

HAKUSAN National Park and Eco Park of UNESCO As Sacred Natural Site



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History

- 8th Cty Founded by Buddhist priest Taicho, according to legend
- 9th C Opening of 3 worshipping trails followed by the establishment of many inns and temples which flanked the trails.
- 1868 Separation of shrines and temples
- 20th C Developed sites for modern mountain-climbing and recreation
- 1962 Designated as Hakusan National Park
- 1982 Designated a MAB Biosphere Reserve

Shirayama-Hime Shrine



Hakusan Shrine at Heisenji Temple

Nagataki Hakusan Shrine



2. Sacred Natural Site





Sunrise at top of
the mountain



Prayers to HAKUSAN at foot of the mountain



3. The modern significance of HAKUSA National Park



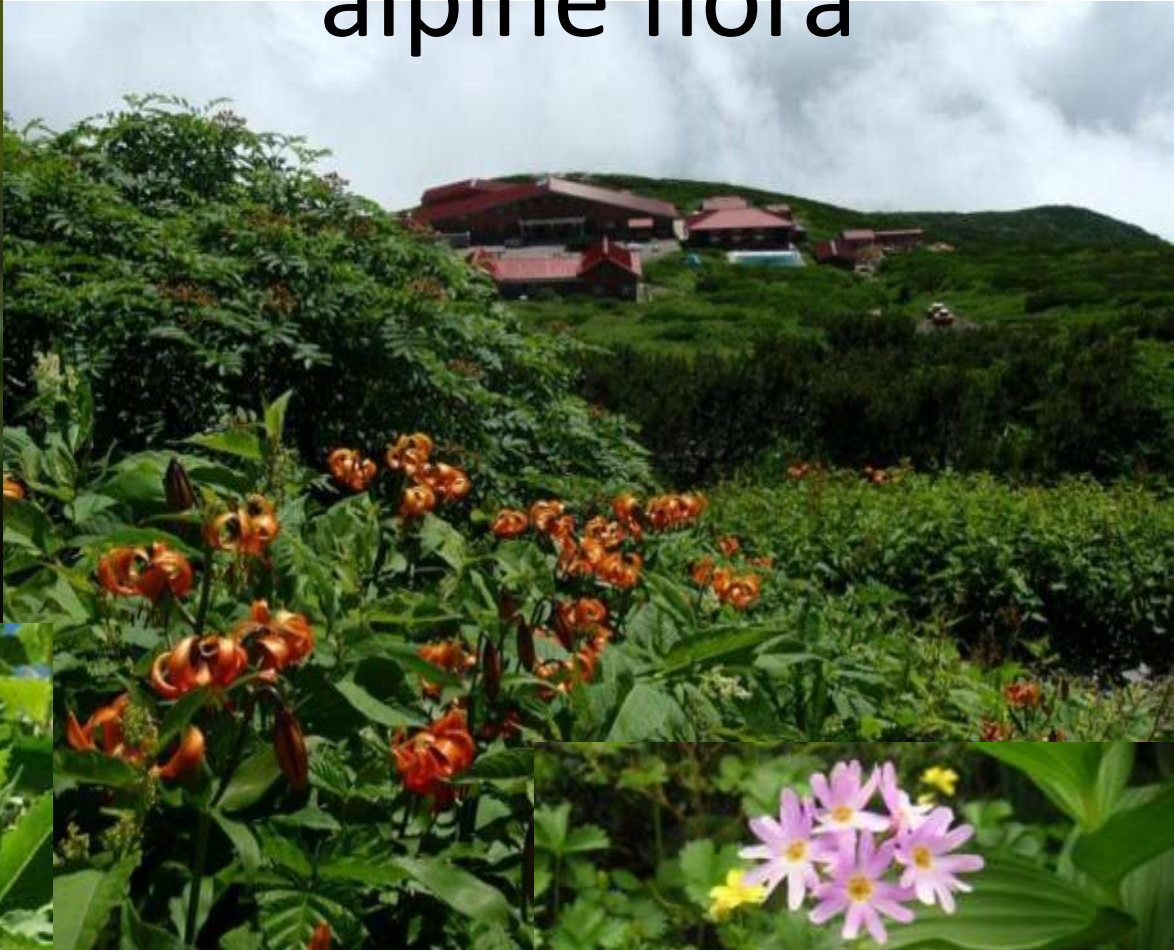


Ecosystem Services from HAKUSAN

- Biodiversity
- Food
- Water
- Hydropower
- Hot spring

Cultural, intellectual
and spiritual
inspirations etc.

