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written by Cristina

Here we are. We didn't finish to take a deep breath after the releasing of the Wedding issue that we were already working on the second issue of SC Mag. We hoped not to take too much time to publish it, but personal problems and the theme itself required more than expected, postponing the release date a little bit later than we thought.

It's hard to talk about something we don't know well, and it's even harder to relate it to a videogame..thus, for all of you fond of Oriental culture, try to understand that our aim is just The Sims 2. You will find elusive information, but we do this to avoid making gaffes, and because the Orient we're talking about is just the one we can find in the game. From our "Occidental point of view" we have just studied what we have found on the Internet and show you this roundup that, as always, tries to combine irony and seriousness.

We hope not to offend anyone with our little trip in this delicate and different culture..let's say it's just like going to the Chinese or Japanese restaurant and the cuisine has been a little adapted to fit the Occidental tastes...

We have received many positive comments for the first issue, and we're very excited about that! We're so happy you appreciated our hard work and dare, and also the contest idea, even if maybe this first month has been a little full of doubts, for the theme itself could have been interpreted in various ways.

The next issue will be even richer and more similar to the Get Married! one, and to get along with summer, we're going to publish it around the half of August.

Usually editors are on holiday in that period, but we won't relax and have already thought of a surprise for a minimag in August, were you will be the protagonists..so, keep in touch with Sims2Cri and be always up to date with our newsletter..the next contest will start before the releasing of the Summer issue!

We want to award those readers who - let's say - don't just look at the picture and read the editorial too, and so I can already tell you that the minimag will be focused on seduction and Sims..and I think it will be more appreciated on the contest side, because it will concern what you like the most, and you'll be free to create. I'm probably saying too much, but let's say that the model agency will be opened to new members, but again, keep in touch for more news: we won't miss anticipations!



A little impatience  
can spoil a big project  
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There is not a way for happiness.  
Happiness itself is the way  
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It doesn't matter  
if you go ahead slowly,  
the importance is not to stop  
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Your makeup  
for a perfect  
Geisha look



perla d'oriente



# TAKING CARE OF YOUR BODY AND SOUL

written by Paperpin

The oriental tradition is very focused on care of details, both about clothing and body. Everyone of us has seen – at least once – a kimono, a geisha or a kabuki theatre scene, and we all remember the very elaborate hairdos, the particular makeup and the gorgeous and richly decorated dresses. We can recreate the oriental atmosphere even in our game, making use of the possibilities offered by an expansion pack like Bon Voyage: the oriental destination, the Takemizu Village, it's the perfect place to create our little Far East, but we can even do more, enriching the game experience through the custom material we can find on the web. Let's see what we can do.

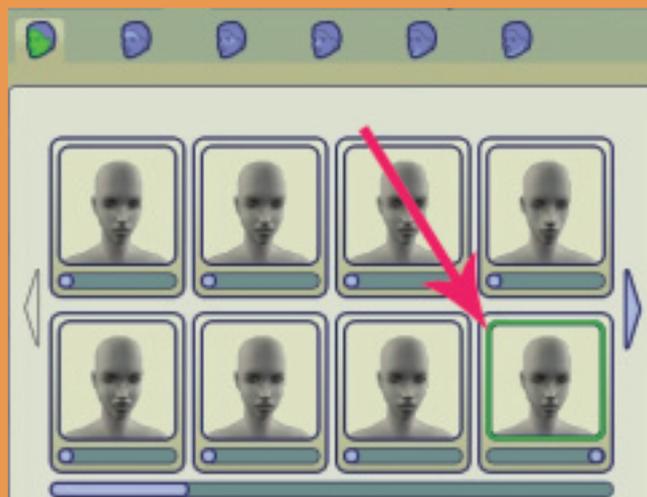
Orientalists love to be cured and perfect in every occasion, and the face (especially for women) is the very center of attention; traditional clothes, in fact, cover most of the body, and for this reason hands, face and hair are the most important parts. The everyday makeup is quite simple, even because eastern women have an almost perfect skin, with no acne marks or hairs. The attention is focused on the eyes, with a light makeup that underlines the shape of the eye (the famous "almond eyes"), a delicate blush to rose the cheeks and a natural lipgloss, to enlighten the lips.

For an evening makeup, more evident and colored, we suggest the Asian Eyeshadows set by La Pink.



## IN GAME TIPS

To create your perfect oriental Sim, we are giving you some tips: first of all, the face shape. An eastern Sim has very precise features, and it's recommended to use the face template number 8.



The second step is choosing a skintone that best resembles the real oriental skin, so use a very light shadow.

We suggest to use the AsiaStyle Skinset by [teru\\_k@modthesims2](#).



Third, don't forget about the eyes: rarely Orientals have light eyes, thus use brownish and black nuances (the same is for the hair).

To underline the shape of the eye, we suggest the Ephemera AsiaStyle Natural Eyeshadows, again by [teru\\_k@modthesims2](#).

# CREATE YOUR GEISHA IN SIX EASY STEPS

written by Paperpin - Photo © Paperpin

If you want to try something more and new, you can create your own geisha using some makeup elements we have picked for you.

If you don't want to toil with brushes & blushes, here it is an interesting premade set of facial makeup, that perfectly resemble the oriental traditional style:

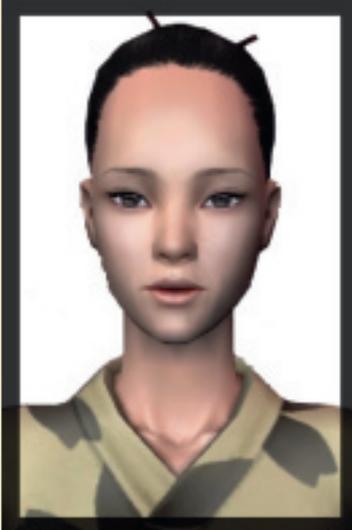
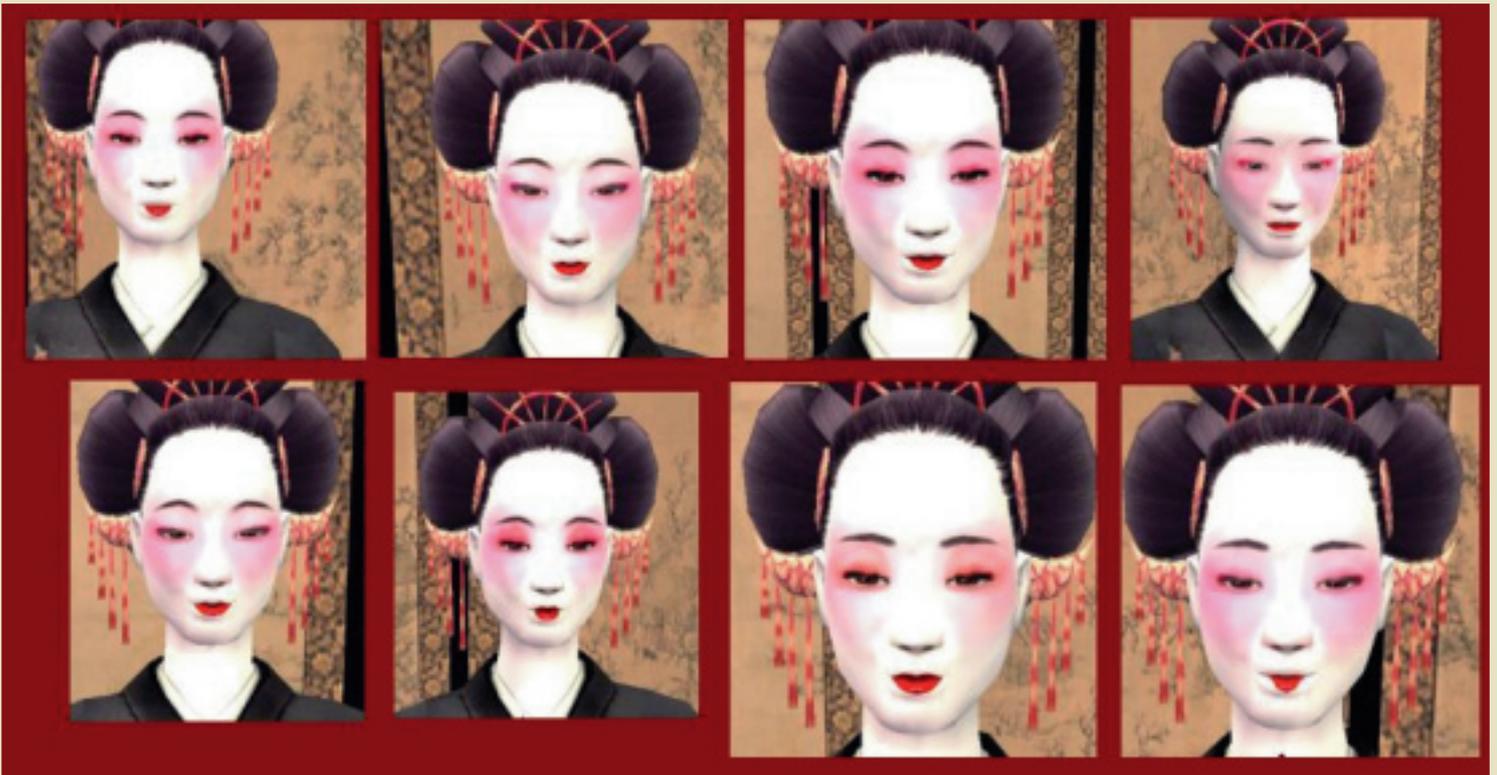
Anyway, if you feel like trying, in the following lines

