

## Kimukatsu, Ebisu, Tokyo

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A soil façade for a restaurant is no average design and its exceptional elegance proved to be a flawless union between the traditional Japanese plasterer technique and modern design.

The creation of the façade is sensational. Acrylic plates are randomly laid in on a mortar wall before 0.5mm layers of seaweed glue and straw-mixed soil are to be applied upon it. The engineered soil gives a faint border between walls, windows, signs, or ventilation holes and also enables the Restaurant to change colours naturally throughout the day.

Arguably soil has never been such a trend in terms of package design, and the Restaurant has fast become the landmark of Tokyo and conveys a sense of tranquillity to the bustling city.

