

Characteristics of the Stone Walls of Takamatsu Castle:

Characteristics of the Stone Walls Built by the Takamatsu Matsudaira Family



■ Stone Walls Built by the Takamatsu Matsudaira Family (foundation of Ushitora Yagura [northeast tower])



■ Stone Walls Built by the Takamatsu Matsudaira Family (ote masugata [a courtyard defending the main gate])

The stone walls of Takamatsu Castle can be roughly divided into two types: those built by the Ikoma family and those built by the Takamatsu Matsudaira family. In both cases, the large stones are made of granite and the smaller stones are made of andesite and tuff, and both share the common feature of being built with stones produced within the territory.

Characteristics of the Stone Walls Built by the Ikoma Family



■ Stone Walls Built by the Ikoma Family (Tenshudai [stone foundation of the main donjon])



■ Stone Walls Built by the Ikoma Family (foundation of Chikyū Yagura [eternal prosperity tower])

The stone walls of Takamatsu Castle also provide important information for understanding changes in stone wall construction techniques.