you'll find a six-steps way to create your own perfect geisha.

In pics:

Geisha faces by fantastrid@modthesims2

<http://modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=217220>



First of all, clean your skin and remove any makeup.



Apply a thick layer of white powder, in order to cover the whole face and remove the eyebrows.

In the picture: 100% Face cake by Genensim

[http://genensims.com/makeup/blush\\_01.htm](http://genensims.com/makeup/blush_01.htm)



Let's put some eyeshadows, choosing a pretty evident nuance.

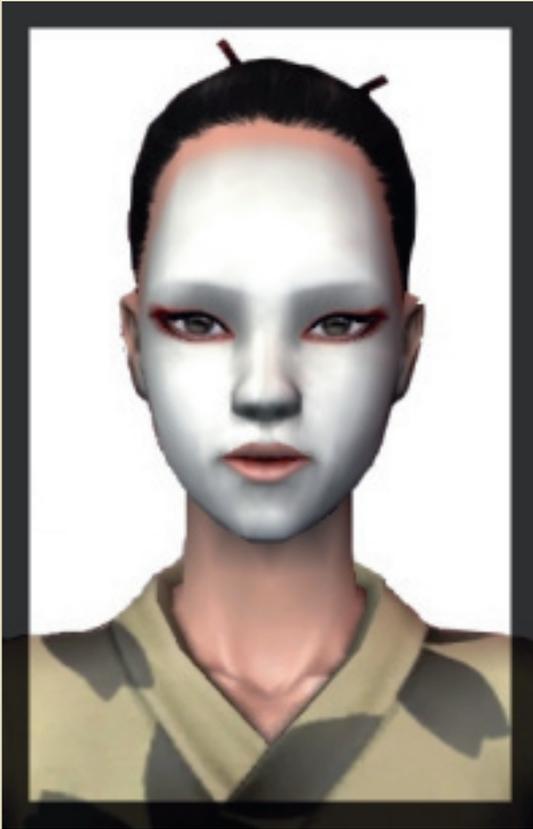
We have used an intense red from the Asian Eyeshadows collection by La Pink.

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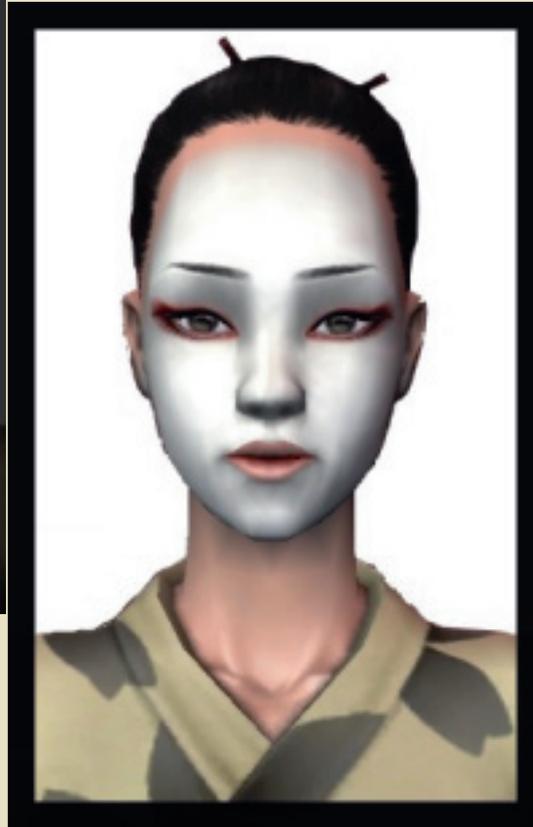
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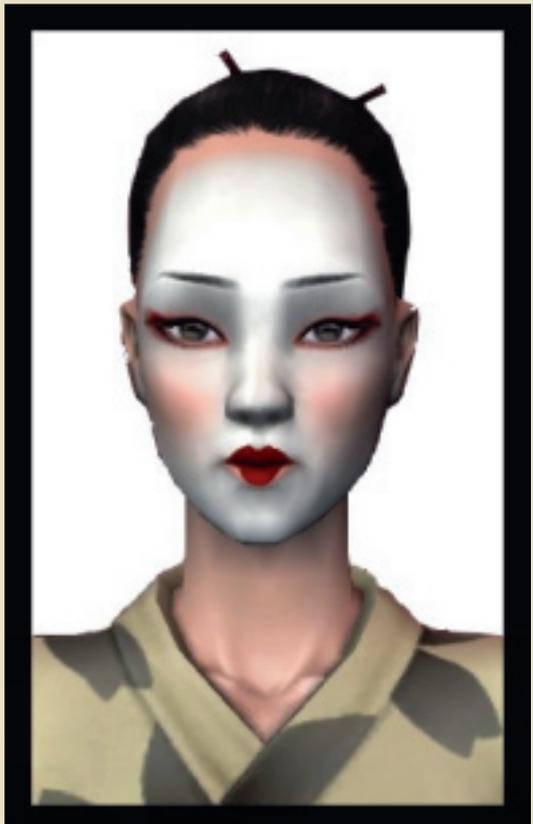
# CREATE YOUR GEISHA IN SIX EASY STEPS



With an eyebrow pencil or liner draw your brows.  
In the picture we have used the Kabuki Eyebrows, available at Helaene.com



Underline your glance with a black/red eyeliner  
Here: eyeliner by teru\_k@modthesims2

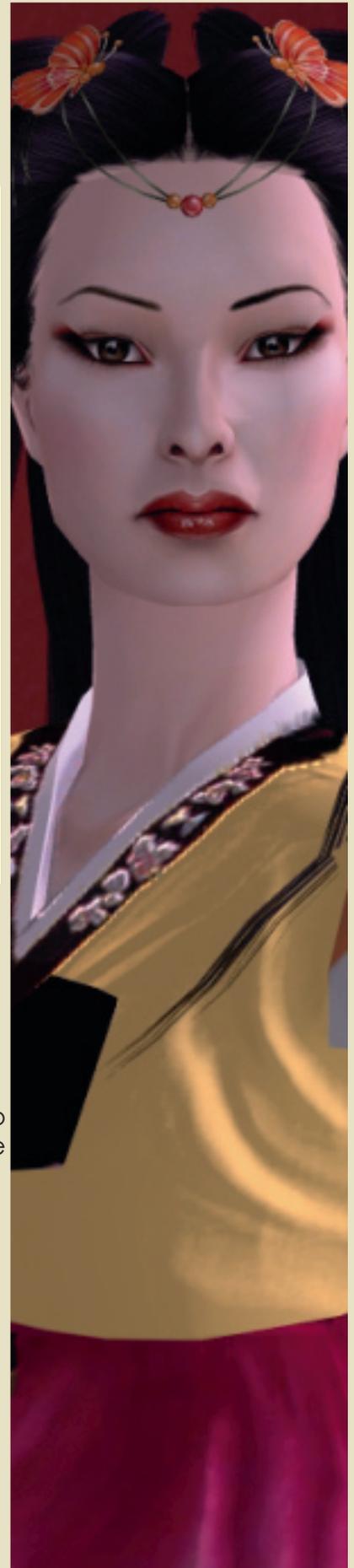


Add a generous amount of reddish blush, and a crimson lipstick in the middle of the lips.  
(blush by Barcelonista; lipstick by LaPink)

Let's choose an appropriate hairdo and a kimono that matches the makeup, and here it is our geisha.

