

MfG_E_Guidebook_Vol_1_Omoya_Saffron_Shu

Regarding Kote-E, we have prepared several information.
 We would appreciate it if you would refer to the information below.
 Guide text for guiding Kina-saffron-Shu_brewery and the Settaya town
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We want to prepare a handy guidebook

We want to prepare a handy guidebook instead of audio guide, with which guests can enjoy a tour by themselves. And the guidebook helps the guests to be able to ask staffs to know more about their concern.

We are going to add more precise information to each highlight.

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 ～ Introduction of the main building in Saffron-Shu

(1) Ookanban

Ookanban is a large company sign made with wood, Japanese cypress. Height of ookanban including the roof is over eight meters.

Now, it is stored in a repository in this saffron site, laying down sideways, because it is too big to keep standing.

It is decorated with the sophisticated wood-carving, dragon and goods. It was made in 1911, the carpenter was Kaneko Kurouji, one of the skillful carpenters among the Kashiwazaki carpenters group.

These days, the Kashiwazaki carpenters group had been dispatched to large temple construction operations all over the country.

The last release was held eight years ago on the Aomori city office.



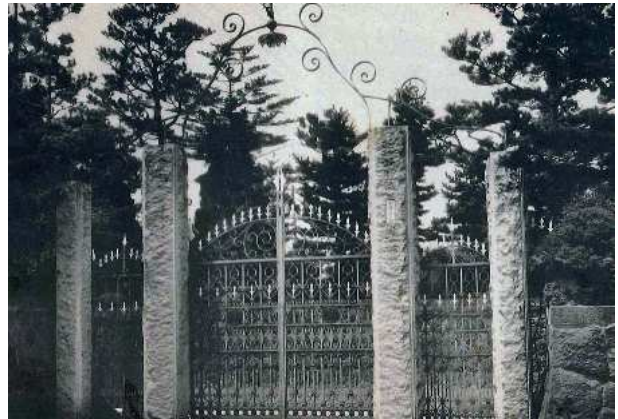
(2) Omoya

The main building, built in Meiji Era, and enlarged in Taisho Era.
Business area and family living area are included within large Japanese style houses.



(3) Guest Garden and Kotohira-Gu

There is a gorgeous gate made with thin metal rods like the gate of the Ajasaka Tokto guest house. It is said that guest had entered from this gate, enjoyed strolling garden, and then visited the annex.



There is a shrine at the direction to the left of the guest gate. This is the Kotohira-gu shrine, which is said to be worshipped as a guardian of maritime traffic. The founder, Yoshizawa Nitarou, had asked the god to come here. I think this existence of the shrine had been a proof of his hope to sell not only domestic but also overseas.

(4) Kabuki-mon

Kabuki-mon, large gate structure, having lateral beam has frequently been prepared in front of large room. In front of the gate, two large Kore-E are installed, decorating gorgeous. This is the inside gate of Kote-E gura, and collection room is in the second floor.



(5) Collection room

Collection room for former founder, Yoshizawa Nitarou. A lot of articles regarding his hobbies are exhibited. There are several furniture in this room including large ramma, open ornamental work over the screens which form the partitions in the house, translation by Edward S. Morse in Meiji Era.



(6) Garden in old days

There are ponds and fountain , filling up water in old days.

Water had been supplied from tall water tank behind the annex.

You can see several large fishes swimming in the pond, perhaps Nishiki-Goi.

Birds beside the pond wold be models.

Thr fountain is made with volcano lava.



Pond In old days



Pond in current state

(7) Namako Kabe in all surface

Very beautiful and gorgeous.



(8) Oni-Gawara



There are a lot of "Oni-Gawara" in the site.

They are thought as talisman,
The Oni-Gawara is sometimes followed Chinese dragons, which are
thought as Buddhism guardians.

2. Shopping and souvenir

(1) Tasting Saffron-liqueur

Tasting service of Saffron-liqueur is sometimes available.
If you are not a driver today, please enjoy it.

(2) Souvenir

- Saffron-liqueur

- A lot of fermentation goods produced by companies in Settaya
 - Soy Sauce
 - Soy Paste
 - Japanese Sake

- Several goods developed originally in Settaya
 - T-shirts
 - Shopping bags
 - Badges