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Enryakuji Temple – Sorinto Pillar

Important Cultural Property

[around 1895]

The Sorinto Pillar is a 11.65-meter-tall pillar belonging to Enryakuji Temple. It consists of a wooden pillar which stands on a foundation stone surrounded by nine rings with a flower shaped stand and an orb shaped decoration on top, and is supported by four support beams. The pillar was built in 820 by the monk Saicho, who is said to have stored sutras inside of it. The current pillar is made of bronze, and was completed around 1895.