

Knives & Accessories 2020



What TOJIRO can do for knives

The history of TOJIRO knives started with stainless steel fruit knife that was released in 1955. At that time, it was said that stainless steel blades were not sharp enough compare to carbon steel.

Therefore, TOJIRO pursued in earnest "cuttable knives", realizing continuous improvement and evolution.

Today, our corporate message is "More than just sharpness".

We wish to deliver not only sharpness, but the feeling that a knife fits comfortably in your hands as you use it, becoming your partner.

We are continuing our efforts to carefully manufacture knives so that a single TOJIRO knife can provide the greatest satisfaction to our customers.

Craftsman

The craftsman at TOJIRO would like you to feel the "joy" of using a tool with attachment. They hone their skills to manufacture worthy knives daily. As long as we are craftsmen, the road to improving our skills will never end. We are earnest about making knives daily for users.

A product born such devotion is a message from maker to customer.

MORE THAN JUST SHARPNESS

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Types of Kitchen Knives

Types of Western Style Knives Introduction to the applications of the main kinds of Western style knives made by TOJIRO

| Blade length for home use | Blade length for professional use | |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| 90∼180 mm | 90∼180 mm | Petty knife This is a small type of Chef knife and is suitable for peeling, decorative cuts and fine designs. This small versatile knife is often used as substitute of the Santoku if the length of the blade is slightly longer. |
| 165∼180 mm | 165~210 mm | •Santoku This knife can be versatilely used for meat, fish and vegetables, and is suitable for daily use in the kitchen. Santoku knives combine the good points of both the Chef knife and Nakiri. |
| 160∼210 mm | 210~300 mm | •Chef knife Also known as a "Gyuto" in Japan, the shape of this knife was brought from overseas into Japan in the mid 18C together with eating habit of beef. Although primarily used to cut meat, it can also be used for cutting fish and vegetables. |
| 150~180 mm | 150∼180 mm | Nakiri This knife is meant for cutting vegetables. It is suitable for peeling and thinly slicing because the edge is straight. |
| 240 mm | 240~270 mm | •Slicer This knife is used to cut relatively large slabs of meat into parts. It is also used as a slicer or Sashimi knife because of its narrow and long blade. |

Types of Japanese Style Knives
Introduction to the applications of the main kinds of Japanese style knives made by TOJIRO

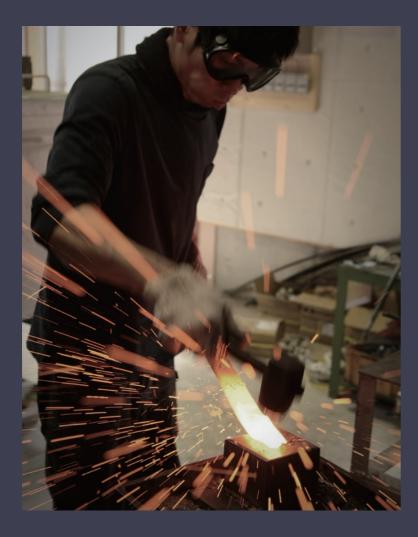
| Blade length for home use | Blade length for professional use | |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| 105~120 mm | 105~120 mm | Mini Light Deba This knife is used to filet small fish such as horse mackerel and thin fleshed fish. It is also convenient for gutting fish because the blade is thinner than that of the Kodeba. |
| 150∼180 mm | 150~300 mm | • Deba Meant for trimming fish, this knife has a very thick blade and is used for fileting fish into 3 pieces and slicing fish open to debone and remove the head. There are different types of Deba depending on the application such as cutting large salmon and fileting narrow fleshed fish. |
| 210~240 mm | 210~330 mm | ●Yanagi-Sashimi This knife is meant for slicing sashimi and is used by carving off slices of the boneless upper flesh of fish from the base of the blade to the tip. There are different types of Yanagi-Sashimi depending on the application such as shell crackers for cutting open shellfish and thin blades for cutting pufferfish. |
| 210~240 mm | 210~330 mm | ●Tako-Sashimi This is a Kanto-style sashimi knife that is rectangular in shape and is shorter than the Yanagi-Sashimi. It is used in the same manner as the Yanagi-Sashimi. |
| 150~180 mm | 150∼210 mm | ●Usuba This knife is meant for cutting vegetables. Although it resembles the Nakiri, the Usuba is single bevel. It is best suited for peeling vegetables, especially daikon radish. |

TOJIRO ATELIER

TOJIRO ATELIER

藤次郎 本鍛造シリーズ

Forged hand made knives made by TOJIRO KNIFE ATELIER.



Blade

By forging steel of two different hardness over and over, elegant ripple pattern emerges and high uniformity of core steel VG10 eventually generates maximum sharpness. The texture of the black finish gives the blade a feel of dignity.

Handle

Reinforced laminated handle is very durable and tough, not easily deformed and strong against deterioration over time. Metal bolster is very hygienic and prevents stain and dirt from being accumulated between blade and handle.

TOJIRO ATELIER

藤次郎 本鍛造



Blade: VG10 63Layers

Core: VG10 Outer Layers:

Low- and High-Carbon Stainless Steel



Handle:

Reinforced Laminated Material (3Studs, Full-Tang)

Bolster: 18-8 Stainless Steel

Petty Knife

TA-PA 100 100mm TA-PA 120 120mm TA-PA 150 150mm



Chef Knife

TA-CH 180 180mm TA-CH 210 210mm TA-CH 240 240mm TA-CH 270 270mm





Santoku

TA-SA 170 170mm



Nakiri

TA-VE 165 165 mm









TOJIRO is a brand much-loved by professional cooks. Our research into "knives people want to use in their kitchen" has enabled us to come up with these five types. The utility knife, which can also be handled with ease by women and those with small hands, is a great knife for home cooking. The dark blue handle has a simple finish which brings out the wood grain and blends in naturally with contemporary kitchens and dining areas.

So that customers can use this knife with pleasure for many years, we have put

great effort into small details that enhance the level of comfort and convenience. Craftsmen have machined the curved surface of the handle so that it fits snugly into the hand. The blade is easy to sharpen and made from a rust-resistant material which means that the knife can be kept in tiptop condition at home. The blade core uses VG10, a very sharp material that makes the blade extremely long-lasting. The knife has the signature sharpness of all TOJIRO knives. This excellent product will satisfy anyone who demands kitchen utensils of outstanding quality.



TOJIRO HOME





Blade: VG10 Clad

Core: VG10

Outer Layers: 13 Chrome Stainless Steel



Handle: Linen Mikarta Bolster: 18-8 Stainless Steel Handle Parts: Stainless Steel





Utility Knife F-1301 160mm





Santoku

fective handles.



it is improved and ready to sale again.



Chef Knife

F-1303 200mm



Bread Knife

F-1304 220mm



Blade

VG10 as core blade, covered by anti-rust 13 chrome stainless steel on both sides, which establish both professional sharpness and easy maintenance for home users. Edge is convex ground so that it has good balance of sharpness and durability, and easy to re-sharpen.

Handle

Made from linen Mikarta, hand carved and polished, comfortably fits in your hand.

TOJIRO Hammered

藤次郎 鎚目DPコバルト合金鋼割込(樹脂桂柄)シリーズ

Very Japanese look hammered blade inspires image of forging. Traditional wood handle perfectly fits in your hand as you use it.



Blade

This is fusion of tradition and modern technology.

VG10 in core, 13 chrome stainless steel as outer layers.

Clear coating applied on blade surface in order to minimize Kurouchi finished blade having rusted.

Hammered texture is not only design, but effective against food sticking on blade.

Handle

Handle is made from Japanese magnolia which has smooth texture and good in water resistance.

TOJIRO Hammered

藤次郎

鎚目DPコバルト合金鋼 割込(樹脂桂柄)シリーズ



Blade: VG10 Clad Core: VG10

Outer Layers: 13 Chrome Stainless Steel Clear Coated



Handle: Magnolia Ferrule: Resin

Paring Knife

F-1110 90 mm F-1111 130 mm



Santoku

F-1112 170mm



Nakiri

F-1113 165mm



Chef Knife

F-1114 180mm F-1115 210mm F-1116 240mm F-1114 180mm

Recommended User

Svinkløv Badehotel Chef Kenneth Toft-Hansens

Co-owner and chef of Svinkløv Badehotel located in northern Jutland, Denmark. Also chief chef of Denmark team represented at Bocuse d'Or, and the winner of Bocuse d'Or 2019.



