

Volcanoes have made lakes, fostered forests, and given rise to magnificent scenery.

Japan is a country with numerous volcanoes. More than half of Japan's 29 national parks have volcanoes. By region, most volcanoes with a history of huge eruptions are in Hokkaido, and in Kyushu. At Shikotsu-Toya National Park in Hokkaido, crystal clear lakes, verdant forests, and active volcanoes are major attractions. The abundant hot springs at various locations are also due to volcanic activity.

The area was designated a national park in 1949. It is an accessible area, being very near Sapporo and New Chitose Airport.



Lake Shikotsu seen from Mount Eniwa