



Chasing the Winds of Early Summer

Verdant mountains, skies and seas brighter than ever, flowers blooming brilliantly—the perfect season for enjoying Japanese nature



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A waterfall veil surrounded by verdure

The town of Karuizawa in Nagano Prefecture is one of the most sought-after resorts in Japan, where visitors can fully appreciate nature throughout the four seasons. In 2019, the G20 Summit's Ministerial Meeting on Energy Transitions and Global Environment for Sustainable Growth will be held here on June 15 and 16. Deep in the lovely woods, Shiraito ("White Thread") Falls has received this name originating from the slender threads of groundwater falling over the edge of a rock face 70m (230 ft) wide and 3m (10 ft) high. The waterfall like an immaculate white veil accentuates the lush greens of the surrounding trees.

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Fields of golden flowers overlooking the sea

Facing the Sea of Japan, Fukuoka has developed historically as a gateway to Asia, and is an energetic city that is the center of politics, culture, and commerce for the Kyushu region. On June 8 and 9, 2019, the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Meeting will be held here. Nokonoshima is a small island about 10 minutes by ferry from downtown Fukuoka, and a popular spot for enjoying the colors as the flowers change with the seasons. During the months of April through July, it will be greeting visitors with a brilliant show of marigolds.

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