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Full Flower Ring

Deeply coloured stone is carved, polished and set in the shape of an opening flower on this white metal ring with a bold filigree band. Sana Hastakala, which means “small handicraft” in Nepali, is a nongovernmental, nonprofit export organization. Based in Kathmandu, Sana gives people – particularly those living in struggling regions – a livelihood. Today it employs staff and more than 1,200 makers who work at small studios and from home.



About the Artisans

Sana Hastakala

Sana Hastakala – which means “small handicraft” – ensures fair wages and provides training, design assistance, interest-free loans and marketing support to more than 100 family businesses and co-ops across Nepal. Artisans, most of them uneducated, also benefit from a community development fund which enables groups to improve their equipment and provides a safety net in times of hardship.

Travel the world with each visit to Ten Thousand Villages.

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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