Kokedama Information and Care Sheet

What is Kokedama?

The art of Kokedama literally translates from "koke" meaning moss and "dama" meaning ball. It is a form of Japanese garden art that is centuries old and tied into the practice of bonsai. Kokedama has been inspired by an old tradition that involved the exhibition of the exposed root ball of the bonsai specimen on a plate aiming to highlight the complexity and beauty of the root system. Yet, over time, moss would accumulate on the roots, which further enhanced the display.

How to Care for your Kokedama:

Lighting: Medium to bright indirect light (#2, #3 in the diagram below)

Watering: Once a week (every 7 days), soak in a bowl in the sink for about 10 minutes, then once fully moist, allow to dry and hang back up.

Fertilizer: Use a houseplant (10-10-10) liquid fertilizer every 6 months- once in the fall and once in the spring.

Temperature and Humidity: Normal house temperatures (between 60-75 degrees Fahrenheit) and humidity. No need to mist or place near a humidifier. Keep away from radiators or heat vents.



What you need to create your own Kokedama:

- 1.) Fishing line/ transparent line
- 2.) Twine
- 3.) Green sheet moss
- 4.) Plant of your choosing (best to choose plants that enjoy being dry, such as philodendrons or other aroid plants)