

Seiyo city tangible cultural property

末光家住宅 Suemitsu residence

The Suemitsu residence is a merchant house built in 1770 and is the oldest townhouse on Nakamachi Street, located in the Uno Townscape, a Nationally Important Traditional Building Preservation Area. During that period, there were five sake breweries in the Uno town area, making sake brewing a flourishing industry. The Suemitsu family, having relocated from the house of the village headman in Shirasawa to Uno Town, also began brewing sake and constructed their residence as a combination of a shop and living space.

Highlights

Hiji

This is an armrest that extends from a wall or pillar to support the eaves. The design of the hiji is shaped like waves, which is reportedly a sign of disaster awareness.

Rotating Sliding Door Storage

This space is for storing the sliding doors when it the door is open. The design enables the entire door box to rotate while keeping the three lattice doors securely stored inside.

Box Stairs

A staircase with drawers or sliding doors attached to its sides. It is designed to be effectively utilized as storage space.

Insect cage window

This is a painted wall window situated on the lower second floor, designed for ventilation and natural light. It is referred to as an "insect cage window" due to its shape, which resembles that of an insect cage.



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