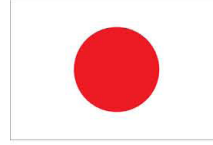


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大坂城 **Osaka Castle**

The original castle was built in 1583, the largest in Japan at the time. It was the site of major battles – even destroyed by fire then reconstructed. Lightning burned down the main tower in 1665, not to be rebuilt until 1931.