

DAITSUJI TEMPLE

The Origin of Daitсуji Temple

Daitсуji Temple, located on top of Mt.Kohozan, was founded in 743 AD by Shoten, the priest of Todaiji Temple in Nara. During the Kamakura Era, Daitсуji's ownership was transferred to Gotobain, who was the former emperor. During the Muromachi Era, Gekkeiryokiku, the priest of Daitсуji at the time, changed religious parties and the temple subsequently became part of the Soto sect. Mori of Hiroshima, and Fushimi of Kyoto, both well-known men in their day, took care of the temple in the Edo Era. Daitсуji later become a "Shinhonjikaku" style temple, eventually having a hierarchical following of 15 other temples in affiliation with it.

Upon entry of Daitсуji's precinct, are two gates that must first be passed through, known as Niomon and Sanmon respectively. The two main buildings located on the grounds are known as Hondo and Kaisando. Both the gates and the buildings were built in one straight line, which is representative of Soto-Zen style.

The Garden of Daitсуji Temple

The beautiful garden surrounding the temple was built by Genbei Nakanishi in 1793 AD. Behind Kaisando lies the main garden. In the foreground of this tranquil garden is a small pond and waterfall, bordered by an arrangement of many stones. This is one of the main features of this, and many other Japanese-style gardens. Beyond the pond, built up into the mountainside, is the perhaps the main focal point of Daitсуji's garden-Sanzonseki stones. The base stones are called Shumisen stones, while the three larger stones on top are called Shaka-sanzon stones. These stones hold great significance in that they are believed to be living stones, where the sprits of Buddha and other Gods reside.



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2月15日…涅槃会、 12月8日…成道会

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