

Higashi-Juhachiken Turret

The Higashi-Juhachiken Turret (“eastern 18-*ken*-long turret”) was a wooden turret dating from the early seventeenth century. A *ken* is an old measurement roughly equivalent to 1.82 meters. Curiously, while this turret was 34 meters in length, the neighboring Kita-Juhachiken Turret (“northern 18-*ken*-long turret”) was 40 meters long.

In the 2016 earthquake, both the turret and the wall beneath it collapsed onto the shrine office below. Currently, 1,900 stones as well as other structural elements from this location have been sorted, catalogued, and placed in storage pending the start of restoration work.