

## 五重塔

## Go-Jyu-No-Toh The Five-Story Pagoda

As you climb the *Ishi-Dan* you will come upon a clearing, which is the site of the *Go-Jyu-No-Toh*. A National Treasure constructed from 931 to 937 by Taira no Masakado, a samurai during the Heian period of Japan. The pagoda was restored in 1372 by Fujiwara no Ujiie, a court noble.

Inside this pagoda is a giant earthquake resistant damper pendulum. This incredible feat of engineering has provided inspiration for modern day skyscraper architecture all over the world, such as buildings like Japan's Skytree.

Nearby, there is a magnificent,1,000-year -old Japanese cedar called *Jijisugi* (Grandpa Tree), which serves as a reminder of the grandeur and longevity of the natural world.



Jijisugi