Friends-International has been awarded:
- Schwab Foundation Award (Asia) for Social Entrepreneurship (2009)
- The Skoll Award for Social Entrepreneurship (2007)
- The Order of Australia for Service to Humanity (2002)

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Look closely at these beads. How? Follow them throughout this catalog, and we will tell you exactly how they do this...

They can save lives and build futures. Combining innovative design with local raw materials and environmentally friendly manufacturing processes, Friends-International's products reflect the skills and cultural vibrancy of some extremely important people. These are youth and functional citizens of their countries. You will also see the impact that Friends-International has in building futures.

Saving lives and building futures is at the core of Friends-International work. The organization started operating in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, in 1994. Since then, we have been creating exciting and innovative projects all over the world for marginalized children, youth and their families offering the opportunity for them to build a better future with our support.

Like all our merchandise – hand-made bags, bracelets, clothes, accessories and much more, they are very special. They can save lives and build futures.
Friends Social Enterprises

...BECAUSE LIFE IS A GOOD INVESTMENT!

AT FRIENDS-INTERNATIONAL, WE DON’T HIRE TO START AN ENTERPRISE, WE START AN ENTERPRISE TO HIRE. WE INVEST IN EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING FOR THE ONES THAT NEED IT THE MOST: MARGINALIZED YOUTH AND PARENTS.
For youth, a variety of vocations such as hospitality, mechanics and hair&beauty is on offer. The training is interactive with constant rotations between the classroom and one of Friends-International's social enterprises resulting in a certificate and confidence for the students to enter the job market.
To improve the quality of life for families and their children, Friends-International offers parents the chance to learn sewing skills either from their own home or in one of the organization’s production centers. Every product is assembled by hand which makes no two items exactly the same. The goods are then sold and exported worldwide. With the income received from product sales, the families are able to provide for themselves and their children.
MATERIALS WE WORK WITH
MOST OF THEM COME FROM RECYCLED MATERIALS LIKE THESE…

NEWSPAPER
COMIC
MAGAZINE
RICE BAG
FOOD PACKAGING

Used in multiple ways: shredded, striped, rolled, woven

Fast food items like instant noodles or crisp packages as well as juice packs

AND FOR OTHERS, WE MAINLY USE FABRIC SCRAPS FROM THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS:

KROMA
SARONG
COTTON

Traditional Cambodian garment with checkered patterning used in multiple ways in Cambodian life, usually in the colors red, blue and green

A loose garment made of a long strip of cloth brightly colored and wrapped around the body

Flowered up! Bright and lively flower fabric based on Chinese design

Vinyl

Used to cover the seats of cars or so called tuk tuks, motorized rickshaws in South-East Asia. Available in multiple colors.

red
royal blue
sky blue
lime green
light gray
brown
white smooth
yellow
navy blue
orange
pink
purple
black
white rough

Green products

The use of recycled materials such as newspapers, magazines and various other prints help to fight Cambodia’s increasing litter problem while at the same time increases the producers’ environmental conscience.
“ECO-CHIC” AND AMAZING!
‘FRIENDS’ JEWELRY IS CRAFTED FROM RECYCLED MATERIALS SUCH AS MAGAZINES AND NEWSPAPERS. YOU WILL MAKE THE HEADLINES WEARING OUR JEWELRY!
Paper "Pearl" Necklace

(medium)
ref: CJ05003
32 cm long
MAGAZINE

(long)
ref: CJ05004
38 cm long
MAGAZINE

3 Strand Paper "Pearl" Necklace

ref: TJ05007
37 cm long
MAGAZINE
Paper "Pearl" Bracelet

(large)
ref: CJ05011
10.5 cm long
MAGAZINE

(medium)
ref: CJ05010
8 cm long
MAGAZINE

10 Paper "Pearl" Flower Ring

ref: TJ05005
3.5 x 3.5 cm
MAGAZINE

Paper "Pearl" Necklace & Bracelet Set

ref: TJ05006
bracelet: 8 cm long
necklace: 38 cm long
MAGAZINE
Collect, cut, roll and ready!
We train mainly mothers regardless of their age, background and experience, either in their own home or at our production centers.

