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MINGA
FAIR TRADE IMPORTS

2019
jewelry &
accessories





Chris, Founder and CEO

Sometimes people ask us, "Does Fair Trade work?" We answer with a resounding "Yes!" Over many years we have seen the progress of many artisans, not only economically but also socially and culturally - as they grow in their skills, find new friendships, provide work for others and even fulfill dreams.

It's an impressive thing to see how a product as simple as a bracelet has allowed artisans to build houses, pay for needed medicines and surgeries, employ entire families and pay for good education of their children. Read about some of these experiences in this catalog and on our website.

Fair Trade works! All of this is possible because of the long-term relationships Fair Trade fosters, providing a steady workflow that allows permanent improvements to the artisans' lives and enriching ours in the process. But since Minga does not sell to the public, we recognize that without retailers like you, we would not have the privilege of sharing for so long in this gratifying work.

Thank you for taking the time to review our catalog and try out new products. Rest assured that any purchase you make, allows us all to continue supporting the construction of dreams.

Your Friends at Minga: Christopher, Elizabeth, Jia Xin, Ivan, Mishelle, Gaby, Xander, Jennifer, Deb, Mitchell & Christy.

In 2019 we are determined to make ordering from Minga Fair Trade Imports easier. Our catalogs will be smaller, focusing on specific product categories and featuring only our new designs and top sellers in each category. Let us know if you would like a copy of these additional category offerings.

- Fair Trade Kid's Clothing & Playthings
- Fair Trade Home Decor & Stationery
- Fair Trade for Pets
- Fair Trade Winter Wear
- Fair Trade for Zoo's, Museums, Parks & Aquariums

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Mishelle,
Sales Associate

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- We'll help promote your brand with customized marketing materials.
- We take all forms of credit cards and have low minimum orders (\$200 to open; \$50 re-order).



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Visit Us Any Time!

We are ready anytime to offer a warm welcome to our clients at the Minga warehouse.

- Be the first to see new products and receive unique deals.
- New products arrive monthly.
- Discover new display pieces in our showroom.
- Hand pick your order or get help from staff.
- Select exclusive items not offered in our catalog.

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- Check the bottom of your most recent invoice.
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- Customized Marketing Materials
- Product Display Items

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Want free shipping* and one-of-a-kind items? Get groups of unique products and bundles of beautiful fair trade items. All sales final.

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It's Also Personal

"Minga has been a great door of opportunity for myself and those who work with me. It is much more than just work, it's also personal. Behind the name Minga, there are people to whom I am very grateful for and I appreciate their trust in my work. These words are few, but

much more extensive is my gratitude and love for our work and continued growth together. I know that for many years we will continue.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my art, creativity and hard work. The years that we have worked together

as supplier and client go much further than "we have an order" -- our relationship is one of friendship and trust.

With all my heart, a thousand thanks."

Lash Carter



NEW

Mixed Metal Jewelry

This handcrafted wearable art features brass, copper, and alpaca silver metals layered in elegant motifs. Matching earrings with surgical steel hooks. Thick leather cord. Adjustable lobster clasp. Choose Brass, Silver, or Copper styles for each set. Made in Perú.

Long Leaf Set #21866

Necklace #21866N

Earrings #21866E

Three Leaves Set #21868

Necklace #21868N

Earrings #21868E

Maple Leaf Set #21869

Necklace #21869N

Earrings #21869E

Vida Set #21865

Necklace #21865N

Earrings #21865E

Simple Stone Necklace

#21720

Minimalist necklace on a short cord with adjustable lobster clasp. Comes in a variety of colored semi-precious stones. Pendant 3/4-1" long. Made in Ecuador.



Know Your Minerals

We use many different semi-precious materials in our jewelry. A chart of the most commonly used ones is below.



Pendulum Necklace

#28530

Points of natural stone in a simple cap. Available in two styles. Approximate pendant length: 1 1/4". 24" chain. Made in Perú.



NEW

Stone Bar Set #21867 Necklace #21867N Earrings #21867E

This set features expertly hammered metal and settings of semi-precious stones and a beautiful shell called Spondylus. Necklaces come on a sturdy, 19" leather cord with adjustable lobster clasp closure. Comes in alpaca silver, bronze, and copper. Pendant length: 1 1/4". Made in Perú.



Helping others achieve their dreams

When she was 15, Yandira started helping her father, Reinaldo, make and sell handcrafted stone figures and jewelry on her school breaks. Although she enrolled in a university right after high school, it took her 9 years to complete her studies due to their limited income. Inspired by her father's determination to educate all three of his children, Yandira and her sister, Banessa (photo, left), took time off from school to help with expenses. This collective effort helped their younger brother, Eric, get his university degree as well.



Since her brother recently graduated, Yandira is now able to focus on her dream! Renting space in their family store, she is taking classes in design and growing her line of products with Minga FTI. Living with her family, Yandira enjoys riding her bike and taking in nature.

Mineral Necklace in Silver Setting **NEW**

#21632

Dainty point of semi-precious stone on silver plated chain. Made in Perú.



Citrine

Quartz

Pyrite

Amethyst

Tourmaline



Astral Pendants Chains sold separately pg 8

#28531

Nuggets of various semi-precious stone set in a simple cap. Approximate length: 1". Made in Perú.



Amethyst Specimen Necklace **NEW**

#28930

Beautiful, natural amethyst stone with alpaca setting on a black cord with lobster clasp. Each mineral specimen is unique and varies in color and size. Avg. 1" x 1 1/4". Made in Perú.



Framed Necklace

#21630

Framed cabochons of semi-precious stones in alpaca silver. Comes in various shapes and colors. 18" chain. Made in Perú.



Vivid Necklace

#51630

Leftover stone chips are set in resin and cast in dynamic shapes. Lobster clasp closure. Pendant dimensions: 3/4-1" wide and 1 1/2-2" long. 18" chain. Made in Perú.



Tree of Life Necklace

#21631

Gorgeous wire wrapped, semi-precious stone tree pendant. Lobster clasp, pendant diameter 2", 24" chain. Made in Perú.

(Text on back of card)

Jewelry that keeps traditions alive.

Fair trade is about ensuring good wages and safe conditions for artisans who are making a product. We go beyond that and practice responsibility in all of our work - we call it 360° fair trade. It's about building deeper, long term partnerships that empower artisans to grow their businesses and strengthen their communities.



Art Glass Necklace

#29182

Glass is fused together and accented with a twisted wire detail. Necklace adjusts 12-14". Pendant length: 1-2½". Made in Ecuador.



Have a Heart Set

#21640

A lovely and simple set carved from semi-precious stone. Available in 10 colors. 22" chain. Earrings on surgical steel wires. Made in Perú.

- Stone Colors
1. Amethyst
 2. Crystal
 3. Moonstone
 4. Rose Quartz
 5. Jade
 6. Malachite
 7. Turquoise
 8. Onyx
 9. Goldstone
 10. Tiger's Eye



Stone Solo Set

#28250

Available in various colors and shapes. Pendants measure ¾-1" wide and 1" long. 16" chain. Made in Perú.



