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#### Eda Burial Mounds

The Eda Burial Mounds were constructed around 1400 years ago as a grave for influential people in the region. Until the mid-Kofun period, the mound originally consisted of only a large keyhole-shape burial mound, but over time, a large number of additional small burial mounds began being built in the area as well. Those buried here were laid to rest in stone chambers, which were occasionally decorated with weapons such as katanas and swords, pottery, and other artifacts. However, due to the bones of those buried rotting, many details are still unknown. The Eda Burial Mounds has been determined to have seven mounds which possess horizontal stone chambers with side entrances, and a newly discovered burial mound was identified during a recently conducted trial excavation, as well as a few pieces of Sue pottery.