

EVERY GIFT TELLS A STORY

THE HANDCRAFTED HOLIDAY COLLECTION

UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, is proud to present a charming collection of decorations, crafted by refugees from around the world, that celebrates hope

and solidarity this holiday season.

The MADE51 Holiday Collection offers a way for businesses to give a gift that warms a home and brightens the future of refugees worldwide. With each purchase, a refugee has had the opportunity to utilize her skills and heritage to earn much-needed income. By utilizing Fair Trade principles, we ensure we are creating positive impact for the artisan, her family and her community.

ABOUT THE COLLECTION

- 21 ornaments made by refugees in 13 countries in conflict regions
- Vibrant collection of animal and geometric shapes, each one a collectible
- Individually packaged in gift boxes with storytelling about the refugee artisans, the ornament design and UNHCR



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SNOW LEOPARD

Crafted from upcycled materials by Afghan refugees living in India. The Snow Leopard is the national animal of Afghanistan-a symbol of bravery and beauty.

Materials: waste fabric, & thread



ETERNAL SNOWFLAKE

Crafted by Afghan refugees living in India. This detailed crochet snowflake is emblematic of the winter peaks and mountain passages that define the landscape of Afghanistan.

Materials: metal wire, silver zari thread, & metallic beads



SILVER MOON

Crafted by Afghan refugees living in India. This detailed crochet work takes the shape of a crescent moon which can symoblize progress in life.

Materials: metal wire, silver zari thread & metallic beads



DAWN ROOSTER

Crafted by Afghan refugees living in Pakistan. Delicate beading and embroidered, this bright rooster symbolizes the hope that can be found in the dawn of a new day or, for refugees, a new opportunity.

Materials: linen, thread, glass beads, & cotton padding



CLOUD ELEPHANT

Crafted from upcycled materials by Afghan refugees living in India. In Hindu mythology, Airavata is a spotless white elephant that had the power to create clouds and was believed to guard one of the points of the compass.

Materials: waste fabric, & thread



PEACEFUL DOVE

Crafted by Congolese refugees living in Kenya. The jacaranda wood is locally and sustainably sourced and takes the shape of a dove, symbolizing peace.

Materials: Jacaranda wood & metal



PROUD CAMEL

Crafted by Syrian refugee women living in Jordan. The camel is a symbol of endurance and strength, characteristics that are essential for surviving the hardship of life in a desert climate.

Materials: cotton thread, woven fabric & wire



DESERT MOON

Crafted by Tuareg refugees living in Niger. The metalwork highlights the impressive heritage techniques that are used to create utilitarian and decorative objects. For these nomadic pastoralists who traditionally inhabit a vast area in the Sahara Desert, the moon is a symbol of protection.

Materials: aluminium/nickel



BLOSSOM OF HOPE

Crafted by internally displaced women living in a camp in a remote area of South Sudan. This intricate glass beading represents the blossoming of hope for a brighter future for their children.

Materials: glass beads & wire

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SHINING HALO

Crafted by Rohingya refugees living in India. These hand wrapped hoops are emblematic of a halo, a circle of radiant light that is an enduring symbol of enlightenment and divinity.

Materials: acrylic bangles & thread



BRAVE IBIS

Crafted by Syrian refugee women living in Turkey. The Northern Bald lbis is the national bird of Syria, symbolizing brilliance and splendor since the times of ancient Egypt. Critically endangered, only a few of these brave birds can still be found.

Material: cotton yarn & thread



VIBRANT BUTTERFLY

Crafted by Syrian refugees living in Lebanon. This richly embroidered butterfly is a metaphor for transformation and rebirth, and represent the vibrant culture refugees contribute to their host communities.

Materials: felt, thread & stuffing



QUIET MOUSE

Crafted by ethnic Armenian refugees from Syria, now living in Armenia. This little mouse, handfelted with local sheep's wool and embellished with embroidery, reminds us that all the world's creatures are precious.

Materials: wool & embroidery thread



BOLD RAM

Crafted by Afghan refugees living in Malaysia. This colourful ram is inspired by the Urial, a wild sheep that is native to the artisans' homeland of Afghanistan.

Materials: felt/recycled carpet, stuffing material, thread, & beads



DREAMING SHEEP

Crafted by ethnic Armenian refugees from Syria now living in Armenia. Local natural wool is formed into a sheep that holds big dreams for a bright future. The Marash embroidery represents their cultural heritage and resilience throughout the centuries.

