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Cat Houses Made Using Sansyu Kawara Techniques



I like traditional things.

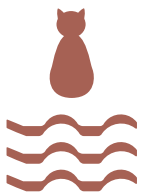
Aren't there any cat houses made in Japan?

I want a cat house that expresses the artisan's sensibilities

I want a house I can use for a long time.

Aren't there any clean cat houses?

"Because cats love Kawara, right?"



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What are these "Kawara Neko" created by the 100-year-old company Sansyu Noyasu?

Born of the principle "Because cats love Kawara, right?", Sansyu Noyasu Co., Ltd., a 100-year-old Sansyu kawara manufacturer established in 1913, created a cat house called "Kawara Neko," crafted from the same traditional Sansyu tile-making techniques that have been in use since the Edo period. It was inspired by the sight of a cat sleeping comfortably on top of kawara. "Kawara Neko" combines traditional techniques with innovative ideas to provide a comfortable space for cats around the world.

Traditional Techniques Behind "Kawara Neko"

Sansyu kawara tradition maintained since the Edo period

The Sansyu Mikawa region's Takahama City is Japan's biggest roof tile production area. Located at the Yahagi River delta, the company maintains the traditional techniques carried on since the old days of Edo.

Born from the skilled handiwork of Oni-kawara artisans

"Kawara Neko" are handcrafted by artisans who work on each Oni-kawara (decorative ridge-end roof tile) individually, one at a time. Each tile is a unique masterpiece of exacting handwork.

Cool in summer, warm in winter

"Kawara Neko" are based on Sansyu kawara, whose characteristics include superior heat insulation and resistance to heat and cold, thus helping to protect Japanese houses from severe conditions in any season.

Hygienic-earthenware can be cleaned with water

The houses are made from the material for Sansyu kawara rather than cloth or paper, providing a hygienic space as only ceramic materials can.

Made of clay-reusable and recyclable

Made from wedged and fired clay, Kawara Neko is an environmentally friendly product that can be returned to the Earth, precisely because it is made of earth.

A 100-year-old company-Sansyu Noyasu Co., Ltd.

100 years of dedication to manufacturing kawara—a century of helping protect Japanese buildings as a manufacturer of Sansyu kawara used in castles, temples, shrines, and houses throughout Japan.

High-quality Mikawa clay. Uncompromising insistence on the best materials.

We want cats to be able use their houses for many years, so they are made by dedicated craftsmen using the same high-quality Mikawa clay as that used in sturdy Sansyu kawara.

Designed to make cats happy

Cats love dark and quiet spaces. The windows of these houses are cut out by hand by oni-kawara craftsmen, and your cat will find the light coming in most soothing.

Invulnerable to cats' claws

Knowing cats' habit of sharpening their claws, we make "Kawara Neko" with extremely durable clay that is invulnerable to claw marks, a characteristic that symbolizes strength.

Commitment to "Made in Japan"

These houses are 100% Takahama-made, from the clay material itself, to the oni-kawara artisans' handiwork, to the firing at the high temperature of 1200 degrees.

Masterpieces created with Sansyu Mikawa craftsmanship



Kawara Neko-Suyaki (Unglazed)

Unglazed finish brings out the texture of the base material.

Material: Kawara roof tile clay
Weight: 15 kg
Size: 600 mm (diameter) x 250 mm (height)



Kawara Neko-White

White glaze produces the look of a kamakura compacted snow hut.

Material: Kawara roof tile clay
Weight: 15 kg
Size: 600 mm (diameter) x 250 mm (height)



Kawara Neko-Sakura

Pale pink-colored glaze finish inspired by Japanese cherry blossoms.

Material: Kawara roof tile clay
Weight: 15 kg
Size: 600 mm (diameter) x 250 mm (height)

* Kawara Neko is an earthenware product made by skilled artisans from the same natural clay used for Sansyu kawara tiles. Variations in color, surface unevenness, and other properties of earthenware may be visible, but these are in fact characteristic of ceramics.



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