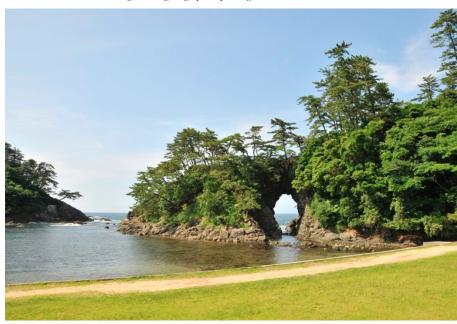


Meikyōdō

Kotoshiro, Takahama

In the vicinity of Takahama, the peninsula that forms Shiroyama Park extends into the sea. The massive geological formations and caves such as Meikyōdō carved by millennia of rough waves greet those willing to explore, and the view from afar is almost as though one is gazing upon a painting...



Meikyödö



View toward Shiroyama from Mt. Myōken[®]

Standing where Takahama
Caslte looked out over the ocean during the Muromachi Period,
Shiroyama Park has been recognized for the beauty of its eight caves (thus gaining the name Yana no Kishō, or "Beautiful Spot of Eight Caves"). Most prominent among them is Meikyōdō, through which observers can enjoy a view of the ocean horizon, famously visited by the third Ashikaga shogun, Yoshimitsu.



Shiroyama Park



Wakasa-Takahama Isaribisō in Shiroyama Park[™]



Cherry trees in bloom at Shiroyama Park[®]

Shiroyama Park's wide open spaces are a site of recreation and relaxation for many local residents, who come to rest and play against beautiful views of Meikyōdō.

The park is also the location for Wakasa-Takahama *Isaribisō*, an event meant to symbolize peace within the town that brings residents together in making candles and lanterns that light up the park at night.



Otome ga Hora, one of the park's eight caves®



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