Paperbeads

Opera Necklace
ref: CJ05006
44 cm long
MAGAZINE
Shell Necklace

ref: CJ05005
41 cm long
MAGAZINE

Round Beaded Cuff

ref: CJ05008
8.5 x 4 cm
MAGAZINE

Get our original paperbeads!
Disc Drop Leather Necklace
ref: CJ04001
36 cm long
MAGAZINE STRIPE

Disc Box Leather Necklace
ref: CJ04002
39 cm long
MAGAZINE STRIPE

Paperwear
Step by step

Beads are just the beginning, for unskilled participants to earn an income and start building their futures. Practice makes perfect - constant training is the key at Friends-International, building futures by building capacities. We provide skills training, basic business accounting and language lessons as well as life skills. Trainees can also become trainers, motivating their fellow producers.
Paperclip Necklace

(long)
62 cm
ref: CJ15002
FOOD PACKAGING

ref: CJ14001
KROMA

ref: CJ07001
RICE BAG

(small)
58 cm
ref: CJ06003
SARONG

ref: CJ15001
FOOD PACKAGING

Paper is only part of the story...
Provide income

We provide an income to parents so that they can support their children, rather than their children paying for them.

Small selection of earring styles we have on offer. We can adjust our designs to your requests!
Bags & Money Minders

BE CHIC AND UNIQUE!
RE-BORN RAW MATERIALS MAKE OUR BAGS STAND OUT IN THE CROWD.
Little Hippie Zippie
32.5 x 25.5 x 11 cm
ref: CB07011
RICE BAG
ref: CB02012
NEWSPAPER
ref: CB03009
COMIC

Large Hippie Zippie
35 x 27.5 x 11 cm
ref: CB04022
MAGAZINE STRIPE
ref: CB07010
RICE BAG
ref: CB02011
NEWSPAPER
ref: CB03008
COMIC
Classy Clutch

(large)
ref: CB04020
44 x 30 x 12 cm
MAGAZINE

(small)
ref: CB04021
36 x 25.5 x 12 cm
MAGAZINE
Mini Messenger

30 x 23 x 13.5 cm
ref: CB03012
COMIC
ref: CB04019
MAGAZINE STRIPE

Mr. Messenger

35 x 26 x 12 cm
ref: CB02010
NEWSPAPER
ref: CB03007
COMIC
ref: CB07009
RICEBAG
ref: CB15009
FOOD PACKAGING
ref: CB04017
MAGAZINE STRIPE

Two-sided Tote

37 x 40.5 x 5 cm
ref: CB07018
RICE BAG
& COTTON
REVERSIBLE

Production
If it is impossible for our producers to work from home, they can join one of our production centers.
Sourcing

Fabrics like kroma and sarong are sourced at local markets. Producers are trained to source their materials themselves and pay attention to quality, price and supplier relationships.
Magic Market

ref: CB06004
39 x 40 x 14 cm
SARONG & VINYL

Dynamic Duo

ref: CB06007
30 x 31 cm
SARONG & COTTON

Nice Necessities

ref: CB06006
15 x 21.5 cm
SARONG & DENIM

The Crossbody

ref: CB06005
23 x 31 cm
SARONG
Rock’n’Roll

[large]
ref: CB08003
25 x 55 cm
VINYL

[medium]
ref: CB08002
19.5 x 39 cm
VINYL

[small]
ref: CB08001
16 x 25 cm
VINYL

[square]
ref: CB08004
35 x 30 cm
VINYL
Bags & Money Minders

Basket Bonnie

ref: CB08011
39 x 35 x 38 cm
VINYL

Carrier Clyde

ref: CB08012
45.5 x 33 x 17 cm
VINYL

Design

New design ideas are everywhere: the country, its streets and “Friends” activities provide inspiration for our team of local design teachers, technical advisors and young international design volunteers to create innovative products for you.
Lira Long Purse

ref: CM08003
18 x 8.5 cm
VINYL

Available with Friends logo

Cool Companion

ref: CB08015
30 x 24 x 7 cm
VINYL

Vinyl Vibes
Sweet Surprise
ref: CB08017
14 x 32 x 6 cm
VINYL

The Writer
ref: CB08009
16 x 22 x 5 cm
VINYL
Cambodia – another Bollywood?