Link Chain 20"

#21033

Lobster closure. Alpaca silver. Made in Perú.



Silver Plated Chain 16" or 24"

#21035

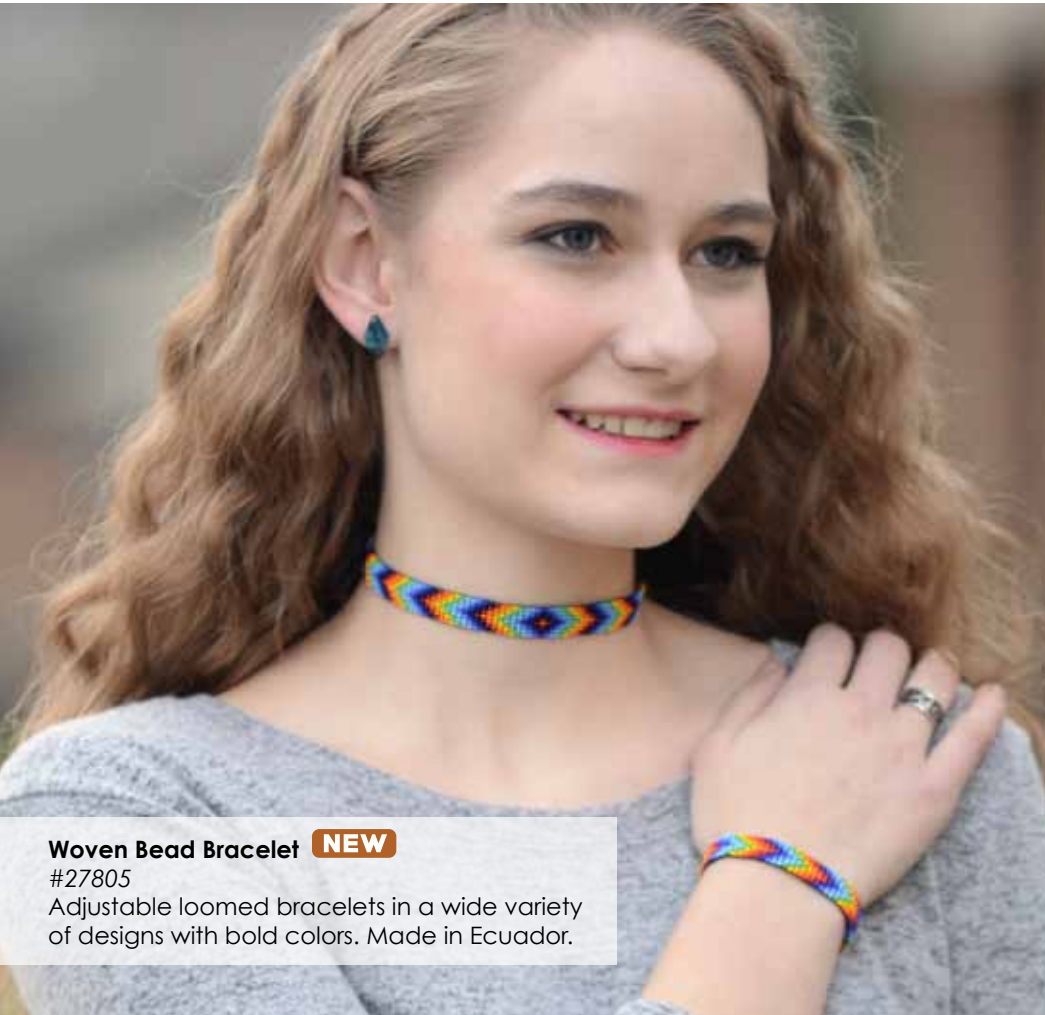
Lobster closure. Made in Perú.



Woven Bead Choker NEW

#20890

Adjustable loomed choker in a wide variety of designs with bold colors. Made in Ecuador.



Woven Bead Bracelet NEW

#27805

Adjustable loomed bracelets in a wide variety of designs with bold colors. Made in Ecuador.

Cheese, Czech Beads and a Better Future

In the early 1900s, the Saraguro Kichwa people of southern Ecuador discovered glass seed beads from the Czech Republic. The Saraguros were trading cheese for beads with the Shuar people who acquired the beads through their trade along the Amazon river.

Luz and Mauro are both Saraguros who moved to Quito as young newlyweds, hoping for a better life. Four years ago, they both lost their jobs and decided to use their severance to start creating

their traditional beaded jewelry, using their own new designs and selling at the city markets. Doing so has resulted in their earning more income than when they were employees, with the added benefits of showcasing their culture and providing good work to others.

Selling more to Minga Fair Trade Imports means more time with their children and less time traveling to sell at fairs and festivals. Luz plans to use additional income to give their children a better education, and

Mauro hopes to build a house with a loan from Minga, which they'll repay with product.



Employing the Less Fortunate

This country gal and city boy married in 1992. Albert, a gifted mechanic, and Magdalena, the business head, are both passionate about their work. They laugh easily, but it has not been an easy road.

Right after they married, Albert lost his job when the factory he worked for closed. They just had their first child and had no food. A friend taught them to carve animal figurines from the tagua nut and before long they started making necklaces. Magdalena walked up and down the beach nearby

selling their tagua creations, her small daughter in tow.

Sales were minimal as the country was in a recession so they began doing odd jobs to get by. They moved to a cheap place in the city, and Magdalena went out selling everywhere. She recalls simply: "We suffered a lot."

In 2007, they started selling to Minga and were able to employ four neighbors that year. Albert and Magdalena enjoy giving work to less fortunate individuals, remembering their

own difficult days. They now employ 10-14 women. They are grateful for having persevered and especially thankful for their workers who are now very skilled.



Caramelo Set **NEW**

#23898

Classic but simple set. Pebble shaped tagua beads strung on adjustable cord. Brass accent beads and matching earrings. Made in Ecuador.

Grace Set **NEW**

#23899

Two elegant strands of tagua beads with brass bead accents. Comes on an adjustable sliding cord. Matching earrings. Made in Ecuador.

Red

Blue

Arrow Set **NEW**

#23893

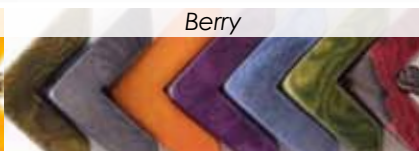
Trendy pendant made from carved and dyed tagua. Comes with matching earrings. Pendant height 2¾". Made in Ecuador.



Berry



Multi



Berry

Bubble Set

#23650

Rounded tagua discs in sophisticated color combinations. Necklace adjusts from 12-24". Made in Ecuador.



Raspberry



Moss



Sea Glass



Raspberry

Esfera Necklace

#23751

Petite, perfectly round tagua beads strung on a double tier necklace with small glass bead accents. Necklace adjusts 10-26". Made in Ecuador.



Sea Glass

Radiance 2pc Set

#23894

Two piece set made with richly dyed tagua beads in geometric shapes. Comes with matching necklace and earrings. See matching bracelet (sold separately) on page 18. Open ended tie closure. Made in Ecuador.