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PHOTO BY PAPERPIN & GEISHA  
PORTRAIT BY CRI



# TRADITIONAL CLOTHING

written by Paperpin and Cristina, Photo © Cristina

The kimono is the oriental dress par excellence, but maybe not everyone knows how much commitment and care is needed to choose and wear a dress like this. First of all, a little bit of history.

Kimono (that in Japanese means "something to wear") is a very elegant traditional dress, and symbolizes the age, the marital status and the social class the man/woman belongs to. A kimono is a T-shaped dress with very huge and long sleeves, composed of several parts (more than 12 sometimes!!) and for this reason there must be at least one person to help wearing it; everything is simpler for our Sims, that's known, but we can still find many different kinds of kimonos for them: single woman kimonos, high class kimonos, daytime kimonos, party kimonos and toddler kimonos. We have chosen and picked for you the best one available on the Internet.

Surely we don't know much to classify them, and probably their creators had to adapt the original ones to fit our Sims, that's way we're just showing you a roundup for every age and gender. We have found lovely kimonos for toddler, but we couldn't leave out the whole family, grannies included!

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1. Rythmgitr @TSR

<http://www.thesimsresource.com/downloads/sims2/sets/580027/>

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- 15.** Tomang @MTS  
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- 16.** RoseSims  
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Per tutta la famiglia!! Photo © Cristina



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Sentimenti

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AI: Amore, Armonia

魂

TAMA: Anima

心

KOKORO: Cuore

幸

SACHI: Fortuna

力

CHIKARA: Forza

自由

JIYU: Libertà, libero

和

WA: Pace, accordo

希望

KIBO: Speranza



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Bue

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Cane

羊

Capra

马

Cavallo

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Coniglio

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Drago

鸡

Gallo

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Maiale

猴

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蛇

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Tigre

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Topo

# TRADITIONAL HAIRDOS

written by Paperpin, Cristina, Ariela - Photo © Paperpin, Ariela

Hair must be arranged very carefully, even because they are often twisted in very elaborated styles, with stunning ornaments and decorations. Usually, eastern women have very long and smooth hair, so that they can arrange it as they wish, twisted in a simple chignon or with braids and flowers. But we all know that our Sims can do anything they want, and for this reason, without making further distinctions, we have picked for you the best oriental-looking hairdos of the web.

P. C. & A.

1-3. Rosesims pg. 23

[http://www.rosesims.org/hair/rosehair\\_23.htm](http://www.rosesims.org/hair/rosehair_23.htm)

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<http://sims.zifengling.com/contents6/Women/17.htm>



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13. Rosesims [http://www.rosesims.org/hair/rosehair\\_10.htm](http://www.rosesims.org/hair/rosehair_10.htm)

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15. XMSims <http://www.xmsims.com/sims2/ehm/hair/mhair07.htm>

16. XMSims <http://www.xmsims.com/sims2/ehm/hair/mhair10.htm>

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19. XMSims pg.43 <http://www.xmsims.com/sims2/ehm/hair/hair43.htm>

# ACCESSORIES: COLORIZE YOUR STYLE

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Combs, flowers, crowns: head ornaments can be very simple or well-worked and complex but are always unique and colorful, and frame women's face and hair. Let's take inspiration for our Sims! Of course among high class accessories we can find fans and umbrellas, and they are

great for everyday use, but maybe to wear a sword or a weapon or some kind of hair jewels it should be better to wait for a masquerade ball or why not, to move to the Takemizu Village and open a souvenir shop!

C.

2. HAIR Jewel: Sims2Heaven  
<http://sims.zifengling.com/contents6/Women/26.htm>

2. Sunshade: Bipsouille  
<http://sites.estvideo.net/bipsouille.sims/>

3. RoseSims (Magic)  
<http://www.rosesims2.net/>

4. Sims2Heaven  
<http://sims.zifengling.com/contents6/Women/25.htm>

5. XMSims  
<http://www.xmsims.com/sims2/ehtm/accessories/accessories28.htm>

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pleasure...*

# HOUSE OF LANTERN





# THE TATTOO ART

*Spirituality inked on your body - written by Nenny, Cristina - Photo © Nenny*

Tattoo has always been a significant element of many cultures; its origin is lost in time, and cannot be related to a single population or geographic area, since it appeared and spread in many different cultures.

In Japan, tattoos have been practiced for centuries; in the XVIII century, they began to have different meanings and names: irezumi was the punitive tattoo, while the decorative ones were called horimono or gaman (that means "patience", the only thing you need to get a tattoo). By the end of the century, tattoo art had spread all over Japan. At the beginning of '800 a sequence of events paved the way to the birth of a new kind of horimono tattoo, that is unique and peculiar for its quality, colors, shape, movement, brightness and method, and it's so far the most refined tattoo technique.

Where does this horimono variety come from? The story is a bit long, but as any other tradition, it's worth to tell. During the Edo Dynasty, Chinese tradition tales – called shui-hu-chuan – began to spread in Japan with the name of Suikoden ("the borders of water"); the tales were about the legendary deeds of a band of heroes fighting against Emperor's corrupted officers. Two big drawers of the XIX century, called Hokusai and Kuniyoshi, realized many illustrations about the protagonists of the tale, representing them covered with gorgeous tattoos. It's easy to understand how this tattoo form spread all over Japan very quickly, and the desire for having tattoos like those brought to the creation of ink masters dynasties, that have handed down this art until now.

Tattoo Skin by XJonasX @MTS

<http://modthesims2.com/member.php?u=154962>

PHOTO BY NENNY



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The most popular pattern used for horimono are Japanese versions of Buddha, lucky charm animals such as the koi carp, the mythological Kara-jishi and more often the dragon, or again plants, lotus flower and cherry trees, all images deriving from the ancient Japanese symbology. The tattoo is not only a form of expression, but it's also a tradition that must be handed down, and this is the reason why there is so much care and precision in drawing it. Tattoos are also deeply connected to the Shinto religion, that considers divinities embodied into several natural elements (water, fire, seasons and stuff).

Beyond the subject of the drawing, the technique itself is almost the same used centuries ago, and that's way different to the method we use today in our modern tattoo salons. First of all, forget about tattoo ink guns. In eastern countries they use up to 40 needles that pierce the skin obliquely, causing a very weird noise and a lot of pain. The traditional

horimono, despite the occidental way, covers all the body. It goes from the arms to the back, from the chest to the tights, leaving a non-tattooed part at the center of the body. It can even take from one to five years to be finished, working on it at least once a week, for a total amount of 25000 euros (approx 40thousands USD). Wanna give up? Actually, that doesn't cost a thing to our Sims, neither for money nor for pain. Are you envious? Well, you can always play with their skins instead of yours, and just keep in mind that if you



get sick of tattoos in a videogame, you can always take it off, while you'll have to spend your whole life with it!

