

#### **GROUP 1**

### \* Brief



**Love For Wagashi** is an up-and-coming business selling Japanese confectioneries to customers missing Japan. They specialise in freshly made handcrafted Nerikiri and other traditional forms of Wagashi.



### **PROBLEM**

Love For Wagashi sells Japanese confectioneries that are made by a self-taught Singaporean.



### **OBJECTIVE**

Lessen consumer doubts regarding Japanese desserts made by non-local hands.

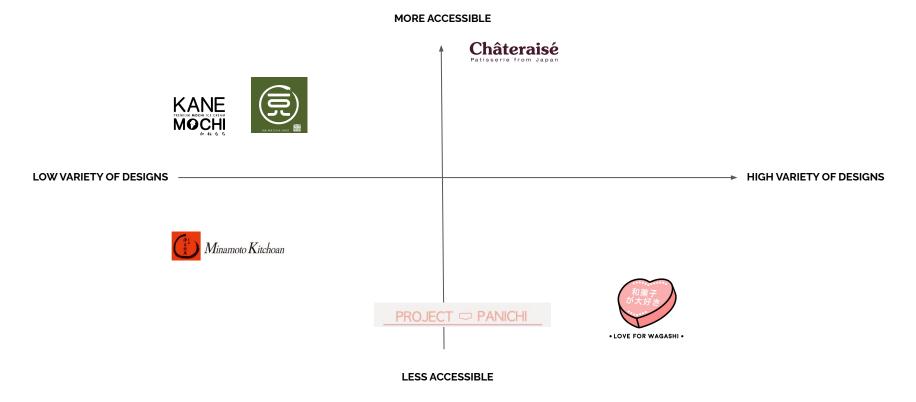
# ✿ Industry Analysis

BRAND	Minamoto Kitchoan	Châteraisé Patisserie from Japan	KANE PREMIUM MOCHI ICE CREAM MOCHI  no ta 6 to		PROJECT - PANICHI
ACCESSIBILITY (PHYSICAL/ ONLINE STORES)	1 physical store at Takashimaya  Packaged Wagashi is available for self-collection and delivery on their website	31 physical stores  Products are available for self-collection or delivery from their stores, using their own order-taking platform	3 physical stores  Islandwide delivery is available with a flat fee of \$20+  Self-collection is unavailable	3 physical stores  Available on apps like FoodPanda, GrabFood and Deliveroo for pick-up/delivery	No physical stores  Kohakuto (edible gems) are handcrafted-to-order  Self collection and delivery available
VARIETY OF DESIGNS	Little variation in Design Uniform design for each type of wagashi offered	Large variety of designs Seasonal/Festive designs across many products	Little variation in Design Flavours have their unique colors No other distinct design choices	Little variation in Design Similar designs for delicacies offered  E.g Same pancake with different printed designs	Seasonal/Festive Designs Designs change every 2 to 3 months  Selection of 5 designs each period

\*information accurate as of 17 Nov 2021

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INNOVATIVE/ TRADITIONAL FLAVOURS	Traditional  No attempt to stray from traditional  Japanese flavours	Traditional Uses traditional flavours such as matcha, green tea, red bean, etc	Innovative Uses innovative flavours like thai milk tea, korean banana milk, etc	Traditional Products are based on matcha with red bean filling	Innovative Incorporates Singaporean flavours like Pulut Inti and SG Sling
MAINSTREAM/ NICHE	Mainstream Has regular (Tsuya, Yokan, Mochi in different flavours) and seasonal wagashi (Chocolate Mikasa, Suikanshuku)	Mainstream Sells a large range of japanese confectionaries (cakes, ice creams, etc), along with macarons and choux pastries	<b>Niche</b> Only specialises in mochis (19 flavours)	Niche Specialises in various matcha delicacies like warabi mochi, obanyaki (pancake), parfaits, drinks, etc	<b>Niche</b> Only specialises in Kohakuto wagashi

# **Competitive Analysis**



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TRADITIONAL FLAVOURS

## ♣ Target Audience

- People who are interested in other countries and cultures
  - People who are interested in handcrafted things
  - People who love to hunt for food

**☆** Target Audience (Targeting)



# Intercultural Communication & Assimilation

(The socio-cultural implications of covid-19, 2020)

### **\*** Consumer Research



More interest in Japanese culture

(The Economist, 2021)

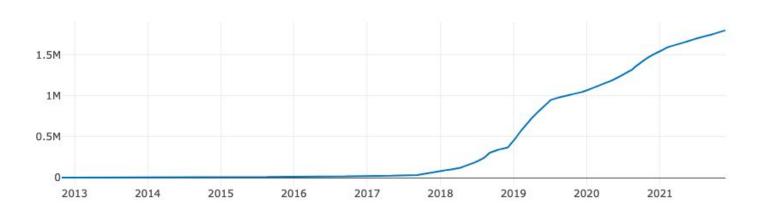


248% subscribers increase in r/japantravel

(Subreddit stats - statistics for every subreddit. n.d.)

### **Consumer Research**

### R/JAPANTRAVEL SUBSCRIBERS



# \* Key Insights

### Japanese desserts are..



Are not authentic unless chef learns from a Japanese.



May taste nice but it's still not 100% authentic.



Is okay if the non-Japanese makes the dessert with sincerity.



Is okay as long as the standard and taste is there.

BASED ON 8 RESPONDENTS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 20 TO 25

### **⇔** Persona



### Japan-Lover Jane

Jane is a undergraduate design student from a well-to-do family. She loves all things Japanese – much of her choice of food, clothes, furniture, design and work take inspiration from Japanese culture.