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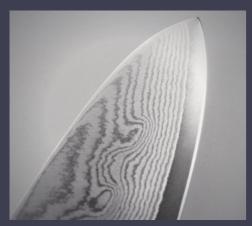
Bocuse d'Or - world's famouse French cuilinary competition held every other year in Lyon, France. As Kenneth's right hand, TOJIRO FLASH took a part of Denmark team. Trusted and supported by professional chefs around the world, TOJIRO is now exporting and promoting its unique features to over 40 countries.

TOJIRO FLASH

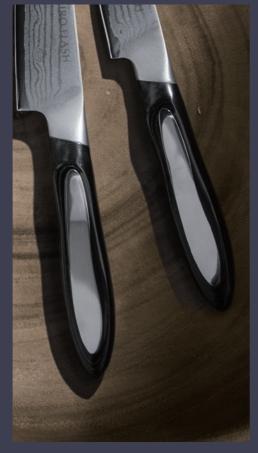
藤次郎 門光 DPダマスカス鋼鍛造シリーズ

This series features a beautiful Damascus wave pattern and handle with a bolster that is easy to grip and well balanced.

This series boasts of widespread appeal in the US and Europe and offers a complete lineup of items for cutting meat.







Blade

By forging two different types of steel over and over, elegant ripple pattern emerges and high uniformity of core steel VG10 eventually generate maximum sharpness.

Handle

Uniquely curved reinforced laminated handle is very durable and tough, not easily deformed and strong against deterioration over time.

Joint of blade and handle is smoothly curved and comfortably support your finger.

TOJIRO FLASH

藤次郎 開光 DPダマスカス鋼 鍛造シリーズ



Blade: VG10 Damascus
Core: VG10
Outer Layers:
Low- and High-Carbon Stainless Steel

Handle: Reinforced Laminated Material Steel on Handle: 18-8 Stainless Steel

Peeling Knife

FF-PE70 70mm



Paring Knife

FF-PA90 90mm FF-PA100 100mm FF-PA130 130mm



Utility Knife

FF-UT150 150mm



Chef Knife

FF-CH160 160mm FF-CH180 180mm FF-CH210 210mm FF-CH240 240mm FF-CH270 270mm





TOJIRO FLASH

藤次郎 門光 DPダマスカス鋼鍛造シリーズ

Santoku

FF-SA180 180mm



Nakiri

FF-VE180 180mm





Carving Knife

FF-CA210 210mm



Bread Knife

FF-BR240 240mm



Boning Knife

FF-B0150 150mm



American Boning Knife

FF-ABO165 165mm



FF-DE105 105mm FF-DE165 165mm Discontinued



TOJIRO SHIPPU

藤次郎森(*** DPダマスカス鋼銀造シリーズ

Brilliant blade like gusty "Kamikaze".
Using 63 and 37 layers Damascus steel Elegant pattern is proof of forged blade.



Blade

By forging steel of two different hardness over and over, elegant ripple pattern emerges and high uniformity of core steel VG10 eventually generate maximum sharpness.

Handle

Handle made from Japanese magnolia wood, which has good water resistance and smooth surface.

Water buffalo ferrule prevents blade from rattling and coming off.

TOJIRO SHIPPU

藤次郎奔

DPダマスカス鋼 鍛造シリーズ



Blade: VG10 63Layers

Core: VG10 Outer Layers:

Low- and High-Carbon Stainless Steel



Handle: Magnolia Ferrule: Buffalo Horn

Peeling Knife

FD-590 70mm



Available in 37 layers only

Paring Knife

FD-591 90mm FD-592 130mm



FD-591,FD-592 available in 37 layers only

Chef Knife

FD-593 180mm FD-594 210mm FD-595 240mm FD-596 270mm



Santoku

FD-597 165 mm



Nakiri

FD-598 165 mm



Slicer

FD-599 210 mm



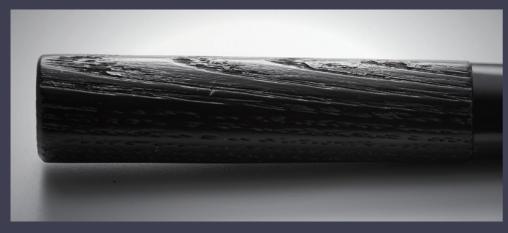
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TOJIRO SHIPPU BLACK

藤次郎 森 BLACK DPダマスカス鋼鍛造シリーズ

Sharp like flashing lightning ripping the darkness apart. The new value of Tojiro created by 63- or 37-layered Damascus steel processed by innovative chemical oxide color development that highlights elegant ripple pattern.





Blade

By forging steel of two different hardness over and over, elegant ripple pattern emerges and high uniformity of core steel VG10 eventually generate maximum sharpness.

Black oxide processing, which is the technology often used for medical equipment, has been applied on blade. The blade thus has both outstanding corrosion resistance and beautiful visual aspect.

Handle

Chestnut handle has excellent durability, and additionally applied fire treatment on surface makes it even stronger.

TOJIRO SHIPPU BLACK

藤次郎 FF BLACK DPダマスカス銅 鍛造シリーズ



Blade: VG10 63Layers

Core: VG10

Outer Layers: Low- and High-Carbon Stainless Steel (Black oxide process)



Handle: Chestnut Wood (Fire Treated Surface) Ferrule: Resin

Peeling Knife

FD-1590 70mm



Available in 37 layers only

Paring Knife

FD-1591 90mm FD-1592 130mm



FD-1591,FD-1592 available in 37 layers only

Chef Knife

FD-1593 180mm FD-1594 210mm FD-1595 240mm FD-1596 270mm



Santoku

FD-1597 165mm



Nakiri

FD-1598 165mm



Slicer

FD-1599 210mm



TOJIRO ZEN

藤次郎祥 DPコバルト合金鋼割込シリーズ

"ZEN" means stage of selflessness. We study the essence of blade thoroughly. "TOJIRO" has great skill for manufacturing multi-layered knife materials and the skill is top-class in the world. "TOJIRO ZEN" provides you an exquisite sharpness and the blade epitomize know-how of "TOJIRO".





Blade

VG10 as core steel, clad by 13-chrome stainless steel, it has achieved both professional sharpness and easy maintenance.

Handle

Handle is made from magnolia and has good water resistance.

TOJIRO ZEN



FD-566 270mm



Blade: VG10 Clad Core: VG10

Outer Layers: 13 Chrome Stainless Steel



Handle: Magnolia Ferrule: Resin









*2Layered single bevel VG10 used for Yanagi-Sashimi

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TOJIRO ZEN BLACK

藤次郎 学BLACK DPコバルト合金鋼割込シリーズ

The spirit of "ZEN" has brought this knife to the next stage. Chemical oxide color processing, which is often adopted by medical devices for its excellent effect of corrosion resistance, has been applied to this world class stainless steel knives.



Blade

VG10 as core steel, clad by 13-chrome stainless steel, it has achieved both professional sharpness and easy maintenance. Black oxide processing, which is the technology often used for medical equipment, has been applied on blade. The blade thus has both outstanding corrosion resistance and beautiful visual aspect.

Handle

Chestnut handle has excellent durability, and additionally applied fire treatment on surface makes it even stronger.

TOJIRO ZEN BLACK

藤次郎禪BLACK DPコバルト合金

鋼割込シリーズ



Blade: VG10 Clad Core: VG10

Outer Layers: 13 Chrome Stainless Steel (Black oxide process)



Handle: Chestnut Wood (Fire Treated Surface) Ferrule: Resin



FD-1560 70mm



Paring Knife

FD-1561 90mm FD-1562 130mm



Chef Knife

FD-1563 180mm

FD-1565 240mm FD-1566 270mm



Santoku

FD-1567 165mn



Nakiri

FD-1568 165mr



Slicer

FD-1569 210mm



TOJIRO DP

藤次郎 DPコバルト合金鋼割込(口金付)シリーズ

An extremely sharp, durable and rust-resistant knife made to professional specifications, the TOJIRO regular professional series has long been popular with chefs.





This is the series we recommend for confident professionals who demand durability and hygiene. The handle is made from environmentally-friendly, reinforced laminated material. It is firmly fixed to the blade with three rivets and there is virtually no shrinkage as time goes by. It doesn't crack, come loose or bend and will be a joy to use for years. The attached clasp inhibits the build-up of bacteria and stops water getting in.

