

VINTAGE PATTERNED PAPERS

The word “Chiyogami” is roughly translated to “1000-generation paper”. The number “1000” is used in many greetings in Japanese, especially for happy occasions.

Chiyogami was used in daily life in ancient Edo (Tokyo) for wrapping gifts and making origami* (paper-folding). A certain Chiyogami was chosen based on its functional or very auspicious motif, depending on the circumstance and contents of the gift.

Chiyogami papers are 15.5 x 21.5 inches. They are printed by woodblock on kōzo paper, but more recently they are printed by silkscreen. (Chiyogami KP)

* The Art of Origami began as part of the gift-giving culture in Japan and in more recent history became a game or craft for children.

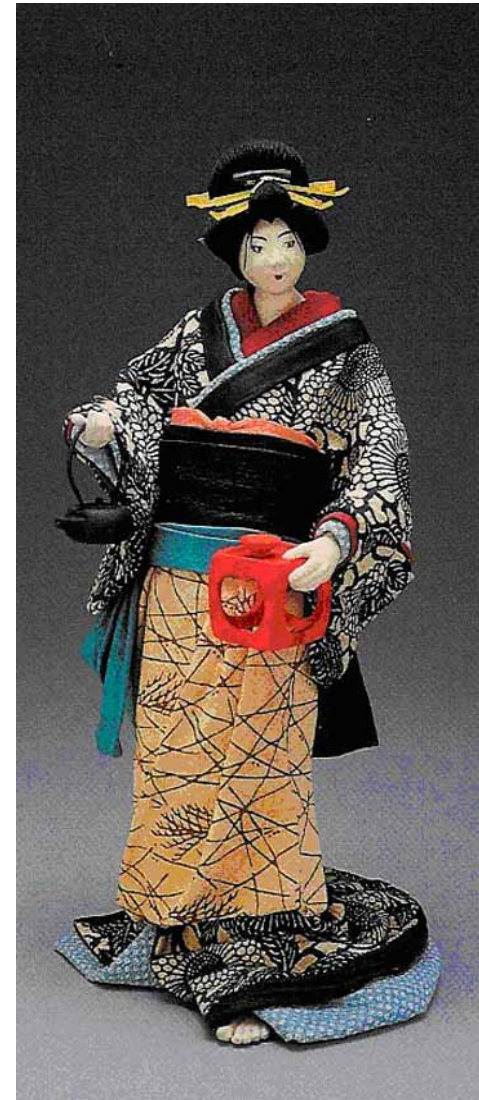
Momi Chiyogami or “Chirimen-gami” are the cloth-like crinkled version of the above. Because of the fine, small-scale crinkle, this paper is often used to make the clothing for washi dolls, like this doll to the right.

(Momi Chiyogami KP)

Suminagashi

These are traditional-style Japanese hand-marbled papers. “Suminagashi” literally means ink-floating. It refers to the technique of decorating the paper by floating inks in a viscous water solution. The designs are first made by blowing the ink, with the mouth or a straw, across the liquid surface to create a pattern. Once the artist is satisfied with the design, a sheet of paper is carefully placed on top of the ink-covered water and gently removed. In the past only sumi (charcoal-painting) inks were used, but nowadays acrylic inks are used. (Suminagashi-Marbles: 25x37 inches MY)

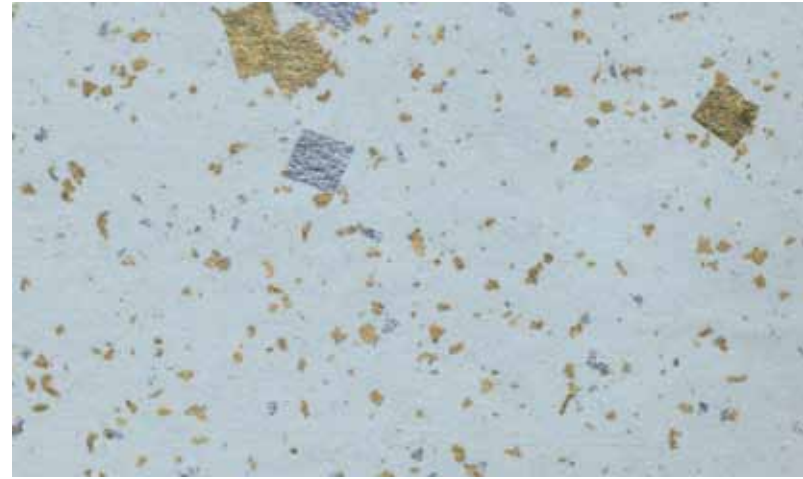
Japanese Doll by Dan Fletcher.



