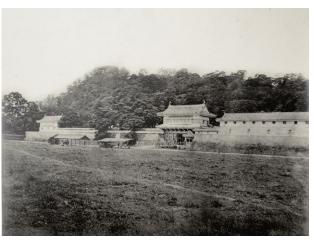
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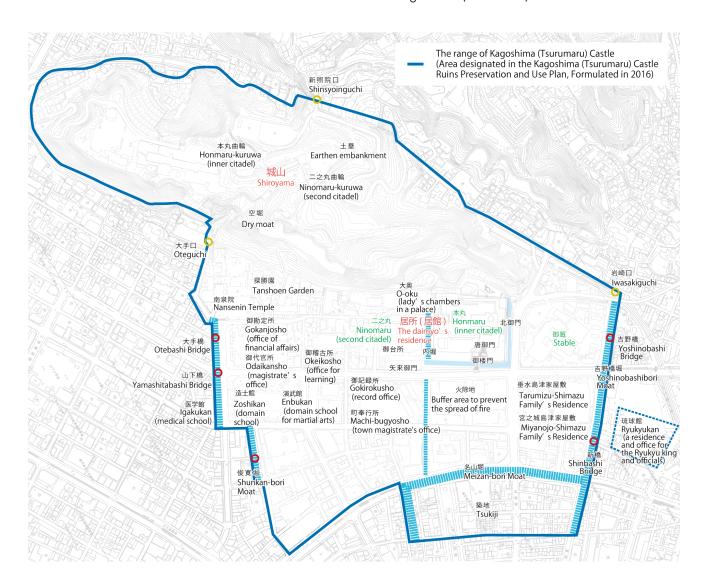
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Kagoshima Castle, also known as Tsurumaru Castle, was built on a hill surrounded by a plain. The daimyo's residence was built with Shiroyama to its back, and the town built around the castle spreading toward the ocean.

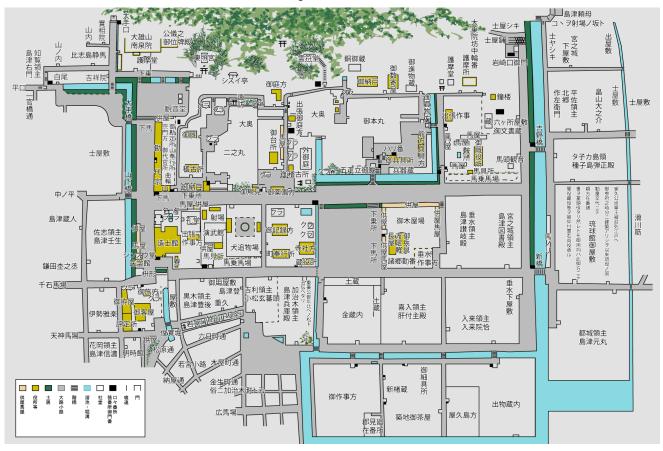
When it was built in 1601, the castle's military center was located in Shiroyama, and the administrative center was located in the daimyo's residence. Also, part of the domain's administrative offices was located in the area outside the residence.



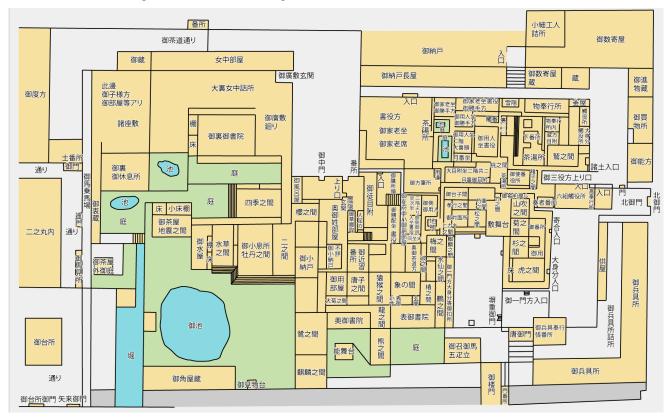
▲ Kagoshima (Tsurumaru) Castle in 1872



The Honmaru (inner citadel of daimyo's residence) became the station for the Chinzei Chindai (Kumamoto garrison) after the abolition of feudal domains and the establishment of prefectures in 1872. The Honmaru was burned down by accidental fire in December 1873. Saddened by the changed Kagoshima (Tsurumaru) Castle and the dilapidated palace, Tsuneori Naruo, a former Satsuma feudal retainer, created the sketch of the area surrounding the castle ("Naruo Tsunenori Jokaezu") and the floor plan of the Honmaru ("Naruo Tsunenori Sashizu").



▲ The sketched drawing of the area around Kagoshima (Tsurumaru) Castle ("Naruo Tsunenori Jokaezu")



▲ Floor plan of the Honmaru of Kagoshima (Tsurumaru) Castle ("Naruo Tsunenori Sashizu")