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Sufukuji Temple Ruins (North Ridge)

National Historic Site

Sufukuji Temple is said to have been constructed by Emperor Tenji in 668. On the north ridge are the remains of a building called Mirokudo Hall, and a row of cornerstones on a tile-lined platform. From the positioning of this building's cornerstones, its dimensions are estimated to have been about 9 meters by 5.4 meters. In the valley on the west side of the Mirokudo Hall remains is the Kinsen Waterfall and a nearby cave which possess a legend related to the founding of Sufukuji Temple. Emperor Tenji is said to have seen a dream where a hermit lived in a cave to the northwest of the Otsu Imperial Palace, which was the inspiration that led to the construction of Sufukuji Temple.