N. & C.

1. Tattoo Skin by Basie  
@DigitalPerversion  
<http://www.digitalperversion.net/gardenofshadows/index.php?topic=1071.0>
2. Tattoo Skin by XJonasX @MTS  
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# FOOD: ORIENTAL CUISIN

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When talking about Oriental cooking we usually refer to Chinese, Japanese and Indian food. In The Sims 2, however, our "oriental world" is represented by the Takemizu Village (Bon Voyage is required), which is mainly Japan and China - related. That's the reason why we're going to analyze and focus on Japanese and Chinese food.

## Chinese cooking

Chinese have five different kind of cooking, each of them is related to a region:

**Cantonese cooking:** it includes the kind of food we usually eat at the Chinese restaurant in the western world; typical foods are lemon flavored chicken and Cantonese rice, but also more sweet and sour dishes, such as pork cooked in sweet and sour sauce.

**Northern cooking:** best known for jiaozi (some kind of ravioli) or kaoya, the famous peking duck, which is a very refined and complex food.

**Sichuan cooking:** it's not very popular in the western world, and it's very spicy. The most famous dish is the mapo dofu, a spicy kind of tofu.

**Fujian cooking:** with a lot of



1. Maiale in agrodolce by Mastermax <http://www.sims2cri.com/oriental.php>

2. Chicken with Broccoli by FoxieRoxieNYC @MTS  
<http://www.modthesims2.com/member/showthread.php?t=185489>

3. Rice by Sims2Food @TSR  
<http://www.thesimsresource.com/downloads/sims2/food/dinner/meals/669937/>

4. Fried Springs Rolls (Involtini primavera, menù Grill) by Piktör @MTS  
<http://www.modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=184430>

5. Crab Legs (Gamberoni menù Grill) by Pacotacoplayer @MTS  
<http://www.modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=186260>

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6. Chicken Teriyaki by  
FoxieRoxieNYC @MTS

<http://www.modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=122758>

7. Shrimp Stick (menù Grill) by AbstractSIMmer187 @MTS  
<http://www.modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=211595>

soups and oyster recipes.

**Jiangsu and Zhejiang cooking:** it' best known for fishes, crabs and a very particular food: smoked duck tongues.

## **In store:**

Surely you won't need milk, since it's not used in Chinese cooking (that does not have religion- forbidden foods).

Meat is one of the most used ingredients, especially pork and chicken. In most of the dishes we can find vegetables, such as onions, garlic, green vegetables and leeks. In northern China people also eats bread and some kind of pasta, while rice is mostly used in the South. A very important element of the Chinese cooking is soy and its derived: pasta, beans, sauce, tofu and other stuff. we must

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also notice that there aren't many sweets and cakes.

## Fun Facts:

A peculiar feature of Chinese cooking is that every food is cut into little pieces, because it must be eaten with chopsticks (kuaizi), and a little cleaver-looking item is used as a knife.

The Wok is a pot used to cook every kind of meals, from fried food to steam.

Tea is of course the most popular beverage, and green tea is the most famous flavor of tea (the Gunpowder variety is the best know in the world). Less known are other fermented beverages, that must be served hot. The most famous is the yellow Shaoxing wine.

## Japanese cooking

Also the Japanese cooking is different from region to region.

**Kyoto cooking:** offers very refined meals, served in very little servings; fish is eaten cooked and flavors are very delicate.

**Tokyo cooking:** has strongest flavors.

**In Kobe (a port city)** you can find a very refined beef meat, which is best known for its tenderness, given by the nutrition of the animals. Kobe's beef steaks are among the most expensive steaks in the world.

## In store:

Absolutely rice, soy, fish, vegetable and tofu, then follow beef, chicken and pork meat. Japanese cooking does not use much oil and fats, and as the Chinese one, milk, butter and cheese are not used.



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## Fish:

Japanese cooking is well known for fish meals, such as the very famous sushi and sashimi, which are probably the first things we think about when talking about oriental food. Sushi is made of little rolls of raw fish, filled with rice and seaweed, while sashimi is generally made of slices of raw food dressed with vegetables. There are, anyway, many other fish meals that are not very known in our countries.

8. Foto Maki combo Sushi by FoxieRoxieNYC @MTS

<http://www.modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=163739>

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9. Gyoza by SimAddict99 @TSR

<http://www.thesimsresource.com/downloads/sims2/objects/furnishing/appliances/cooking/401982/>

10. Tempura by SimAddict99 @TSR

<http://www.thesimsresource.com/downloads/sims2/objects/furnishing/appliances/cooking/401983/>

11. Teriyaki Chicken by SimAddict99 @TSR

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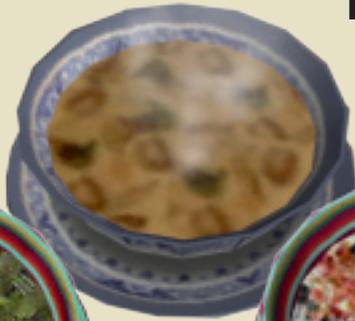
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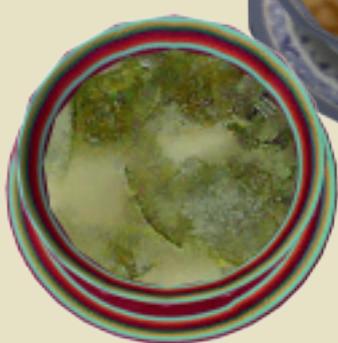
## Soups:

Soups are very used in Japan, from breakfast to dinner. There are soups that can be drunk, such as the suimono soups, light and delicate, and the miso soup, which is instead darker and tastier. The daishi is probably the most famous light soup, and it's made of kombu seaweed and bonito (flakes of dry fish); it is also used as a started item for many other recipes. Glass-lined bowls are always used for soups.

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14. Chawan Mushi by Mastermax <http://www.sims2cri.com/oriental.php>

15. Miso Soup by CocoSims <http://www.cocosims.com/foods.3.html>

16. Chazuke by Rosetia @MTS

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## Tea:

As for China, tea is the most popular beverage of Japan. It symbolizes hospitality and it is served in every moment of the day.

Japanese tea is very bitter, and it's used also during the dinner instead of water: the Gyokuro kind is very tasty, and its leaves are very narrow and long. The Sencha variety is also very popular.

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Sushi Lounge by Janna <http://www.simsconnection.com>

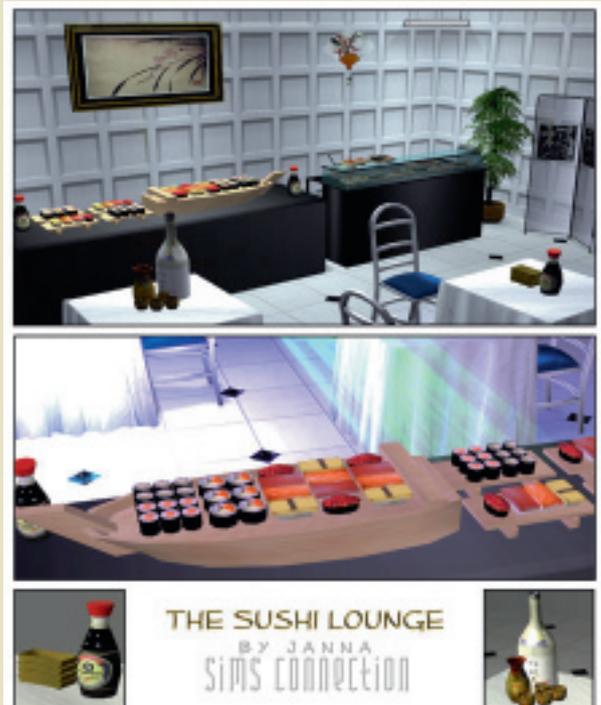
## Restaraunts:

### Chinese Restaraunt:



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### Japanese Restaraunt:





*Un tocco d'oriente  
a casa tua*

**TATAMI**

il nuovo modo di concepire la casa

# THE TEA CEREMONY

written by Nenny, Cristina - Photo © Nenny

The tea ceremony (Cha No Yu), is a social rite very famous in Japan, and it's known also as Chado or Sado, that means "the tea way". Cha No Yu literally means "hot water for tea", and it's a ceremony we can find also in the game, in the Takemizu Village.

