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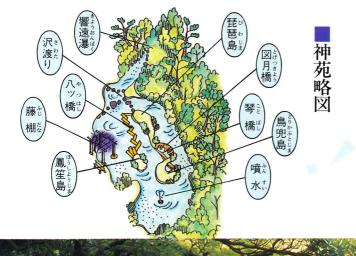




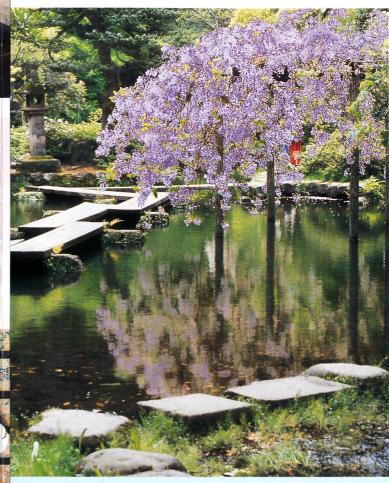


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Shin-en, the divine garden (specified scenic spot)

The garden preserved from Kanaya Goten (palace), was designed on a musical theme. There is a big pond in the garden, which occupies the greater

part of it. We can see on the pond the biua (lute) shaped island, the koto bridge, and the sho (panpipe) stretch of stones. The garden is at its best in the snow or during May, when the wisteria is in bloom.



Kanaya Jinja (shrine), another shrine in the same ground The shrine is dedicated to all the lords and their wives

of the domain of Kaga except the first lord, Maeda Toshiie.





Chikara ishi, a rock for the contest of strength

This is a gift from the family of the Lord Maeda. The young people would compete their strength and skill by lifting the rock. There are still many people who touch the rock, praying for their health and to gain strength like the young.

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ステンドグラス輝

、混用で、 金沢市のシンボルともなっています。 治 八年(二八七五)に完成。 神門の様式は 石

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、三層目はギヤマン張りで、

The magnificent gate with sparkling stained glass window (important cultural assets)

The three-storied tower is the main gate of this shrine, which was built in 1875. It is famous for its unique style, a mixture of Japanese, Chinese, and Western. In addition, the first story of the gate is made of tomuro stone which is a kind of granite produced in Kanazawa. For that reason it is a symbol of Kanazawa.

The gate originally served as a lighthouse. This is why the third story has a beautiful stained glass window. Light used to be visible from the sea, though the gate is surrounded by tall buildings these days. There is a lighting rod at the top of the gate, which is the oldest one in Japan.

Maeda Toshiie, the first Lord of the domain of Kaga

Ovama shrine is dedicated to Lord Maeda Toshiie and his wife. He was distinguished for both civil and military affairs as a lord. Also, he was a man of noble character and had personal magnetism. So it was natural that he was

looked up to and had many adorers. The great lord passed away in 1599. At first, a small shrine in *Utatsu-vama* was dedicated to him. About three hundred years later, in 1873, a new shrine was built for him on the site of Maeda villa, Kanava Goten (palace). At that time, it was named Ovama Iinia (shrine). Since then the shrine has become familiar to people.



神苑のミズバショウ



拝殿の格天井―うどんげの花咲く

Strange shishigata kouro, the incense burner in the shape of a lion

The lord Maeda Toshiie was bestowed this ceramic incense burner by Toyotomi Hideyoshi (the lord of Osaka) because of his exploit on the occasion of the Battle of Korea (1592-96). It is used when a tea ceremony is held in the open air (we call this style *nodate*). The smoke with incense ascends from the lion's eyes, nose, and mouth during the ceremony.



To the left of Shin-en(the divine garden) stands the gate, which is one of the few structures salvaged from the fires which destroyed Kanazawa castle. It has been said that it escaped danger thanks to two dragons, the carvings under the roof of the gate. Dragons were supposed to have the power to provide water when fire threatens. Now the gate is a precious construction which reminds us of the Momoyama-style palace.