The blade, of course, is super-sharp. Through a manufacturing process in which stainless steel is inserted into the steel core, we have combined the sharpness of steel with the easy maintenance of stainless steel. Before shipping, our craftsmen meticulously polish the blade using a number of processes in order to bring out the sharpness appropriate to the application.

In 1996 this knife received the "Good Design and Long Life Prize," a Japanese prize awarded to a product which continues to be a timeless standard.

TOJIRO DP



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Japanese product design award recognized worldwide.





*2Layered single bevel VG10 used for Chicken boning knife.

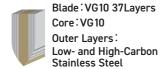




TOJIRO DP Damascus

藤次郎

DPダマスカス鋼 鍛造(口金付) シリーズ





Handle: Reinforced Laminated Material (3Studs, Full-Tang) Bolster: 18-8 Stainless Steel

Petty Knife

F-650 120mm F-651 150mm



Chef Knife

F-654 180mm F-655 210mm F-656 240mm F-657 270mm





Santoku

F-659 170mm



Nakiri

F-660 165mm



TOJIRO Powdered High Speed Steel

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粉末ハイス鋼 割込(口金付) シリーズ Blade: Powdered High Speed Steel Clad Core: Powdered High Speed Steel

Outer Layers: 13 Chrome Stainless Steel



Handle:

Reinforced Laminated Material (3Studs, Full-Tang)

Bolster: 18-8 Stainless Steel

Petty Knife

F-519 135mm F-525 150mm



Chef Knife

F-518 180mm F-520 210mm F-521 240mm F-522 270mm





Santoku

F-517 170mm



TOJIRO DP Damascus

藤次郎







Handle: Reinforced Laminated Material (3Studs, Full-Tang)



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DPコバルト合金鋼 割込シリーズ



Blade: VG10 Clad Core: VG10 Outer Layers: 13 Chrome Stainless Steel



Handle: Reinforced Black Wood (3Studs, Long Half-Tang)



F-333 135mm



Chef Knife

F-332 180mm



Santoku

F-331 170mm



Nakiri

F-330 165mm







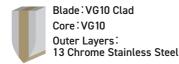




TOJIRO DP A-1

藤次郎

DPコバルト合金鋼 割込A-1シリーズ





Its blade thickness has been adjusted to suitable size for home use. From beginners to professionals, your satisfaction is guaranteed.









Daily Maintenance

In order to keep your TOJIRO knife in excellent condition for a long time, keep the following in mind, and remember to perform proper maintenance regularly.



After use, wash your knife with a soft sponge with neutral kitchen detergent. After rinsing thoroughly, wipe off the remaining moisture and store it after allowing it to dry.



If your knife is left with adherents containing salt or acid on it, or is stored in a damp place for a long time, rust may form. After cutting pickles, lemons, or the like, wash away any adherents as soon as possible.



As a guide, sharpen your knife once or twice a month to maintain sharpness. However, serrated knives, such as slicers, cannot be re-sharpened due to their structure.



If your knife is rusted, wash it with a sponge and cleanser, or re-sharpen it with a whetstone. Washing your knife with steel wool or other hard materials may cause scratches.



Do not dry your knife in a microwave oven or the like.



Do not leave your knife in water or hot water in a dishpan. This may cause the formation of rust on the blade or corrosion of the handle.

TOJIRO PRO DP

TOJIRO PRO DPコバルト合金鋼割込シリーズ

This knife, made entirely of stainless steel, is both easy to hold and extra hygienic. Among the wide range of knives in the series, you are bound to find exactly the one you need.







We have welded a stainless steel handle to a blade made of layered composite material well-known for being sharp and easy to look after. The handle with its tornado pattern, symbolizing "the TOJIRO PRO series," is made to a special specification, using western tableware technology, that in Japan can be manufactured only in Tsubame-Sanjo. Not only is the handle beautiful to look at, but it won't slip even if your fingers are wet or oily thus making it even safer to use.

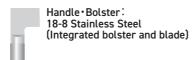
Another of the charms of stainless steel is that it is long-lasting and easy to maintain. Here, since the handle and the blade are in once piece, bacteria can't enter through the gap where the blade joins the handle and the knife can be disinfected using hot water. Since bacteria don't proliferate, the knife is very hygienic and has an excellent reputation even in food-processing factories where there is strict hygiene control.

In 2000, the knife won the "Good Design Prize," Japan's most prestigious design award.

TOJIRO PRO DP

TOJIRO PRO DPコバルト合金鋼 割込シリーズ







F-843 70mm



Paring Knife

F-844 90mm

Petty Knife

F-883 120mm F-884 150mm F-845 180mm



Chicken **Boning Knife**

F-885 150mm



*2Layered single bevel VG10 used for chicken boning knife.



F-896 210mm





F-886 240mm F-887 270mm



Chef Knife

F-888 180mm F-889 210mm F-890 240mm F-891 270mm

F-892 300mm



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F-890 240mm





F-895 170mm



♦ TOJIRO PRO

Nakiri

F-894 165mm



♦ TOJIRO PRO

Western Deba

F-615 170mm F-616 210mm



F-617 240mm

Bread Knife

F-629 215mm



♦ TOJIRO PRO

♦ TOJIRO PRO

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TOJIRO PRO DP

TOJIRO PRO DP

TOJIRO PRO DPコバルト合金鋼割込シリーズ

Chinese Knife

F-630 220mm F-631 225mm Thin F-632 225mm Thick





F-631 225mm Thin



TOJIRO PRO Nickel Damascus

TOJIRO PRO ニッケルダマスカス鋼 鍛造シリーズ



Blade: Special Alloy Steel 63Layers Core: Special Alloy Steel Outer Layers: 63Layers Nickel Damascus Steel



Handle · Bolster: 18-8 Stainless Steel (Integrated bolster and blade)

Petty Knife

F-1037 105mm F-1030 135mm F-1038 150mm



Chef Knife

F-1031 180mm F-1032 210mm F-1033 240mm F-1034 270mm







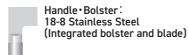
TOJIRO PRO DP Service en Salle Damascus

TOJIRO PRO

SERVICE en SALLE DPダマスカス鋼鍛造 サーヴィスナイフシリーズ



Blade: VG10 37Layers Core: VG10 Outer Layers: Low- and High-Carbon Stainless Steel



This industry's first series of specialty knives was developed for professionals. Under the supervision of the French Food Culture Center, the shape of the handle was specially designed by researching the unique way professionals grip knives.

Petty Knife

FD-701 90mm FD-702 120mm FD-703 150mm



Steak Knife

FD-707 170mm FD-708 190mm







TOJIRO PRO SD Service en Salle

TOJIRO PRO

SERVICE en SALLE SDモリブデンバナジウム鋼 サーヴィスナイフシリーズ



Blade: Molybdenum Vanadium Steel



Handle · Bolster: 18-8 Stainless Steel (Integrated bolster and blade)

Filleting Knife

FD-704 190mm

FD-705 190mm Flexible Blade

FD-706 190mm with Dimples







FD-705 190mm Flexible Blade



FD-706 190mm with Dimples

Ham Slicer

FD-712 300mm



Salmon Slicer

FD-709 300mm FD-710 350mm





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Bread Knife

FD-711 215mm



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TOJIRO PRO DP Deba

TOJIRO PRO DPコバルト合金鋼 2層複合シリーズ



Blade: VG10 Core:VG10 Outer Layer: 13 Chrome Stainless Steel



Handle · Bolster: 18-8 Stainless Steel (Integrated bolster and blade)



Right-Left Asymmetric Handle

TOJIRO PRO SDモリブデン

バナジウム鋼

シリーズ



TOJIRO PRO SD Sashimi

Blade: Molybdenum Vanadium Steel





Right-Left Asymmetric Handle









Japanese product design award recognized worldwide.

Deba

⊗ F-635 150mm **⊗** F-636 165mm

⊗ F-637 180mm **⊗** F-638 210mm

for Left Handed F-635L 150mm F-636L 165mm









⊗ F-623 270mm **⊗**F-624 300mm

for Left Handed F-622L 240mm F-623L 270mm











TOJIRO PRO Meister DP

TOJIRO PRO 匠(本刃付) DPコバルト合金 鋼2層複合シリーズ



Blade: VG10 Core:VG10 Outer Layer: 13 Chrome Stainless Steel

Handle · Bolster: 18-8 Stainless Steel (Integrated bolster and blade)



Right-Left Asymmetric Handle

Honbazuke honing – which is usually done by professional chef for maximum sharpness – has been applied by our craftsman. Together with Urasuki - hollow part on the back of blade - it brings you best performance.