Cinco Tagua Necklace

#23842

Large tagua nut beads dyed striking colors on an adjustable cord. Maximum length of 35". Available in four colors. Made in Ecuador.



Berry



Waterfall Set

#23752

Cascading necklace of thin tagua slices dyed in brilliant color. A gorgeous statement necklace for a bold look. Matching earrings. Necklace adjusts 10-32". Made in Ecuador.



Purple



Melody Set

#23897

Lively carved tagua set with multicolored beads and brass accents. Sliding adjustable cord with maximum length of 32½". Made in Ecuador.



Purple



Tonal Seed Set

#23750

Clustered acaí beads in richly dyed tones. Necklace adjusts 12-42". Made in Ecuador.



Green



NEW

Nouveau Earring

#23886

Mixed media leather and tagua earrings. Quirky and colorful in a variety of designs and colors. Made in Ecuador.



Hex



Angel



Arbor



Leaf of Tagua



Búho



Moonbeam



Flecha



Leaf of Leather



Loopy



Botanical



Botanical Slice



Fan

NEW

Mixed Metal Earrings

#21885

Stylish earrings made from copper, bronze and alpaca silver. Made in Perú.



Art Glass Studs

#29185

A wide variety of colors in glass. Available in a variety of shapes and colors. Each pair is unique. Approximately 1/4" in diameter. Made in Ecuador.



Diamond

Triangle

Round

NEW

Art Glass Stud Trio

#29880

The fusing process creates bubbly imperfections in the glass that adds character and ensures that each pair is unique. Approximately 1/4" in diameter. Hypoallergenic posts. Variety of shapes based on Art Glass Studs. Made in Ecuador.



Oval

Square



Large Square

Curved



Art Glass Earrings

#29481

Hand wrapped wire detail on colorful fused glass. Length: 1-2". Made in Ecuador.

Naked Art Glass Earrings

#29181

A wide variety of colors and shapes expressed in glass. Length: 1-2". Made in Ecuador.



Check out **Minga's YouTube Channel** for videos featuring Aida and other artisans!

www.youtube.com/MingaFTI

Making a future for her children, one earring at a time

As a single mom, Aida designed and built a home for herself and her three children. Two of her children are still in school, one studying dentistry and the other film production. The third child studied graphic design and now works in Quito. Aida's greatest desire is to help her children complete their education.

Making others happy is important for Aida, and she spends many nights cutting, washing, and polishing each

piece of glass meticulously. She loves it when she sees a customer admiring her creations and adds, "I'm grateful to you, the customer, for valuing my work. You should know each piece you buy is a big help to me and my family because, with this money and the encouragement you give me, I can help them fulfill their dreams."

Read more of Aida's story at www.mingaimports.com/aida-m



NEW

Magdalena Hoops

#23884

Colorfully dyed tagua hoops with hypoallergenic posts. Approximately 1" in diameter. Made in Ecuador.



Tagua Stud Earrings #23983

Classic, simple tagua earrings in different shapes. Four styles available: 10mm or 14mm Round and 7mm or 9mm Pearls.

NEW

Tagua Stud Trio #23885

Our best selling Tagua Studs are now bundled in sets of three trendy colors. Four styles available: 10mm or 14mm Round and 7mm or 9mm Pearls. Made in Ecuador.

The House That Grew from Seeds

Andrés' family has worked with tagua, a material carved from hardened palm seeds, for decades. When he married Juanita, they bought his brother's shop and started in the tagua business, too, selling items their families made. Juanita's smile lights the room as she explains her work to her customers. She loves to include her neighbors and friends in the work. They laugh together as they work. She says, "When we get an order, there's happiness around here." Over the

years, they have provided jobs and training for dozens of people as well as ensuring their children's future.

With loans and fairly-paid orders from Minga Fair Trade Imports, they have been able to build a brand-new two-story home with space for workshops and an apartment to rent out, "the house that grew from seeds."





Arroz



Bolas



Botany



Bumblebees



Buttons



Cascades



Circle Drops



Clusters



Crescents



Cubes



Cylinders



Daisies



Discs



Geo

Tagua Earrings #23881

A style of earring to meet every occasion! Each style available in the variety of colors shown here. Order a variety pack or by specific style. We're adding new styles all the time! Length: 1/4-2". Made in Ecuador.



Geo (Plain)



Hoops



Links



Little Squares



Long Pearls



Narrow Trios



Pebbles



Plaques



Popsicles



Safari



Sandals



Snowman



Target



Teardrops



Thick Slices



Thin Slices



Treble



Triads



Twigs



Wire Hoops



Worn Plaque



Suspended Form Earrings
 #28881
 Elegant earrings made from semi-precious stone and alpaca silver. Various wire shapes orbit floating stones. Available in Double or Triple design. Surgical steel hooks. Made in Perú.



Jane Earrings
 #28284
 Our Jane Earrings may be plain, but the sheer number of color and style combinations make these earrings a big seller. Order a package to receive a combination of the colors and styles shown here. Length: 1/4-1/2". Made in Perú.



Boho Earring #21680
 Our trendiest earring styles have now come together! Made with alpaca silver and semi-precious stones. Length: 1-1 3/4". Made in Perú.



Petals

Spikes



Petals



Pyramid



Ear Jacket Studs
 #28681

Trendy earrings that can be worn as plain studs or dressed up with a jacket for extra dimension! Set with semi-precious stones, each style has its own flare. Order a variety and get different colors and styles. Surgical steel posts. Made in Perú.

Ribbons



Incan



Lotus



Comes in a wide variety of stone colors!

Paying Loans With Seeds From the Rainforest

José has been a jewelry artisan for over 18 years. He and his wife Anita specialize in creating designs from natural materials collected from the rainforests of Ecuador and Colombia. Together they complete every step of the production process: from collecting the raw materials to drilling

the holes in the beads, and finally stringing their distinctive jewelry. When large orders come from Minga, everyone helps with production, including José's father.

For José and Anita, their three children's education is the top priority. José says, "They can work with their hands,

but I want them to study and attend university, so they can have an easier life." José is grateful that Minga FTI provides 0% loans to artisans and lets them pay with product little by little. This financial relief has enabled them to focus on their children's education.



Native Earring #22880

Earthy, textured and colorful earrings in a wide variety of styles. Made with coconut, acai, achera, huayruro and pambil seeds collected by hand from the jungle floor. Made in Ecuador.



Natural

Colorful

Simple Seed Bracelet #22820

A variety of colorful jungle seeds on nylon cord. Slide closure. Available colors shown. Made in Ecuador.





WHAT IS TAGUA?

Tagua is an ivory-like nut harvested from palm trees indigenous to the South American countryside. Your purchase is helping to protect the earth's animals and environment.

TAGUA HELPS

Discourage Poaching

It provides an alternative to ivory, so the slaughter of elephants is reduced.

Create Jobs

Demand for hand crafted tagua provides much needed jobs for farmers and artisans

Prevent Deforestation

Tagua products encourage the growth and maintenance of the Tagua Palm which encourages reforestation.