Blessed with abundant
alpine flora





Mountain Climbing Notes

- As a general rule, you climb mountains at your own risk. Mountain weather can change quickly, and when the weather is bad, conditions can be very dangerous. If the weather is bad, the best decision is to cancel your plans for mountain climbing.
- Get into physical shape, and select a schedule and course that best suits your physical condition. The general rule is to **leave early and arrive early**. When planning to stay the night, plan to arrive at the lodging area two hours before sunset. **Climbing at night is extremely dangerous; do not do this.**
- Be sure to carry rain gear, protection against the cold, a change of clothes, and emergency rations.
- Always inform family and friends of your hiking schedule and course. Also be sure to fill out the **Registration Books** at the start of each trailhead.
- The Natural Parks Act absolutely forbids collecting or bringing animals, plants or rocks from or into Hakusan National Park.
- In order to protect the vegetation, prevent damage to the mountain and prevent you from being lost, be sure not to stray off the marked trails.
- If hiking alone, attach bells or other noise-making items to your gear, and watch carefully for bears. **Do not take dogs or other pets on the mountain.**
- Every year, the mountain is very crowded on weekends from the end of July to mid-August. For the best climbing experience, if at all possible, make a climbing plan that avoids these times.
- When climbing in spring or autumn, conditions can be as dangerous as climbing in winter, so be very aware of the weather and pack warm clothing and the right equipment.
- There are no garbage cans on Mt. Hakusan. **Do not throw your garbage away.** Always pack it out and take it home.
- Do not discard cigarette butts on the ground.
- Do not bring bicycles or other wheeled vehicles on mountain trails.
- The only camping facility is located on Minamiryugababa.

Clothing for Mountain Climbing



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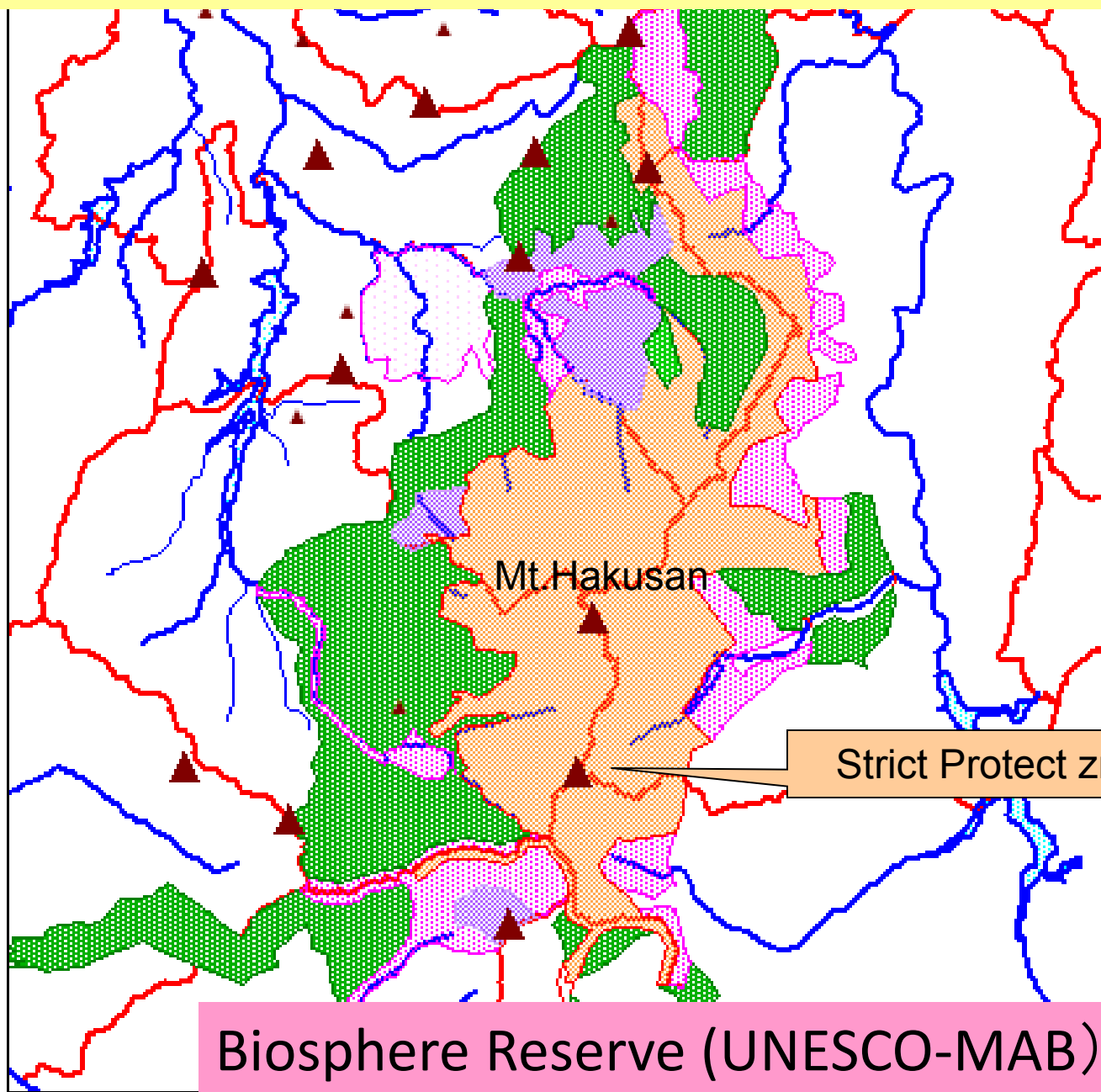
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4. The Basic Concept of Managing Nature of HAKUSAN

