

Snow-viewing Stone lantern

Garden pond

Seiko Lake Embankment

Oyama Hill

The island of Nakajima viewed from the Tatsunashi Bridge

Sensui

The central feature of this garden is the pond (approximately 9,000m²). In former times, seawater was brought in to fill it, but it is now a freshwater pond. There are two small islands in the pond, Nakajima and Ukishima, which symbolize the ocean and lakes. There is also a sandy beach-like area (Suhama) in one corner of the pond.

Oyama

"Oyama" is the highest of the various garden hills and provides a good vantage point to look down on the garden. Oyama is connected to other hills on its right and left and the overall effect of this garden hill chain is best viewed from the opposite side of the pond.

Karetaki

Using rock materials, a "waterless waterfall" was created as part of the design. The symbolic path of the flow of the water from this dry waterfall also functions as a footpath for viewing the garden and adds to the enjoyment of the visual image rendered with stone.

Tabu-no-ki (Machilus thunbergii)

Tabu-no-ki grows in warm coastal areas. The branches of these trees grow into a hemispheric shape resembling a bowl turned upside down. They can be viewed here in the Kyu-Shiba-rikyu and in the grounds of the Hama-rikyu.

Wisteria Trellis

There is a large wisteria trellis at the entrance to the gardens. Around the beginning of May, large clusters of these lavender blossoms hang down from the trellis and the aroma of wisteria wafts through the air.

Nakajima

This island in the pond can be described the visual focal point of the garden. In China, the real Saiko Lake was a place inhabited by holy men and Reizan, a nearby sacred mountain, was said to have mythical powers to prevent aging and bring about immortality. Its form, recreated with stones, is located on Nakajima.



FLOWER
CALENDAR

SPRING

Wisteria (*Wisteria floribunda*), azalea (*Rhododendron indicum*), spiraea (*Spiraea thunbergii*), cherry blossom (*Prunus*)

SUMMER

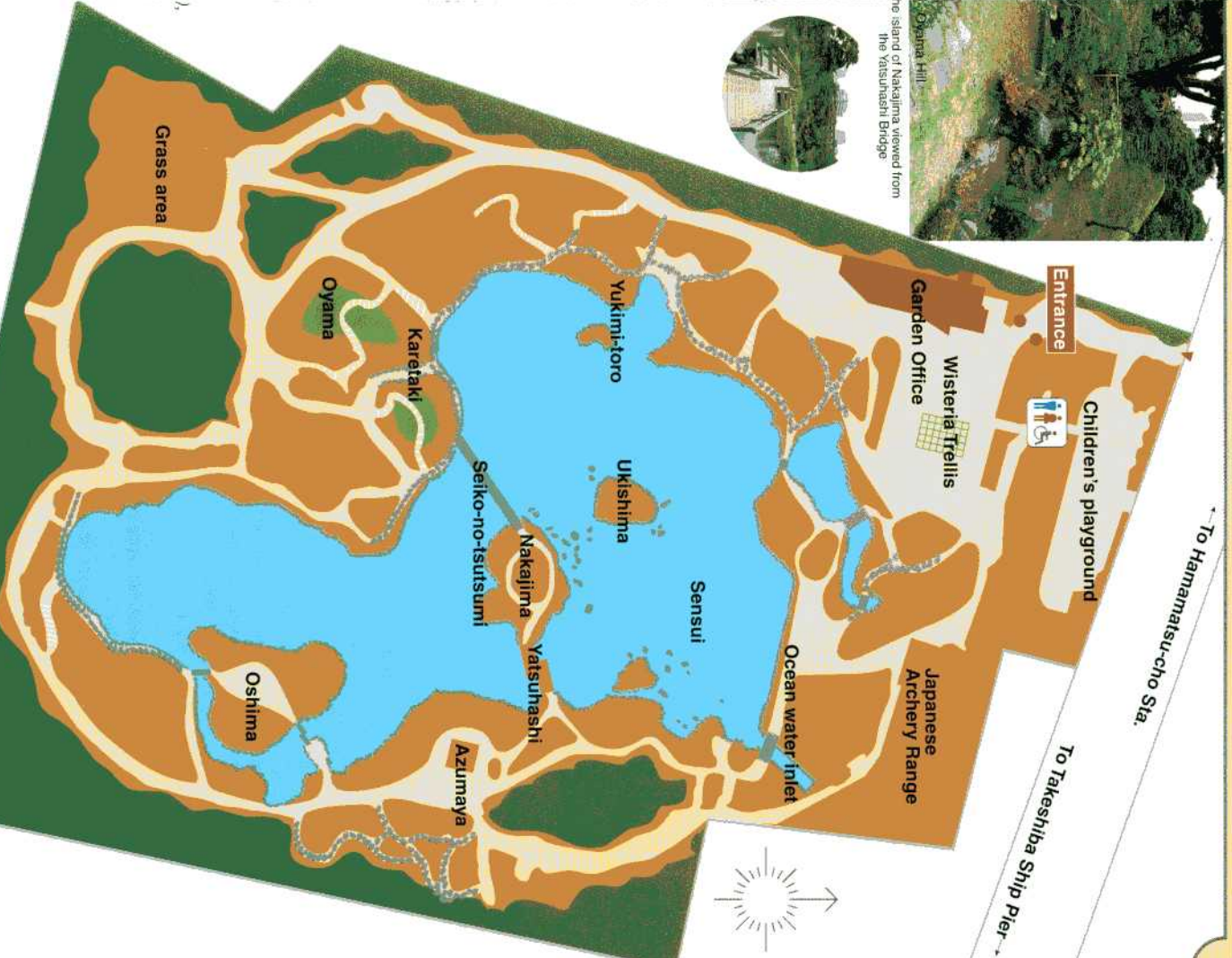
Lily (*Lilium ensata*), balloonflower (*Platycodon grandiflorus*), Cinnum (*Cinnam asiaticum*)

FALL

Red leaves (dogwood (*Cornus florida*), Winged spindle tree (*Euonymus alatus*), wax tree (*Rhus nuceolata*), maple (*Acer palmatum*), zelkova (*Zelkova serrata*), Spider lilies (*Lycoris radiata*), Leopard plant (*Farfugium japonicum*)

WINTER

Japanese apricot (*Prunus mume*), narcissus (*Narcissus*)



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