Hoshogami

Hoshoshi or Hoshogami is a luxury paper that was used for official documents especially during the Edo period (1603-1868); it was originally manufactured only at Echizen (Fukui Prefecture), and is now produced in other regions. It is used especially for prints, book printing. Traditionally to get a glossy appearance, the bark was put to freeze the night before cooking; cooking was performed in a ash lye of blue taro stems. For most ordinary qualities, buckwheat straw and sagebrush were used). Hosho paper from Echizen is one of the most famous of the Edo period.

Attestations

Datation

Fabriqué à Echizen, période(s) Edo.

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