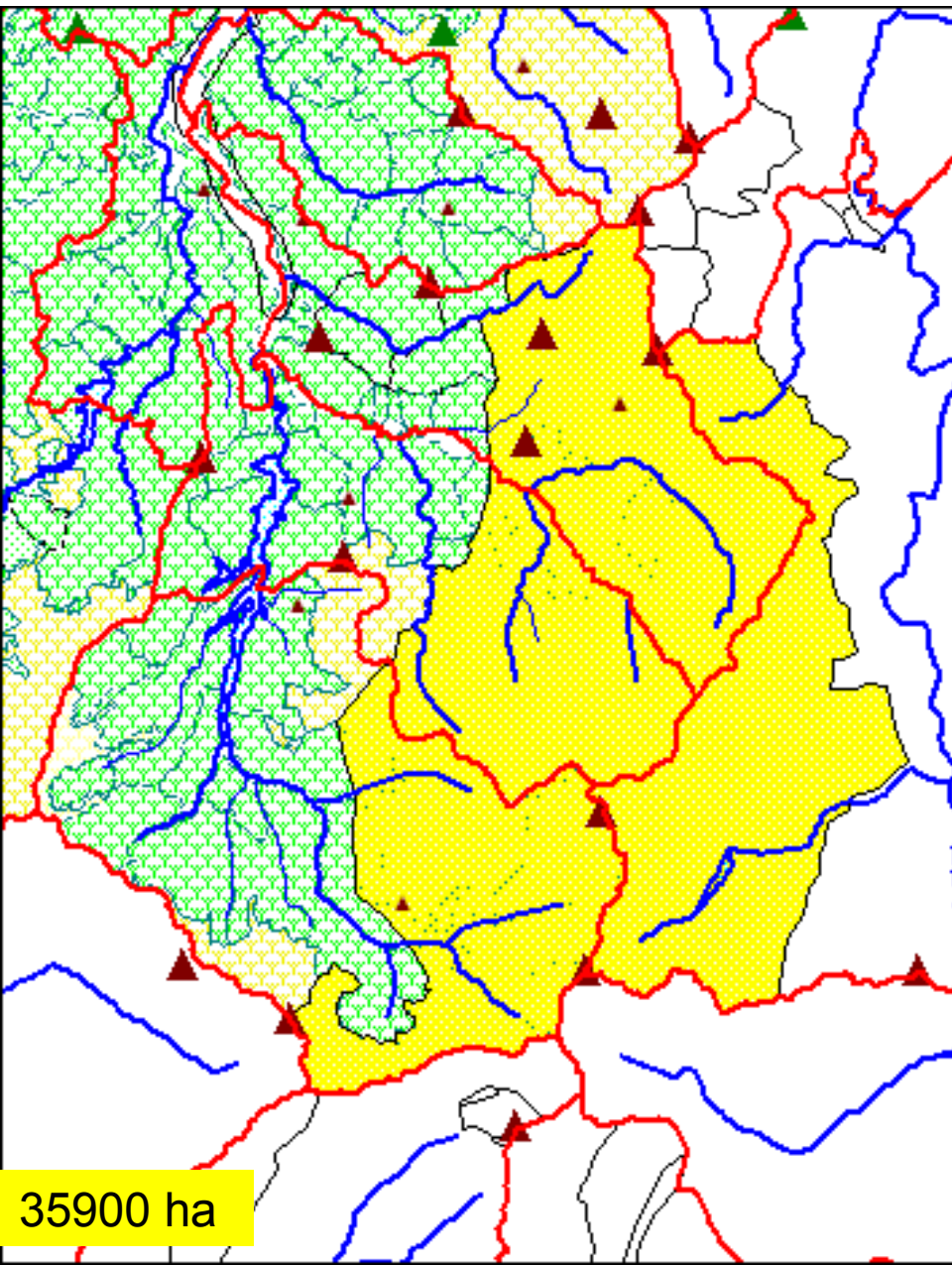


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