Deba

FD-1635 150mm FD-1636 165mm FD-1637 180mm





Usuba (Square Cut)

FD-1611 180mm FD-1612 195mm FD-1613 210 mm





TOJIRO PRO Meister SD

TOJIRO PRO 匠(本刃付) SDモリブデン バナジウム鋼

シリーズ



Blade: Molybdenum Vanadium Steel





Right-Left Asymmetric Handle

Yanagi-Sashimi

FD-1622 240mm FD-1623 270mm FD-1624 300mm







TOJIRO ORIGAMI

籐 次 ѝ ORIGAMI ステンレスモノコック構造庖丁



Blade: High-Carbon Stainless Steel



Handle: High-Carbon Stainless Steel



German product design award recognized worldwide.



Petty Knife

ii F-770 130mm





Santoku





Diamond Sharpener

F-790 Discontinued







TOJIRO ORIGAMI BLACK

藤 次 郊 ORIGAMI BLACK ステンレスモノコック構造庖丁 シリーズ



Blade: High-Carbon Stainless Steel (Black oxide process)



Handle: High-Carbon Stainless Steel (Black oxide process)



F-1770 130mm



F-1772 180mm



Santoku

F-1771 165mm



Diamond Sharpener

F-1790 Discontinued



Knife Stand F-1780

Discontinued





TOJIRO COLOR

TOJIRO Color モリブデンバナジウム鋼シリーズ

The TOJIRO Color Series features an impressive handle that is available in 6 colors and was developed to reduce the fatigue of those who cook with its easy-to-grip shape, and is suitable for sanitation control with its antibacterial finish.

This professional grade series is also recommended for meeting HACCP requirements.



Blade

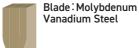
Blade made from Molybdenum Vanadium steel which is very durable and often used to make surgical knives. High resistance against rust and suitable for professional use.

Handle

Handle is antibacterial treated elastomer, which is non-slip and easy to grip, very hygienic and durable.

TOJIRO COLOR

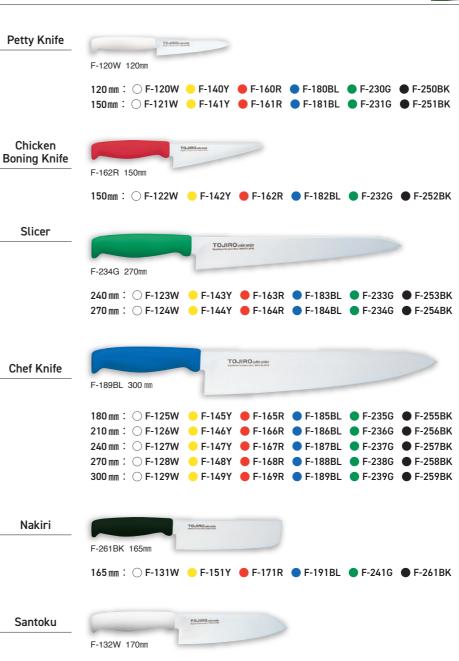






Handle: Elastomer Resin (Integrated elastomer resin and blade)





TOJIRO COLOR Dimples

TOJIRO Color モリブデンバナジウム鋼サーモン刃切仕上シリーズ

The TOJIRO Color Series features an handle that was developed to reduce the fatigue of those who cook with its easy-to-grip shape, and is suitable for sanitation control with its antibacterial finish. Additionally, dimples have been processed on the blade, so that food doesn't stick on it easily.





Blade

Blade made from Molybdenum Vanadium steel which is very durable and often used to make surgical knives. High resistance against rust and suitable for professional use.

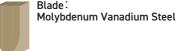
Anti-stick dimples are process on the blade additionally.

Handle

Handle is antibacterial treated elastomer, which is non-slip and easy to grip, very hygienic and durable.

TOJIRO COLOR Dimples









F-290BK 120mm F-291BK 150mm



Slicer

F-263BK 240mm F-264BK 270mm



Chef Knife

F-265BK 180mm F-266BK 210mm F-267BK 240mm F-268BK 270mm F-269BK 300mm



Nakiri

F-292BK 165mm



Santoku

F-293BK 170mm



TOJIRO AOGAMI Damascus

藤次郎 青紙鋼霞流し(本水牛桂柄)シリーズ

Each knife in this series of high-grade Japanese style knives is carefully made one at a time by forging high quality cutting steel by the same techniques used in making Japanese swords. The blade features a beautiful wave pattern and creates brilliant cuts that complement the natural flavors of the ingredients.





Blade

In accordance with traditional technique of Japanese swordsmithing, putting Aogami Steel – a premium carbon steel – in core, forge soft iron on outer layers over and over, it acquired excellent sharpness and edge retention.

Handle

Handle made by Japanese magnolia wood, which has good water resistance and smooth surface. Water buffalo ferrule prevents blade from rattling and coming off.

TOJIRO AOGAMI Damascus

藤次郎

青紙鋼霞流し(本水牛桂柄) シリーズ



Blade: Aogami Damascus

Core: Aogami

Outer Layers: Soft Iron Damascus



Handle: Magnolia Ferrule: Buffalo Horn

Deba

F-1001 150mm F-1002 165mm

F-1003 180mm F-1004 210mm





Yanagi-Sashimi

F-1020 240mm F-1021 270mm

F-1022 300mm F-1023 330mm





Tako-Sashimi

F-1010 240mm F-1011 270mm

F-1012 300mm

F-1013 330mm





TOJIRO AOGAMI

藤次郎 青紙鋼(本水牛桂柄)シリーズ

Aogami steel is highly purified Shirogami steel with chromium and tungsten added. Extra hard, excellent sharpness and abrasion resistance.

This Tojiro japanese style professional knives are made of selected premium steel and forged by our craftsmen.



Blade

Blade is made from premium carbon steel Aogami, it has excellent sharpness and wear resistance. A bit of experience may necessary for re-sharpening, however holds very good edge retention.

Handle

Handle made from Japanese magnolia wood, which has good water resistance and smooth surface. Water buffalo ferrule prevents blade from rattling and coming off.

TOJIRO AOGAMI

藤次郎

青紙鋼(本水牛桂柄)シリーズ



Blade: Aogami Core: Aogami Outer Layer: Soft Iron



Handle: Magnolia Ferrule: Buffalo Horn

Yanagi-Sashimi

F-960 240mm F-961 270mm

F-962 300mm F-963 330mm



Tako-Sashimi

F-970 240mm F-971 270mm

F-972 300mm

F-973 330mm



Yanagi-Sashimi with Slanted Blade's Spine

F-965 240mm

F-965 240mm F-966 270mm

Special angle on back side for easy cut.



Deba with Rounded Blade's Spine

F-975 150mm F-976 165mm F-977 180mm

F-978 210mm

Affectionate back side with rounded edge.





Recommended User

Shiratama no Yu: Kahou Executive Chef Takayuki Yamaoka

After working at a traditional ryokan hot-spring inn in Kansai and later at a Japanese-style restaurant in Tokyo, Mr. Yamaoka was hired by one of Niigata Prefecture's preeminent inns, Shiratama no Yu: Kahou, to serve as executive chef there as well as at Koshinosato Annex. Considered a master of chefs' knives, Mr. Yamaoka prepares Japanese kaiseki cuisine using a bounty of seasonal ingredients from Niigata.







Recommended User Takayuki Yamaoka

Knives that readily adjust to the user

TOJIRO's Japanese knives offer outstanding cutting technology with blades of ideal hardness. I use their products because, while preferences concerning blade hardness vary from user to user, TOJIRO has created a knife that readily adjusts to my individual needs. The company's pursuit of materials and construction that harmonize with the knife's intended use make this possible. An additional reason I prefer their knives is that they are designed to be used in kitchens at hot springs resorts and are made of stainless steel to resist the rust-inducing properties of sulfur.