It is one of the most famous zen tradition, and there are a lot of different kinds of ceremonies. According to the seasons, for example, the position of the boiler changes (during the winter it is placed in a hole in the floor, during the spring or summer on a brazier). Among the various kinds, the most complex ceremony is called Chaji, and it includes a dinner, dark and light tea. The most used kind of tea is the Matcha one, whose leaves are steamed, dried and cut in pieces until they become powder-like. This powder is drunk with water during the dinner. This is the main difference with our teas, that are instead infused, and that's the reason why the Matcha tea is so stimulant and is also used by monks in order to stay awake when praying. Usucha tea, instead, is whisked and so it creates a little froth that matches the color of the cup.

The tea room is very tiny, and looks like a garden hut. Here is where the tea ceremony takes place; it counts a sequence of events: the attendants meets, they walk to the tea room, ablute, enter in a very little room and admire the tea set, take part in the making of tea, then bow and eventually drink tea and eat food. There are also rules for the position of the feet of the person who has to prepare tea, or for example, each guest has to apologize with the others for pouring tea into his/her cup before the others!

But tea is not just a ceremony, and saying "tea" is saying nothing. The variety of tea is what really counts: the white tea, for example, was once drunk only by the Emperor. It comes from green tea's buds, and has to undergo a little fermentation. The most used tea in the western world is the Gunpowder tea, which is another variety of green tea. It doesn't have fermentation, and that's why it keeps its charge of vitamins. Its draining properties are well known, besides its anti-aging qualities. The rarest and expensive kinds are the Lung Ching (that means Dragon fountain) and the Shui-Hsien. If you don't like the bitter taste of the green tea (if you're not used to that you may think you're drinking water, paper and bark!!), you can still drink black tea, which is fermented tea like the very rare Chi-Men Mao Feng.

N. & C.



# MASSAGES AND MEDITATION

written by Cristina - Photo © Cristina

**T**akemizu inhabitants and Oriental people (mainly Japanese) are well-known for their longevity; what's the secret of their elixir of life? We know that our Sims only need to drink the Elixir we can unlock with the Aspiration Rewards, but real Orientals can't. Taking care of your soul, other than your body, is fundamental, and the three best known related activities are meditation, yoga and massages. We have tried to find out how these activities work and why they are spreading so much, from the original Takemizu Village to our neighborhoods.

## Massage benefits

**B**ack pain, joint pain, headache, vein disease are some of the illness that can be easily cured with massages. But massages are not only therapeutic, and in fact many people today get massages in order to relax or have a soft skin and stuff.

There are different techniques, and we're going to examine some of them to let you choose the best one for you!

**AYURVEDA:** it is usually used to cure depression, sleeplessness and stress; it consists of a mixed action on the left and the right parts of the

body, in order to balance your soul and body. **SHIATSU:** focuses on the KIs, points/meridians of energy, thru manipulations used to rebalance the flux of energy in organs, articulations, muscles and blood.

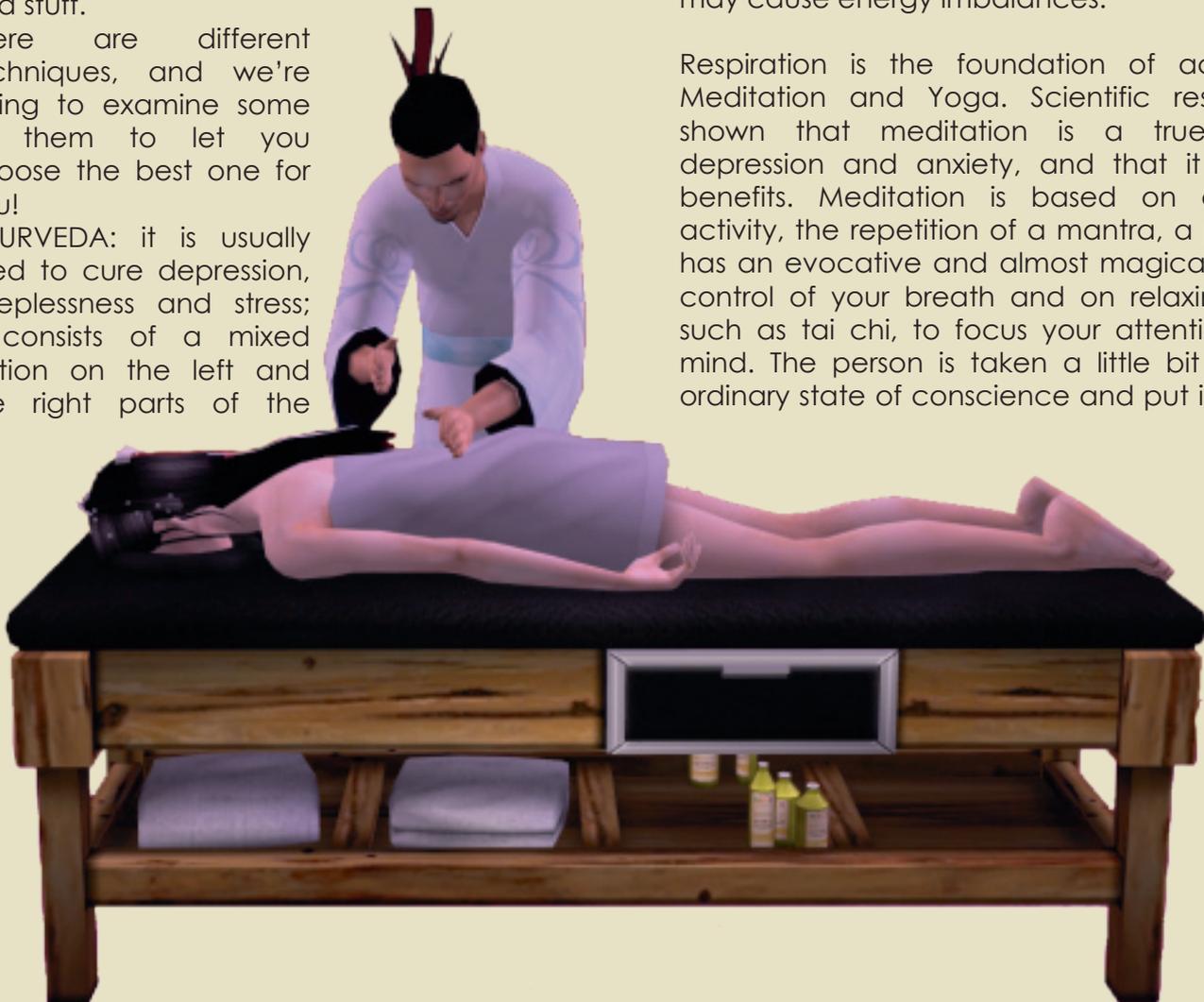
**CHINESE:** it is based on the analysis of the flux of energy thru the wrists, that has to be rebalanced with the massage. It is useful for painful menstruation, cracking and blood illness.

**CIKITSA:** it is some kind of postural exercise done together with the masseur, and it's useful to re-establish the right posture, releasing the spine.

## Meditation, yoga and breathing

**B**reathing is the foundation of life, and although we all know that we can't resist too much in apnea, nobody teaches us how to breathe well, simply because breathing is natural. It is very important to learn how to breathe in the right position, instead, to avoid problems that may cause energy imbalances.

Respiration is the foundation of activities like Meditation and Yoga. Scientific research has shown that meditation is a true help for depression and anxiety, and that it has many benefits. Meditation is based on a rhythmic activity, the repetition of a mantra, a phrase that has an evocative and almost magical value, the control of your breath and on relaxing exercise such as tai chi, to focus your attention on your mind. The person is taken a little bit out of the ordinary state of conscience and put in a state of



# DAL MASSAGGIO ALLA MEDITAZIONE

“passive consciousness”, where the body faces problems like pain and anxiety.

