Quicksearch allows you to search for Chinese, Japanese, and Korean (CJK) materials by the original scripts and romanized forms. The Yale University Library follows the ALA-LC Romanization Tables [1] to romanize CJK scripts. For more information about searching by romanized form, go to https://guides.library.yale.edu/cjk-romanization/ [2]

Searching in CJK scripts is as easy as searching in other scripts. You can also search in a combination of CJK scripts and English. Follow the Quicksearch Search Tips [3] and search away.

To maximize the discovery of Japanese materials, Hiragana characters and Katakana characters are normalized and inter-searchable in Book+. The same number of results will return no matter which character is used.

Search for “Japan” in Hiragana: 250 results

Search for “Japan” in Katakana: 250 results
To maximize the discovery of CJK materials, Han character variants (simplified Chinese, traditional Chinese, Japanese Kanji, and Korean Hanja) are normalized and inter-searchable in Book+.

Search for “Mao Zedong” in simplified Chinese: 2106 results
Search for “Mao Zedong” in traditional Chinese: 2106 results

Search for “Mao Zedong” in Japanese kanji: 2106 results
When the search returns a mix of Japanese, Chinese and Korean language records, you can narrow down to specific language materials using the language facet.
[2] https://guides.library.yale.edu/cjk-romanization/
[3] https://web.library.yale.edu/quicksearch