The cutting characteristics of the knife impact the savor of the food

The luster of the visible surfaces of the ingredients and their enhanced texture are extremely important to Japanese cuisine and impart its beauty. For this reason, I can make no compromises with the quality of the knives I use. Sharpening the blade properly every day is important. If sharpened well, the knife will handle better and will cut up to 50% longer. It is my sincere hope to prepare delicious cuisine with tools of the art that have received my loving care.





TOJIRO SHIROGAMI

藤次郎 白紙鋼(樹脂桂柄)シリーズ



Blade:Shirogami Core:Shirogami Outer Layer:Soft Iron





F-897 105mm F-898 120mm



Mini Deba

F-899 105mm F-900 120mm



Deba

F-901 150mm F-902 165mm

F-903 180mm F-904 210mm

F-904 210mm F-905 240mm F-906 270mm



Salmon Deba

F-937 240mm F-938 270mm F-939 300mm



Thin Bladed Deba

F-933 180mm F-917 210mm F-934 240mm



Yanagi-Sashimi

F-930 210mm F-908 240mm F-909 270mm

F-910 300mm F-911 330mm



Tako-Sashimi

F-912 240mm F-913 270mm

F-914 300mm F-915 330mm

Eel Knife

F-923 100mm Nagoya Style

> F-916 180mm Tokyo Style

F-923 100mm

Nagoya Style

F-931 210mm Tokyo Style

F-932 240mm Tokyo Style



Usuba (Square Cut)

F-918 165mm F-919 180mm

F-942 195mm F-935 210mm



Usuba (Falcate Cut)

F-941 195mm



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TOJIRO SHIROGAMI

TOJIRO SHIROGAMI Double - Bevel

藤次郎 白紙鋼(樹脂桂柄)黒打砥出しシリーズ

Core blade by Shirogami steel, outer layer by soft iron, it is easy to re-sharpen and has good edge retention.

Shirogami steel is iron sand as raw material, it is very purified steel.





Blade

User friendly double beveled edge suites for home use.

Handle

Handle is made from magnolia and has good water resistance.

TOJIRO SHIROGAMI Double - Bevel

藤次郎

白紙鋼(樹脂桂柄)黒打砥出しシリーズ



Blade: Shirogami Clad Core: Shirogami Outer Layers: Soft Iron



Handle: Magnolia Ferrule: Resin

Petty Knife

F-691 120mm F-692 150mm



Chef Knife

F-693 180mm F-694 210mm F-695 240mm



Santoku

F-698 165mm F-701A 165mm Polished





Nakiri

F-699 165mm F-702A 165mm Polished





Kiritsuke

F-689 240mm



TOJIRO MV

藤次郎 MVモリブデンバナジウム鋼(樹脂桂柄)シリーズ

It is the new generation of Japanese traditional cooking knives .

The material has the characteristics of both anti-corrosion and abrasion resistance, while keeping the Japanese traditional sharpness.





Blade

Blade made from wear and rust resistant Molybdenum Vanadium steel.

So that its maintenance is easier than carbon steel knives and therefore suitable for beginners.

However, edge is carefully sharpened without compromise by our craftsman.

Handle

Handle is made from magnolia and has good water resistance.

TOJIRO MV

藤次郎

MVモリブデンバナジウム鋼 (樹脂桂柄)シリーズ



Blade: Molybdenum Vanadium Steel



Handle: Magnolia Ferrule: Resin

Mini-Light Deba

F-1050 105mm F-1051 120mm



Deba

F-1053 150mm F-1054 165mm F-1055 180mm



Yanagi-Sashimi

F-1056 210mm F-1057 240mm

F-1058 270mm F-1059 300mm



Tako-Sashimi

F-1060 240mm F-1061 270mm F-1062 300mm



TOJIRO MV Forged Double - Bevel

藤次郎

MVモリブデンバナジウム鋼 鍛造両刃仕上(樹脂桂柄) シリーズ



Blade: Molybdenum Vanadium Clad Core: Molybdenum Vanadium Outer Layers: Soft Stainless Steel



Handle: Magnolia Ferrule: Resin



TOJIRO MV Elastomer Handle

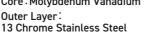
藤次郎

MVモリブデンバナジウム鋼 2層複合(エラストマーハンドル) シリーズ

FD-1113 300mm



Blade: Molybdenum Vanadium Core: Molybdenum Vanadium Outer Layer:





Handle: Elastomer Resin (Integrated elastomer resin and blade)

Deba ◆源K容 E国 FD-1104 150mm FD-1105 165mm FD-1106 180mm FD-1106 180mm Octagonal Handle Yanagi-Sashimi ◆源光報 計画 FD-1110 210mm FD-1111 240mm FD-1111 240mm FD-1112 270mm

TOJIRO SHIROGAMI Soba Cutter

藤次郎

白紙鋼黒打仕上(紐巻き柄) そば切シリーズ



Blade: Shirogami Core: Shirogami Outer Layer: Soft Iron



Handle: with String

TOJIRO SHIROGAMI Soba Cutter / TOJIRO MV Soba Cutter

Black Soba Cutter

F-740 270mm F-741 300mm



F-741 300mm

TOJIRO MV Soba Cutter

藤次郎

MVモリブデンバナジウム鋼 そば切シリーズ



Blade: Molybdenum Vanadium Steel

Handle: Magnolia

Soba Cutter

F-738 240mm F-748 270mm



F-748 270mm

Japanese knives

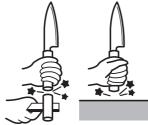


While there is a classification method that classifies Western knives as double-edged and Japanese knives as single edged, we classify our knives according to the handle shape and the specifications. Basically, Western knives have a riveted handle and Japanese knives have an insertion type handle. Furthermore, Western knives basically cut by bringing the blade down, while Japanese knives basically cut by pulling. Furthermore, the way blades are attached is also different between Western and Japanese knives.



How to repair a rattling handle

Since any adhesive agent or nails etc. are not used to attach blade and handle, hit the end of the handle as shown, to fix the loose blade.



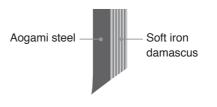
How to repair rusted knives

Rust on an edge can be removed by sharpening with a whetstone or sharpener. For carbon steel knives, perform maintenance by scraping rust with a scrubbing brush, and then apply cooking oil to prevent rust.

About carbon steel knives

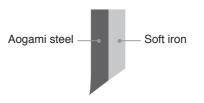


We use a highly purified type of steel based on iron sand in which impurities are reduced to a minimum. This is the material from which traditional Japanese knives were made. Though it rusts more easily than stainless steel, its outstanding feature is its sharpness.



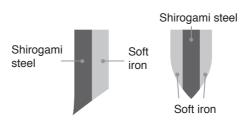
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[Aogami]

Highly purified Shirogami steel with chromium and tungsten added. Extra hard, excellent sharpness and abrasion resistance. Though it requires certain sharpening technique, long lasting sharpness can be obtained once you get used it.



[Shirogami]

Compare with Aogami steel, it has less abrasion resistance but friendly on sharpening and keeps long lasting edge. Iron sand as raw material, it is very purified steel, and temperature control during its heat processing requires skill.

TOJIRO DP Chinese Knife

藤次郎 DPコバルト合金鋼割込中華庖丁シリーズ





Chinese Knife

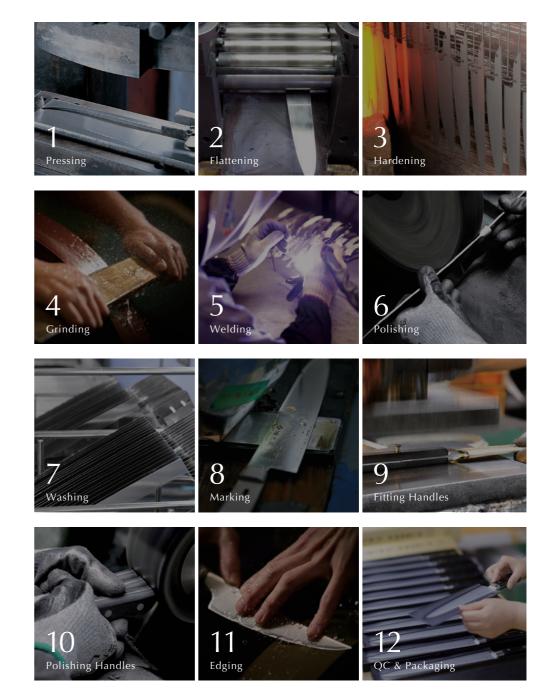
F-921 225mm Thin F-922 225mm Thick



F-922 225mm Thick



Manufacturing Process TOJIRO Co.,Ltd. is producing more than 3,000~4,000 knives per day, which is domestically one of the most, with the latest technology and under the quality controlled production lines in our own factory.



