

## NEWS

Dear all,

How are you doing lately? ☺

There's only 1 month left this year too.

How would you describe how your year went?

I think this year has been a year of trials for all with the spread of COVID-19 around the world.

I hope next year will be a calm and enjoyable year for everyone. ☺

Thank you for your continued support of CONIC products.



## Kotatsu

A *Kotatsu* is a traditional Japanese heating appliance.

It is a low table with a thick blanket laid over it, and an upper tabletop which holds the blanket in place.

The inside of the *Kotatsu* is heated, and people place their legs under it while sitting on the floor.

In modern times, *Kotatsu* are electrically heated using an element but traditionally charcoal or coal briquettes were used.

*Kotatsu* were invented in *Muromachi* period, about 600 years ago and have been popular ever since.

There are two types of *Kotatsu*. "*Hori-gotatsu*" have a recessed floor so people can sit with their legs positioned as if they were sitting on a chair.

The type simply called "*Kotatsu*" do not have the recessed floor and are the most common type found in Japanese homes.



Besides being comfortable, *Kotatsu* also have low running costs which contributes to their popularity. There are various sizes of *Kotatsu* available, ranging from those built for individual use, to large designs with long legs and matching chairs that can be used as a dining table.

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## ***HOMEPAGE of CONIC has been renewed!!***

Did you know that the English version of our homepage has been renewed? ☺

This time, I will introduce about the technical guide.

This technical guide explains various techniques related to punching, such as basic knowledge of tools, precautions for punching, calculation of punching tonnage, how to set tools, handling instructions and how to set up special tools.

We would appreciate it if you could take a look at the contents and use them effectively. ☺



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