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Description

John Lee Kei-Ben Iaito Katana - Japanese Sword Replica

The **John Lee Kei-Ben Iaito Katana** is a hand-forged replica designed in the spirit of **Iaido** - the Japanese martial art focused on controlled sword drawing and precise movement. Unlike traditional combat swords, the Iaito is a **blunt training sword**, used to develop coordination, awareness and discipline.

Iaido - The Art of Controlled Movement

Iaido is a modern Japanese martial art centered around **drawing the sword and responding with precision**. Training is based on predefined forms (**Kata**), where every movement is deliberate and controlled.

The core principle of Iaido is **Ki-Ken-Tai-Ichi** - the unity of mind, body and sword. The goal is not only technical skill, but the ability to remain calm, aware and in control in any situation.

At advanced levels, mastery is achieved not through combat itself, but through the ability to control a situation **without needing to draw the sword**.

The name **Kei-Ben** reflects this philosophy, representing a **simple, practical and functional sword design**.



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Design and Construction

The Kei-Ben Iaito Katana follows traditional construction principles while being adapted for safe training and display.

- **Hand-forged stainless steel blade** (420 steel)
- **Blunt edge** suitable for training and safe handling
- **Fuller (Bo-Hi)** for improved balance
- **Wooden handle (tsuka)** covered with real ray skin (same)
- **Traditional cotton wrap (tsuka-ito)**
- **Zinc-aluminium tsuba** with flower motif
- **Decorative menuki** in Mitsudomoe form
- **Secured with bamboo pins (mekugi)**
- **Wooden scabbard (saya)**
- **Brass habaki** for proper blade fit

The katana is manufactured following historical patterns and includes a **certificate and seal of authenticity**.

Materials

- **Blade:** 420 stainless steel
- **Handle:** Wood with ray skin and cotton wrap
- **Scabbard:** Wood
- **Habaki:** Brass

Specifications

Overall Length (without sheath)	approx. 101 - 102 cm
Blade Length	approx. 73.5 cm
Handle Length	approx. 27 - 29 cm
Weight (without sheath)	approx. 1100 - 1350 g
Weight (with sheath)	approx. 1350 g

Intended Use

This katana is a **blunt replica** intended for **training practice, collection and display**. It is not designed for cutting or combat use.

Safety Information

- Blade is not sharpened
- Always handle with care
- Keep out of reach of children
- Sale only to persons aged 18 and over

FAQ

Is this a real katana? Designed in traditional style, suitable for training and display.

Is it sharp? It is blunt and designed for safe handling.

Can it be used for Iaido practice? It is suitable for Iaido training, but always follow proper safety and training guidelines.



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What makes it different from combat katanas, focusing on technique rather than cutting performance.

Glossary

- **Iaito:** Blunt practice sword used in Iaido
- **Iaido:** Japanese martial art focused on drawing the sword
- **Tsuka:** Handle of the sword
- **Same:** Ray skin used under the handle wrap
- **Mekugi:** Bamboo pins securing the handle
- **Bo-Hi:** Fuller groove to reduce weight

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