



Engraved view.

OSAKA CASTLE

Afbeeldinge vant Maghtich Keyserlyck Casteel Osacca gelegen int groot Ryck Jappan besuyden de Stadt Osacca inde provinsie Qioo Chateau d'Osacca situe dans Province de Quio

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Physical description

Engraved view.

Dimensions

315 by 368mm. (12.5 by 14.5 inches).

Notes

A view of Osaka castle from Pieter van der Aa's 'La Galerie Agreeable du Monde', 1728.

Osaka Castle is one of Japan's most famous landmarks and it played a major role in the unification of

Japan during the sixteenth century of the Azuchi-Momoyama period.

At the centre of the print is the main tower of Osaka Castle, situated on a plot of land roughly one square kilometre. It is built on two raised platforms of landfill supported by sheer walls of cut rock, using a technique called Burdock piling, each overlooking a moat. The central castle building is five stories on the outside and eight stories on the inside, and built atop a tall stone foundation to protect the inhabitants.

Bibliography

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