

Myoshinji Lineage, Rinzai Sect

10th of the 33 sacred kannon sites in the Hokuriku region

Daianzenji Temple



Daianzenji Temple is located in a beautiful spot on a mountain side in northwestern Fukui prefecture. Daianzenji is the memorial temple of Fukui's feudal lords and was built in 1658. The temple belongs to the Myoshinji Branch of the Rinzai School of Zen Buddhism. A number of valuable artifacts and cultural assets are preserved in our temple's treasury.

The temple also serves as the mausoleum for the Matsudaira clan, which ruled the domain of Fukui (then called Echizen) during the Tokugawa period (1600-1868). On the temple grounds are some 1360 of Fukui's famous Shakudani stones that have been laid on the cemetery grounds, hence the nickname "Senjojiki" or "Thousand Slab" cemetery. On the hillside just off the side of the temple, is an iris garden. There are over 100,000 irises that bloom there every June.

Zazen sessions

Daianzenji offers a host of self-enlightenment possibilities in Zazen (Zen meditation). One opportunity is Zazen session that is open to the public every 2nd and 4th-Friday evening (6:30pm to 9:00pm) of every month.



Fee: ¥ 400

Dharma Talk



At Daianzenji Temple you can also join the "lively dharma talk (a talk about Buddhism)" by the chief priest.

※Reservation needed and entrance fees

Fees: Temple tour	Adults	¥ 500	
	Students	¥ 400	
	Children	¥ 300	
Dharma talk	additional	¥ 500	Reservation Needed
Vegetarian meal		¥ 2500~ ¥ 6000	Reservation Needed

Open 9:00am to 5:00pm. Closed on Tuesday.

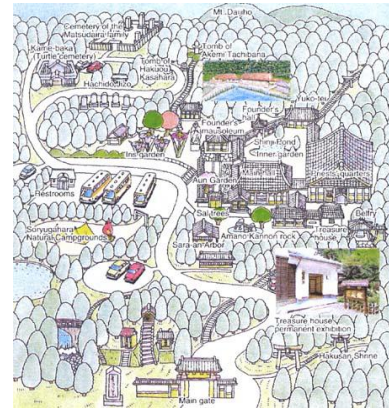
Access to Daianzenji Temple

JR West Japan

- From Osaka Station, take the Limited Express on the Hokuriku Line to Fukui Station (2 hrs. 20 min.).
- From Nagoya Station, take the Shirasagi to Fukui Station (2 hrs. 10 min.).
- From Fukui Station, take a Keifuku bus bound for Kawanishi and get off at Daianzenji Monzen bus stop (approx. 20 min.).

By car

- From Osaka, get on at the Toyonaka Interchange of the Meishin Expressway and off at the Hokuriku Expressway Fukui Kita (north) Interchange (approx. 3 hrs.).
- From Nagoya, get on at the Nagoya Interchange of the Meishin Expressway and off at the Hokuriku Expressway Fukui Kita (north) Interchange (approx. 2 hrs. 30 min.).
- From the interchange, head towards the Echizen seacoast. It is approximately 25 minutes to Daianzenji.



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