TOJIRO Slicer • Fork

藤次郎 スライサー・フォーク

Bread Knife



Salmon Knife

F-816 305 mm



Meat Fork

F-819



TOJIRO GADGET

藤次郎 キッチン鋏・ウロコ取り TOJIRO PRO 骨抜き

Kitchen Shears



FG-3500

FK-843 Separable

Fish Scaler

F-640



F-642
18-8 Stainless Steel



TOJIRO GADGET

藤次郎庖丁ケース

Knife Case



Each case is capable for Chef knife up to 300mm, Western Deba up to 270mm, Deba up to 240mm, and Yanagi-Sashimi up to 300mm. (8 knives can be stored.)

*Based on our standard knives. *Subject to knife shape, some may not fit.



Each case is capable for Chef knife up to 240mm, Western Deba up to 240mm, Deba up to 165mm, and Yanagi-Sashimi up to 240mm. (5 knives can be stored.)

*Based on our standard knives. *Subject to knife shape, some may not fit.



Storable 2 petty knives up to 150mm blade length, 2 chef knives up to 240mm blade length. Maximum 4 knives. *Based on our standard knives. *Subject to knife shape, some may not fit.



Tradition and innovation

Traditional Japanese sword-making techniques that forged steel from Tamahagane is fully used for TOJIRO knives. Although machines have allowed the process to become more efficient, the deciding factor lays, of course, in the skill and instinct of craftsmen.

As knives are tools that people directly take into their hands to use, we value the skills of producers, which are the foundation of manufacturing, and keep a close eye on all processes until each craftsman at TOJIRO is completely satisfied. Our knives that are produced by traditional techniques and modern industrial technology are held in the highest regard not only in Japan, but around the world. We, TOJIRO, will continue to strive for a balance between inherited tradition and technical innovation as one of the few full-scale production kitchen knife manufacturers in Japan.

Recommended User

RESTAURANT Ryuzu Exective Chef & Directeur Ryuta lizuka

Appointed chef in Tokyo's L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon after studying the art of French cuisine in other restaurants in the Joël Robuchon group. In 2011, he opened his own French restaurant, RESTAURANT Ryuzu, in Roppongi, Tokyo, where his unique cuisine, incorporating Japanese ingredients in unusual ways, continues to impress customers.







I choose table knives I myself would like to use.

In my restaurant, I use the "wakisashi" table knife. When I held it in my hand in the TOJIRO's showroom I felt "This is the one!" I want my customers to use the knife that inspired me. The "wakisashi" is mainly for meat and the beauty of it is that it's so sharp. The wood grain of the handle is also very attractive and customers from overseas love it.

When it comes to tools and food, "simple is best."

I like to make simple food in which you can taste the goodness of each ingredient. There's no point in a dish that's tasty but anonymous. In order to bring out individual flavors, I sometimes use Japanese ingredients, or cook using a Japanese kitchen knife. All this is to achieve "simplicity". In the "wakisashi" too, what attracted me was the simple design which brings out the beauty of the materials.





TOJIRO WAKISASHI

藤次郎 脇差 テーブルナイフ・フォークシリーズ

Steak knives features a design with a sharp edge from the handle to the tip. Rare and precious wood is used for the handle. This tableware series by TOJIRO evokes the image of Japanese swords and expresses the beauty of Japan.



Blade & fork

Inspired by Japanese sword, it is the steak knife of one of a kind. Feel the craftsmanship from beautifully finished double bevel Damascus blade. A fork uniquely inspired by the form of Japanese sword. Its angle is well designed and you could enjoy smooth touch as you use it.

Handle

Unique esteemed woods are curved and finished by our excellent partner wood curving factory MARUNAO.

TOJIRO WAKISASHI Table Knife

藤次郎

テーブルナイフ シリーズ



Blade: VG10 Damascus Core: VG10 Outer Layers: Low- and High-Carbon Stainless Steel Handle: Natural Wood, Mikarta Handle Parts: Silver Bolster · Handle End: 18-8 Stainless Steel

Table Knife

FD-1000 80mm Ebony

FD-1001 80mm King Wood

FD-1002 80mm **Bocote**

FD-1003 80mm White MiKarta



reddot award 2017

German product design award recognized worldwide



TOJIRO WAKISASHI Table Fork

藤次郎



18-8 Stainless Steel(Hot Forged)



Handle: Natural Wood, Mikarta Handle Parts: Silver Handle End: 18-8 Stainless Steel

FD-1003 80mm White MiKarta

Table Fork

FD-1004 Ebony

FD-1005 King Wood

FD-1006 Bocote

FD-1007 White MiKarta



FD-1007 White MiKarta



TOJIRO TSUBAME

藤次郎 燕 テーブルナイフ・フォークシリーズ

Our hometown "TSUBAME" means a swallow in Japanese.

The design of these knives & Forks are derived from
the image of a swallow about to take off to the sky.

From selection of materials to finishing work, this is TOJIRO's one of a kind.



Blade & fork

Blade is VG10 Damascus with no compromise on sharpness.

Color of fork head varies depending on handle material, and you can enjoy its harmony with knife.

Handle

Also enjoy its handle design, which is made from natural wood, fiber and mikarta.

Combination of 3 different types of materials -natural wood,

fiber and reinforced laminated material – brought the perfect design.

TOJIRO TSUBAME Table Knife

藤次郎

燕 テーブルナイフ シリーズ



Blade:Cobalt Alloy Steel(VG10)
Core:VG10
Outer Layers:Low- and High-Carbon

Stainless Steel (FD-1022, FD-1023, FD-1024: Black oxide process)

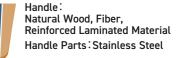


Table Knife

FD-1020 95mm Olive×White

FD-1021 95mm Olive×Indigo FD-1022 95mm

Walnut×White FD-1023 95mm Walnut×Indigo

FD-1024 95mm Ebony×Moss Green



Self-stand structure without damaging blade's edge.



FD-1024 95mm Ebony×Moss Green

TOJIRO TSUBAME Table Fork

藤次郎

燕 テーブルフォーク シリーズ



Head: 18-8 Stainless Steel (FD-1032, FD-1033, FD-1034: Black oxide process) Handle: Natural Wood, Fiber, Reinforced Laminated Material

Table Fork

FD-1030 Olive×White

FD-1031 Olive×Indigo

FD-1032 Walnut×White

FD-1033 Walnut×Indigo

FD-1034 Ebony×Moss Green



FD-1034 Ebony×Moss Green

How to Sharpen a Knife

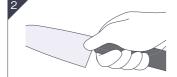
To keep its sharpness always in best condition, here we introduce how to re-sharpen a knife.



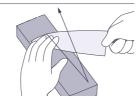
FD-400 How to Sharpen a Knife DVD



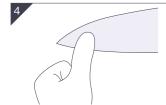
Submerge the whetstone in water. It should absorb enough water until no air bubbles come out.



Keep the blade down, hold the handle firmly with your thumb on the blade.



Blade facing towards you, keep the blade 45degree angle against the center of the stone, then start back and forth to re-sharpen. First from the top section of the blade.



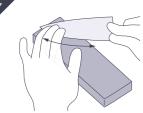
Check the back side of the blade after some sharpening to see whether if there are burrs can be seen. If there are, sharpening is done.



Then move on to the next section, and repeat the same procedure until entire edge is sharpened.



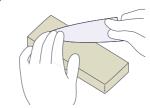
The last section, at the end of the blade, you do not have to sharpen this area keenly. Leave this part slightly obtuse.



Turn the blade around, and re-sharpen the back side. The back side should be sharpened lightly, only to remove burrs away.

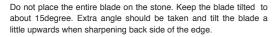


Keep checking with fingers, remove burrs away from the entire blade's edge.



If you have a finishing stone, sharpen with it to refine the edge.

Double - Bevel







Single - Bevel

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Keep placing "Kiriha" (the slanted area of the blade) on the stone and sharpen by moving back and forth.





