

## The “Hamanasu Formation” will be launched for the 140th year of the Hokkaido Railway!

The “Hamanasu Formation” will start its service as multipurpose cars (Limited Express Diesel Multiple Unit Train Series 261 Generation 5000) this fall to celebrate the 140th year of the Hokkaido Railway. The train cars will be used for the sightseeing trains, event trains, and extra trains during busy season as well as the limited express trains from late October to mid-November.

### 1. New train car information

- Car series: Limited Express Diesel Multiple Unit Train Series 261 Generation 5000
- Formation name: “Hamanasu Formation” (5 cars)

#### ■ Exterior



The train cars were painted with a color of “Hamanasu (Japanese rose)” which represents the flower of Hokkaido.

#### ■ Ordinary Car (Cars No.2-5)



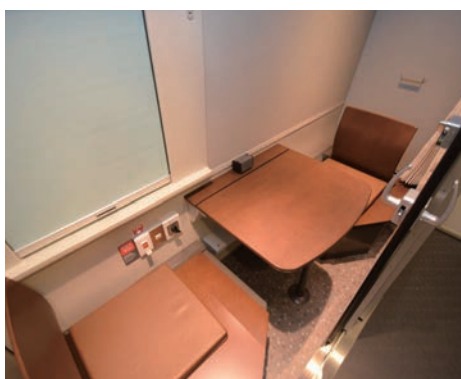
There is an electric socket for charging mobile phone and laptop etc. for every seat. Also, a public wireless LAN service can be used for free.

#### ■ Car No.1



“Hamanasu Lounge” (Free space)

A place for holding an event etc. You can use the lounge as a group as well as an individual.



Multipurpose Private Room

A multipurpose room for two people with one table and two chairs.



Sales Counter

A counter for selling local specialties etc.

## 2. Operation information for each direction

The limited express trains bound for Abashiri, Kushiro, Hakodate and Wakkanai from Sapporo will be operated with the "Hamanasu Formation" on Saturdays and Sundays from late October to mid-November.

There are both reserved seats and non-reserved seats on the train. The Hokkaido Rail Pass can also be used. Please enjoy your railway travel with the "Hamanasu Formation" .

### (1) Operating dates and section

The following trains will be operated with the "Hamanasu Formation" to celebrate the 140th year of the Hokkaido Railway.

#### ○ October 24 and 25, 2020

"Ltd. Exp. Okhotsk No.1" Sapporo 6:56⇒Abashiri 12:17

"Ltd. Exp. Taisetsu No.4" Abashiri 12:35⇒Asahikawa 16:19

#### ○ October 31 and November 1, 2020

"Ltd. Exp. Ozora No.3" Sapporo 8:51⇒Kushiro 13:20

"Ltd. Exp. Ozora No.8" Kushiro 13:42⇒Sapporo 18:03

#### ○ November 7 and 8, 2020

"Ltd. Exp. Hokuto No.6" Sapporo 8:32⇒Hakodate 12:23

"Ltd. Exp. Hokuto No.19" Hakodate 17:51⇒Sapporo 21:36

#### ○ November 14 and 15, 2020

"Ltd. Exp. Soya" Sapporo 7:30⇒Wakkanai 12:40

"Ltd. Exp. Sarobetsu No.4" Wakkanai 13:01⇒Asahikawa 16:48



### (2) Events

Other than a welcome event at a terminal station to celebrate the 140th year of the Hokkaido Railway, you can purchase local specialties on the train.

## 3. Operation of the Ltd. Exp. "Soya" and "Sarobetsu" with the "Hamanasu Formation"

The following Ltd. Exp. "Soya" and "Sarobetsu" will be operated with the "Hamanasu Formation" .

Train Name	Dep.	Arr.	Operating Dates
Ltd. Exp. Soya	Sapporo 7:30	Wakkanai 12:40	November 28, 30, 2020
Ltd. Exp.Sarobetsu No.4	Wakkanai 13:01	Asahikawa 16:48	December 2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20,22,24,26,28,30 2020 January 1,3,12,14,16,18,20,22,24,26,28,30 2021
Ltd. Exp.Sarobetsu No.3	Asahikawa 20:06	Wakkanai 23:47	February 1,3,5,7,9,11,16,18,20,22,24,26,28 2021
Ltd. Exp.Sarobetsu No.2	Wakkanai 6:36	Asahikawa 10:19	November 29, 2020
Ltd. Exp.Sarobetsu No.1	Asahikawa 13:35	Wakkanai 17:23	December 1,3,5,7,9,11,13,15,17,19,21,23,25,27,29,31 2020 January 2,4,13,15,17,19,21,23,25,27,29,31 2021
Ltd. Exp. Soya	Wakkanai 17:46	Sapporo 22:57	February 2,4,6,8,10,12,17,19,21,23,25,27 2021