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Oujiyama 1st Burial Mound

Located near the top of Mt. Oujiyama, the Oujiyama 1st Burial Mound is one of only a few examples of a keyhole-shaped burial mound in Shiga Prefecture, and is approximately 60 meters in length. The slope of the mound is fully decorated with stones, and from the careful decoration of the eastern side in particular, it can be inferred that extensive thought was put into the appearance of the burial mound as seen from Lake Biwa. An excavation conducted in 1970 discovered that there were five burial facilities located inside the mound, and from pottery unearthed within, the mound is thought to have been constructed during the late 4th century (350-400).