

Usui Pass (Karuizawa Juku ~ Sakamoto Juku)

The Usui Pass was one of the toughest sections of the Nakasendo, with its continuous steep ascent.

It is a particularly grueling route, gaining 740 meters in elevation from Yokogawa at the eastern foot of the pass✂.

The severity of the gradient is such that even in Japan, which has achieved modernization since the Edo period, it was extremely difficult to construct a railroad.

Although the harshness of the Usui Pass was a great burden for travelers, the views from the top of the pass are exceptional and have attracted many travelers.

The spectacular view of the mountains from the top of the pass will show you the same scenery as that of travelers in the Edo period.

✂The course introduced here is a relatively easy one, crossing the pass from Karuizawa on the west side.

























