

## 1. SINGLES SIEVED:

### PUMICE (BIMS) SIEVED 16L

| Bag size | Size       | 1-19    | 20-55   | 56+    | order no.bags | TOTAL price € |
|----------|------------|---------|---------|--------|---------------|---------------|
| 16 L     | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 13.90 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 16 L     | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 13.90 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 16 L     | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 13.90 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 16 L     | 10 – 11 mm | € 13.90 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |
| 5L       | 10 – 11 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |

### LAVA Red SIEVED 16L

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55   | 56+    | order no.bags | TOTAL price € |
|----------|------------|---------|---------|--------|---------------|---------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 13.50 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 13.50 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 13.50 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 13.50 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |
| 5L       | 10 – 11 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |

### LAVA Black SIEVED 16L

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55   | 56+     | order no.bags | TOTAL price € |
|----------|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------------|---------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 15.90 | € 13.80 | € 11.70 |               |               |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 15.90 | € 13.80 | € 11.70 |               |               |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 15.90 | € 13.80 | € 11.70 |               |               |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 15.90 | € 13.80 | € 11.70 |               |               |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 6.90  | € 5.90  | € 4.90  |               |               |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 6.90  | € 5.90  | € 4.90  |               |               |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 6.90  | € 5.90  | € 4.90  |               |               |
| 5L       | 10 – 11 mm | € 6.90  | € 5.90  | € 4.90  |               |               |

### ZEOLITE SIEVED 16L

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55   | 56+    | order no.bags | TOTAL price € |
|----------|------------|---------|---------|--------|---------------|---------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 13.90 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 13.90 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 13.90 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 13.90 | € 11.80 | € 9.70 |               |               |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |
| 5L       | 10 – 11 mm | € 5.90  | € 4.90  | € 3.90 |               |               |

### AKADAMA SIEVED 16L

| Bag size | size       | 1-19   | 20-55  | 56+    | *REGULAR AKADAMA | *SEMIFIRE AKADAMA | *FIRED AKADAMA | ORDERED NO.BAGS | TOTAL PRICE € |
|----------|------------|--------|--------|--------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | €20    | €19    | €18    |                  |                   |                |                 |               |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | €20    | €19    | €18    |                  |                   |                |                 |               |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | €20    | €19    | €18    |                  |                   |                |                 |               |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | €20    | €19    | €18    |                  |                   |                |                 |               |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 9.90 | € 8.90 | € 7.90 |                  |                   |                |                 |               |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 9.90 | € 8.90 | € 7.90 |                  |                   |                |                 |               |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 9.90 | € 8.90 | € 7.90 |                  |                   |                |                 |               |
| 5L       | 10 – 11 mm | € 9.90 | € 8.90 | € 7.90 |                  |                   |                |                 |               |

\*PLEASE INDICATED WHAT AKADAMA TYPE YOU ARE INTERESTED IN. WE LET YOU KNOW IF IT IS AVAILABLE AT THE GIVEN MOMENT

WE ONLY SELL SIEVED AKADAMA, NO DUST, EXACT SIZE. 16L BAGS. ORIGINAL JAPANESE BAGS ARE 12 OR 14L BAGS AND OFTEN THERE IS 1/3 OF DUST OR VERY SMALL SIZE THAT IS NOT USABLE.

### IMPORTED JAPANESE SUBSTRATES (original bag, not sieved)

| Type                           | Wholesale NET prices | Retail price | Ordered no.bags | TOTAL price € |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|
| KIRYU                          | € 17.50              | € 19.00      |                 |               |
| KANUMA                         | € 17.50              | € 19.00      |                 |               |
| Keto 5L bag                    | € 8.50               | € 9.80       |                 |               |
| Sphagnum Moss 5L (New Zealand) | € 5.90               | € 8.50       |                 |               |

IBUKI 21.10.2025 autumn offer.

The easiest way to order retail or wholesale is through the webshop [www.ibuki-shop.com](http://www.ibuki-shop.com)

You can combine different types of 16L substrate bags to achieve a bigger discount.

