

Yari

The Yari was an essential battlefield weapon of the Samurai and took great skill to use and maneuver due to its length and size. Both of our Yari designs are based on originals dating to feudal Japan. Both blades are forged in T-10 high-carbon steel and are triangulated and double-edged with a deep fuller on the flat side of the blade. Differential tempering results in a clear Hamon on each edge. The long tangs absorb the shock of a blow and the one-piece staff construction reinforces the durability of the spear.

Both of the Yari are modeled after the Su-Yari or "straight-spear" design. The shafts (Ebu) are finished in a deep black lacquer and have a flattened side at the bottom section for blade orientation. The fittings (Koshirae) follow distinctive traditional designs. The popular SH2152 Yari features a long (16-3/4") blade while that of the SH2312 is more compact at 11" long, making for a faster weapon. The SH2312 Yari also features a rattan wrapped section at the upper grip, making this a visually stunning piece. Both Yaris are provided with black lacquered sheaths (Saya).

Yari
SH2152
MSRP: \$449

Overall: 79"
Blade: 16 3/4"
Shaft: 62 1/4"
Weight: 3lb 11oz

Yari Rattan Wrap
SH2312
MSRP: \$499

Overall: 73 1/4"
Blade: 11"
Shaft: 62 1/4"
Weight: 3lb 10oz

Naginata
SH1020
MSRP: \$699

Overall: 76 3/4"
Blade: 20 1/4"
Shaft: 55 1/2"
Weight: 4lb 10oz

Naginata

The Naginata, famed weapon of the Sohei, or warrior monks, of medieval Japan was fearsome in the hands of a skilled combatant and is today of great importance in the martial arts field. Our Naginata (SH1020), while retaining its traditional qualities, has been revised to better meet the needs of the martial arts practitioner qualified to use an edged weapon.

Hand forged in 1065 high-carbon steel and edge tempered, using a traditional claying method, the Naginata blade is at least the equal of the originals. Mounted on a long tang to better absorb the shock of a blow, the blade has a strong distal taper for balance and quickness. The delicately engraved Tsuba features a silver butterfly motif. The one-piece staff (Ebu) is very strong, featuring a traditional tear-drop cross-section for easy recognition of blade orientation and a black non-slip finish for better control of the weapon. The Naginata is supplied with a wooden Saya and cloth bag.