



World War II collection, all made by Susumu Tomine of Alameda, CA. Topaz or Tule Lake 1942-1945



Susumu Tomine (at right... his wife, Tomoe at left) crafted these pendants from Apricot seeds while incarcerated at Tule Lake or Topaz camps, circa 1942-45. The Tomines were from Alameda, CA



Susumu Tomine crafted this pendant from an apricot seed, while incarcerated at either Topaz or Tule Lake camps, circa 1942-45. The Tomines were from Alameda, CA. It's about the size of a penny.



Susumu Tomine crafted this tiny pendant item while at Topaz or Tule Lake camps, circa 1942-45, made from a plum seed. His daughter, Amy, speculates it could be wedding rings. The Tomines were from Alameda, CA. It's about the width of a penny.



Susumu Tomine crafted this wood pin for his wife, Tomoe, while incarcerated at Tule Lake or Topaz camps, circa 1942-45. The Tomines were from Alameda, CA. About 1.75 inches across



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**Wood item, made by Susumu Tomine of Alameda, CA., while at Topaz or Tule Lake 1942-1945
About the size of a penny**



**Wood item, made by Susumu Tomine of Alameda, CA., while
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About the size of two quarters**



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**Abalone shell bird, made by Susumu Tomine of Alameda, CA., while at Topaz
or Tule Lake 1942-1945
About the size of a half dollar coin**



Shirt buttons made from Apricot Seeds by Susumu Tomine of Alameda, CA., while at Topaz or Tule Lake. At right is the back of the button/seed. Circa 1942-1945



Duck or Mallard, made by Susumu Tomine of Alameda, CA
while at Topaz or Tule Lake circa 1942-1945

Wing tip to wing tip is 2 3/4 inches. Wing tip to tail is 2 1/2 inches. Beak to opposite Wing is 2 3/4 inches



Ashtray, with a smaller space to hold matches, made by Susumu Tomine probably at Tule Lake (or Topaz), circa 1942-1945
Courtesy Amy Tomine, Alameda, CA



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Barracks, Topaz or Tule Lake, by Susumu Tomine. The Japanese writing at right says "January 16." Sus arrived at Tule Lake in September 1943, from Topaz. Likely colored pencil and watercolor.