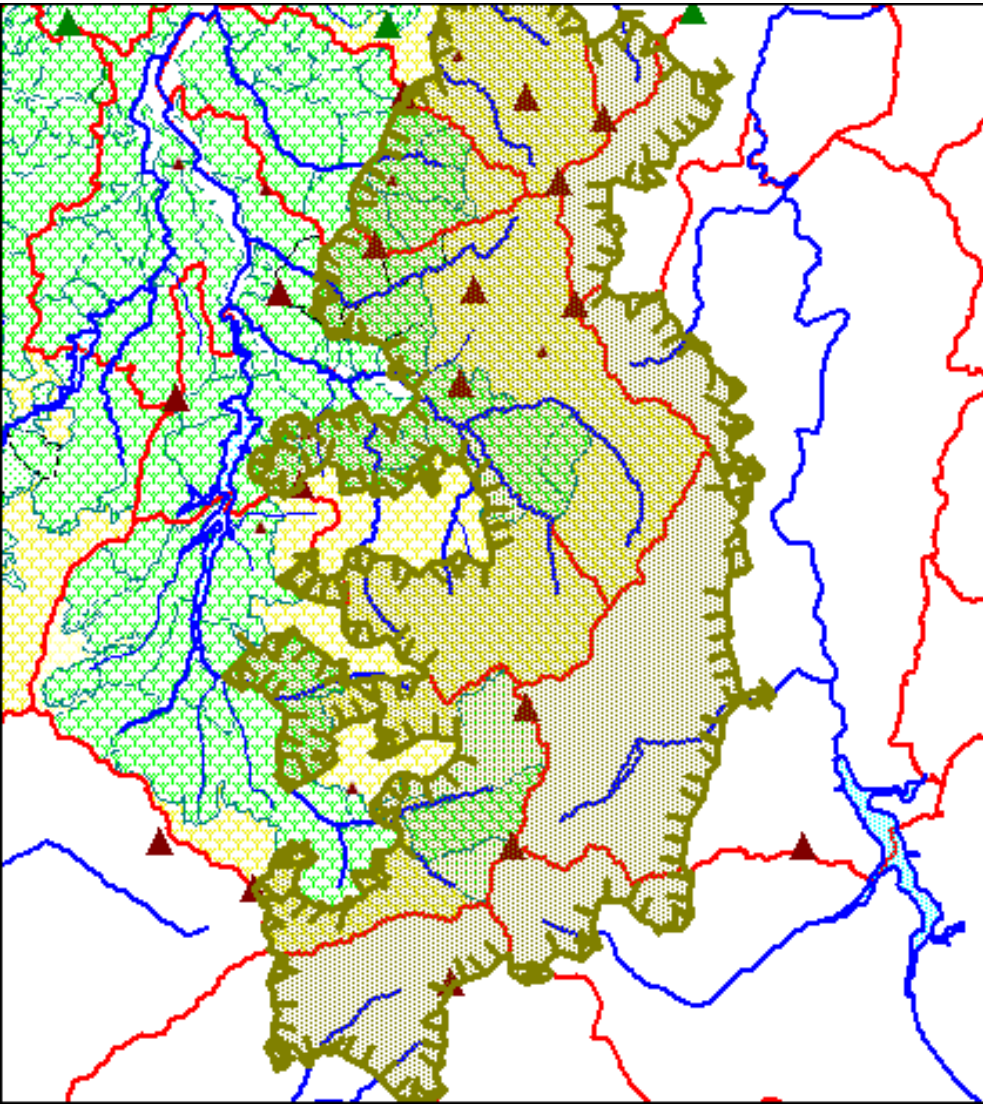
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Natioal HAKUSAN Wildlife Sanctuary



