabapple (*Zumi*) was over. Hare-tail cotton-grass (*Watasuge*) were also already past their peak. Now, Senjogahara marshland Japanese azalea (*Renge-tsutsuji*) and Iris (*Ayame*) is in full bloom.

◆ Japanese Primrose (Kurinso)

Japanese Primrose (Kurinso) is best time to see now, and you can see it around next week.

◆ Japanese azalea (Renge-tsutsuji)

At Lake Yunoko, Japanese azalea (*Renge-tsutsuji*) is in full bloom, especially the flowers in front of the Yumoto Rest House on the north shore is beautiful. On the other hand, the azaleas in the garden in front of Kyukamura NIKKO-YUMOTO Hotel have been significantly reduced in recent years due to the feeding damage by deer.

◆ Prunus ssiori(Shiuri-zakura)

In Yumoto area, Prunus ssiori (Shiuri-zakura) is in its best view.

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