Several kinds of meditations have generated thanks to the Buddhist religion, and among the other we can find Yoga, that has become a true lifestyle. However, often Hatha Yoga, that is the kind of yoga based on exercises and meditation, is confused with the Yoga idea we have in the western world, that has no connection with religion. Thru the Asana, the positions, and exercise, the aim of Hatha Yoga is rebalance the center of energy. The meditation technique is very demanding, and should be done twice a day for 20 minutes circa.

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# Cyber-Sim

Direttamente dall'Oriente la  
macchina fotografica digitale  
per le vostre foto dei sogni!



# FROM HISTORY TO HIGH-TECH

One night in Sijim City written by Paperpin - Photo © Cristina, Paperpin

When we started planning this issue of the mag, we were kinda giving for granted that all of our readers and participants to our contest had in mind a traditional idea of Far East, that is in fact the one we have describe in the previous pages. Your answer, instead, has really surprised us. It was predictable, it's true, but it has given us some interesting reflection points.

Some of the participants, in fact, have published gorgeous works that are not focused on geishas and kimonos, but on the most technological Far East, the one of cell phones, cameras, cars and electronic corporations. In a few words: the most "westernized east" we know. We're not concerned about that, Orient had to be and Orient it is, even if it's in a very different kind than we had thought – but nevertheless as much interesting. Spurred by this idea, we're going to have a little travel through time, leaving tea rooms and umbrellas for a while to reach the modern muggy and crowded city center. We have contacted one of the most famous travel agencies of Pleasantville (Heron Agency reminds you of something, doesn't it?) and book a quick trip to the chaotic **Sijim City**.

It's late night, but the city is still awoken and full of life, with men at work, traffic jam and discos. The quiet zen garden and thermal waters world seems light-years far away. We get on the street and go

for a walk in one of the most crowded street of the city; we begin to look at what is surrounding us and the first thing we notice is that between a bank and a restaurant, a cafeteria and a clothing store, there are many high-tech shops, full of neon signs, electronic items and many stories of display.

We should have expected that: Far East is the mother of all the new technologies and research, and though we feel a bit confused between so many people and glowing signs, seeing a LCD tv make us feel a little bit closer to home. We keep walking and we cannot ignore the huge screens hanging from the walls of many buildings and skyscrapers, that are literally blasting us with images and sounds. It is a chaos we're not used to, and we really have to concentrate to avoid fainting in this big mess. On the other side of the street there is a very big music store, 4 or 5 stories perhaps, from whose windows we can hear many melodies and



sounds, very different from what we're used to. A couple of girls, in front of the store, sing along with the lyrics of the song in a karaoke style, and on one of the screens above we can see the videoclip of the song, very colorful and cute.

# FROM HISTORY TO HIGH-TECH



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 Playstation3 - Ogulorama <http://www.ogulorama.com/objects4.php>  
 Sharp Hi-Fi - Fresh\_Prince @MTS  
<http://modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=212393>



Toyota Prius Hybrid - Fresh\_Prince @MTS  
<http://modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=278568>

On our left we can see a group of very elegant men walking towards a taxi, while one of them is holding his overnight bag and talking excited on the phone. A very few people is sleeping in this city, or is the city itself that never sleeps? We are totally fascinated by this place, by its colors (many!) and its sounds (many more!)

stores and malls are much more familiar and quiet. People is never in such a hurry and after the midnight it's hard to meet someone in the commercial lots, or again our dates always end at 1 and we get back home to sleep. No, this looks really like a different world and we feel like old Alien Technician down in Strangehood.

Suddenly, an unexpected push on the back wakes us up from our thoughts. We turn and a very young guy quickly takes off his headphones and apologizes with sorrow. We look at him and smile, while extracting our mp3 player out of our pocket: we have exactly the same model; maybe, in the end, we're not so different...



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and we stand vacant with the nose turned up, as if we were in a giant electronic kaleidoscope. Traffic down in Pleasantville is never so chaotic and



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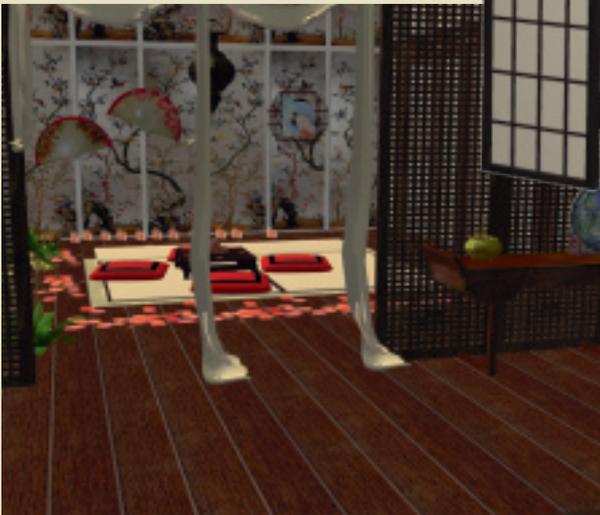


# BEHINDS THE WINDOWS

of an oriental house written by Nenny and Cristina - Photo © Cri, BlackOrchid

Houses in the Takemizu Village or in every movie located in an Eastern place always light up our curiosity: have you ever had the chance to peek thru the windows of those gorgeous houses? Well, we did, led by our interior designer Wo Fur Nishing, who's coming back to her roots for us.

*"In each house, everything that is not essential and strictly necessary is not used, in favor of humble and modest things. This sort of minimalism gives homes a climate of deep spirituality,*



*peacefulness and balance. Rooms are arranged in a specific way, in order to satisfy some esthetic factors that are not related only to practicality. This is the reason why we can find rooms apparently lacking of functionality or empty and quiet place to meditate in".*



**I remember they always have sliding panels, not doors, don't they?**

"No, you're not wrong. A very little houses have fix walls, because they're replaced by sliding and fragile panels that slide thanks to tracks place in the roof and on the floor. Panels can be used to delimit a room's space or can be taken off to create an open-spaced room. Thus, they don't need doors. Instead of windows there are panels covered with white paper, that let sunlight diffuse in every room".

**Aren't there real "fix" rooms?**

"Interior space is seen in a very different way from European's. Japanese house, for example, whatever its size is, always has an empty hall that is located on a lower level than the rest of the house. From there, you can get on the real house floor, where you have to walk without your shoes or wearing apposite slippers. You must not walk on the floor wearing your shoes or walk in the hall without your shoes! Thus, if you have to visit and oriental traditional house, remember to wear clean socks!

**I've always been told that walking barefoot causes rheumatism, and Orientals are among the oldest people in the world...are those all lies to make me wear shoes?**

"Well, actually they don't walk on marble floors as you do in the Western world. Floors are covered with tatamis, made of straw and wood and framed with a wood board, making the room very warm and comfy. No rheumatism then!"

N. & C.

# IN THE STREETS OF TAKEMIZU

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Walking in Takemizu Village or looking at pictures and cards sent by people who has visited China and Japan, we are totally appalled by the architecture of the traditional houses. Have you ever asked yourselves why oriental houses are so different from ours? They seem to us true wooden sculptures, some kind of treasure to admire. This actually is given to the adaptation to nature: houses reflect the environment conditions, climate and earthquakes above all. Usually, the outer part is made of a wooden framework where sliding panels made of wood and paper are located and can be moved to ventilate each room. The use of light materials is given to the frequency of quakes and to the Buddhist precept, according to which everything as a transitory and ephemeral nature. Heavier materials such as stone and bricks are used for foundations, temples and depositories.

are bordered by a yard. Many Japanese houses have a reserved room for the tea ceremony that is usually located into the garden, or anyway where they can find a harmonious atmosphere given by natural materials, furniture and tools.



Even if today oriental cities are totally transformed with modern and futuristic skyscrapers and buildings, we can say that architects never missed out their thousand-year precept:

**love for natural balance and spirituality.**

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Thanks to this care for natural elements, Orientals tend to build their houses so that the inside of the house is opened to the outside (the garden), as to create a unique body. The inside of the house is conceived to be an integral part of nature.