KP-204 Red Diamond Flowers



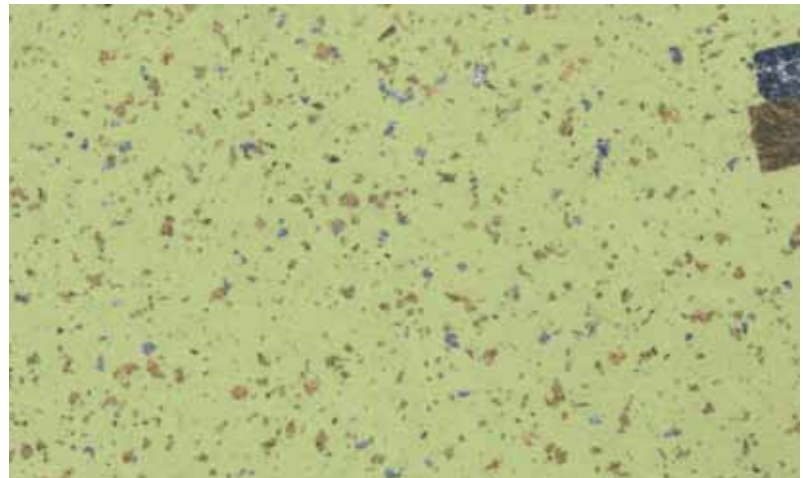
KP-380 Light Blue w/ Gold & Silver Flecks