HAKUSAN Japanese Serow Protected Area

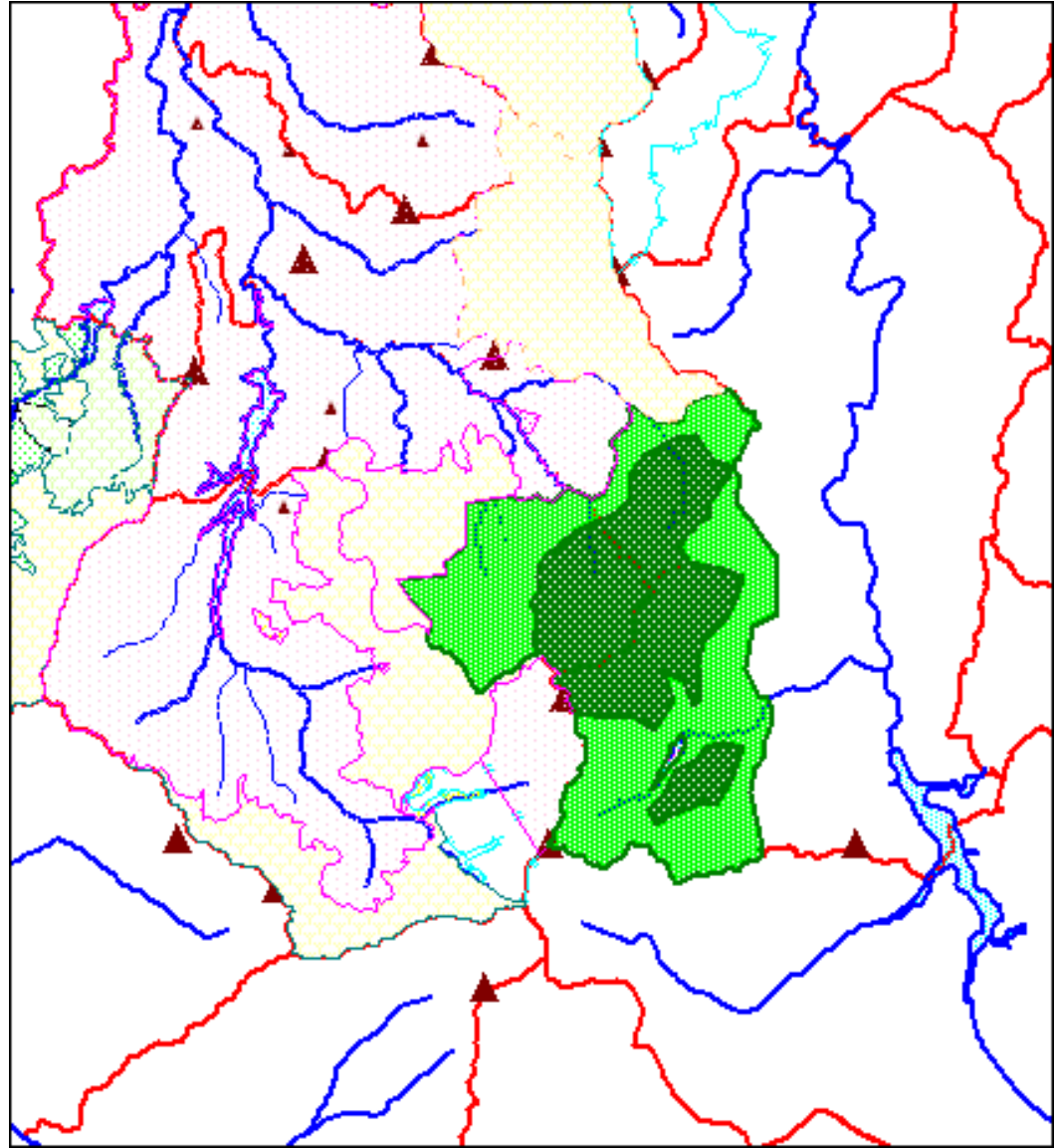


Japanese Serow
(*Capricornis crispus*)

•HAKUSA Forest Ecosystem Protected Area

1990

148 km² (Core Area 60 km²)



ジオエリア・ゾーン・ジオサイト図

“Water nurtures life – on the way through
the mountains, rivers, and sea.



