Hachiman Nadagu was built in 729 CE as a branch of Usa Jingu. It is built in the Hachiman-zukuri style, a type of architecture unique to Hachiman worship. The two long, gabled roofs with sloping eaves that cover the main building evoke the design of Usa Jingu itself. This shrine is the historic site of a ceremony to cleanse its visitors of spiritual impurities (*kegare*) by casting them into the ocean. The location of the shrine was almost certainly influenced by the discovery of a freshwater spring located unusually close to the sea. Just off the beach is an additional *torii* gate that is aligned to match the moonrise during the equinox.