Rock Stretch Bracelet #23820

Tagua beads in organic pebble shapes. Strung on elastic. Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter collections available. Made in Ecuador.

Arroz Bracelet #23222

Rice shaped tagua beads on elastic. Stackable! Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter collections available. Made in Ecuador.



Pebble Stretch Bracelet #23895

Pellet shaped beads made from richly dyed tagua. Available in a variety of Spring/Summer or Fall/Winter colors plus Multi! Made in Ecuador.



Radiance Bracelet

#23894B

Geometric tagua beads strung on elastic. Also available: matching necklace and earrings on pg 10. Made in Ecuador.



Worn Plaque Bracelet #23825

Plaques of dyed tagua with a worn look. Two styles available: Horizontal (left) and Vertical (right). Available in Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter colors. Beads approx.. 1 1/2" long. Made in Ecuador.



Propeller Bracelet Multi #23322M - Solids #23322S

Propeller shaped tagua beads on elastic. Ask for solids, multi or a mixture of both. Beads are approximately 1 1/2" long. Made in Ecuador.

Espiga Bracelet

#21721

Light weight alpaca silver cuff with unique teardrop and circle semi-precious stone settings. Variety of solid and multi-colored. Adjustable band. Made in Perú.



Boho Cuff

#21800

Lively mix of alpaca silver bracelets with semi-precious stone. Variety of colors and designs. Adjustable. Made in Perú.



Cursive Leather Bracelet

#28821

Formed leather cuffs with intricate alpaca silver detailing and semi-precious stone. Clasp on back. Made in Perú.



Leather Feather Bracelet

#29822

Expertly crafted bracelet with high quality leather. Features a feather motif and colored thread designs. Adjustable snap closure. Dimensions: L: 9¾" x W: ¾". Made in Ecuador.



Ramos Bracelet

#29621

Beautifully crafted and sturdy, this bracelet makes a great gift. Brass colored buckle and adjustable strap. Length of 8-9¾" and width of 1½". Stamped with various designs. Made in Ecuador.



"Suddenly independent at the age of 19, I first started working with ceramics and later worked with up-cycled materials. Now, I primarily work with leather goods. I believe that if we focus on the materials that the earth has given us, we will find a way to combine them and make products that bring people joy."

- Leather Artisan Miguel Angel

In His Honor

Hector and Susana started working with Minga Fair Trade Imports in 2009 making several of our most popular leather bracelets. They also made shoes, sandals, masks, wallets, and belts. Together they worked as a team. Hector took care of the heavy lifting and worked hard at sales; while Susana focused on the finer details, and quality control.

Sadly, Susana became a widow in March of 2017 when Hector passed away of

cancer. She is 60 years old and finds it a challenge to do everything without Hector's help, so her children lend assistance when necessary.

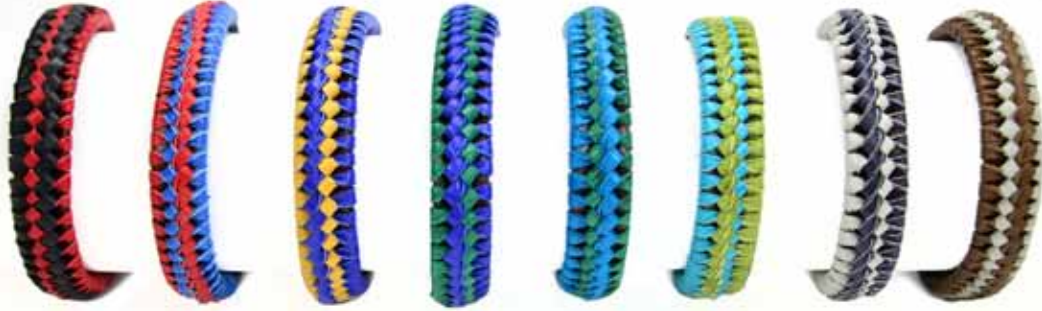
She is glad to carry on in the work she shared with Hector for over 30 years. She has stayed competitive by coming up with new designs, improving quality, and keeping prices low.



Leather Zip Bracelet

#29720

Beautifully crafted with supple leather. Adjustable slide closure. Made in Ecuador.



Leather Totem Bracelet

#29721

Stamped leather bands with geometric patterns and motifs. Adjustable snap closure. Width is 5/8". Made in Perú.

Bibi Bracelet

#21320

Vibrant, summer colors that mix and match for ultimate stackability. Cotton cord with an adjustable slide closure. Made in Perú.



Teardrop Leather Bracelet

#28520

Thin, simple leather bracelet with a teardrop shaped semi-precious stone charm framed with aluminum spirals. Adjustable hook clasp. Made in Perú.





NEW STYLES

Motto Ring #21402

Variety of personalized messages. Order by individual phrase or ask for a variety. Adjustable, alpaca silver. Made in Perú.
 Styles: Be Grateful, Be the Change, Boldly Explore, Carpe Diem, Cat Lover, Dog Lover, Don't Quit, Dream Big, Faith Believe, Give Freely, Imagine Dream, Just Breathe, Laugh Love, Live Healthy, Live Simply, Love Always, Love Life, Love Peace, Share Hope, Show Passion, Sing Out Loud, Smile Often, Strength Courage, Walk Tall



NEW

Mixed Metal Ring #21806

Intricate scrollwork designs with semi-precious stone settings. Adjustable band. Alapca silver and Brass. Made in Perú.



Mini Twin Stone Ring #21804

A variety of dainty semi-precious stones set in an adjustable alpaca silver band. Made in Perú.



Stone Labrado Ring #21805

Adjustable alpaca silver ring with a singular semi-precious setting. Comes in different colored stones. Band has delicate detailing. Made in Perú.



Elemental Ring #21403

These dainty rings look great alone or stacked in multiples. Available in the multiple stones and styles shown. Adjustable. Face of ring approximately 1/4" long. Made in Perú.



Labrado Ring #21010

Bands of intricate alpaca scrollwork. Order a package and receive a variety of designs. Sized. Made in Perú.



Earth Stone Ring #21901

An endless variety of semi-precious stones in free-spirited settings. Order a package and receive different combinations of stones and settings shown here and more. Made in Perú.



Quartet Ring #21401

Four different semi-precious stones on the face of the ring. Face of ring 1¼" long. Adjustable. Made in Perú.



Mini Flip Stone Ring #39003

The stone flips around to reveal a different colored stone. Available in Rectangle, Teardrop, Oval, and Round. Comes in different combinations of 12+ stones. Stone face ½" in diameter. Sized. Made in Perú.



Flip Stone Ring #39002

A double-faced ring that has two different semi-precious stones. When you "flip" the ring you can change between the two. Five styles available: Heart, Oval, Teardrop, Round and Rectangle. Face of ring 1-1¼" long. Adjustable band. Made in Perú.



Isabella Ring #21864

This ring adjusts perfectly to its wearer by wrapping more tightly or loosely around the finger. A variety of different stones available. Face of ring 1" long. Adjustable band. Made in Perú.



