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## Nocturne Sodalite Earrings

The rich midnight black and blue of sodalite gemstones are set in shining alpaca silver. Sodalite is a royal blue mineral, sometimes including white calcite and is used as an ornamental gemstone in jewellery-making. Every single loop, link and chain is crafted by hand using tweezers, pliers and rules. Alpaca metal, an alloy of copper, zinc and nickel, is silver-coloured and tarnish resistant. From artisan cooperative Intercrafts Peru.



### About the Artisans

## Intercrafts Peru

Intercrafts Peru is a non-profit association formed by artisan groups across Peru in order to export their creations. Today, it represents more than 700 different workshops employing over 2,400 artisans. The group aims to keep overhead costs low, to share responsibilities so more income can stay in the hands of the artisans, and to explore new markets.

Intercrafts offers its members such benefits as health care, loan funds and advances, school supplies and books, training programs and technical assistance. Since 2002, the export arm of CIAP has been known as Intercrafts Peru. Intercrafts Peru empowers artisans with full participation in organizational decisions.

### Materials:

alpaca metal, sodalite

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Learn how Fair Trade really makes a difference. Our goal is to provide vital, fair income to artisans by marketing their handicrafts and telling their stories in North America. Ten Thousand Villages sells product from more than 30 countries, providing work for nearly 60,000 people around the world.

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