What is Kantha?

In Sanskrit, the word Kantha simply means “rags.” Kantha quilts were invented centuries ago by some very resourceful women. Poor women in rural areas of West Bengal needed blankets for their babies, so took the softest parts of their well-worn cotton saris and pieced them together with an all-over running stitch.

This distinctive stitch came to be known as Kantha. Today, our artisans repurpose recycled Kantha quilts into one-of-a-kind accessories. They are handmade by women in India who are getting paid a fair wage, receive steady work, healthcare benefits and community development.

Kantha Wristlet Clutch - assorted patterns/colors
AC-618 - $22 - 9 1/2" x 6"

Kantha Pleated Festival Bag - assorted patterns/colors
AC-619 - $24 - 7" x 8"

Kantha Kisslock with Picot Trim - assorted patterns/colors
AC-616 - $16 - 6 1/2" x 5 1/2"

Kantha Overnighter with Picot-trimmed Pocket - assorted patterns/colors
AC-620 - $44 - 16 1/2" x 10"

Kantha Keychain with Picot Trim - assorted patterns/colors
AC-615 - $4 - 2" x 2 1/4"

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Kantha Frame Clutch with Zipper Detail
assorted patterns/colors • AC-521 • $24 • 11" x 7"

Kantha iPad or Kindle Case • assorted patterns/colors • AC-519
$16 • 8 1/2" x 11 1/2"

Kantha Pleated Tote with Braided Handles
assorted patterns/colors
AC-522 • $24 • 15" x 16"

Kantha Belt with Round Buckle
assorted patterns/colors
AC-518 • $12 • 2 1/4" x 44"

Kantha Belt with Rectangular Buckle
assorted patterns/colors
AC-517 • $11 • 1 1/2" x 44"

Kantha Zip-Around Wallet
assorted patterns/colors
AC-562 • $13 • 4 1/2" x 4"