Keeping Tradition While Embracing Technology

Now 33, Tupac learned his craft from his parents as a young boy. Originally, they had worked with fabric but gradually developed the skills to work with leather. Seven years ago, Tupac became the manager of the business and invested more money in machinery and new technology. This enabled them to reduce production costs and improve quality. Today,

there are three family members working in the business, with several neighbors on call when there is more demand. Their products are sold all over Ecuador and exported to North America, Mexico, and Europe.

Minga FTI looks forward to forging a long lasting relationship and creating new designs with Tupac.

Sonder Pouch/Clutch

#56868

Expertly crafted leather and Chumbi accessory that can serve as a wallet or pouch. Order Tan or Black leather. Colors and patterns of fabric will vary. H: 5½" x W: 8¼". Strap loop is 4¾". Made in Ecuador.

Sonder - n. the realization that each random passerby is living a life as vivid and complex as your own.



Petite Crossbody Bag

NEW

#56873

Perfect for a quick trip out, a concert, or a leisurely stroll. This small crossbody is compact but can carry all the essentials. Quality leather and traditional Chumbi textile. H: 6" x W: 8". Made in Ecuador. Also Shown: #34800 Rabbit Fur Pom Pom Keychain (pg 31)



Sonder Pouch and Petite Crossbody come in two leather colors and a large variety of Chumbi fabrics!

Tan



Black





Chumbi, an Ancient Tradition

Throughout history, the indigenous peoples of the Andes have used a chumbi (kichwa word for a belt). It's a tradition for fathers to teach their sons to weave it in a way that tells stories from their community. It then becomes a gift to his wife on their wedding day. The "chumbi"

is a fundamental part of women's clothing. Worn over another wide, red belt called "mama chumbi" and a thin one called "wawa chumbi", it not only holds up the long skirt (called anaco) but also supports her lower back as she works during the day.

Justa Crossbody **NEW**

#56881

Unisex crossbody bag made with supple suede, leather accents, and traditional Chumbi textile. Adjustable strap. Magnetic snap closure. Dimensions H: 9" x W: 8¼" x D: 2¼". Made in Ecuador.

Wayfarer Satchel

#56870

Stunning suede bag with smooth leather accents. Two front zipper compartments and one back outer zipper pocket. Long top handles, adjustable crossbody strap included. Available in six colors. H: 8¼" x W: 11¼" x D: 6½". Made in Ecuador.



Saddle



Navy

Navy

Saddle

Expresso



Chocolate

Espresso

Forest



Navy

Saddle

Wine



Dark Brown



Tan

Classic Leather Bifold

#56864

Fold up ID window and 11 interior card slots. Quality leather. Two bill services. Dimensions H: 3 1/2" x W: 4 1/4". Made in Ecuador.



Black



Meraki Clutch Wallet

#56869

A generously sized clutch wallet with multiple services, window ID holder, zippered coin compartment, and check book slot. Snap button closure. Order Tan, Dark Brown, or Black genuine leather. Colors and patterns of fabric will vary.

Dimensions H: 4 1/4" x W: 8 1/4". Made in Ecuador.

Tan

Dark Brown

Black

Meraki - *adj.* [may-rah-kee] This is a word that modern Greeks often use to describe doing something with soul, creativity, or love - when you put "something of yourself" into what you're doing, whatever it may be.



Mouse Coin Pouch

#56267

Made with 100% genuine fair trade leather. Available in a variety of colors. Dimensions: 2" x 3 1/2". Made in Ecuador.

Slim Profile Wallet

#56663

A thin wallet for the modern person. One bill service, one mesh windowed ID service, and a zippered coin pouch. Dimensions H: 3 7/8" x W: 5 3/4". Made in Perú.



Dark Brown

Tan

Burgundy

Black

Signature Bifold Wallet

#56263

Soft, supple leather bifold. Features interior card slots and an ID window. Dimensions H: 3 7/8" x W: 5 3/4". Made in Ecuador.



Black

Dark Brown

Tan

Red

Blue

Green

Lavender

Textile Bifold Wallet

#57360

Supple leather with cowhide or Incan design detailing. Two bill slots, eight card slots, one zipper slot and a fold out ID window. Dimensions H: 8 1/2" x W: 3 1/4". Made in Ecuador.



Black

Dark Brown

Tan

Cotton Jewelry Roll

#56652

Store rings, bracelets, necklaces, and earrings. Many convenient compartments. Dimensions L: 12 1/2" x W: 6 3/4". Made in Bangladesh.



Tie Dye

Batik

Kantha

Kantha Hip **NEW**

#56850

Made from upcycled saris. Soft and fashionable, they come in a variety of colors and patterns. Adjustable side release buckle. One zippered compartment. Dimensions H: 5" x W: 10". Made in Bangladesh.



Kantha Drawstring Bag

#56551

Gorgeous hand-stitched cotton saris in brilliant colors and patterns. Zippered exterior pocket. Dimensions: H: 16" x W: 14", pocket dimension H: 8" x W: 8". Made in Bangladesh.



Fusion Crossbody Bag

#56653

Crossbody bag perfect for daily use. Durable materials with adjustable tie strap. The denim is repurposed factory cast offs given a second life. The kantha is made from well loved sari's and hand-stitched for reinforcement. Variety of patterns and colors. Made in Bangladesh.



Tribal Backpack

#56830

Durable backpack for all your needs. One main large pocket and a small front pocket. Laptop separator inside. Water bottle pockets on each side. Comes in a variety of vegan leather colors and patterns. H: 18" x W: 13" x D: 5". Made in Ecuador.



Cotton Coin Purse

#56580

Zippered pouches made from 100% cotton. Ask for Batik, Khadi, Kantha, or an assortment. Dimensions H: 4¼" x W: 4¾" Made in Bangladesh.

Batik



Khadi



Kantha

Kantha Pen Pouch

#56408

With a cotton lining and zip closure, these pouches are great for way more than just pens. Ask for Round, Flat, or both. The colors and pattern will vary. Dimensions: 7" x 3½". Made in Bangladesh.



Round

Flat



With so many colors and patterns to choose from, we'll always send the largest variety available unless you tell us otherwise.

Fabric Pencil Case

#56902

Lined acrylic fabric. Available in a variety of bold colors and patterns. Dimensions L: 8½" x W: 2½". Made in Ecuador.



Fabric Checkbook Pouch

#56803

Lined acrylic pouch in a variety of bold colors and patterns. Dimensions H: 7" x W: 4". Made in Ecuador.



Phone Pouches

#56407

Fully lined, zip closure, slip pocket in front. Available in Kantha or Batik. Because of the nature of kantha fabric, there will be some variation in patterns and tones. Dimensions H: 6" x W: 3½", strap 27". Made in Bangladesh.



Single Zip Coin Pouch (H: 4" x W: 2½")
#56801

Double Zip Coin Pouch (H: 4½" x W: 3")
#56802
Brightly colored patterns in acrylic.
Zippered. Made in Ecuador.



Vegan Coin Pouch

#56701
Fabric and faux leather coin pouches with ribbon detail. Helpful for keeping your small things from mingling. Dimensions H: 3¼" x W: 3¼". Made in Ecuador.



