

⑨ Yakumo Shrine (Tennou-Sama)

Yakumo Shrine (located toward the south-east of Kami-Numa Park along Route 407) is the subsidiary shrine of Hikawa Shinto Shrine (renamed to Matsuyama Shrine after) and enshrined as the local shrine deity of old Matsuyama post town.

The summer festival is held as a regular festival for Tennou-Sama God in the fourth Saturday and Sunday in July every year.

You'll appreciate beautiful carvings in the main hall. Carvings of flowers, birds, dragons, Chinese lions are displayed in the front of the building.



At the side and the back of the building, there are carvings related to Japanese mythology, Ama no Iwato (cave of heaven) and Yamata no Orochi (a big snake with eight heads). The religious faith of this shrine is driving out evil spirits and forgetting the summer heat.

Summer festival (Tennou-Sama festival)

People shoulder the portable shrine and parade around the town in daytime. From the evening, there exist many stalls for fast food and etc.



Access:

15 minutes on foot from Higashi-Matsuyama station

Walk along Peony Street and turn right on the Higashi-Matsuyama city hall to Kami-Numa direction

