

Introduction to 『*yukizuri*』

『*Yukizuri*』 is a traditional landscape gardening technique in snowy regions of Japan. The art, literally meaning "snow suspension," aims at protecting snow-covered tree branches from buckling or breaking by tying them with ropes to a supporting pole erected at the side of the trunk. Even heavy-weight snow does not damage branches since they are supported by ropes stretched in a conical array.

『*Yukizuri*』 began to be popular as a winter landscape mainly in the snowiest regions of the Sea of Japan side and Tohoku in the Edo era. In Tokyo where it is rare to have big snow breaking tree branches, 『*yukizuri*』 is showcased in parks as a poetic scene to herald the coming of winter, not as a practical technique for Tokyoites.

In Odaiba, you can discover this fantastic landscape: a fusion of contemporary Tokyo and time-honored culture.

Please enjoy our special winter gift.