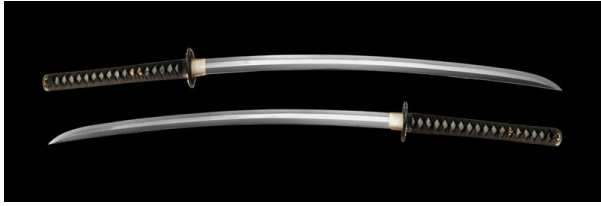


Dynasty Forge 28.5`` Daimyo F/F Shobu Katana in Mokko Cherry Theme

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Manufacturer: Dynasty Forge

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The Shobu (iris leaf) Katana, a reproduction of blades made in preparation of the Mongol invasion, provides an geometry optimized for cutting power. Featuring a diamond cross-section that flares at the Shinogi, the edge has a wider cutting angle, thus reinforcing the edge. The blade has an elegant sweeping tip without a Yokote, accentuated by a Suguha (straight) Hamon.

The 28.5" blade is hand-forged from 1095/1080/1060 tri-steel. The blade is differentially clay-tempered and hand-polished on imported Japanese stones, a process that is even more complex due to the diamond cross-section. The blade is fitted in an elegant Mokko cherry blossom Tsuba with matching Fuchi-Kashira. The 12.5" Tsuka is wrapped in black silk Ito over a pair of cherry blossom & bird Menuki. The Saya is finished in a deep black gloss 11 layer natural lacquer.

The Steel

The Daimyo 1095 line is hand-forged from 1095 high-carbon steel. This steel is chosen for its purity and high-carbon content, matching that of idealized Tamahagane. However, unlike Tamahagane, this modern steel is free of impurities and homogenous throughout. As such, 1095 blades are stronger and more resilient while retaining the famed edge-retention of traditional blades.

The Forging Process

Starting with a single pure billet of 1095 steel, the blade is hand-forged until malleable and shaped to form. The Daimyo 1095 blades then undergo the traditional clay-tempering process. The resulting white Hamon lends the steel another layer of intricacy as well as creates a differentially hardened edge.

The Polishing Process

Each Daimyo 1095 blade is hand-polished on imported Japanese stones. Taking over 60 hours, the blade geometry is refined and the surface brought to a fine luster through the use of twelve different grades of stones. While 1095 blades do not have Hada in the traditional sense, as they are not forge-folded, when hand-polished, the grain of the steel shines through. Like fine beach sand, the 1095 grain resembles traditional Nashiji Hada. The Hamon is finished in the Hadori style, where the polisher uses Hazuya stones to accentuate the contrast against the Ji.

The Finished Blade

The Daimyo 1095 line is the quintessence of a Japanese sword - beauty and function perfectly united. This is a result of a sophisticated process, revealing a Japanese weapon's traditional form enclosed in a hand-forged blade, brought to a deadly and beautiful mirror finish. At the heart of this blade is a high-carbon steel, a material so pure it does not demand the folding techniques used to removed impurities from lesser metal. The 1095 blades exhibit outstanding durability, a superior edge and the ability to outperform traditional materials. These high-performance weapons exude superior balance and craftsmanship.

Product parameters:

- Blade length: 72,4 cm
- Handle length: 31,7 cm

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