



Fancy Plants

www.FancyPlants.us

Koke Damas



Kokedama is a centuries-old Japanese form of garden art that is closely tied to the practice of bonsai. This Japanese term can be translated like this: “Koke” means moss, and “dama” means ball. Kokedama involves using a moss ball as the supporting and the focal point for a tree, shrub, or plant. In other words, it consists of wrapping the plant’s roots in a ball of soil which you then cover with moss. The moss ball is either fixed to a platform, like a dish or a bowl, or suspended in the air with a string.

Kokedama has been inspired by an old tradition that involved the exhibition of the exposed root ball of the bonsai specimen on a plate aiming to highlight the complexity and beauty of the root system. Yet, over time, moss would accumulate on the roots, which further enhanced the display.

Koke Dama Watering Instructions

Soak entire moss ball under water (not the plant) for 15-20 minutes. Squeeze out excess water and place back on plate or hang. You will know when it’s time to water when the plant becomes almost weightless. Roughly once a week, or once every other week or once a month. I depends on the type of plant and how much sun it gets.

Tina Gray, Terrarium Artist
Text or call 724-493-0077

219 East Main Street, Ligonier, Pa 15658
email: info@fancypalnts.us