## 2. GENERAL SIEVED MIXES:

### MIX AKADAMA 50% / PUMICE (BIMS) 50% FOR NEEDLE TREES (16 LITERS BAG)

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55  | 56+    | *REGULAR<br>AKADAMA | *SEMIFIRED<br>AKADAMA | *FIRED<br>AKADAMA | ORDERED<br>no.of bags | TOTAL<br>PRICE € |
|----------|------------|---------|--------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                       |                  |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                       |                  |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                       |                  |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                       |                  |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                       |                  |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                       |                  |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                       |                  |
| 5L       | 10 - 11 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                       |                  |

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### MIX AKADAMA 60% / PUMICE (BIMS) 40% FOR LEAF TREES (16 liters bag)

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55  | 56+    | *REGULAR<br>AKADAMA | *SEMIFIRED<br>AKADAMA | *FIRED<br>AKADAMA | ORDERED<br>no. bags | TOTAL<br>PRICE € |
|----------|------------|---------|--------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 10 - 11 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |

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### MIX AKADAMA 50% / LAVA 50% SUBSTRATE FOR NEEDLE TREES) (16 liters bag)

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55  | 56+    | *REGULAR<br>AKADAMA | *SEMIFIRED<br>AKADAMA | *FIRED<br>AKADAMA | ORDERED<br>no. bags | TOTAL<br>PRICE € |
|----------|------------|---------|--------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 10 - 11 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |

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### MIX AKADAMA 60% / LAVA 40% FOR LEAF TREES) (16 liters bag)

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55  | 56+    | *REGULAR<br>AKADAMA | *SEMIFIRED<br>AKADAMA | *FIRED<br>AKADAMA | ORDERED<br>no. bags | TOTAL<br>PRICE € |
|----------|------------|---------|--------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 17,95 | €16.60 | €14.95 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |
| 5L       | 10 - 11 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |                     |                       |                   |                     |                  |

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### 3. ADVANCED SIEVED MIXES:

**MIX AKADAMA 30% / LAVA 30% / PUMICE (BIMS) 30% / ZEOLITE 10%**

**(FOR YAMADORI AND YOUNG TREES, FAST BRANCH STRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT) (16 liters bag)**

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55  | 56+    | *REGULAR AKADAMA | *SEMIFIRED AKADAMA | *FIRED AKADAMA | ORDERED no. bags | TOTAL PRICE € |
|----------|------------|---------|--------|--------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 18,95 | €17.60 | €15.95 |                  |                    |                |                  |               |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 18,95 | €17.60 | €15.95 |                  |                    |                |                  |               |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 18,95 | €17.60 | €15.95 |                  |                    |                |                  |               |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 18,95 | €17.60 | €15.95 |                  |                    |                |                  |               |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 9.50  | € 8.50 | € 7.50 |                  |                    |                |                  |               |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 9.50  | € 8.50 | € 7.50 |                  |                    |                |                  |               |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 9.50  | € 8.50 | € 7.50 |                  |                    |                |                  |               |
| 5L       | 10- 11mm   | € 9.50  | € 8.50 | € 7.50 |                  |                    |                |                  |               |

**MIX AKADAMA 33% / LAVA 33% / PUMICE (BIMS) 33%**

**(FOR MATURE AND DEVELOPED TREES, BALANCED, TO SUSTAIN ADVANCED STRUCTURE) (16 liters bag)**

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55  | 56+    | *REGULAR AKADAMA | *SEMIFIRED AKADAMA | *FIRED AKADAMA | ORDERED no.bags | TOTAL PRICE € |
|----------|------------|---------|--------|--------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 18,95 | €17.60 | €15.95 |                  |                    |                |                 |               |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 18,95 | €17.60 | €15.95 |                  |                    |                |                 |               |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 18,95 | €17.60 | €15.95 |                  |                    |                |                 |               |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 18,95 | €17.60 | €15.95 |                  |                    |                |                 |               |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 9.50  | € 8.50 | € 7.50 |                  |                    |                |                 |               |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 9.50  | € 8.50 | € 7.50 |                  |                    |                |                 |               |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 9.50  | € 8.50 | € 7.50 |                  |                    |                |                 |               |
| 5L       | 10 - 11 mm | € 9.50  | € 8.50 | € 7.50 |                  |                    |                |                 |               |