Inside architecture has a fundamental importance, because it expresses the sacred nature of the family life, the worship of ancestors and the balance with the surrounding nature. Houses are usually of a rectangular shape and



# THE ORIENTAL GARDEN

*La Natura come punto di meditazione a cura di Nenny e Cristina - Photo © Cristina,*

A fundamental element of the oriental culture is the garden. In the Eastern world man is in balance with nature and life is full and great only if it follows universal and natural rhythm.

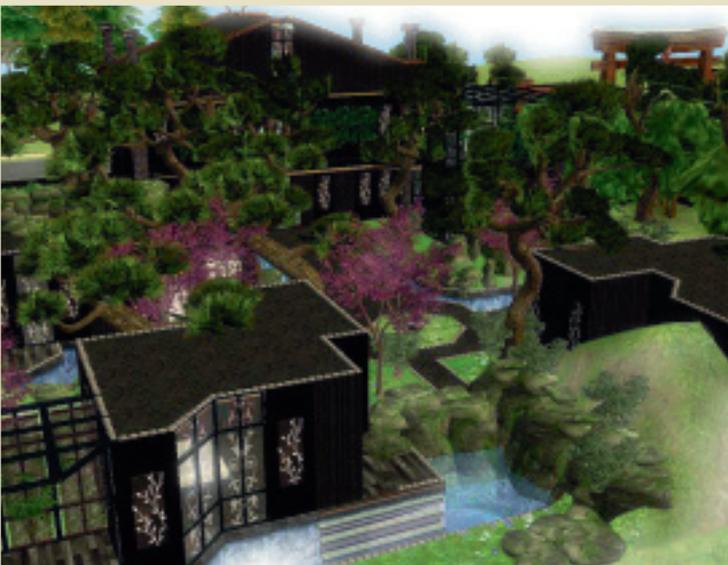
Especially in Japanese culture, garden is not only a place for relax and fun, but it is a real spiritual temple where man gets in contact with divinities (in Takemizu, instead, we can get in touch with the Old Wise Man at least...).

Garden symbolizes the place to search for isolation, peacefulness and silence, to favor mind relax and meditation. To grant this, homes were built in order to keep men far from other people's eyes.

There are two kinds of gardens: the traditional Japanese garden and the Zen garden.

## The Japanese Garden

It is full of stones and water, and often little waterfalls. There are also many winding paths leading to a tree or a waterspring; along the waterside there are many lanterns, today used as ornaments, but once they were used by tea masters because ceremonies used to take place



at night, and guests had to find the way to the tea room easily. Plants and trees are chosen according to their smells and colors, in order to have a beautiful garden in every season.

## The Zen Garden

Also called karesansui or stone garden, it is some kind of stylization of the traditional garden, a symbolic representation of nature.

For this reason the Zen garden is not very diffuse,



and can be found only in temples. According to history, the original garden of stones and sand was created by Zen monks, although other sources tell that it was originated in China or Korea.

Usually located into the inner yards and visible only to the house inhabitants, it is composed only of two elements: sand and stones.

Stones symbolize islands - metaphoric "islands of thoughts" - and they must be regular shaped, monochromatic and grey. If they weren't even perhaps the attention would be caught by the irregular ones and not on the whole thing. They have to be placed so that the observer can see them all whatever corner of the garden he's looking from. The sand that stones are placed on symbolizes water, where stones-island flow on.

To simulate the waves, we often find particular symbols drawn with a special rake.

Japanese or Zen, bonsai trees or flowers, occidental eyes are always fascinated.

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# DETAILS FOR AN ORIENTAL TOUCH

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Even if we don't live in Eastern countries, we can still bring a little pinch of Orient in our houses, giving a particular touch and look to our rooms. Let's see what we can do. First of all, we can just choose a decorative object, a vase or a chest, a picture or a pillow, the important thing is that it goes along with style with your interior decoration.

For example, on wooden furniture we may place a Chinese porcelain vase or a colorful plate. If we have modern furniture we can choose for a lamp with painted panels, water lilies or soft pillows to put on our rugs. Fans, pictures and mask, instead, go along with every kind of furniture...the choice for the best item to stimulate your body and soul it's up to you!

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1. Sims2Heaven <http://sims.zifengling.com/contents/4/42.htm>
2. DhSims <http://moonsims.asi.org/dh-sims-site/sims2sets02.htm>
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6. Murano @TSR <http://www.thesimsresource.com/downloads/sims2/sets/rooms/livingrooms/581625/>
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**SAKURA STYLE**  
kimono Dress

# YOUR OWN ORIENTAL NEIGHBORHOOD

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If you have Bon Voyage you'll surely know what the Takemizu Village is and can play with it anytime you want, so you're favored in creating your own oriental hood. If you don't have this EP you'll have to create your own over. First of all, you have to make a distinction, because Takemizu is a vacation lot and your Sims cannot live there. Here we're going to create a living neighborhood where your Sims can live and not a vacation lot!

Surely, the most important thing is downloading custom content from the Internet, and later we'll see links and sets. Launch the game.

Choose to create a custom neighborhood: the perfect template has to provide hills and water thus, if you don't have Bon Voyage you should use the BlueWater template or the CrystalSprings one.



Now decorate your 'hood with proper items (take off firs and similar stuff) and remember to put

## In game Tips:

Since furnishing, clothes and other oriental - related files are very particular, you may also choose to create a special folder of Oriental stuff to use only when you want to experiment the Eastern life, and so the game will load much faster.

To do that, you only have to go in **My Documents/EA Games** and rename the "The Sims 2" folder in "TS2" for example. Launch the game, and then add your lots and your oriental items (the game folders will be re-created autonomously, and you'll be like when you've installed the game for the first time). Launch the game again and remove the default hoods, thus having your own neighborhood only.



many flowers and trees and also some walls to recall the Great Wall of China.

Once you've done this biggest part, you can start placing your lots. If you have BV you can import your lots from there and have them available in the lots catalogue, or download some from the fansites otherwise.

Here's a couple of lots, just to give an idea of what you should have... of course, if you're good at building, you can do them on your own.

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1. Taki-Zen by daman19942 @MTS  
<http://modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=259672>

4. en7en @MTS  
<http://modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=151500>



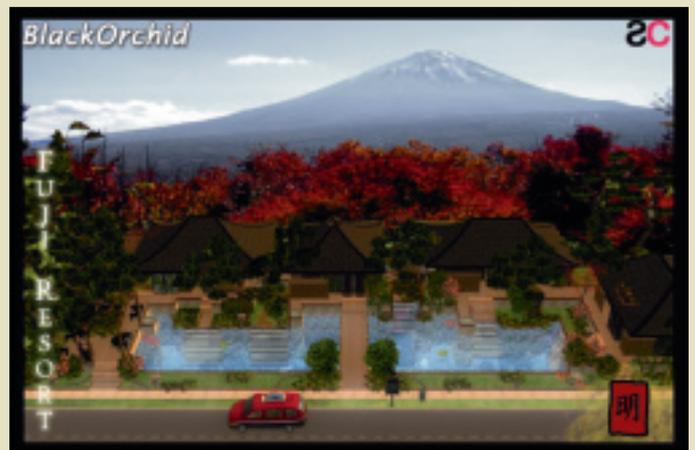
5. Strawbz @TSR  
<http://www.thesimsresource.com/downloads/sims2/lots/community/hotels/611269/>



2. House Of Lanterns by xxwyckedxangelxx @MTS  
<http://hideki.modthesims2.com/member.php?u=549005>



6. BlackOrchid @Sims2Cri <http://www.sims2cri.com/oriental.php>



3. Rosee du Matin @ SimsDesignAvenue  
<http://www.simsdesignavenue.net/EN/themes/roseedumatin.php>

# YOUR OWN ORIENTAL NEIGHBORHOOD

## Tips:

Use ponds and fountains in your lots: if placed in northern or south-east corners they will bring you luck!