Materials: felt & embroidery thread



CELESTIAL LIGHT

Crafted by Syrian refugees living in Lebanon. This hand-crocheted star symbolizes the dreams and aspirations of those displaced from their homes, which can shine as brightly as celestial lights in the night sky.

Materials: wool yarn, & wire



NOBLE DONKEY

Crafted by refugees from East Africa living in Egypt. This crochet donkey celebrates the importance of steadfast company on difficult journeys. Historically, the donkey has been a travelling companion for those forced to flee.

Materials: acrylic yarn & nylon thread



RISING SUN

Crafted by Burundian & Congolese women living in Rwanda. This sweetgrass basket is handwoven using a time-honored weaving technique. The design represents the additional strength & persistence needed to rise again after being forced from home.

Materials: natural grass & sisal

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CHARMING SONGBIRD

Crafted by Karenni refugees living in Thailand. Delicate hand-loomed weavings are stitched together to bring this charming songbird to life.

Materials: handwoven fabric, felt & thread.



FLOWER OF LIFE

Crafted by Syrian refugees in Lebanon. This elegant flower is made from upcycled fabric, embellished with embroidery. The petal shape is inspired by the beautiful, geometric 'Flower of Life' that blossoms in the middle of interlocking circles.

Materials: waste fabric, & thread



AFGHAN HOUND

Crafted by Afghan refugees living in Malaysia. This Afghan Hound is a colourful rendition of the beloved, silky dog breed that is native to Afghanistan.

Materials: Beads, felt, stuffing, & thread



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MEANINGFUL STORIES BEHIND EVERY PIECE

Parween fled Afghanistan with with her family in 2017. Since then, her husband and three daughters have been living in India, where she has found work at Archisha.

"The art of making crafts is part of Afghanistan's rich culture, but I had an official job in Afghanistan. After I was forced to flee to India, I had to stand on my own feet to support my daughters. I joined the Archisha centre and learned the skill of making crafts. Today, I can sew, knit crochet, and embroidery to support my family."

At Archisha, our local social enterprise partner in India, Afghan and Somali refugee artisans create modern, finely crocheted accessories, that showcase heritage skills. Afghan refugees are one of the largest refugee populations in the world with 2.6 million refugees worldwide who have fled war, natural disaster, chronic poverty and food insecurity in their country. By receiving training in crochet and sewing techniques through Archisha, these refugees are given the opportunity to earn an income and provide resources such as education to their children.

"Life as a refugee is stressful. If you're able to do something, no matter how small, it makes you feel good. My work calms me mentally. A few hours with my friends relieve me of my stress. Additionally, it provides me economic independence in supporting my daughters' education and daily expenditure. My dream is to support my daughters, build a brighter future for them and ensure that they are able to pursue their education in whatever field they want. We hope that through MADE51 and UNHCR's support, our daughters will be able to achieve this dream."





ORNAMENT PACKAGING & DISPLAY



SINGLE BOXES

Each ornament comes in a 10x10cm gift box that includes storytelling about the ornaments and the artisans.



DISPLAY

High-end, flat-packed wooden point of sale display set available. Details:

- 3mm birch plywood
- Base unit (W20cm x L42cm x H15cm) holds 36 single boxes
- Double bars (62cm high) display 10 hanging ornaments
- Clipboard for MADE51 storytelling



JOIN US IN CREATING A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR REFUGEES AROUND THE WORLD BY OFFERING THESE UNIQUE, HEARTWARMING PIECES TO YOUR CUSTOMERS

ORDER DETAILS:

Payment Terms:

Orders under US\$2000 - 100% upfront with order placement Orders above US\$2000 - 50% deposit on order placement

Shipping Terms:

Shipping from chosen location through fulfillment agent. Shipping price to be confirmed in proforma invoice. VAT would only be due on orders shipped from the UK, to within the UK

Contact: sales@made51.org

MOQ is 200 pieces. Order must be in multiples of 10. *Wholesale price per piece according to fulfillment location:

7.80 USD, shipping from UK for UK inc. VAT7 USD, shipping from Europe for Europe ex. VAT7.50 USD, shipping from Oregon for USA ex. sales tax5.70 USD, shipping from Hong Kong for the rest of the world

*Display Unit

50 USD, shipping from UK for UK inc. VAT40 USD, shipping from Europe for Europe ex. VAT42 USD, shipping from Oregon for USA ex. sales tax25 USD, shipping from Hong Kong for the rest of the world