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Raffia Snowflake Basket

In Uganda, colourful baskets are traditionally given as gifts for holidays and special events. Fill this snowflake basket with clementines or pomegranates for a decorative centrepiece, or keep it by the door as a cheerfully coloured catch-all. Uganda Crafts employs approximately 300 artisans in five workshops or cooperatives, 85 percent of them women.



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.

Materials:

raffia

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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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