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Sunburst Tagua Necklace

It's wise to use sustainably sourced materials whenever possible. In fact, respect for the environment is one of our principles of fair trade. This Sunburst Tagua Necklace from Ecuador is made from tagua nuts that have been sustainably harvested from palm-like trees in South America. Tagua nuts are easy to shape and colour, and safer for makers than many synthetic materials.



Materials:

tagua, cord

About the Artisans

Maquita (MCCH)

MCCH, whose full name is a combination of Quechua and Spanish meaning 'Let us join hands and do business as brothers,' began in 1985 as a response to rising poverty and inflation in Ecuador. Today, the organization works with more than one hundred craft workshops around the country, providing marketing, production and design assistance to over 600 artisans, 70% of whom are women. For many artisans, craft income supplements meager agricultural earnings.

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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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