



Relaxation #12  
Botanical  
Art



## Yozawa-kokean coquea

Theme **Moss Observation**

If you peer through a magnifying glass at the moss that lines the road, a miniature forest is there to behold. A world of verdure that the Earth should more resemble.

## Beautiful Microcosm

# Moss Picture Book

About 20,000 species have been found in the world, 2,000 of which have been found in Japan. 60 can be appreciated near clear streams of Yozawa.



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The essential items for moss observation are a magnifying glass and a spray bottle.



### Schistidium strictum

It flourishes on sunny rocks. When sprayed, the leaves open and become the brightest of greens.



### Dumortiera hirsuta

It grows on the wet rocks of the lowlands. On the surface of the flat fronds, hairy things like threads appear.



### Ptychomitrium dentatum

It grows in low mountainous shaded areas, rocks, and boulders. Discover charming sporophyte with a length of 3mm.

### Campylopus umbellatus

Moss as soft as a brush tip. It is often used in gardens to create an enticing Japanese atmosphere.



### Thuidium kanedae

It grows on the ground and rocks in the mountains and lowlands. It is green in the dark, but yellowish in the bright.



### Racomitrium japonicum

Widely distributed from the city to the highlands. It is resistant to drying and can be used as a greening material.



### Fissidens dubius

It features a feather-like shape like the tail of the Pokémon Ho-Oh. It can grow from the ground in the forest and sometimes on the trunk.



### Conocephalum conicum

It grows in moist mountainous places. The fronds surface is like snake skin with a unique scent similar to Houttuynia.



#### Akiruno Yozawa-kokean coquea

A rustic forest cafe offering workshops such as moss observation, coffee roasting and terrarium making. (reservation required)

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#### Ome Rock Garden

A 1.5 m hiking course along the mountain stream from Nanayo to Ayahiro Falls on the south side of Mt. Mitake replete with mossy rocks.

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