



FULL-LINE SERVICE RETURNS OCTOBER 1, 2026

October 1, 2026: Kurobe Gorge Railway Resumes Full-Line Service

Experience the Autumn Colors of Kurobe Gorge by Trolley Train

Kurobe Gorge, located in Chubusangaku National Park in central Japan, is the deepest gorge in Japan and one of the country's three great gorges. The Kurobe Gorge Railway runs along this dramatic landscape. Known affectionately as the "Trolley Train," its open-sided passenger cars let visitors experience the wind sweeping through the gorge, the sound of the Kurobe River, and the scent of the forest up close. This popular sightseeing railway welcomes approximately 600,000 passengers from Japan and overseas each year. Autumn is especially popular: differences in elevation create a gradation of color from the mountaintops to the river. The approximately 20 km journey from Unazuki Station to Keyakidaira Station takes about 80 minutes each way. Unazuki, home to the railway's departure station, is also one of Japan's best-known hot-spring resorts, making it an ideal companion to the trolley-train experience.

Following damage to a railway bridge caused by the January 2024 Noto Peninsula Earthquake, train services had been limited to part of the line. With restoration work now complete, full-line service between Unazuki Station and Keyakidaira Station, covering 20.1 km, will resume with the first departure from Unazuki on October 1. Visitors will once again be able to enjoy the beautiful autumn foliage of Kurobe Gorge from the trolley train throughout the entire line during October and November.

* From October 1 onward, passengers will no longer be able to get off the train at Nekomata Station, which was previously an intermediate stop.

Fares & Travel Time

Route	Round-trip Fare (Child fare below)	One-way Travel Time
Unazuki Station – Keyakidaira Station	4,960 JPY (2,480 JPY)	Approx. 80 min.
Unazuki Station – Kanetsuri Station	3,560 JPY (1,780 JPY)	Approx. 60 min.
Unazuki Station – Kuronagi Station	1,660 JPY (840 JPY)	Approx. 25 min.

An additional charge of JPY 600 per way applies when using the "Relax" Car (With Windows)

How to Reserve

- ① Reservations for Kanetsuri and Kuronagi stations are available online.

[Click here for the reservation site.](#)

- ② Reservations for Keyakidaira Station must be made via the dedicated online form.

(Reservations cannot be made through the regular web reservation system.)

Please complete and submit the required information on the dedicated form.

[Click here for the reservation form.](#)

Operating Season

The operating season runs through November 30.

Service is suspended for the winter from December 1 through late April of the following year.

Important Information

Construction work will continue around Keyakidaira Station even after full-line service resumes, and access will remain restricted in all but designated areas.

Visitors can enjoy views of the gorge from the rooftop of Keyakidaira Station and the station forecourt, and can also visit the Keyakidaira Visitor Center.

Special Discount

Visitors from overseas holding an eligible JR Pass can receive 10% off same-day round-trip tickets between Unazuki Station and Kanetsuri Station or between Unazuki Station and Keyakidaira Station by presenting their pass at the Unazuki Station ticket counter.

The campaign is available through November 30, 2026. ([Click here for details.](#))

Access



Highlights of Kurobe Gorge



[Yamabiko Bridge] A perfect spot to photograph a trolley train crossing Shin-Yamabiko Bridge.



[Lake Unazuki] Beautiful contrast between the autumn-colored mountains and the lake.



[Kuronagi] At 60 m, Atobiki Bridge is the highest bridge in the gorge.



[Kanetsuri] Walk down to the riverbed and enjoy autumn foliage stretching across the valley.



[Keyakidaira] Keyakidaira Station platform framed by vivid autumn colors.



[Keyakidaira] Views of the Northern Alps from the rooftop of Keyakidaira Station.

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