Using Your New Konro Grill



Instructions for use of grill:

- Cover the base of your Konro grill with ignited Binchotan Charcoal
- For more details on igniting and cooling Binchotan charcoal for re-use please see below
- Open and close the air windows to reach desired temperature

Safety Instructions:

- Only use barbecue outside
- Binchotan charcoal releases minimal smoke but cooking food, oil etc will release carbon monoxide which is lethal in indoor environments
- Base of the grill becomes extremely hot; it must be placed on a fireproof surface
- Burning charcoal can release sparks that travel to the area surrounding the grill
- Barbecues become very hot, keep out of the reach of children, handle with care, place on a surface that will not burn
- Allow grill and barbecue to cool before cleaning
- Grill can be washed with dish detergent
- Barbecue is made of earth so should not become wet; it can be brushed clean when cool.
- Never pour water in the grill, it can crack
- Never move grill when hot
- Transport carefully as it can crack or break if mishandled
- Store in a dry, well ventilated area avoid damp storage
- Small cracks can appear in the earth after use as it heats and cools this is normal, no cause for alarm and it does not affect performance

Instructions for use of Binchotan:

- Due to its density Binchotan can be hard to light, a charcoal chimney is highly recommended as a solution. Start by lighting some standard charcoal in your chimney then when hot, pour out and use this to ignite the Binchotan in the chimney.
- Move the Binchotan to your grill when white hot.
- Open and close the air windows to reach the desired temperature
- The density of Binchotan means it will stay at cooking temperature for several hours, it can also be extinguished and reused.
- Charcoal can be plunged in water when you are finished and once fully dried it will light again.
- Remove the charcoal from your barbecue, do not pour water into the barbecue.
- It can also be extinguished in an airtight pot of ceramic or steel.

Why use Binchotan charcoal?

- <u>Binchotan</u> charcoal is essential for this Konro grill to get the best cooking results. We do not recommend using poor-quality charcoal in this grill, because a lot of smoke will be produced.
- Binchotan charcoal, sometimes called white charcoal, is a traditional Japanese charcoal made from hardwood usually Japanese oak wood that has been burned at a high temperature for many hours. It burns cleanly for a very long time, with little smoke and no flames. This means food cooked over Binchotan coals will not smell burnt, retaining its natural flavour and moisture.
- Binchotan briquettes offer an excellent alternative to traditional Binchotan at a lower cost. These
 briquettes are made by densely compressing oak sawdust, which is then burned in traditional
 Binchotan kilns.