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handmade Ethiopian silk products

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Sabahar ... Ethiopian silk with a social thread

Sabahar was established in 2004 following the introduction of eri (wild) silk into Ethiopia & grew from the desire to promote silk production in Ethiopia while increasing reliable income for households & skilled artisans. The company now has more than 50 women & men engaged in spinning, weaving & finishing silk & cotton products.

The centuries old weaving tradition in Ethiopia has enabled Sabahar to create beautiful & unique pieces both to wear & for the home. In addition, the ancient art of natural dyeing is being revived by Sabahar to obtain colours from nature.

Sabahar products are made from eri & mulberry silks, which are produced locally in Ethiopia as well as imported. The Ethiopian cotton is hand-spun & produced by both large and small-scale producers. Equitable employment & environmentally friendly production & processing practices are values central to the company.

Saba' was the name of the Queen of Sheba, while 'har' is Amharic for silk. Keeping to the pedigree, Sabahar exemplifies the regal in its line of Ethiopian silk products.



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Handmade Ethiopian Silk

Dyes used for silk are all natural & produced from items such as flowers, roots, berries, & bark.

- *Traditional methods of weaving & spinning are used.*
- *An effort is made to employ people who might otherwise have difficulties finding work & stable income.*
- *Employees benefit from: fair pay, access to medical fund, transportation allowance, & providence savings fund*
- *Production is made as environmentally sustainable as possible. Each product is individually hand made...each Sabahar creation is unique.*



Table Linens



1. Placemats
100% cotton
gold, earth brown, olive green & teal green
40 x 50 cm
Code: CT-PM-01

2. Napkins
100% cotton in coordinated colors with placemats
Available in colors coordinated with tablecloths & placemats
50 x 50 cm
Code: CT-NP-01

3. 100% cotton tablecloth with line design
White with purple, green or gold lines
130 x 130 cm
Code: CT-TC-05
130 x 240 cm
Code: CT-TC-02

4. 100% cotton tablecloth with hatch design
In blue, green, gold & cranberry
130 x 130 cm
Code: CT-TC-01
130 x 240 cm
Code: CT-TC-03



Natural Bed Spreads & Gabis

1. Handspun cotton gabi
with traditional designs in
cotton

160x340 cm
Code: CT-GB-05

A gabi is a traditional Ethiopian blanket which is 4 panels (80x340 cm) of hand spun cotton, stitched together with double thickness. They are machine washable.



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2. Handspun cotton
bedcover
– in natural color
– in blue, green or gold
– with natural (beige)
lines

