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The Otsu Betsuin's Main Hall is a building with a hip-and-gable roof with traditional Japanese tiling. The hall is a large-scale Buddhist shrine constructed in 1649, and has a wider outer sanctuary than inner sanctuary, which is a characteristic of buildings belonging to the Jodo Shinshu sect of Buddhism. The carvings on the building's transoms and wooden support beams show the characteristics of the Jodo Shinshu sect, and the period the building was constructed in.