Hakusan Volcano

Various Protected Areas in HAKUSAN

- HAKUSAN National Park

1962 477 km² (Core Area 178 km²)

- HAKUSAN Wildlife Sanctuary

1969 359 km²

- Mt. HAKUSAN Biosphere Reserve (UNESCO-MAB)

1980 480 km² (Core Area 180 km²)

- HAKUSAN Japanese Serow Protected Area

1982 356 km²

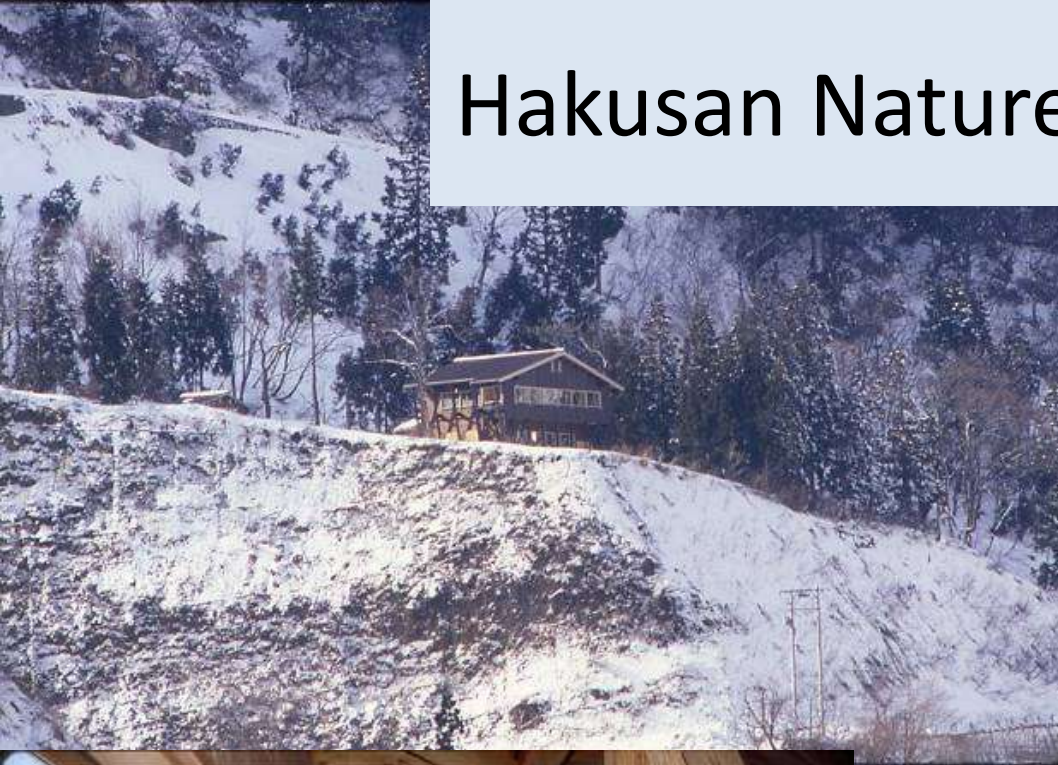
- HAKUSAN Forest Ecosystem Protected Area

1990 148 km² (Core Area 60 km²)

- HAKUSAN TEDORIGAWA Geopark

2011 755 km² (Same Area of National Park)

Hakusan Nature Conservation Center



CHUGU Visitor Center



BUNAOYAMA Animal Observatory



Hakusan Tourism Association



Pan-Hakusan Protection, Use
and Management Association

Managing HAKUSAN

- Balancing religious consciousness and nature preservation ideology
- Eternally sharing HAKUSAN's natural blessings among local residents and the national public
- Including the historical knowledge and local culture into national park management
- Establishing ecotourism and appropriate guidance
- Sharing the burden among the administration, local community and users.

Thank you very much.

