

Japanese gift

Japanese Incense Set featuring Choju-giga

Choju-giga (Scrolls of Frolicking Animals) are group of ink paintings depicted in the 12th to 13th centuries. They are national treasures kept at Kozanji, a temple in the orthwestern section of Japan's ancient capital, Kyoto. Notably, animals such as rabbbits, frogs and monkeys are presented as if they are humans. The scrolls are called the oldest comics in Japan.

The incense set includes:

- 1. "Choju-giga oikakekko (with painting of animals chasing each other)" -- incense with a mixture of fragrance of musk and clove.*
- 2. "Choju-giga fumiko sumo (with painting of animals wrestling)" -- incense having a fruity fragrance of a pear. It is used for inserting in an enveloped letter.*
- 3. "Choju-giga koishi okotate" -- an incense stand made of a small mild-curved stone on which Choju giga paintings are printed.*