Carnival Coin Pouch

#56201
Two zip pouches. Acrylic.
Dimensions H: 4 ½" x W: 3".
Made in Perú.



Suede Squeeze Pouch

#56460
Dual toned suede pouch with a squeeze opening. A large variety of color combos. Dimensions H: 3" x W: 3 ¾". Made in Perú.



Pyramid Pouch

#33750
Durable leather pouch. Great for storing coins, protecting earbuds, and other things that would normally get lost in your pocket or purse! Too many colors to list. Dimensions H: 3½" x W: 3½". Made in Perú.



NEW

Petite Coin Purse

#56872
Coin purse made from different colored leathers. One zipper compartment. Many colors available. Dimensions H: 3¾" x W: 2¾". Made in Ecuador.





1. Puppy Keychain
#31300

2. Eco Man/Woman Keychain
#32820

3. Señor Tagua Keychain
#31901



Tagua Amor Heart Keychain
#31702

Lovely hearts carved from dyed tagua nuts. Comes in a variety of colors. On a silver toned chain and key ring. Dimensions: 3½" 1¼". Made in Ecuador.



NEW
Rabbit Fur Pom Pom Keychain
#34800

Soft and bouncy keychain trinket to keep your keys on or accessorize your bag or purse. Variety of colors. Made in Perú.



Tagua Carved Animal Keychain
#31803

Variety includes elephants, owls, rabbits, seals, iguanas, frogs, turtles, fish, penguins, sea horses, cats, birds, dolphins and monkeys. Approximate length: 1-2". Made in Ecuador.



Marble/Onyx Turtle Keychain

#34750

Miniature carved turtles. Comes in a variety of shell colors.
Dimensions: 1 1/2" x 1". Made in Ecuador.



Llama Keychain

#34450

Cute little llama companions made from wire and yarn. Available in multi, natural, and rainbow.
Dimensions: 1 1/2" x 2 1/2". Made in Perú.

Kantha

Batik



Cotton Purse Keychain

#56582

Small zippered purse. Dimensions: 3" x 2" x 1". Made in Bangladesh.



Instrument Keychain

#33830

Miniature instruments. Availability as shown. Made in Perú.

Humbly Working Hard to Improve Products

Erika is the connection between Minga Fair Trade Imports and several artisans working in Peru. Her parents started out making picture frames 40 years ago. She and her sisters helped them from a very young age to sell their work. Later they realized that making and selling took too much time, so they opened a

store dedicated to selling the craftwork of other artisans.

After Erika attended university, she decided to start her own business promoting artisan goods. She works with about 15 different artisans, using her experience and education to help improve the quality of their products. She

likes the freedom of being in business for herself but still gets advice from her mother about which products to purchase and what materials to use.

Minga owes much of its success to artisans like Erika who patiently help others modify designs and improve quality.



Worry Doll Headband
#57802



Worry Doll Barrette
#57801



Worry Doll Pair Pin
#43203



Individual Worry Doll
#43400



Colorful Scrunchies
#56224
Acrylic fabric in a variety of colorful combinations. Made in Ecuador.



Colorful Headband
#57901

Lightweight, soft and colorful. This versatile design can be worn narrow or opened up for a wider look. Choose our fine gauge headbands (upper right and modeled), or our classic striped (lower right), or a combination of both. Approximate width: 1½" - 11". Elastic back. Made in Ecuador.

“With Fair Trade...we can sell more.”

“ My father started making and selling hats when I was a small child. He learned by working with an experienced hat-maker and then branched out on his own. As children, we used to help with gluing the different parts of the hat together, and when we got older we helped with more difficult tasks.

When I was a young man, my family sent me to university to study business administration. I learned many useful things there. I got married and my wife and I had two boys, now ten and twelve. We worked together as a good team but sadly, Fernanda died of leukemia four years ago. She was only 29.

As the business has grown, we have added more workers. Currently we are a staff of six, including my mother and myself, two cousins and two local employees. In the beginning, we made felted wool hats, as those were the most popular in our region. Now we make hats from leather and straw (commonly called Panama hats) as well. It took us a year to develop the leather hats to the quality that our customers wanted.

Working with Fair Trade companies like Minga Fair Trade Imports has given us access to a larger market where we can sell more. Plus, we get paid promptly. We export 60% of our production to other countries, like the USA, France, Chile and England. The rest is sold all over Ecuador. ”

- Carlos, Hat Artisan



Wine



Brown



Cream



Black



Wool Zoe Hat

#52620

100% wool with a ribbon around the crown. Brim width: 3¾". Made in Ecuador.

SMALL | MEDIUM | LARGE | X LARGE



Black - Wide Brim



Black
Wide Brim



Brown
Wide Brim



Dark Brown
Short Brim



Panama Hat

#52280

Available with the a traditional, wide brim (2.75") and with a shorter, fedora style brim (1.75"). Made in Ecuador.

S | M | L | XL

Leather Aussie Hat

#52360

A high quality leather hat with braided cord detail. Made laboriously from cut pieces of leather which are artisanally molded and stitched. Wide and Short Brim available in all colors shown. Made in Ecuador.

S | M | L | XL

Brown



Camel



Green



Black



Wool Aussie Hat

#52281

100% felted wool. Leather band detail in assorted designs. Made in Ecuador.

S | M | L | XL | 2XL



Adult Cable Knit Earflap Hat

#52031

Available in every color of the rainbow. 50/50 cotton/wool. Fleece lined. Made in Ecuador.



Patterned Alpaca Hat

#52670

Masculine and feminine tones. 30/70 soft alpaca/acrylic. Made in Perú.



Reversible Alpaca Hat

#52923

From Perú, it's called a "chullo". Designed to be very warm when trekking the Andean Mountains. 30/70 alpaca/acrylic. Fleece lined.



Rustic Reversible Cap

#52285

100% hand-spun, undyed, super soft, organic alpaca wool. Reversible. Made in Perú.



Rose



Safari

Barn

Unicorn



Pineapple



Grape

Kiwi

Pumpkin

Watermelon

Pineapple

Strawberry

Appliqué Earflap Hat **NEW**

#52801
Soft earflap hats with handmade appliqué elements. Variety of cute designs available. Acrylic. Made in Perú.

Knit Food Hat **NEW**

#52800
Variety of hats in food motifs. Acrylic. Made in Perú.



Taking the Work to Them

When Magaly met her husband over 25 years ago, he was already creating beautiful hand knit wool products. A few years ago they had to discontinue their business because of the economy. But Magaly is determined to resume the business, starting with hand-woven accessories. Her dream is to create trendy designs of high quality and generate employment

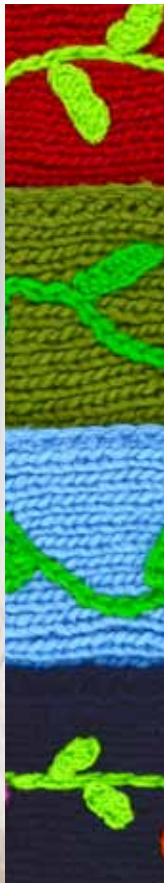
for artisans scattered throughout their mountainous region.

