

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.



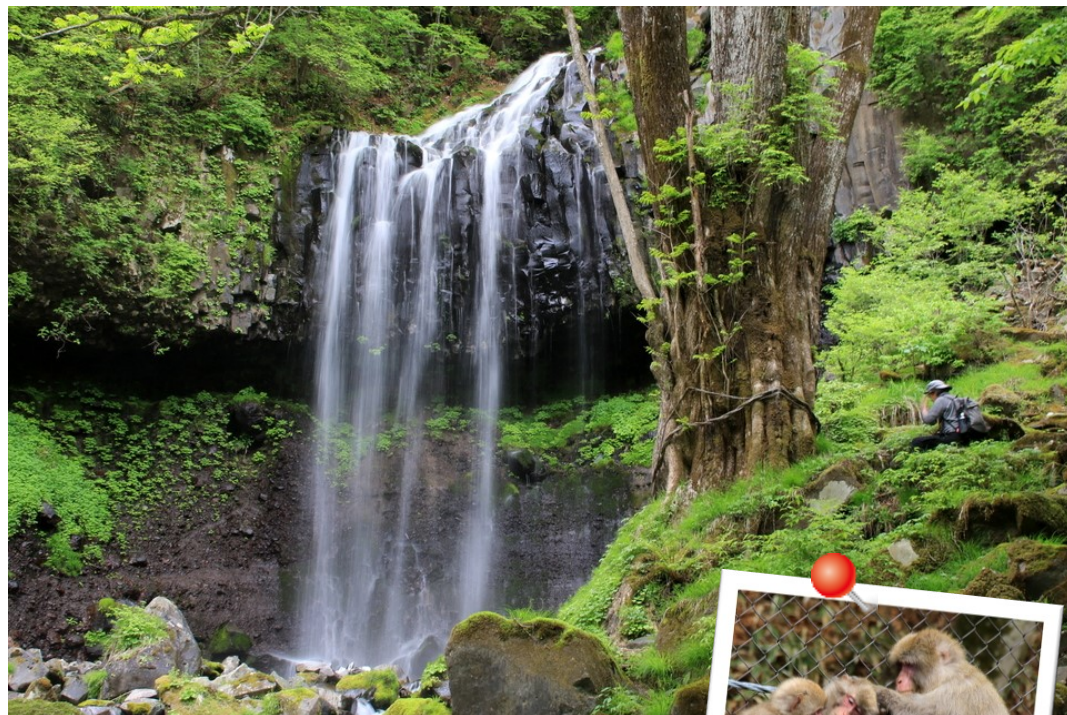
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Rhododendron wadanum (Togoku-mitsuba-tsutsuji)



Rhododendron degronianum (Azuma-Shakunage)



Makkura Falls (Kirifuri area)



*Japanese monkeys
(at Utagahama Beach)*

● Flowers

◆ Rhododendron wadanum (Togoku-mitsuba-tsutsuji) & Rhododendron degronianum (Azuma-Shakunage)

Azuma-Shakunage has started to bloom around the Lake Yunoko. On the northern shore of the Lake Chuzenji, Togoku-mitsuba-tsutsuji is in full bloom, and you can hear the singing of summer birds and *Terpnosia nigricosta* (Ezo-Haruzemi).

● Information

The Kirifuri area is very pleasant season right now with beautiful fresh green foliage, but beware of leeches when hiking in nature area because they become more active from this season until winter.

Repair works of a hiking trail along the southern shoreline of the Lake Chuzenji has begun, the route between Azegata to Senjugahama Beach will be closed until the end of September.

Currently, due to the low water level of the Lake Chuzenji, sightseeing cruise ships cannot stop at piers in front of Shobugahama Beach and the Embassy Villas Memorial Parks.

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