

Nishiyama Onsen Keiunkan: Japanese hotel in Yamanashi serving for 1300+ years

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Yamanashi : In a world where around 20 percent of businesses fail in the first year after opening, Nishi-yama Onsen Keiunkan, a Japanese hotel in the Yamanashi Prefecture, has been serving for around 1321 years.

In 705, Fujiwara no Mahito founded the hotel, and till today the same family has been operating the business for over 52 generations. The Guinness World Records recognized the Keiunkan as the oldest hotel in the world in 2011. However, the present on-site infrastructures are just a few decades old.

Nishiyama Onsen Keiunkan, "Keiun-era Nishiyama Hot Spring" in English, is an onsen ryokan (Japanese hot spring inn).

The hotel currently features 37 rooms, a kaiseki restaurant, and a moon-watching platform.

All rooms and facilities of the hotel have free WiFi for the guest. The hot baths' machinery pumps 1,000 liters of naturally heated water every minute, and there are plans for doubling that capacity