Many of the artisans, mostly indigenous women, prefer to work from home so they can also care for their children and animals. Magaly and her husband have established a link between the weavers and Minga Fair Trade Imports because they know fair trade contributes to Ecuadorian society. This connection helps provide supplemental income for rural people in need. Those who support fair trade and purchase these products can be assured that it contributes to the fair economic growth of the artisans even in remote areas.



Lined Ear Cozy #52136

Colorful crocheted flower detail. Coconut button closure. Variety of colors. 100% wool outer, acrylic fleece lining. Made in Ecuador.





Kids Jester Hat

#52841

Feminine or masculine tones. Acrylic lined, 50/50 cotton/wool. Fleece lined. Made in Ecuador.



Kids Flower Appliqué Hat

#52925

Knit flower appliqué and scalloped edge. Flower colors vary. 100% wool exterior. Fleece lined interior. Made in Ecuador.



Kids Lined Earflap Hat

#52834

Variety of colors and designs. Feminine or masculine tones. 50/50 cotton/wool. Fleece lined. Made in Ecuador.



Kids Mosaic Hat

#52770

Fun, colorful, and soft hat for little ones. Comes in a wide variety of bright colors. 30/70 soft alpaca/acrylic. Made in Perú.



Animal Hats #53030

An animal to suit every personality! Available animals as shown. 100% wool outer, cozy fleece lined interior. Made in Ecuador.



Beaver



Brown Bear



Bumblebee



Cat (white or black)



Cow



Dino



Dog



Dog, Spot



Dragon



Frog



Giraffe



Husky



Koala



Ladybug



Lion



Owl, Black



Owl, Colorful



Panda



Penguin



Pig



Rabbit



Sock Monkey



Tiger



Triceratops



Zebra

Fair Trade Provides Hope

Luis and Maria started making dog sweaters in 1997 for the U.S. market. This talented couple can quickly create requested designs, sometimes with only a suggestion to guide them. Speaking only Kichwa and some Spanish, they needed someone to help market their products. Through a series of unfortunate circumstances, they lost their contact in the U.S. With poor representation and a lack of payments, they went eight months without any income for their business in 2014. This changed when they met representatives from Minga Fair Trade Imports.



Alicia, Maria, and Luis

Maria relates, "for us, it is vital to receive a constant flow of work." They had been unsuccessfully trying to market the sweaters themselves before their partnership with Minga. Now they are making a variety of products and work has filled their home again. She continues, "I prefer to be at home working because I have my two daughters here, one is in school still and Alicia is married with two children. Orders from Minga mean I can take care of both of them." Alicia is helping out with email and Internet communications.

Through their partnership with Minga, Luis and Maria are once again concentrating on production and making knitted dolls, hats, ornaments, mobiles, and our new Dandy Mittens. Life is looking up!



Dandy Pals #43501

These delightful little friends are hand knit and pieced together with love. See the full collection online and in our Kid's Clothing and Playthings Catalog.



Ballerina



Bunny



Frog



Giraffe



Imaginary Friend



Lion



Moose



Owl



Pirate



Tiger



Wolf



NEW Zebra

Dandy Mittens

#53721

Various character styles. Comes in Small and Large sizes. Ribbed cuff. 100% wool. Made in Ecuador.



Kids Mosaic Gloves

#53770

Bright, textured, and very stretchy. 30/70 alpaca/acrylic. Comes in a variety of color combinations. Made in Perú.





Alpaca Blend Fingerless Gloves

#53930
Durable, 30/70 soft alpaca/acrylic blend. Made in Perú.

Incan

Striped



Ladies Fleur Gloves

#53531
Warm winter gloves with a fresh, colorful design. Comes in a variety of colors. 30/70 soft alpaca/acrylic blend. Made in Perú.



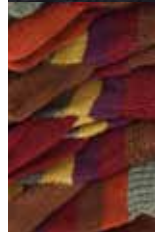
Alpaca Blend Gloves

#53931
Incredibly soft, yet durable. 30/70 alpaca/acrylic blend. Available in an endless variety of color combinations! Made in Perú.

Incan

Solid

Striped



Fleur Fingerless Gloves

#53532
Durable texting gloves from Perú in a wide variety of colors and patterns. 30/70 soft alpaca/acrylic. Made in Perú.



Reversible Alpaca Blend Gloves

#53831
Reversible gloves in a variety of colors. 30/70 soft alpaca/acrylic. Made in Perú.



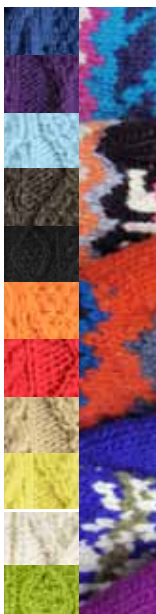
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Pattern

Adult Lined Mittens

#53830
The cable knit and fleece lining makes these mittens a winter staple. Variety of colors in two styles. Warm wool outer, cozy fleece lined inner. Made in Ecuador.

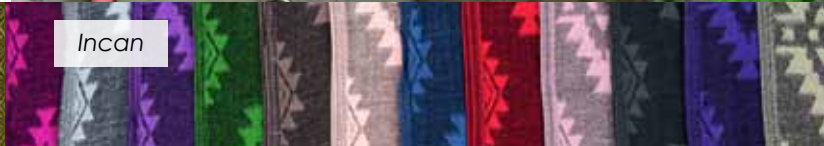




Vision Infinity Scarf #51701
 Utterly soft and comfy scarf with a lovely geometric pattern.
 Comes in two styles and a variety of colors. Acrylic.
 Made in Ecuador.



Optical



Incan

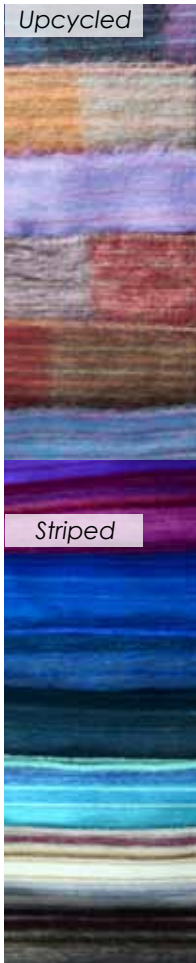


Flat Striped



Infinity Striped

Cozy Scarf #51501
 The fabric used in these scarves is brushed to give it an unbelievably soft and fuzzy feel. Comes in many stylish color combinations. Infinity or Flat styles. Acrylic. Infinity: 37" x 13" and Flat 74" x 13". Made in Ecuador.



