

Solve your equipment problems!

Gear Support Line by Hiroshi Shibutani

Hiroshi Shibutani, the Butterfly equipment advisor, solves your problems; and gives advice when choosing equipment.



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What do you recommend for all-round play?



I admire the all-round play of Jun Mizutani (Svenson) and the way he can make changes in a rally. What equipment can allow me to play at mid-distance away from the table, both attacking and defending, while also making changes to the spin and speed of my play?

Junior High School Boy



Select the equipment with a simple blade and control rubbers.

The primary condition suitable for all-round play is the combination of a simple blade and control rubbers.

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OFF	SOFT	5+2	88g	100
CLASS	FEEL	PLIES	WT	FL x24



TENERGY 05

13	11.5	36
SPD	SPN	DEN

HIGH TENSION
Spring Sponge

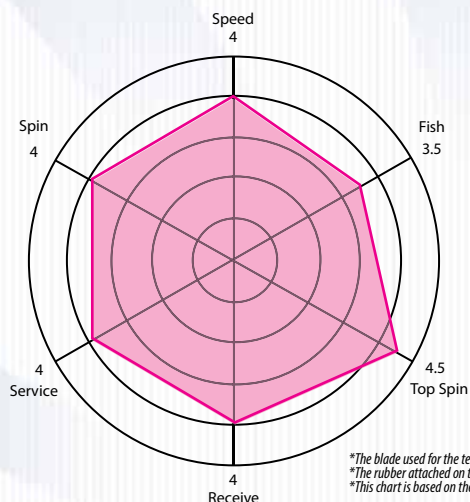


TENERGY 64

13.5	10.5	36
SPD	SPN	DEN

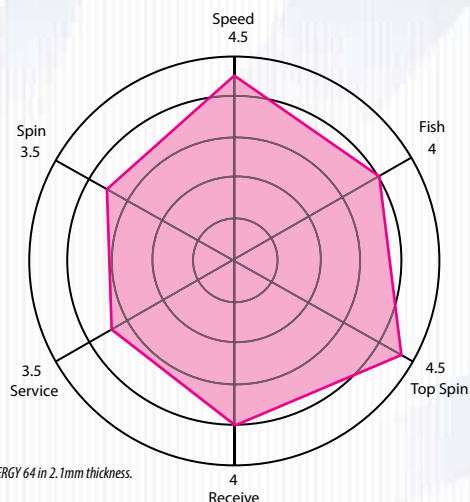
Features of **MIZUTANI JUN • TENERGY 05 + TENERGY 64**

MIZUTANI JUN × TENERGY 05



*The blade used for the testing was MIZUTANI JUN.
*The rubber attached on the forehand was TENERGY 05 in 2.1mm thickness and backhand TENERGY 64 in 2.1mm thickness.
*This chart is based on the advice of Hiroshi Shibutani.

MIZUTANI JUN × TENERGY 64



The best feature of the combination of MIZUTANI JUN and TENERGY series is that they will provide no blind areas with technical deficiencies.

ZL-Carbon is adopted with MIZUTANI JUN. It has both good reaction and soft feeling. It makes various kinds of techniques possible, such as playing over the table and lobbing away from the table. TENERGY 05 on the forehand produces a high-level of spin which makes consistent topspin rallies possible. TENERGY 64 on the backhand, with a soft feeling, makes block and control both close and away from the table possible.

The equipment provides well-balanced all-round play of high quality and is suitable for players of all ability; especially those beyond intermediate level; those who want to make extensive variations in their play.

Second Recommendation **MAZE PERFORMANCE • TENERGY 05 FX + TENERGY 64 FX**



MAZE PERFORMANCE

OFF CLASS SOFT FEEL 5 PLIES 81g WT 100 FL x 24



TENERGY 05 FX

13 SPD 11.5 SPN 36 DEN

HIGH TENSION
Spring Sponge



TENERGY 64 FX

13.5 SPD 10.5 SPN 36 DEN

The combination has the lighter blade than the MIZUTANI JUN and rubbers than the first recommendations, it is quite easy to handle for beginners and intermediate players with less power. Also, it has good control and is recommended for players who seek consistency.

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What Is "ZL Carbon"?

ZL-Carbon, adopted in the MIZUTANI JUN blade is a combination of woven material ZL-Fiber and Carbon (TAMCA 5000). ZL-Fiber is an organic fiber; its features are tension strength and a coefficient of elasticity at the highest level; lighter than Carbon. Also, a feature of Carbon is strength and high reaction. ZL-Carbon is made by weaving ZL-Fiber and Carbon has the advantages of the both materials

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