### 4. IBUKI MIX Sieved

(our recommendation, detailed description at [www.ibuki-shop.com](http://www.ibuki-shop.com))

**IBUKI MIX for leaf trees (16 litres)**

50% Golden Line Akadama/semifiired akadama

30% Pumice / 20% Black Lava

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55  | 56+    | ORDERED | Total price |
|----------|------------|---------|--------|--------|---------|-------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 19,95 | €18.60 | €16.95 |         |             |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 19,95 | €18.60 | €16.95 |         |             |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 19,95 | €18.60 | €16.95 |         |             |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 19,95 | €18.60 | €16.95 |         |             |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |         |             |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |         |             |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |         |             |
| 5L       | 10 - 11 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |         |             |

**IBUKI MIX FOR NEEDLE TREES (16 LITRES)**

40% GOLDEN LINE AKADAMA/SEMIFIRED AKADAMA

40% PUMICE / 20% BLACK LAVA

| Bag size | size       | 1-19    | 20-55  | 56+    | ORDERED | Total price |
|----------|------------|---------|--------|--------|---------|-------------|
| 16L      | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 19,95 | €18.60 | €16.95 |         |             |
| 16L      | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 19,95 | €18.60 | €16.95 |         |             |
| 16L      | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 19,95 | €18.60 | €16.95 |         |             |
| 16L      | 10 – 11 mm | € 19,95 | €18.60 | €16.95 |         |             |
| 5L       | 2.5 – 3 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |         |             |
| 5L       | 4.5 – 5 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |         |             |
| 5L       | 6.5 – 7 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |         |             |
| 5L       | 10 - 11 mm | € 8.50  | € 7.50 | € 6.50 |         |             |

## **IBUKI Professional Bonsai Wire – Aluminium and Copper**

### **I. Aluminium Bonsai Wire - 500g rolls**

| Size mm:          | 1 | 1,5 | 2 | 2.5 | 3 | 3.5 | 4 | 4.5 | 5 | 5.5 | 6 | Total: |
|-------------------|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|--------|
| Order 500g rolls: |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |        |

#### **Prices Aluminium Wire 500g rolls:**

| Quantity: | 1-20 rolls | 21-49 rolls | 50-99 rolls | 100-199 rolls | 200+ rolls  |
|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| Price:    | 8.90 €     | 8.50 €      | *7.90 € net | *7.50 € net   | *6.90 € net |

You can combine different sizes of aluminum 500g to achieve a bigger discount

\*net price

### **II. Copper Bonsai Wire 1kg rolls**

| Size mm:         | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 2 | 2.5 | 3 | 3.5 | 4 | 4.5 | 5 | 6 | Total |
|------------------|-----|-----|---|-----|-----|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|---|-------|
| Order 1kg rolls: |     |     |   |     |     |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |   |       |

#### **Prices Copper Wire 1kg rolls**

| Quantity: | 1-9    | 10-49       | 50+      |
|-----------|--------|-------------|----------|
| Price:    | 28.95€ | *27.95€ net | *25€ net |

You can combine different sizes of copper 1kg to achieve a bigger discount

\*net price

### **III. Copper Bonsai Wire 500g rolls**

| Size mm:          | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 2 | 2.5 | 3 | 3.5 | 4 | 4.5 | 5 | 6 | Total |
|-------------------|-----|-----|---|-----|-----|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|-----|---|---|-------|
| Order 500g rolls: |     |     |   |     |     |     |   |     |   |     |   |     |   |   |       |

#### **Prices Copper Wire 500g rolls**

| Quantity: | 1-9     | 20+    |
|-----------|---------|--------|
| Price:    | 16.50 € | 15.80€ |

## **Handmade IBUKI Bonsai pots by Mariusz Folda – discounts**

catalogue of the pots at [www.ibuki-shop.com](http://www.ibuki-shop.com)

**20 % discount** if you buy 5-9 bonsai pots

**30% discount** if you buy 10+ bonsai pot

## **TAMAHI – Professional Bonsai Fertiliser – FERMENTED**

### **TAMAHI Summer (N/P/K + Micronutrients 9/4/2)**

| <b>Package/Price</b> | 1kg – 19 € | 2kg - 24€ | 4kg - 39€ |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Order:</b>        |            |           |           |

### **Tamahi Autumn (N/P/K + Micronutrients 3/7/9)**

| <b>Package/Price</b> | 1kg – 19€ | 2kg - 24€ | 4kg - 39€ |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Order:</b>        |           |           |           |

IBUKI Tamahi organic fertilizer pellets.