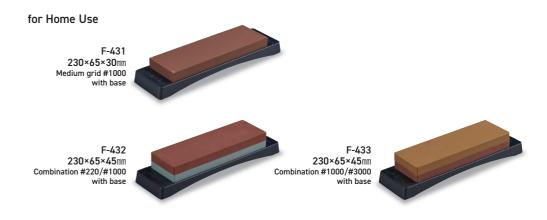


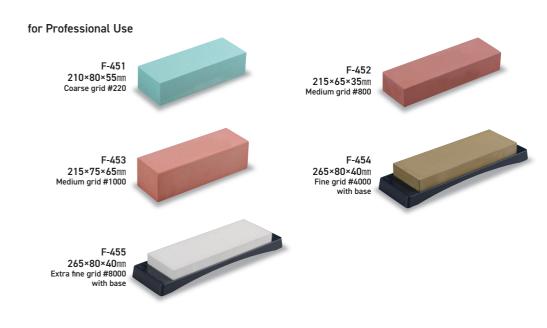


TOJIRO Whetstone

藤次郎 西石シリーズ

- Coarse grid stones (#220-400) for repairing chip and reshape.
- Medium grid stones (#800-1200) for getting rid of scratches and smoothing edge.
- Fine grid stones (#3000-10000) for polishing edge.







Sharpening Stabilizer

TOGRIP Sharpening Stabilizer







Features

Sharpen a knife like "Meister"!



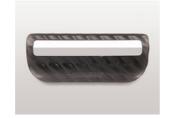
TOGRIP keeps appropriate angle against a whetstone and makes your sharpening easier by mounting it on the blade's spine.

Both ends of TOGRIP can be used.



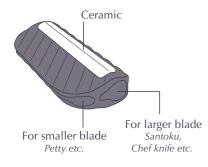
Wider end for lager blade such as Santoku and Chef knife, smaller end for tiny blade like Petty.

High-precision ceramic.



High-precision ceramic made in Japan attached for angle adjustment.

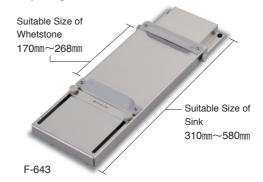
How to use





Place knife blade 45° against whetstone as shown.

TOJIRO PRO Sharpening Table





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TOJIRO Knife Sharpening Starter Kit

Plastic container,
TOJIRO wooden sharpening table,
TOJIRO combination whetstone #220/#1000,
TOJIRO TOGRIP sharpening stabilizer,
Original training DVD
F-481



Sharpening Steel

Sharpening Steel (Fine Cut)



Sharpener

TOJIRO PRO 18-8 Stainless Steel Double Rolling Sharpener





F-411 (#320/#1000) Exclusive Spare Whetstones Set for F-641

Wooden Knife Block with Magnet (6 slots)



Capable for blade length up to 240mm. 6 knives in slots, 2 additional knives on magnetic surface, and 1 slot for scissors.

Paulownia Cutting Board

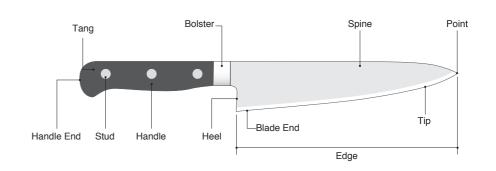


Magnolia Wood Sheath

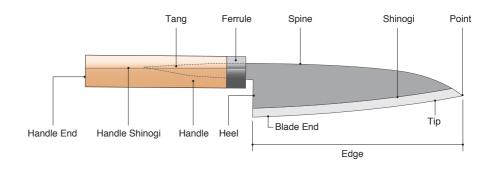


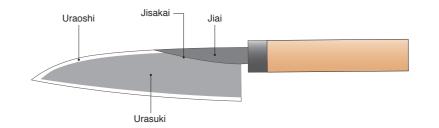
Names of Parts

Western Style Knives



Japanese Style Knives





Frequently asked questions

For use

- There may be slight weight difference even for the same kinds of knives.
- A Since we sharpen and finish each knife by hand, there may be slight weight difference between individual knives. Rest assured, this does not impact quality. Also, the weight of a knife will gradually decrease as it is re-sharpened.
- Q Handle odor
- A The laminated reinforcement material contains phenol resin, which may emit an odor when it is exposed to heat. Please be careful when using in places where the handle could be exposed to high temperatures such as near gas stoves and use in dishwashers. In addition, the natural wood material sometimes emits a unique innate odor, and is not harmful to the human body. If you are concerned about the odor, leave the knife in a well-ventilated place for a period of time.
- Q The knife bent
- A Wrap a towel around the blade, press it down on a flat surface and apply force from the opposite side of the bending direction to straighten the bent part. Since the blade may break if force is suddenly applied, please apply force gradually. If the bend appears to be wavy, the knife may have been used while it was twisted to both sides.

- What kind of cutting board should
- Wooden cutting boards are gentle on knife blades and reduce loads applied to the edge of a blade, which allows the knife to maintain its sharpness longer. For users who wish to keep a knife in a good condition for a long time, we recommend using a wooden cutting board. For users who place priority on ease of cutting board maintenance, we recommend using plastic or rubber cutting boards.
- Where does the worn off edge of the blade go during use?
- A The worn off tip adheres to the cutting board and is rinsed away when the cutting board is washed. Although it may mix in with the ingredients, since the waste that is caused by wear is finer than sand and naturally passes through your body, there is no need for concern. On the other hand, if the blade is nicked or chipped, do not mix it with ingredients because it is dangerous.
- Are left-handed knives available?
- Some left-handed products are made-to-order. See the respective product information page for details.
- **Q** I want to dispose of an old knife.
- Mhen disposing of knives, wrap a cloth or newspaper around the blade and dispose of it as a dangerous object. How to dispose of waste differs depending on your municipality, so please contact your city office directly. We will accept our products only for disposal. (However, you must bear the shipping fees.)

Maintenance

- Are rusted knives no longer usable?
- A Rust on an edge can be removed by sharpening with a whetstone or sharpener. For stainless steel knives, rust on areas other than an edge can be scraped off with cleanser, etc. (However, please note that this may cause scratches to the blade.) For carbon steel knives, perform maintenance by scraping rust with a scrubbing brush, and then apply cooking oil to prevent rust.
- How can I repair a rattling handle?
- If an insertion type handle rattles, (a handle that does not have a rivet on the knob) such as the handles of Japanese style knives, tap the knob end slightly with a hammer or on the floor a few times to fix the rattle. When there is rattling immediately after purchase, please contact us before use. When rattling occurs after some time of use, the inside of the knob may be corroded. While it depends on the state of the corrosion, we will repair such knives (fee-based).
- Q Is blade chipping a defect?
- Most blade chippings are considered to be caused by cutting hard ingredients. Use a dedicated freezer knife for frozen food. When chopping fish bones, etc., into pieces, the Deba is best. When the blade stops in the process of cutting an ingredient, pull it out straight and cut again without forcibly twisting the knife to both sides. When the blade is sharpened thin, while its sharpness is increased, its strength decreases. Therefore, be careful of excessive sharpening.

- What should I do if the blade is cracked?
- A Cracks are considered to stem from the same cause as blade chipping. In addition, cracking may occur when the blade is given a strong impact (hacking or dropping, etc.). For knives made by composite materials, it may be able to re-sharpen and use again. Since even small cracks can result in blade breakage, if you find a crack, immediately repair it by grinding with a whetstone. We will also accept repairing for our products.(fee-based)
- If I have a simple sharpener, is sharpening with a whetstone unnecessary?
- A simple sharpener is not a substitute for a whetstone. Sharpeners do not sharpen the edge as a whetstone does, but is rather used for the purpose improving the knife's biting of ingredients temporarily by roughening the edge of the knife. Use of simple sharpeners only makes the edge very brittle, causing blade chipping. In order to keep the edge in good condition, periodically sharpen with a whetstone.
- **Q** Which whetstone should I choose?
- A Whetstones are generally classified into three types: coarse, medium, and fine grid stones. A medium grid is sufficient for re-sharpening that is performed for maintenance at home. When re-sharpening chipped knives, or when genuine sharpness is required, use coarse grid and finishing grid additionally.
 - Coarse grid stones (#220-400) for repairing chip and reshape.
 - Medium grid stones (#800-1200) for getting rid of scratches and smoothing edge.
 - Fine grid stones (#3000-10000) for polishing edge.

