



Climates of Asahidake hotspring area in late December  
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• Temp : Max. -6°C/Min. -11°C (Avg. of 2012~20)  
• Beware of sudden weather change and winter driving

- Issuer : Asahidake Visitor Center
- 〒071-1472 Kamikawa-gun Higashikawa-cho
- Asahidake onsen 9:00~17:00 (TEL) 0166-97-2153  
(Closed 12/31~1/5 for the year-end and New year holiday)
- Rental (Boots/Cross-country ski/Snow shoes)
- Mountain and nature information, VR goggle experience
- HP : <https://www.asahidake-vc-2291.jp/>
- FB : <https://www.facebook.com/asahidake.vc>

## Snow Crystal

Asahidake is famous as the place can be observed the most beautiful snow crystals in Japan.  
In this year, breathtaking beautiful snow crystals have been observed by microscope located at entrance of center from late December  
Snow crystals can't be seen at any time even if it snows. Depending on weather conditions, but generally, you can see beautiful crystals on days when the temperature is low and there is no wind.



There are no snow crystals with exactly the same shape. The moment I realized each snow crystal has its own shape, I press camera shutter many times. I was fascinated by the beautiful snow crystals during the day.  
[Snow crystals observation] is held every day at visitor center  
Please dress warmly when you come to observe.  
We are looking forward to your participation.

※Depending on the weather condition, the event may not be held. Thank you for your understanding.

## Recommended Book



『TenkaranoTegami』 /Ukichiro Nakaya  
This book explains the formation of snow crystals in various forms based on the knowledge gained through research by physicist Ukichiro Nakaya, who was fascinated by snow crystals and succeeded in making first production of artificial snow crystals in the world. You can read this book in the visitor center.



『kirakira』/Rokuro Yoshida Shuntaro Tanikawa  
This picture book is co-produced by science film director, Rokuro Yoshida and Japanese poet, Shuntaro Tanikawa. This beautiful book composed with echoes of word and snow crystal picture. You can borrow this book at CENTPURE II, the library in town Higashikawa. How about spending time with children and friends by reading this book during Holidays. Experience the world of snow!

## Surprise ! Mountain Lover Interview — !

We interviewed mountain lovers who are introducing Asahidake attraction! The third member is..

### K's House Hokkaido manager, Amano Masaru

#### Profile



- Name Amano Masaru
- From Yamanashi Prefecture  
A resident of Hokkaido for 3 years
- Hobby Hunting, Mountain climbing, Mountain stream fishing
- Provisions Miso bread
- Attraction of Asahidake The earliest snowfall in Japan  
Alpine plant  
Abundant water source

Mr. Amano, Thank you for telling your story. It may be your turn next ...!

▶▶▶▶Stay tuned for our next issue♪

## Tour / event information

### ■Nature observation tour

- 【DATE】 Everyday start from 13:30 (about 1hours)  
※ It may not be held depending on the number of staff, please contact us
- 【TIME】 13:30~(about 1hours)
- 【 FEE 】 ¥1,500 (Insurance Incl.) ※Snow shoes is free during tour
- 【PLACE】 Asahidake visitor center
- 【PARTICIPANTS】 5 person / 1day

### ■ECO Tour

The Asahidake Visitor Center holds eco-friendly tours regularly. Scan here for the latest tour information →

### ■Snow playground in Asahidake

In this season, snow playground will be open at public parking space in front of Asahidake visitor center from December.  
Details about events and free tour will be announced on our website, Please check out!

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