They are solid, dry, and put in shape. Soy, bone meal, fish meal, rapeseed, krill and oyster shells, minerals and rice bran gone through the fermentation process and dried to take the form of pellets that is used in the top bonsai nurseries in Japan for decades. This fertilizer is used for bonsai trees because it sustains its effectiveness without dissolving quickly. It is totally safe as you cannot over fertilize, your bonsai will take nutrition as much as it requires.

Complete fertilizer for strong growth. Provides a vital and healthy bonsai. For both young and old outdoor bonsai, yamadori and shohin.

#### **Usage:**

Place for every 50mm pot length 1 – 2 pellets on the soil. The pellets may be pushed into the ground a bit. Keep Tamahi moist to get the best result through good Bonsai watering practices. The granules can also be put in a fertilizer basket with some sphagnum moss or tea bags.

Nitrogen in the Tamahi will be effective for 4-6 weeks, however the other elements will be effective for much longer. Apply new pellets after 4-5 weeks however leave the old ones for as long as possible to get the full benefit from Potassium, Phosphorous and other elements.

#### **Fertilizer application and protection:**

We provide fertilizer bags and baskets for the fertilizer at our internet shop that help a lot with the placement of the fertilizer on top of the substrate.

Last application of Summer Tamahi – beginning of September

First application of Autumn Tamahi – mid of September or end of September depending on location.

Apply 4 – 7 times a year to your bonsai (every 4 weeks).

## AKADAMA types available

if you buy substrate at IBUKI, please let us know, which akadama you prefer for your order.

The one on the right, in the middle or on the left in the photo ? please see photo below. The one on the right side Fired Akadama – Red Akadama is usually used by pros in your country. It is stronger so it can stay in the pot much longer in a cooler and wet weather. Semifired Akadama-Golden Akadama (middle) is also fantastic as it's stronger than Regular Akadama-Doubleline Akadama (left side), it takes the same amount of water and fertilizer and release it to the roots. Recently they sell double line really soft I noticed.

The price is the same.

Please let me know what is better for you.

Ibaraki hard akadama

- Regular - Doubleline akadama type (on the left). It is ok but in the past was much better.
- Semifired - Golden akadama type (in the middle) Best choice for regular use
- Fired - Red akadama type (on the right) that is semifired akadama (more red) that you can keep for 5-6 years in the pot. Best choice if you have a tree that needs to stay longer, for many years in the pot, like all the advanced structure or old trees as well as fresh yamadori trees in development that will stay longer in the pot.

A few comments from bonsai pros about semifired akadama:

Mr Walter Pall:

*semifired Akadama .. this is great news. As you and others know I have strong problems with akadama. The main reason is that it is decomposing. Especially in my climate where trees are exposed to frost for many weeks akadama creates big problems. Often I get trees which are imported from Japan and have not been repotted for some time. They sit in full akadama which is hard like a birck and very difficult to remove without really disturbing the root ball. I even go so far to call regular akadama dangerous. But I am fully aware of the positive properties that akadama has. With the firing method this totally changes the situation. If akadama does not decompose anymore I would definitely use it and can only recommend it.*

*In addition I would like to raise another point. It is my conviction that old bnsnai are usually repotted too often. Yamadori trees can and should be undisturbed for ten to twenty years or more. When repotting old collected trees roots should not be cut at all if possible. In this situation the fact that akadama decomposes is unbearable. With normal akadama one has to repot frequently which is not my aim. So I suggest to use pumice or lava only for collected trees. Now I can extend this list to semifired akadama. Walter Pall*