Frequently asked questions

Materials, shape, manufacturing process

- What kind of material is Damascus steel (Kasuminagashi)?
- Elegant wave patterns are characteristic of Damascus steel. This wave pattern is generated by laminating different types of materials in several layers, rolling and forging, producing a raw material with less unevenness and free from impurities. Having less unevenness increases hardening accuracy, resulting in a blade material with high hardness and excellent sharpness.
- What does "DP" and "SD" described for material quality mean?
- "DP" is the abbreviation for Decarburization Prevention Method, and shows that a technology which prevents a reduction in hardness due to the movement of carbon between raw materials of composite materials was used as the manufacturing method. "SD" is the abbreviation for "Super Durability" which means "high durability," and represents a special single-layer material in which molybdenum and vanadium are mixed into a high purity iron ore for blades.
- What is the difference between "Western knives" and "Japanese knives"?
- While there is a classification method that classifies Western knives as double-edged and Japanese knives as single edged, we classify our knives according to the handle shape and the specifications. Basically, Western knives have a riveted handle and Japanese knives have an insertion type handle. Furthermore, Western knives basically cut by bringing the blade down, while Japanese knives basically cut by pulling. Furthermore, the way blades are attached is also different between Western and Japanese knives.

- What is the difference between the Chef Knife and Santokuk?
- The Chef Knife came to Japan with Western culture in the 18C, and was named "Gyuto (means beef blade)" since it was a knife to cut beef. This knife is suitable for cutting meat. The Santoku has the shape of both the Chef Knife and Nakiri combined, and is suitable for cutting a wide variety of ingredients including meat, fish and vegetables. The Santoku is called a "versatile knife" because virtually any kind of cooking can be performed with this knife alone.
- For types of Japanese knives, what is the difference between "glost fired knives" and "composite knives"?
- "Glost fired knives are Japanese knives made of single-layered material, and composite knives are made of composite materials in which two or more types of materials are combined. Glost fired knives have the characteristic of longer lasting sharpness and composite knives have the characteristic of being tough with excellent durability.
- **Q** What is "hardening"?
- A Hardening is the process to stimulate metallic components by heating raw materials to 1000°C or higher, and fixing this stimulated state while increasing hardness by cooling it. There are water, oil and air methods for cooling the raw materials, and each of them is classified into "water hardening," "oil hardening" and "air hardening."

Other

- What knife should I start with?
- The key to selecting a knife is to consider what you want to cook and how often you will use the knife. If selecting only a single knife at the beginning, we recommend the Santoku. The Santoku is suitable for cutting a wide variety of ingredients including meat, fish and vegetables. For cooking at home, we would next recommend getting both the Chef knife and Petty knife. Easy-to-use knives can be selected depending on the ingredients. In addition, the Deba is convenient when preparing fish dishes regularly, and the Nakiri (Usuba) is also convenient if vegetables are prepared often.
- Can I request made-to-order knives?
- We basically do not accept requests for made-to-order knives from individuals. This is because die costs and sufficient manufacturing lots are required to manufacture new knives at our company. For companies that desire to develop original goods, please contact us as our sales representatives accept consultations.

- Are knives suitable as a gift?
- Knives have traditionally been a tool considered something sacred in dietary life. Even now, they are kept and widely used as an object of good luck during the stages and celebrations of life, such as ceremonial tape-cuttings for formal openings, cutting of wedding cakes at wedding receptions and as axes in launching ceremonies. Giving a knife as a gift serves as a congratulatory message of wishing good fortune in celebrating new beginnings.
- Japanese traditional measuring unit "Sun" and "Shaku", how long are they actually?
- 1 Sun is approximately 30mm(1.2"). 10 Sun is equal to 1 Shaku, and 1 Shaku is approximately 300mm(1").

From Tsubame to the world

We continue to manufacture the highest quality knives in this region where the spirit and techniques of manufactureing have been succeeded since ancient times.

Tsubame, where TOJIRO is located, is a metal-processing industrial cluster area known as "Tsubame-Sanjo". Since manufacture of Wakugi(Japanese nail) started in the early 1600s, knives, flies, pipes, copperware, metal-carving, cutlery and other products have been manufactured here, and have increased in export. TOJIRO has delivered products from the representative production area of Japan to the world, where professional vendors of each process have developed techniques and spirit together through friendly competition.



Tsubame city is known as an industrial area of tableware and metal houseware



The Bunsui Kimono Parade at the Tsubame Cherry Blossom Festival

Access to Tsubame

By car:Hokuriku Expressway (→ Exit 39 Sanjo-Tsubame)

- From Tokyo / about 4 hours.
- From Osaka / about 7 hours.
- From Niigata / about 40 minutes.

By Shinkansen high-speed train (→ Tsubame-Sanjo Station)

- From Tokyo / about 2 hours.
- From Osaka / about 4.5 hours via Tokyo.
- From Niigata / about 15 minutes.



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Capital Fund | ¥11,000,000 (Japanese Yen)

Business Description

Production and Distribution of Cooking Knives, Cooking Tools

Number of Employees | 110 as of Jan. 2020

Ranks

Daishi Bank Tsubame Branch, Taiko Bank Tsubame Branch Mitsubishi UFJ Bank Niigata Branch, Sanjo Shinkin Bank Shoko Chukin Bank Niigata Branch

Main Products TOJIRO Knife, TOJIRO PRO Knife, Fuji Mark Knife etc.

Our History

| 1953 | May | Establishment of Fujitora Farm Equipment. Started to make machine parts and blade for farm equipment. |
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| 1955 | Apr | Started to make cooking knives. |
| 1964 | Mar | Establishment of Fujitora Industry Co., Ltd. |
| 1968 | Apr | • New construction of Yoshida Factory. Manufacture department relocated to new factory. |
| 1973 | Feb | Capital expansion to Japanese 11million Yen. |
| 1980 | Sep | *TOJIRO DP 3Layered Series with Bolster were awarded for Good Design Award by MITI. |
| 1981 | Sep | • TOJIRO DP 3Layered Series with Bolster were awarded for Good Design Award |

1992 Jul • Business headquarters also relocated to Head office.

again.

1996 Oct • TOJIRO DP 3Layered Series with Bolster was awarded Good Design Award and Long Life Design Award by MITI.

2000 Apr • Establishment of FUJI CUTLERY Co., Ltd. as distributor of FUJITORA INDUSTRY Co., Ltd.

 Sep • By reorganization, Mr.Torao Fujita acceded to chairman, and Mr.Susumu Fujita acceded to new president.

Oct • TOJIRO PRO SD Japanese Knife Series was awarded Good Design Award 2000 by MITI.

 $2001\,$ Nov • Sponsored 2contests of France Food Culture Center.

2004 Feb • First exhibit at the Ambiente in Frankfurt Messe.

2005 Feb • Chairman Mr. Torao Fujita passed away. (72 years old)

 $2008\,$ Nov $\,$ • Completion of "TOJIRO KNIFE ATELIER" at Yoshida south factory.

2012 Feb • TOJIRO ORIGAMI was awarded IF Design Award 2012. (in Germany)

Dec • Completion of FUJI CUTLERY logistic center.

 $2014\,$ Mar $\,$ • 50th anniversary since establishment of Fujitora Industry Co., Ltd.

 $2015\,$ Jul $\,$ • Renamed its corporate name from Fujitora Industory Co., Ltd. to "TOJIRO Co., Ltd."

Jul • Completion of "TOJIRO KNIFE GALLERY" as the hub of TOJIRO brand.

2017 Jul • Grand opening of TOJIRO OPEN FACTORY. Unique all-in-one facility of TOJIRO KNIFE GALLERY, TOJIRO KNIFE FACTORY and TOJIRO KNIFE ATELIER.

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Nov • Establishment of representative office in Germany.

2018 Oct • TOJIRO OPEN FACTORY was awarded Good Design Award 2018 by JDP.

 $2019\,$ Feb $\,$ • Selected as a company of The Driving Company for the regional future.

un • Selected as a company of The Fly High SMEs 300.

ct • TOJIRO OPEN FACTORY was expanded and reopened.





Further improvement of our products' quality and environmental protection.

"Harmonious coexistence of Human, Local Society, and Environmental Protection" as our principle, we are positively participating various activities. Putting up the target value in each manufacturing process — Planning, Development, Manufacturing, Sales, Repair. Minimizing the use of toxic substance, recycling the used or defective products, using vegetable oil based printing ink on packages, these are the part of our daily activity for environmental protection.

