

# 11 Fuchu Shuku Loved by Shogun Ieyasu

Shizutetsu Kasugacho Station, Shizuoka City – Abekawa Bridge, Shizuoka City

## Introduction

Ieyasu lived in Sumpu (present Shizuoka City) in his childhood until 18 years old, in his prime at 40s and from age of 65 until he died. After he retired from shogun he continued to govern by holding the real power and handing down the decision to Tokyo.

## 浅間神社 Sengen Shrine

"Shizuoka Sengen Shrine" is group of 3 shrines: Kanbe Shrine, Sengen Shrine and Otoshimiya Shrine. It unifies overall shrines of Suruga Province (present Shizuoka Prefecture) and worshipped by the people in Shizuoka as the local deity. They spent 60 years from 1804 and 100,000 ryo (about 1 million yen of now) to construct, it is designated as important cultural property of Japan. Many artisans were called up throughout Japan then they later developed local industries of Shizuoka.



## 駿府城跡・駿府公園 Ruins of Sumpu Castle Sumpu Park

Sumpu Castle was magnificent, but now only stone walls and moats remain after an earthquake and a fire. Higashi Gomon (east gate) at the 2nd defense block with square open space and Tatsumi Yagura (turret) were restored in 1989. In Shizuoka City, 3 Statues of Shogun Ieyasu stands along the streets from Shizuoka Station to Sumpu Park: in his infancy, in his younger days and in his prime.



Houses: 3673  
(2 honjin, 2 waki-honjin, 43 hatago)  
Population: 14071  
(as of 1843)

## Keyoin Temple 華陽院

The grave of Gennoni, grandmother of Ieyasu who encouraged him in his hostage days is in this temple. There are also graves of Ieyasu's daughter and mistress. When Ieyasu heard about his grandmother's death on the battlefield, he decided to build her grave here and also asked them to plant a Mikawa pine. The pine was burnt by a fire in 1940, but another pine to take over was planted by the Tokugawa family.

## Kunozan Toshogu Shrine and Kuno Road 久能山東照宮と久能街道

Kunozan Toshogu Shrine is dedicated to Shogun Ieyasu and his grave is located here. Buildings including the inner shrine were designated as national treasure in October 2010. The daimyo procession passing through Fuchu Shuku stopped by Keyoin then came up through Kuno Road to visit the grave of Ieyasu. Kuno Road is an ancient road used to transport salt and seafood to Sumpu (present Shizuoka City).

## Hotaiji Temple 宝泰寺

It is one of the 3 noted temples in Suruga (present Shizuoka Prefecture) equals to Seikenji Temple in Okitsu and Rinzaiji Temple in Shizuoka City. Prince of Emperor Godaigo restored the declining temple in 1381 and it was revived by Seppo Zen Priest of Rinzaei Buddhism Sect in 1557. There are also lanterns worshipped by the Christians.

## Kanme-aratamesho Ruins 貫目改所跡

The shogunate office to weigh official goods and decide shipping charge. There were only 5 offices in Japan like this: At Shinagawa Shuku and Kusatsu Shuku on the Old Tokaido Road, at Itabashi Shuku and Senba Shuku on the Old Nakasendo Road and Fuchu Shuku.

## Historic site of Saigo and Yamaoka's formal discussion 西郷山岡会見之史跡

The house of Matsuzakiya Genbe at Tenma-cho where Saigo Takamori, brain of anti-shogunate army and Yamaoka Tesshu, vassal of the shogunate discussed about war evasion and treatment of shogun Tokugawa Yoshinobu under the command of Katsu Kaishu (head of the Tokugawa army) in 1868. Bloodless surrender of Edo Castle was lead by success of this discussion. Bogakutei at Yui Shuku and Shimizu-no-Jirocho at Ejiri Shuku are said to have helped Yamaoka when he headed for this formal discussion.

## Fugetsuro/Site of the residence of Tokugawa Yoshinobu 浮月楼・慶喜公屋敷跡

Yoshinobu, the 15th Tokugawa shogun moved to Sumpu (present Shizuoka City) from Mito (in Ibaraki Prefecture) in 1868 and lived quietly for a while at Hodaiin Temple at Tokiwa-cho. In the next year, he restored a former shogunate official's residence and moved there. During 20 years, he enjoyed riding on a bicycle, taking photographs, painting in oils and to go hunting. The garden of Fugetsuro is the remains of the residence. In 1887, Yoshinobu built a new residence at Nishikusabuka-cho in Shizuoka City and moved there to avoid the noise from the Tokaido Line.

## Old Tokaido Road Walking Route

- Sidewalk
- Sidewalk narrower than 70 cm

## Legend

- Information
- Parking lot
- Picturing point
- Bench
- Toilet
- Accessible toilet
- Convenience store
- Other old road
- Cherry tree
- Explanatory board
- Bus stop
- Automated external defibrillator, AED
- View point of Mt. Fuji
- East boundary of shukuba
- West boundary of shukuba