



Yugaotei

The oldest building in the garden, built in 1774 for performing the tea ceremony. The name comes from Yugao(Archaic word of gourd) openwork on the wing wall between the tea room and the waiting room.

Shiguretei Tea House

The house was originally constructed as a rest house called Renchiochin when the 5th lord Tsunanori started construction of the garden. It was relocated by the 6th lord Yoshinori in front of the present fountain and named Shiguretei. The house was reconstructed at its present location in 2000 as a tea house.



Fountain(Funsui)

This is the oldest fountain in Japan. Its water comes from Kasumigaike Pond, and it works by natural pressure caused by the difference in the levels of the two ponds. Normally the fountain is 3.5m high, but its height changes depending on the surface level of Kasumigaike Pond. The fountain is said to have been developed as a model for the construction of a fountain that was in the castle in 1861.



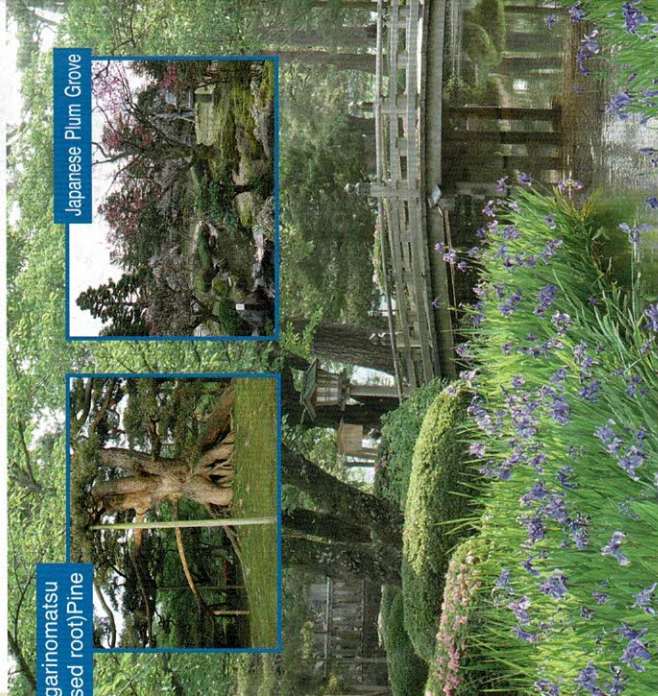
Gankobashi(Flying Wild Geese)Bridge

This bridge is made of eleven red tomuro stones (andesite)laid out to look like wild geese flying in formation. It is also called "Kikkobashi(Tortoiseshell) Bridge" because of the shape of each stepping-stone.

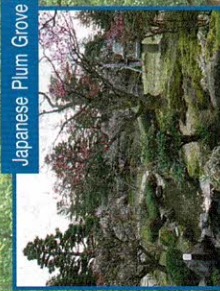


Hanamibashi (Flower-viewing)Bridge

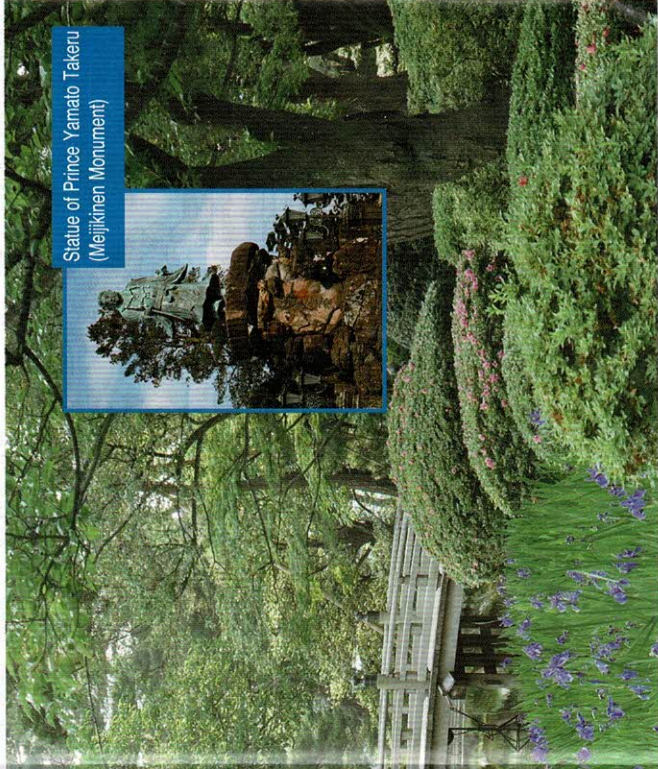
Beautiful flowers, especially cherry blossoms, Japanese azaleas and irises can be seen from this bridge.



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Japanese Plum Grove



Statue of Prince Yamato Takeru (Meiji-kinen Monument)



Garden Designated as a Cultural Property and National Site of Special Scenic Beauty



Kenrokuen Garden



Kotojitoro lantern in autumn colors

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