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Tools for Agriculture

Agriculture was the major work for the people living in Yamba. For this reason, a wide variety of farm tools have been excavated from the buried houses. Due to the high water content in the ground, wooden and bamboo farm tools such as pestles and wall inserts have been found with evidence of rotting. The "Furo hoe," a tool with only the blade made of iron and common in the Edo period, was discovered, including wooden parts such as the handle. You can see that this hoe was made by attaching the cutting edge to the base (called the "Furo") and with handle being made out of a single tree branch.