

Tenryuji Temple

Tenryuji Temple, the head quarters of the Rinzai school of Zen Buddhism, is the top-ranked among Kyoto's Five Zen Temples. The shogun Ashikaga Takauji built the temple in 1339 to comfort the spirit of the late Emperor Godaigo who passed away on Mt. Yoshino in Nara prefecture. This temple's garden, designed by the priest Muso Soseki, became the model



incorporate nature as a backdrop for their designs. It features a circular promenade around Sogen Pond, allowing visitors to enjoy the scenery of the garden from a variety of vantage points.