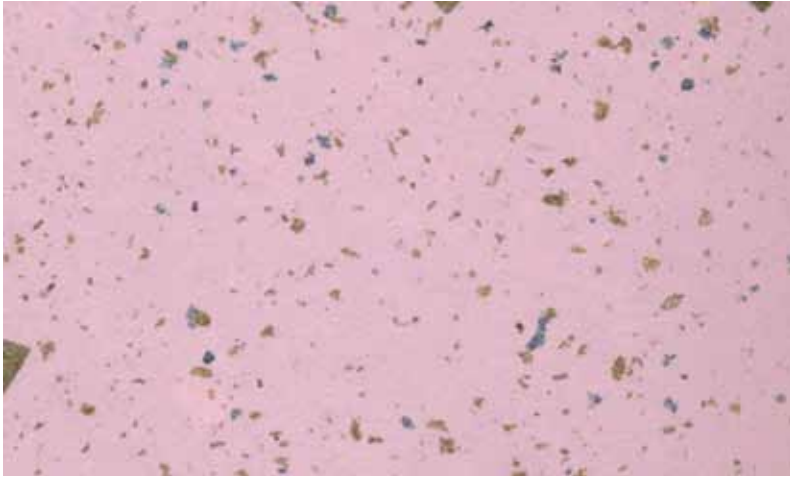
KP-436 Tangerine & Lime Diagonals



KP-383 Yellow Green w/ Gold & Silver Flecks



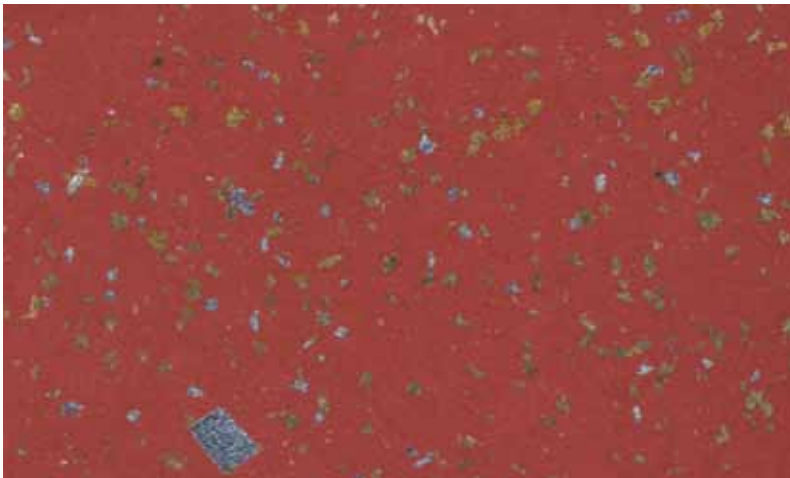
KP-385 Pink w/ Gold & Silver Flecks



KP-393 Momi Noh Symbols on White



KP-386 Red w/ Gold & Silver Flecks



KP-400 Momi Noh Large Wisteria



KP-406 Momi Noh Pine Trees



KP-421 Momi Noh Wisteria on Peach



KP-417 Momi Noh Butterfly



KP-422 Momi Noh Silver & Gold with Flowers



KP-431 Momi Kyosei Flower on Red



KP-451 Chocolate Chiyogami



KP-446 Forest Green Chiyogami



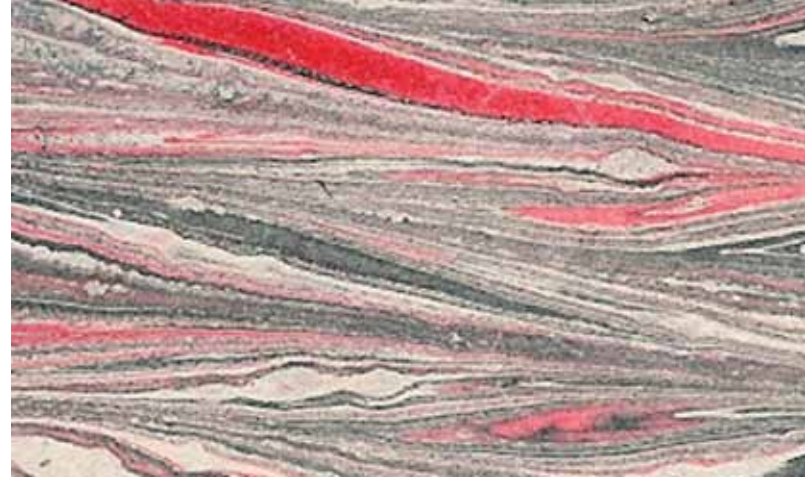
KP-456 Salmon Pink Chiyogami



KP-457 Bright Yellow Chiyogami



