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- National Historical Site Name Igenoyama Kofun (Tumulus) (Otokuni Tombs)
- Date of Designation of Historical Site October 13th, 1981
- Tumulus Shape Zenpo-koen-fun (Keyhole-shaped tumulus)
- Tumulus Size Total length : approx 128m
Diameter of the rear circular mound : approx 78.6m
Height of the rear circular mound : estimated 10.4m
Width of the front square mound : approx 78.6m
Height of the front square mound : estimated at 7.6m
- Area of Designated Historical Site 19,495.995 m²
- Age of its construction Middle Kofun Period (the first half of the 5th century)
- Altitude of the base of the tumulus approx 16m above sea level
- Geographic Coordinates North latitude 34°54' 52"
East longitude 135°41' 52"
- Period of Development FY2011 to FY2014

Igenoyama Tumulus

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Overview of the Igenoyama Kofun (Tumulus)

The Igenoyama Kofun (Tumulus) is the largest Zenpo-koenfun (keyhole-shaped tumulus) in Otokuni Region, approx. 128 meters long. It is located on the hill, 16 m above the sea level. A moat of 30 m wide, surrounded it. It has 3 flat terraces and 3 slopes in between. The slopes were covered with stones of riverbed. On each each terraces, haniwas (terracotta figures and cylinders) stood in a line along its boundary. In the rear circular mound, three seems to be a stone funerary chamber on the bottom of a shaft. In the center of the front square part, some 700 iron weapons such as swords, were found. It is only one case in Kyoto, and is rare even nationwide. Igenoyama Kofun supposed to be the tomb of a chieftain who ruled the right bank of Katsura River during the first half of the 5th century.

