



Shigemori Mirei Garden Museum

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In close proximity to Yoshida Shrine, the house once was used as housing for Yoshida Shrine priests. It was a so-called *shake* (社家) and inhabited by the Suzuka Family (鈴鹿家) when it was handed to Shigemori.

① The **Yoshida Shrine** was founded in 859 by the Fujiwara Family. It received patronage through the imperial court eventually and until 1946 it was in the second rank of government supported shrines.

In 1943, Shigemori Mirei purchased the house and chose it as his private home.

The main building is said to have been built in the Edo period between 1716-1735. The *shoin* (writing room or study) was built in 1789 with the support of the Konoe Family.

THE KONOE-FAMILY

The Konoe Family are descendants of Fujiwara (Konoe) lezane and belonged to the five most important families of their time. They were one family from which Empresses and regents were chosen.