

Rokkakudo at Gamagori Classic Hotel

The Rokkakudo (lit, “hexagonal hall”) was built in 1936 as an annex to the Gamagori Hotel, which had opened two years prior. The single-story wooden building was originally used as a waiting room and souvenir shop for guests participating in tea gatherings in the nearby Oshukutei teahouse.

Rokkakudo was designed to evoke a hall of a Buddhist temple and has an ornate roof covered with blue-glazed tiles. The roof’s six triangular sections curve gently toward the apex, where the whole is crowned with a decorative element in the shape of a wish-granting jewel (*hoju*). A stylized pine tree motif adorns the base of the roof, some decorative tiles, and the building’s nail covers. This symbol was the logo of the Tokiwakan, a historic inn that stood on the hotel grounds until 1982.

Rokkakudo was renovated and reopened as a steakhouse in 1987, with counter seating in a half circle in front of a teppanyaki griddle. The building is located by the path between the hotel’s main gate and main entrance. It is a registered Tangible Cultural Property.