Upcycled

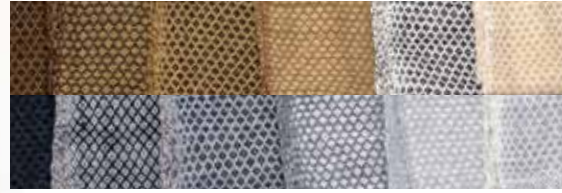
Striped



Diamond Knit Scarf

#51171

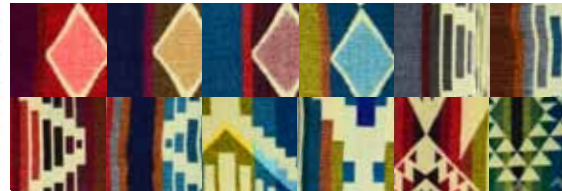
Earth tones in a diamond patterned knit. Color selection shown. 30/10 alpaca/ acrylic. Dimensions: 8½" x 65". Made in Perú.



Caya Scarf

#51807

Soft touch, durable scarves with trendy geometric patterns. Beautiful variety of colors. Acrylic. Made in Ecuador.



Wide Pattern

Narrow Pattern

Tribal Blanket Scarf

#51600

Soft touch, durable scarves with trendy geometric patterns. Versatile enough to double as lap blankets. Order a package amount and receive a variety of colors. Acrylic. Dimensions: 73" x 24½". Made in Ecuador.



Classic Alpaca Scarf

#51832

Simple, classic and versatile. 50/50 alpaca/acrylic. Dimensions: 72" x 9". Made in Perú.



Alpaca Polka Dot Scarf

#51836

Amazingly soft alpaca mix scarves. Reversible. 50/50 alpaca/acrylic. Dimensions: 69" x 10". Made in Perú.





Free Spirit Scarf

#51403

Ask for stripes, solids, tartans or an assortment. Available in spring/summer and fall/winter tones. Acrylic. Dimensions: 66" x 24" with 3" fringe. Made in Ecuador.



Boho Infinity Scarf

#51401

Ask for solids, chevron or an assortment. Available in spring/summer and fall/winter tones. Acrylic. Dimensions: 33" x 11". Made in Ecuador.





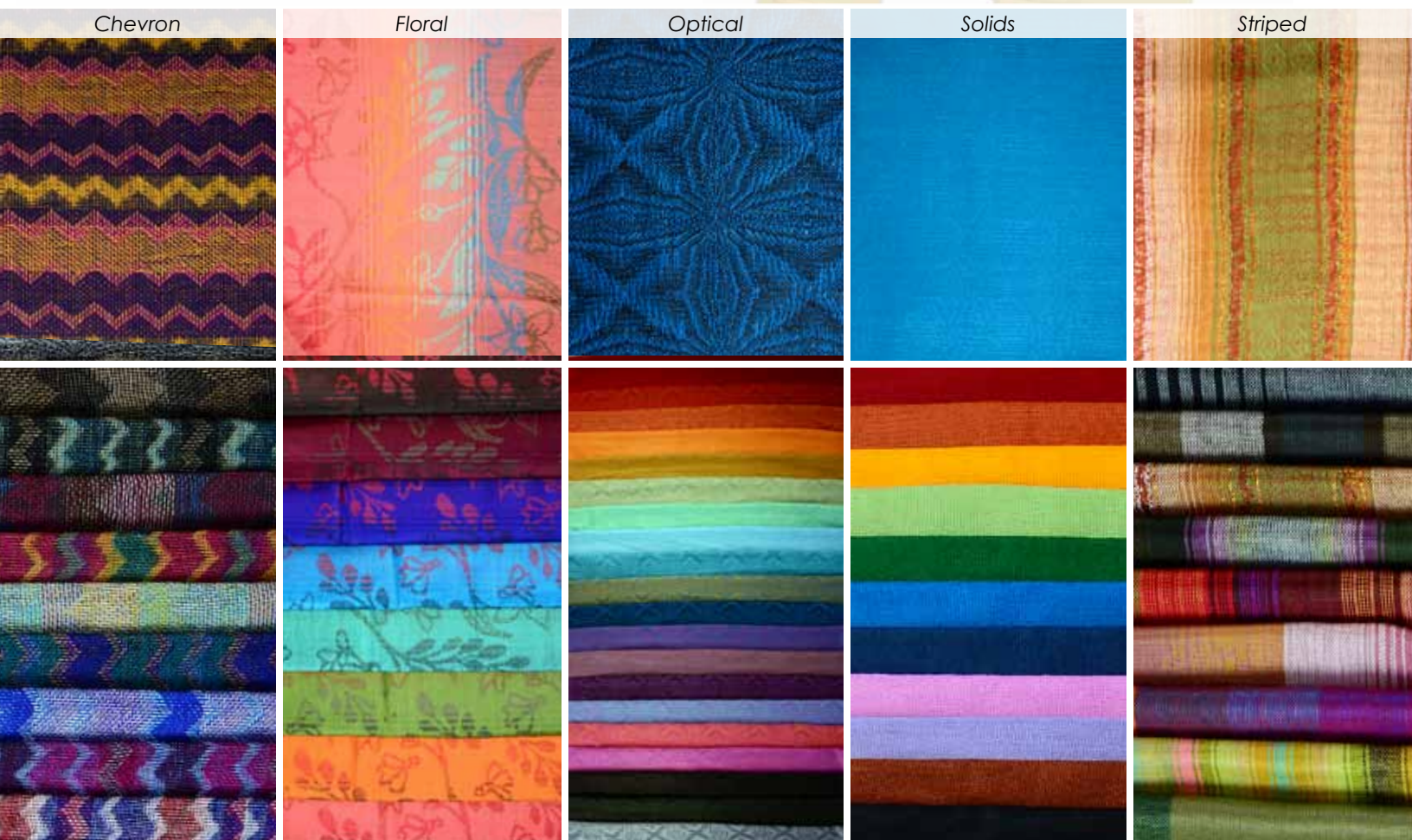
Flat Acrylic Scarf

#51802

Doubles as a table runner and comes in endless color combinations. Ask for Chevron, Floral, Optical, Solids, Striped in Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter tones. Acrylic. Dimensions: 70" x 22½". Made in Ecuador.



Each Scarf comes with new hang tags with fair trade messaging!



Chevron

Floral

Optical

Solids

Striped



Asha



Shakti



Bari

Young women rescued from a city brothel in Bangladesh now have hope and a future to look forward to. They gather and hand stitch soft cotton with recycled saris and threads to create this gorgeous one-of-a-kind scarf! "Asha" means Hope, "Shakti" means Strength, and "Bari" means Home.

Infinite Hope Scarf **NEW**

#51851

Upcycled saris. Variety of colors and patterns. 100% Cotton. Dimensions: 66" x 14". Made in Bangladesh.





Each scarf comes with a matching scrunchie



Cotton Sari Scarf **NEW**

#51850

Upcycled sari garments are transformed and given new life in the form of a scarf. Comes with a matching scrunchie hair tie. Small bead fringe accents. Lightweight, 100% cotton. Made in Bangladesh.



Kantha Scarf

#51751

Gorgeous scarves made from upcycled saris. Comes in a plethora of designs and colors. Unique and trendy, these bold scarves are comfortable cotton. Beaded details on trim. Made in Bangladesh.



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 Kid's Gauze Dress



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#44810
 Ceramic Bird Whistles



#44815 Deluxe Slide Flute