

Cheness 9260 Silicon Alloy Spring Steel Katana Blade in Shirasaya

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Product ID: Shirasaya-9260
Manufacturer: Cheness Cutlery
Availability: 294,00 EUR
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The same Cheness 9260 Spring Steel blade from the Tenchi and Shura, housed in a shirasaya ("white" (plain) Scabbard). This is the first of our blade that we felt deserved to be available in this blade holder (to replace our bare blade). The shirasaya is raw natural wood with no finish (which prevents the scabbard from being able to "breathe"). Without bohi.

The Shirasaya (literal translation: "White scabbard") refers to a plain, unlacquered, wooden scabbard traditionally used as a basic long term holder for blades. The wood is kept raw intentionally to allow for the blade to "breathe" through the scabbard. (Lacquering, painting, or varnishing a shirasaya would defeat the purpose).

We decided to house this blade in the shirasaya primarily as a storage and transport device for our bare blades (not as a functional mounting). However, the simple and sleek look of this sword also makes it a great display piece.

The highly durable 9260 Spring Steel blade in the sleek and elegant shirasaya makes for a wonderful combination at an affordable price.

Although this sword is fully sharpened as is with our tameshigiri cutters, a blade mounted in the shirasaya is not intended to be used for cutting (unless you are a member of yakuza in old Japanese drama movies :p). The shirasaya does not have a tsuba (hand guard) to prevent the hand from sliding upwards towards the blade, nor does it have wrapped handle to provide traction. As such, we do not recommend cutting with this blade until it is properly mounted.

The raw wood used is open grained and very porous.. as such it would become dirty if handled with dirty hands. We suggest washing your hands or wearing gloves before handling this saya if used for display. The saya may also have absorbed some of the oils used to protect it from the elements during ocean transport, some of the oils will be visible from the exterior of the scabbard..

Product parameters:

- Handle length: 26,4 cm
- Weight: 1 kg
- Point of balance: 17,5 cm
- Total length: 102,2 cm
- Sori: 18 mm
- Blade width: 3,2 cm
- Blade length: 71,1 cm
- Blade thickness: 8 mm
- Scabbard: 75,7 cm

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