### Climate of Asahidake Onsen area in late December

- \* Temp: Max. -8℃ / Min. -14 ℃ (Avg 2012-20)
- \* Beware of sudden weather change and winter driving



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- Closed for the year-end and New Year holidays
- Rental(boots/cross-country ski/snow shoes)
  Mountain and nature information
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  https://www.asahidake-vc-2291.jp/
- https://www.facebook.com/asahidake.vc

# \* A Rare Sunny day



There are not many clear days throughout the year in Asahidake and hot spring town area. Especially in the midwinter, It's been snowing heavily almost every day. Even if you can see clear sky, It may snow falling in 30 minutes. There are not many opportunities to see summit of Asahidake clearly.



Asahidake ski course is only available course B and C now . Course A and D are not open yet due to insufficient snow depth.

## \* Cross-Country course





On the cross-country ski courses, you can cross-country skiing and also take a walk with snowshoes.

There are two courses, the one is "lower course" that goes around the Asahidake Youth camping ground and the other one is "upper course" that goes around the wasabi swamp with steep slope.

When you walking slowly, can watching wild bird and a coniferous forest with snow.

The way to distinguish between Abies sachalinensis and Picea glehnii is the shape of a branches and the bark. Abies sachalinensis have upward branches and smooth bark and Picea glehnii have downward branches and scaly bark.

But during the winter, due to weight of the snow, both branches stretch downwards, It becomes hard to distinguish.



Nature

tour

Observation

#### \*Notice of temporary closure\*

ONutapukausipe(lodge)…Closed in winter season OLa Vista Daisetsuzan… Temporary Closed 26<sup>th</sup> Oct ~ this spring OHotel Bearmonte… Temporary Closed 11<sup>st</sup> Jan~23<sup>rd</sup> Apr ODaisetsuzan Shirakabaso… Temporary Closed 17<sup>th</sup> Jan~ this spring OFree Rest area … Closed from 12<sup>nd</sup> Jan until further notice \* Please contact directly each facilities for the latest information.

#### \*Nature observation tour\*

[Time] Start From 13:30~(about one and a half hour) [Entry fee]1,500YEN(Insurance included) +boots / snowshoe rental fee (not included)

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### F 「PLAY WITH SNOW IN ASAHIDAKE2020-2021

The event is held until March at the Snow Play Square is located in the public parking lot in front of the Asahidake Visitor Center.

Please check the website for the latest information, applications, and inquiries.

