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Lily Raffia Basket Bowl

Store odds and ends, fruit or baubles in this large basket bowl handcrafted from a swirl of coiled raffia. Makers who work with Uganda Craft 2000 in Uganda are taught crafts that use traditional skills and natural dyes. Products are sold locally and exported around the world giving the women, many of whom are physically disabled, widowed or suffering from HIV/AIDS, much-needed income.



Materials:

Raffia

About the Artisans

Uganda Crafts 2000 Ltd.

Uganda Crafts is an organization managed by the disadvantaged to help the disadvantaged: many of the artisans are physically disabled, widowed or suffering from HIV/AIDS. Approximately 85% of Uganda Craft's artisans are women. Located in Kampala, Uganda Crafts provides training in product design, quality control and marketing. In addition, employees receive health benefits, emergency loans, transportation, and revolving loans to enable artisans to start new projects. An 85-acre plot of land has been purchased to build a Uganda Crafts Village where disabled youth can learn crafts, trades and other business skills. Many of these young people have now successfully started their own businesses.

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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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