# Make a Kokedama

## Materials

## Materials Checklist

- ☐ **Sheet Moss**
- ☐ **String**
- ☐ **A Small Houseplant**
- ☐ **Bonsai Soil**
- ☐ **Peat Moss**
- ☐ **Red Clay**
  **(Can be found online as 'seed bomb clay')**
- ☐ **Large Mixing Bowl**

### STEP 1: REMOVE PLANT FROM POT

Remove your small houseplant from its pot and gently loosen the roots while removing excess soil.

**Suggested Plants:** Spider plants, asparagus ferns, hypoestes, coleus, philodendrons, or other tough houseplants are great for this project.

EQUAL PARTS

BONSAI SOIL    PEAT MOSS

+ CLAY   H₂O

### STEP 2: MIX BONSAIL SOIL, PEAT MOSS, CLAY & WATER

Mix bonsail soil and peat moss in equal parts in a bowl and then add clay and water until you have a grapefruit size ball that sticks together.

## STEP 3: PUT PLANT IN THE SOIL BALL

Make an opening in the ball that you have formed and work the plant's roots into the center. Then, reform the ball by pressing it firmly together.
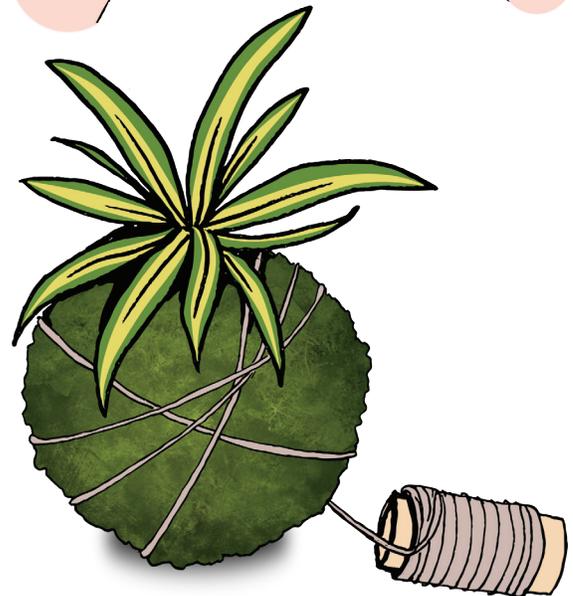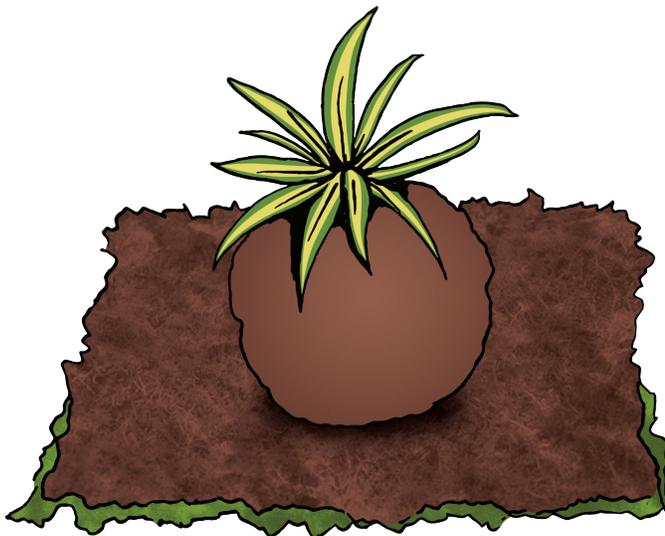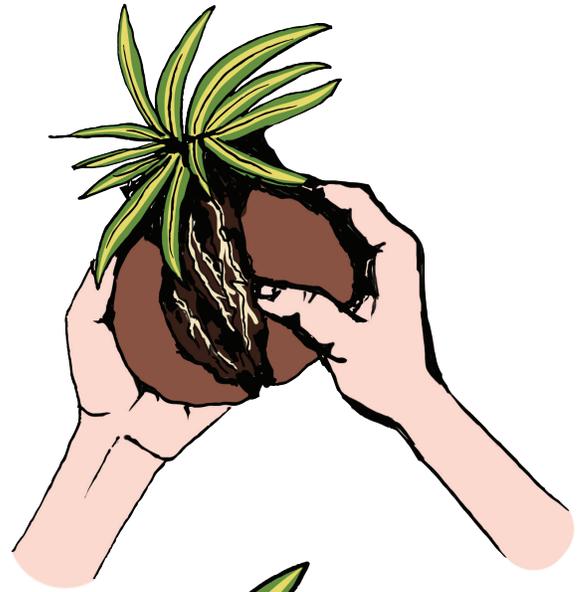
## STEP 4: WRAP SOIL BALL IN MOSS

Lay sheet moss out in a single layer, with the green side facing down. Place the clay ball and plant in the center and wrap the moss around it.

## TRIM & ADD MOSS AS NEEDED

Bind the moss to the soil by wrapping string or twine until the kokedama is secure. Tie it off leaving extra length to hang the kokedama by.

## CARE TIPS

• If your kokedama plant is outgrowing its soil ball, simply open it back up, mix more soil, and make the ball bigger.
• If you don't want to hang the kokedama, you can display it on a dish or saucer to make watering easier.

Lastly, soak the kokedama in water until it is completely wet and then hang it up.

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