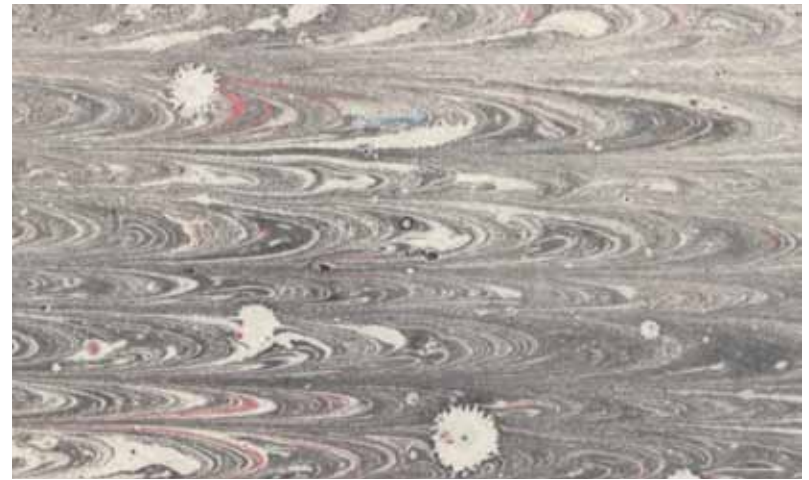
MY-3 Grey-Red Marbled Paper



KP-459 Kelly Green Chiyogami



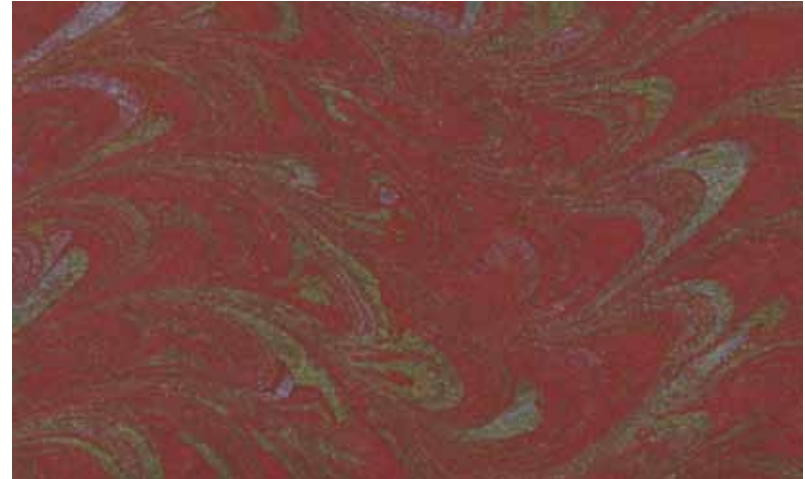
MY-6 Grey-White Marbled Paper



MY-7 Red-White Marbled Paper



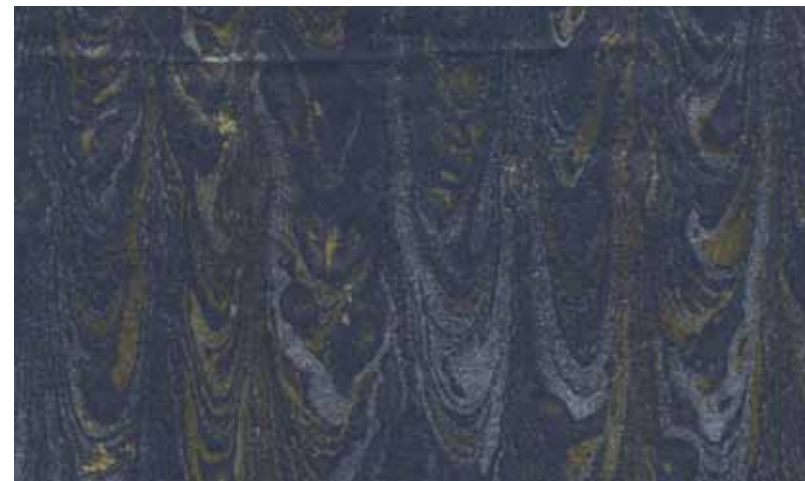
MY-19 Red with Gold Swirls



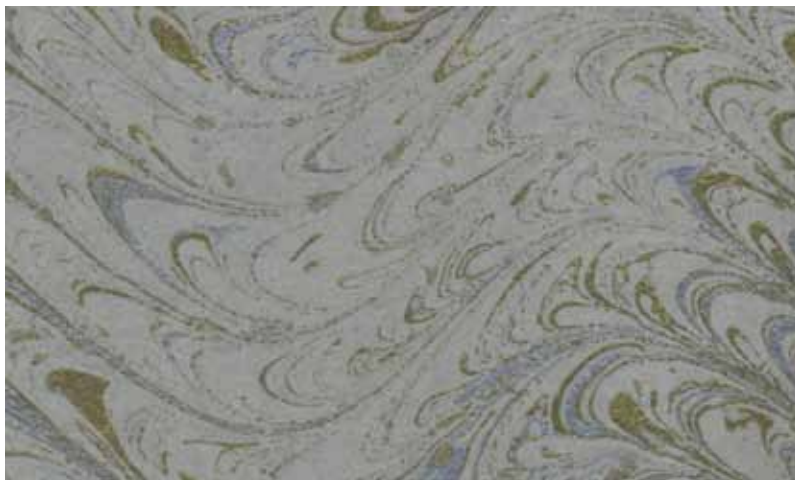
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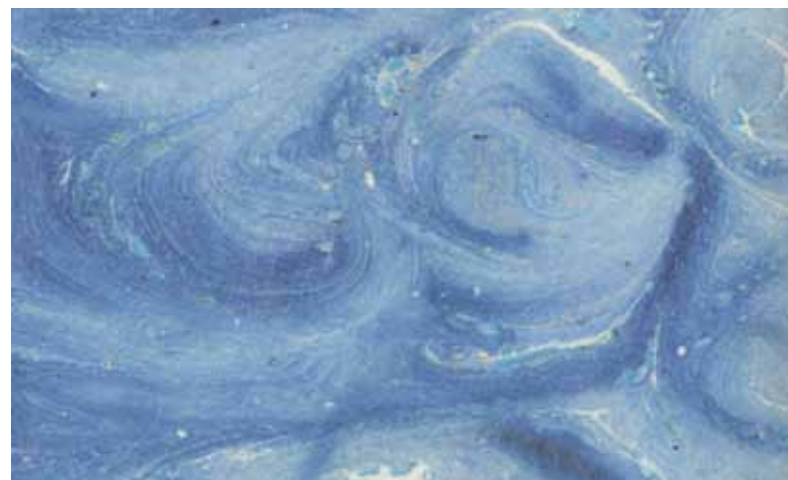
MY-20 Navy with Gold & Silver Swirls



MY-29 Grey with Gold & Silver



MY-33 Blue-White Swirl



MY-31 Lavender with Gold & Silver Swirls



MY-41 Purple with Gold & Silver Swirls



MY-43 Gold with Gold & Silver Swirls



MY-44 Pink with Gold & Silver Swirls