240x260 cm
Code: CT-BL-06

3. Handspun cotton
towel with coloured
stripes

100x170 cm
Code: CT-TW-01

50x80 cm
Code: CT-TW-02

4. Handspun cotton
towel with
natural lines

100x170 cm
Code: CT-TW-03

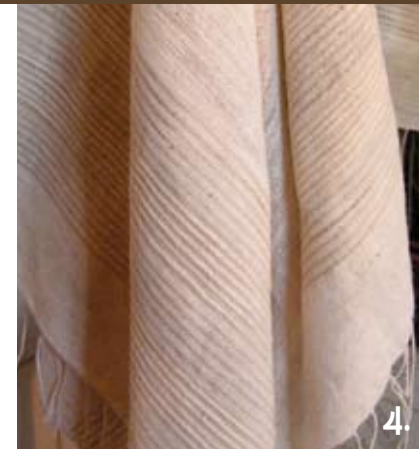
50x80 cm
Code: CT-TW-04



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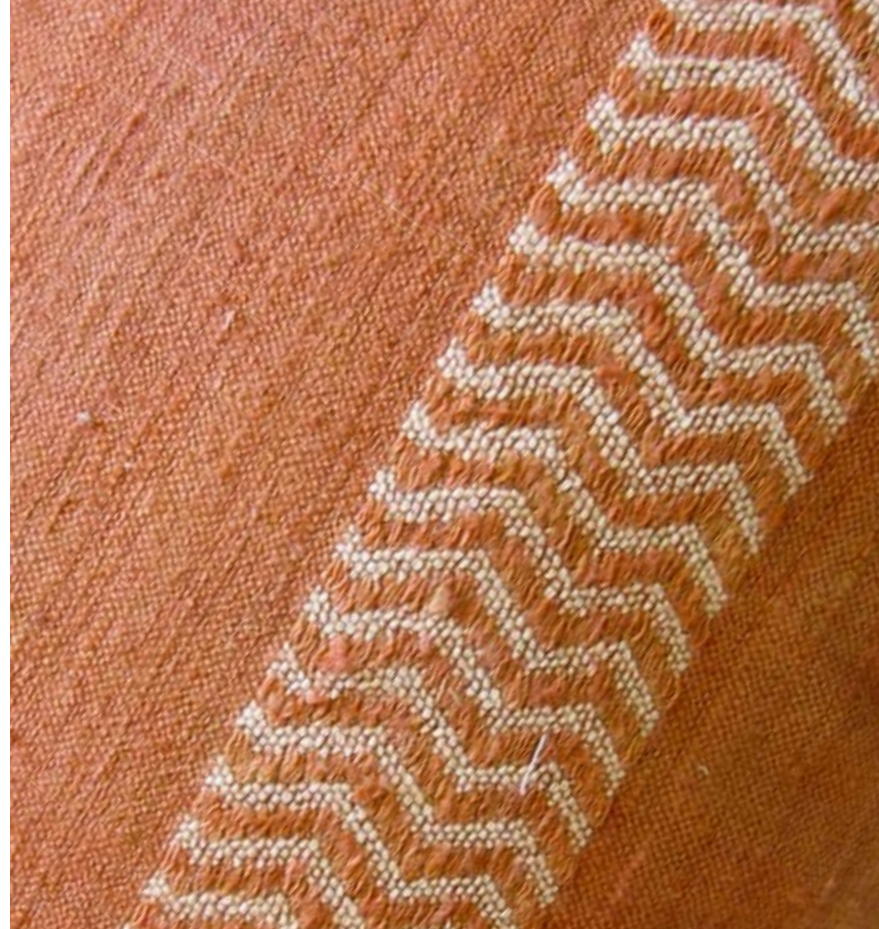


Classic Tibeb Cushions

Tibeb means design in the national language of Ethiopia, Amharic.

Our pillows are available in twenty traditional designs, and three colour ways: green & blues, purples, and earth colours.

Handspun silk (65%)
& cotton with side zipper
50 x 50 cm
Code: SC-PW-02



Natural Family

1. Hand spun cotton cushion with zipper or button closure

50x50 cm
Code: CT-PW-05

2. River pleats eri silk & cotton cushion, with zipper

45x45 cm
Code: SC-PW-03



3. Textured eri silk & cotton cushion back with button closure

50x50 cm
Code: ES-PW-01

4. Striped eri silk & cotton cushion with button closure

35x50 cm
Code: SC-PW-05

1. Squared eri silk & cotton cushion
Cotton back with zipper

40x40 cm

Code: SC-PW-05

2. Cotton cushion
with stitched on
cocoon flowers

35x50 cm

Code: CT-PW-03



4. Beige and natural eri silk
& cotton cushion
Cotton back with buttons

45x45 cm

Code: SC-PW-08

5. Beige & natural eri silk
& cotton throw

130x180 cm

Code: SC-TH-04



3. 100 % eri silk cushion
Fringe at one end

25x60 cm

Code: ES-PW-01



6. Textured silk & cotton
fabric table runner
Natural & other colors

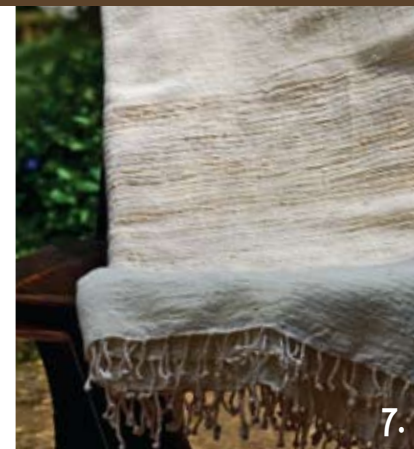
50x150 cm

Code: SC-TR-04

7. Textured eri silk
& cotton throw

50x150 or 130x180 cm

Code: SC-TH-05



Grey Family

grey silk dyed with cochineal



1.

