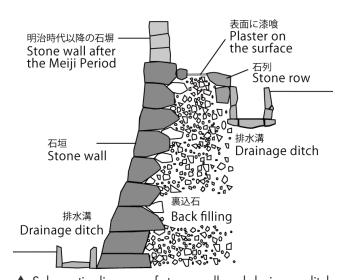
Reconstruction of the Goromon Gate and Drainage Ditch

御楼門と排水溝の整備 ト문과 배수구의 정비 楼门和排水沟的整建 樓門和排水溝的整建

Many stonework drainage ditches were created throughout the premises of Kagoshima (Tsurumaru) Castle to functionally discharge rainwater.

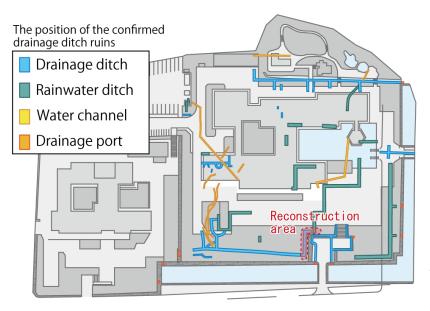
The excavation survey conducted in 2016 revealed drainage ditches created along the stone walls. Behind the stone walls were backfilled stones to conduct the water, and plaster was coated on the surface between stone walls and rows to prevent water leakage. One level below the stone row was a stone structure drainage ditch. The excavation survey revealed that several maintenance projects, such as replacement work, were performed on the drainage ditch during the Edo Period (1603– 1868). That drainage ditches were used for extended periods in modern times can be seen in the clay pipe set up in the drainage ditch.

These important remnants provided an understanding of castle structures of the time, and therefore, the ditches were reburied, and a replica of drainage ditch was set up above the reburied ditch to recover the drainage function.





Excavated ruins of a drainage ditch



The position of the confirmed drainage ditch ruins