

estival teems with spirited cheers and the heroic tones of hanagasa-daiko drums. Beginning with ornately decorated floats, Yamagata's main street soon fills with dancers in brilliant costumes holding hanagasa hats decorated with flowers. Currently cognized as one of Tohoku's four major festivals Hanagasa Matsuri is a gorgeous event that burns through the Yamagata summer night.

Okama, also called Goshikinuma, is a crater lake

located near the boundary (where the boundary is undecided) between Miyagi Prefecture's Zao, in Katta-gun, and Kawasaki, in Shibata-gun. The lake is known as the highlight of sightseeing in the Zao mountain range

Approx. 10-minute drive west from Zao IC on the Yamagata Expressway to Japan National Route 286

Check-in: 15:00-24:00, Check-out: 10:00

This hard rime, dubbed "snow monsters" grow on the western slopes of Zao's Jizoyama, and when lit up with colorful lighting, these jewels make for a spectacular view during a night trip on the Zao ropeway. Seeing this frost come to life with colored illumination in the quiet and pitch-black darkness makes visitors feel as if they had wandered into a world of fantasy

> Parking: 70 spaces, 500 yen (first come, first served) 15:00-10:00 following day, Large vehicles permitted upon request When the parking lot is full, please use a nearby coin-operated lot. (Price to be borne by customer)

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