1. Eri silk & cotton cushion with naturally dyed silk cocoon flowers

35x50 cm
Code: SC-PW-09

2. Handspun cotton cushion with plum cross design

50x50 cm
Code: CT-PW-01



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6. Eri silk & cotton cushion with handstitched silk lines grey / purple / greens

50x50 cm
Code: SC-PW-10

7. Eri silk & cotton throw, cotton with blocks of naturally dyed eri silk

130x200 cm
Code: SC-TH-04



Plum Family

plum colored eri silk
dyed with cochineal

1. Eri silk & cotton cushion
with 3 designs

50x50 cm
Code: SC-PW-11

2. Eri silk & cotton cushion
with solid & striped design
Coordinated pearls

50x50 cm
Code: SC-PW-12



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3. Textured eri silk &
cotton cushion

50x50 cm
Code: SC-PW-13

4. Eri & cotton cushion with
pleated river in plum

35x50 cm
Code: SC-PW-14



1. Handspun cotton throw
in coordinated greens
140 x 200 cm
Code: CT-TH-01

Garden Family

green eri silk dyed
with safflower and indigo

2. Handspun eri silk & cotton
cushion with textured
block of thick silk
50 x 50 cm
Code: SC-PW-15

3. Eri silk & cotton cushion
with pleated river design
35 x 50 cm
Code: SC-PW-16



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4. Eri silk & cotton
cushion & stitched line
50 x 50 cm
Code: SC-PW-17

5. Eri silk & cotton cushion
with cocoon flower design
35 x 50 cm
Code: SC-PW-18

Storm Set



100%cotton
with silk stitching
ocean blue & white or
copper & gold

Cushion

Code: CT-PW-05

Blanket

Code: CT-BL-02

Table runner

Code: CT-TR-03



Above, coordinated sets
of pillow cases, blankets,
throws, table cloths, table
runners, & napkins are
available.



Dancing Threads Throw

silk & cotton blend

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1. Dancing Threads throw
30% silk & 70% cotton

130x180 cm
Code: SC-TH-01

Also available as tablecloths
in longer sizes

2. Dancing Threads throw
80% silk &
20% cotton

130x180 cm
Code: SC-TH-01

Each dancing throw is a
unique mixture of coloured
silk & cotton threads.
In four colourways: greens,
purples, golds & navy

3. Silk & cotton throw,
natural with coloured
silk block
20% silk & 80% cotton

130x200 cm
Code: SC-TH-04



1. Floor Mats

1.+2. 100% cotton floor mat
sunset oranges &
ocean blues
80x130 cm
Code: CT-FM-O1



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3. Stellar throw 30% silk
& 70% cotton
130x180 cm
Code: SC-TH-O2



Dancing Threads Table Runner

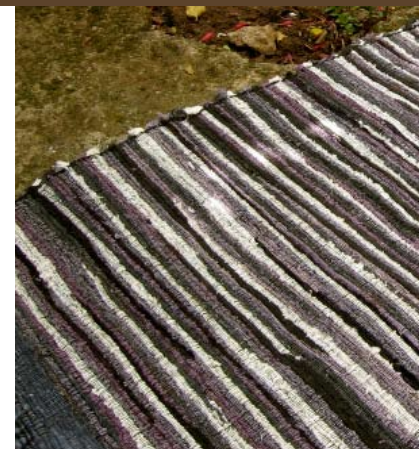
1. 100% cotton table runner
green blues & earth tones

35 x 140cm
Code: CT-TR-01



2. 80% silk & 20% cotton
fabric table runner
In reds/purples
black/white &
earth tones

35 x 140
Code: SC-TR-01



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Export Terms 2010

1. Prices are FOB Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in US\$.
2. Prices include packing materials and transport to the location of the carrier chosen by the buyer.
3. Prices include the costs of local clearing processes. For example, this include the Certificate of Origin document required for EU countries, and costs of AGOA document required for USA.
4. Insurance and shipping are the responsibility of the buyer, but can be arranged by Sabahar. The customer will reimburse Sabahar for shipping and insurance costs expended upon submission of receipt.
5. Shipping options from Addis Ababa are courier (UPS preferred), air freight, or postal service. Sabahar can provide estimated shipping costs for these 3 options along with the proforma invoice.
6. Proforma invoices will be provided to buyers, and acceptance will be confirmed by the customer with 50% downpayment.
7. All payments will be made to the Sabahar bank account by international transfer in a hard currency (Cdn\$, US\$, Euro or British pounds).
8. Production of orders will start once our proforma invoice has been approved by the buyer, and payment has been received as per agreement.
9. For most products, production will start once order is made. Therefore, production time for most orders will vary between 60-90 days.
10. Discounts will be discussed and agreed according to specific orders.
11. Samples can be sent according to specific agreements.
12. Payment terms are 50% advance payment and 50% when shipment ready to ship or confirmed L/C.
13. Minimum orders for certain products will apply.
14. Sabahar retains the right to add a percentage handling charge for small orders...to be discussed on a case by case basis.
15. Exclusivity agreements on certain products can be arranged. Sabahar respects the designs and ideas of our customers.

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