AGE 22
INCOME \$600 per month

**OCCUPATION** Design student

MOTIVATIONS	FRUSTRATIONS
<ul> <li>Wants to find the best stores/brands for each type of Japanese cuisine</li> <li>Wants to travel to Japan every year</li> <li>Will eat pricey food often if it is up to standard (reputation)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Japanese food that is not up to standard (reputation)</li> <li>Travelling to remote/hard to find locations just to eat</li> </ul>

#### INTERESTS

- Japanese Culture
- Japanese Cuisine
- Designing
- DIY Handicrafts
- Anime
- Cute artworks and design
- Travelling

Our Positioning (Purpose)

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To culture enthusiasts who simply cannot scratch the itch to explore, Love For Wagashi offers handcrafted traditional Japanese confectioneries that promises to be a treat for the senses. Specialising in niche nerikiri with a wide variety of seasonal designs, they bring you an authentic taste of Japan to beat the travel blues.

# \* Brand Personality (Purpose)

LUXURIOUS		AFFORDABLE	We offer products that make consumers feel like they are in Japan at an affordable price. To establish credibility and justify our prices, we keep our content sophisticated and honest.
ELEGANT		We produce content that is tasteful and refined k wit through our mood and tone. We use a casual make consumers feel closer to the brand.	
FEMININE	YET	GENDER-NEUTRAL	We convey femininity and gentleness in our look and feel while still retaining a gender-neutral outlook for the overall brand.
EXCLUSIVE		OPEN	We keep our content open to interpretation and conversation while being exclusive by giving social media followers the latest scoop, using personalised messaging and providing behind-the-scenes content.

## **A** Campaign Objectives



### INCREASE BRAND AWARENESS IN 3 MONTHS

1 Dec 2021 - 28 Feb 2022

Increase awareness for Love for Wagashi as a wagashi business in Singapore selling handcrafted traditional desserts by strengthening their brand and increasing their online presence.

Reach	Increase	Increase	Posting
1,000	30%	50%	3x per week
IG followers	website traffic	reach and impressions	Instagram to improve online brand
		on IG posts	presence

# our Big Idea

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Our big idea shows how polar opposites can come together, be harmonious and complement each other. We want to prove to consumers that a non-Japanese can create food that tastes exactly like how a Japanese local would make it.

# \* Brand Guide (Identity)



# \* Style Guide (Identity)

### **MOODBOARD**



#### **COLOUR SCHEME**



### **\*** Creative Deliverables



Instagram



Posts and IG Stories

### **\*** Creative Deliverables

**INSTAGRAM 9 POSTS** 





#### **CAPTION**

Rise and shine or dressed to the nines. \*> >



**HAPPY AND SAD** 

### CAPTION

Take the bitter with the sweet and make your life better, full and complete.  $\ensuremath{\heartsuit}$ 



### **HOT AND COLD**

### **CAPTION**

You're looking hot. Want to beat the heat with a cold wagashi? ( $\lnot \blacksquare \_ \blacksquare$ )

### **Creative Deliverables**

**INSTAGRAM 9 POSTS** 





#### CAPTION

Last christmas I gave you my heart; this year I'll give you wagashi. 🌳



**START AND END** 

#### CAPTION

The best kind of glow up. 💅



### **BRAND STORY FACT**

#### **CAPTION**

Japan, we miss you so matcha. 🥺



### **\*** Creative Deliverables

**INSTAGRAM 9 POSTS** 



**BIRTH AND DEATH** 

#### **CAPTION**

Endings aren't always bad when the beginning is just within reach.  $\infty$ 



TRADITIONAL AND MODERN

#### CAPTION

Gen Z vs Gen X? Nah, Generation Yum. 😋



### **LEFT-BRAIN AND RIGHT-BRAIN**

#### CAPTION

Left or right brained, delicious is just delicious.

### **\*** Creative Deliverables

ANIMATIC

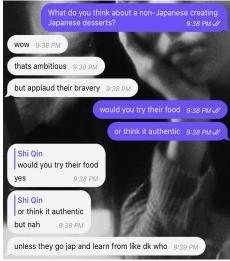




### ♣ Appendix

#### QUALITATIVE SURVEY RESPONSES



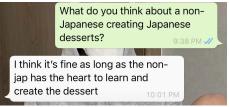




What do you think about a non-Japanese creating Japanese desserts? 11:47 PM //

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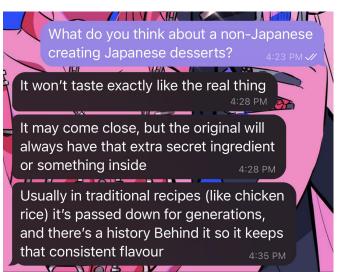
What do you think about a non-Japanese cre....
I'm personally okay with it, as long as they know how to make it properly. it's the same with chefs specialising in diff cuisines ba - better if it's a local making it but can't complain if the person has the right skills to make the dish good



# Appendix

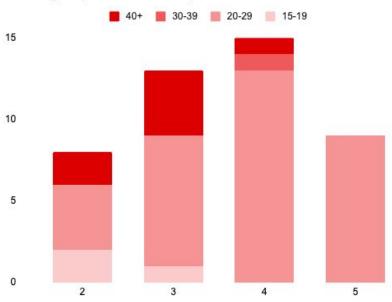






# Appendix QUANTITATIVE SURVEY RESPONSES





**Slightly over half** (53%) of respondents were highly interested in Japanese Culture or Cuisine.