



2000 Eruption at Usuzan

March 31, 2000 - Aerial Photo Taken from Southwest Side - Courtesy of Asia Air Survey Co., Ltd.

From March 28 there were felt earthquakes, and from March 30 to March 31, faults and fissures were formed at the summit and the northwestern foot of the volcano, and gradually grew larger.

On March 31, earthquake activity reached its peak, and at 13:07 a phreatomagmatic eruption began at the western foot of Nishiyama.



Eruption at Tokachidake

Top: December 25, 1988, 00:49, Bottom: December 25, 1988, 00:52

Taken from the Tokachidake Volcano Observatory to the Northwest – Taken by the Japan Meteorological Agency

The very small eruption which began on December 10, 1988, turned into a phreatomagmatic eruption from December 16.

The photographs shows the eruption, accompanied by a fire column and pyroclastic flow, on December 25.

Pyroclastic Flow from the Sakurajima Showa Crater

February 6, 2008, 11:26 - Taken from Kurokami Riverbed – Taken by the Japan Meteorological Agency

An explosive eruption caused a second pyroclastic flow at the Sakurajima Showa crater, which extended approximately 1.5km to the east.

Explosive Eruption at the Sakurajima Showa Crater

August 27, 2011, 21:53 - Taken from Kurokami Riverbed – Taken by the Japan Meteorological Agency

An explosive eruption at the Sakurajima Showa crater.

This photo clearly shows bright red volcanic blocks being scattered in every direction at night.