To ensure stability to the couple: place ponds or water springs on the left of the house, but be careful: too much water will bring tears!

Plants are a true lucky charm: wood means growth and development, especially if placed on the East, South- East or South.

To have luck: every path leading to your home should be winding.

Block the negative energy: with a group of trees, a wooden fence, a bush, avoiding the entrance of your homes to be placed on a straight path.

Well, the neighborhood is done. We have to furnish the residential lots, because not all the lots we'll download are furnished (and a personal touch is never wrong!). We suggest to modify each lot before moving a family there, so that you can export them and have a backup copy - but then again, it's all up to you.

Here is a roundup of some of the custom contents you can find on the Web, from rooms to floors and walls, because details matter!



SunairSims: <http://sunairsims.enorth.com.cn/> (Objects ---> pg. 44 Modern CHinese Dining)

Curtains: Reflexsims <http://www.reflexsims.de>

Lights on table: Parsimonious <http://www.parsimonious.org>



SunairSims <http://sunairsims.enorth.com.cn/> (Objects ---> pg. 54 Chinese New Years Bathroom)

Lights: Pimp my sims <http://www.pimp-my-sims.com/>

Carpet: Simsinparis <http://www.simsinparis.com/>



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<http://www.thesimsresource.com/downloads/sims2/sets/rooms/395081/>

Adele @MTS

<http://modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=280402>

Avalonsims

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Jon119 @MTS

<http://modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=282615>

Mastermax @Sims2Cri

<http://www.sims2cri.com/oriental.php>



Avalonsims

<http://www.jaue.com/avalon/meshsets68.htm>

Sims2Heaven

<http://sims.zifengling.com/contents14/41.htm>



Sims2Play [http://sims-2.gameslife.ru/objects\\_sets8.htm](http://sims-2.gameslife.ru/objects_sets8.htm)



RoseSimsTV @MTS

<http://www.modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=87089>



CherryND @TSR

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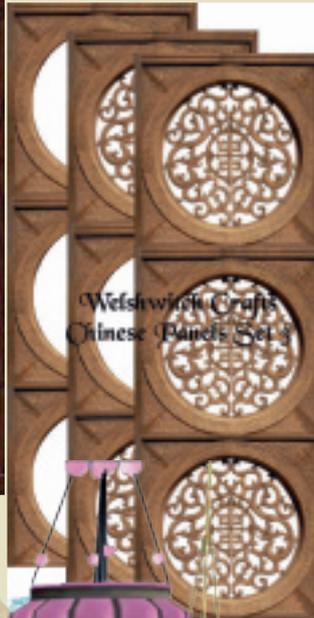
*Bipsu & Heaven  
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WelshWitch @TSR

<http://www.thesimsresource.com/downloads/sims2/sets/wallfloor/576013/>



AvalonSims

<http://www.jaue.com/avalon/meshsets77.htm>



DhSims <http://moonsims.asi.org/dh-sims-site/sims2sets02.htm>



Lamps: AvalonSims

<http://www.jaue.com/avalon/>

Sword Cheng101 @MTS

<http://www.modthesims2.com/showthread.php?t=166905>

Now we can finally create our own families. Follow our advice in the Style section and we're sure you'll have perfect Orientals! If you don't want to mess your hoods with default character you may always decide to use the cheat "deleteAllCharachters" (BEFORE creating your families!) and change the look of each new NPC anytime you find one.

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Kibanahnah @TSR

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Take part in Sims2Cri's new contest, the star of the SC Mag next issue could be you! Create your own ad and take part in the contest, you could be one of Sims2Cri's photographers and win exclusive clothes!

You'll only have to shoot an ingame picture, assemble and customize it as you prefer,

create the brand, a slogan and publish it according to the following rules. You can create up to three pics, having so more chances to win, and the first three classifieds will choose and download exclusive clothes created by Sims2Cri's staff!



#### Rules:

You have to create a themed image-advertisement about **SUMMER**. It can be concerned on any field, from clothes to hotels, from makeup to furnishing, but they have to be Sims-related.

Right ADS: swimwear, sunglasses, beach lots, heels...

Wrong ADS: fur, hot drinks, outdoor clothes...

Every contestant can create UP to 3 pics, that have to be made for the purpose (no old pics already published), pics should be in a standard A4 size - portrait (827x1169 pixels) or in a standard A3 size - landscape (1654x1169px) and 100dpi resolution.

Pics must be published on Koinup, and tagged as **scmagadjulycontest**

You have to keep the original file (i.e. if you work with Photoshop save your files in .psd and keep it somewhere), because we will need it if you win or get in the first ten places.

We appreciate if you credit the websites you have downloaded stuff from in the "Credit" section when uploading the pics.

The deadline is July 26th.

#### Prizes and outcomes:

Judges: Sims2Cri's staff

Criteria: creativity, cure, quality and connection to the theme.

The 10 best ads will be published on the issue of the magazine.

The first 3 classifieds, beyond the publication (with credits of course), will win 2 creation of the staff, at their choice.

The Koinup coolest (at July 27th) can choose 2 creation.

The outcomes will be published on July 28th.

To take part and read the full rules, go here [http://www.sims2cri.com/koinupcontest/scm\\_add.htm](http://www.sims2cri.com/koinupcontest/scm_add.htm)

# Credits for AD



**Kira87:**

*Cyber Sim*

Skin: Sirona Sims, Original Hair: Rosesims2, Clothing: Ieru modthesims2, Eyes: Anva modthesims2, Lips: Bruno modthesims2

*Oriental Cream*

Skintone: Ephemera, Original hair: XM Sims, Objects: Modthesims2/SunairSims/Maxis



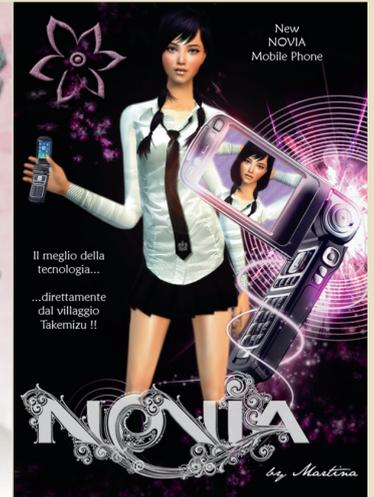
**Marty86:**

*Novia*

Skintone by La\_Exotique, Eyebrows By Rensim, Make-Up by Bruno, Healene, Navetsea, LoveBottle and Rensim, Eyes by Nicky, Hair by RoseSims

*Geisha makeup*

Skintone by Ephemera, Geisha Make-Up by Marty86, Eyes by Enayla, Eyebrows by TuuliaProduction, Hair by XMSims



**Mika\_chan:**

*Sakura-Style*

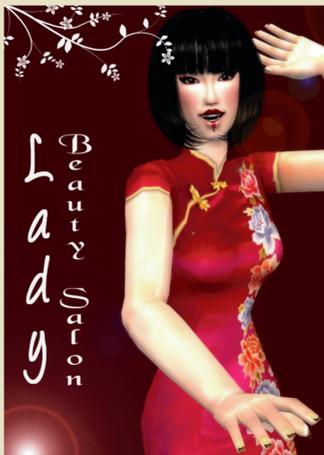
Hairs and Kimonos by Rosesims

Tatami

**Lena:**

*Tattoo*





**LadyOscar:**

*Nail salon*

Dress: Lianasims - Hair: recolor of peggy hair by joshsims - skin and some makeup: LaPink on MTS - Lips: ZombieJill on MTS - Nails by LadyOscar  
[simstyle.forumfree.net/?t=28349973](http://simstyle.forumfree.net/?t=28349973)

**Mons:**

*Twininsim*

Hair: rosesims2.net Skin: Corvidophile @MTS



**Cristina:**

*Lamp*

AvalonSims, DhSims, Sims2Heaven

*Bipsu&Heaven:*

BipsouilleSims, HeavenSims, Rosesims, Macarossi @MTS (plants)

*House Of Lantern:*

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