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Kinugawa Temple Ruins (Tile Furnace)

National Historic Site

This furnace, called “anagama,” was dug into a slope and used to produce roof tiles. The furnace was operated by inserting fuel to create a flame in the combustion zone, and the tiles were then arranged inside the firing zone. A drainage facility for increasing the effectiveness of the furnace, as well as an ash field layered with defective items and scraped ash were also discovered. This furnace underwent constant maintenance in order to be continually reused. The ceiling section remains, and it is a valuable resource related to the construction of Kinugawa Temple Ruins