Before the Khmer Rouge period, Cambodia’s film industry flourished. With over 40 cinemas in town, Phnom Penh was a Mecca for film makers and film fans alike. In the 1960s, more than 300 films were produced.

Images from the Khmollywood collection are taken from original film posters created in this ‘Golden Age’, donated by French film maker Davy Chou whose grandfather, Van Chann, was a famous film maker during that time. We have turned the posters into bright ‘Warholesque’ designs that revive the vibrant Khmer pop culture of that time.

> Khmollywood T-shirts page 46 -47
The Weekender

ref: CB08005
50 x 33 x 20 cm
VINYL

Pound Purse

ref: CM08001
17.5 x 13 cm
VINYL
Reach out – we’ll be there

The streets are our base. Every day and night, you’ll find our teams there working to save lives and build futures.

This is where our work with children, youth, their families and the community starts and this is where we get the ideas and the drive to do what we do.
Mr. Messenger

ref: CB08014
36 x 25 x 13 cm
VINYL

Wonderful Washbag

ref: CT08001
20 x 16 x 7 cm
VINYL
Money Minders

Your contribution
With every item purchased you make a real difference in more ways than one. You not only buy ‘green products’ made from recycled materials, but you also bring a child closer to its graduation. Every bag purchased means one bag sold for a family, providing them with an income enabling them to send their children to school.

Kip Clutch
ref: CM04021
19.5 x 10.5 x 2 cm
MAGAZINE
Dollar

21 x 10 cm
ref : CM03008
COMIC
ref : CM06002
SARONG
ref : CM15010
FOOD PACKAGING
ref : CM04012
MAGAZINE STRIPE

Baht

21 x 8 cm
ref : CM04011
ROLLED MAGAZINE
Money Minders

Peso
ref: CM11001
13 x 8 cm
TIRE

11 x 10 cm
ref: CM15008
FOOD PACKAGING
ref: CM06001
SARONG

Riel 2
ref: CM03006
COMIC
ref: CM04010
MAGAZINE STRIPE
ref: CM02002
NEWSPAPER
**Euro Glitter**

ref: CM15009

18.5 x 8.5 x 2.5cm

FOOD PACKAGING
FUNKY AND STYLISH!

Asia offers a range of local fabrics and designs that we transform into our own unique ‘friends’ styles.
Get your favorite T’s with truly Asian images. Know your way around with our road signs, be cool in our vintage Cambodian shop T’s or strut the Khmollywood walk of fame wearing one of our Cambodian film images.

**Men’s T’s**

- **T-shirt Punk head**
  by David Harding
  ref: CG12004
  COTTON

- **T-shirt Kampot**
  ref: CG12002
  COTTON

- **T-shirt Chop**
  ref: CG12003
  COTTON

- **T-shirt Pasteur**
  ref: CG12001
  COTTON

Get your favorite T’s with truly Asian images. Know your way around with our road signs, be cool in our vintage Cambodian shop T’s or strut the Khmollywood walk of fame wearing one of our Cambodian film images.
Women’s T’s

T-shirt Punk head
by David Harding
ref : CL12004
COTTON

T-shirt Pasteur
ref : CL12001
COTTON

T-shirt Chop
ref : CL12003
COTTON

T-shirt Sothearos
ref : CL12005
COTTON

All T’s available in S,M,L,XL
Khmollywood

T-shirt Saveth
ref: CL09018
JERSEY

T-shirt Dy & Chea
ref: CL09004
JERSEY

Quality first
Regular follow ups and the chance to participate in training sessions allow producers to learn about sewing machine maintenance, to improve their sewing skills and to learn how to use different fabrics.

Check out our Khmollywood bags & Money Minders on page 34 - 35
Threads

Tank Top Saveth
ref : CL09006
JERSEY

Tank Top Kanha
ref : CL09008
JERSEY

Cambodia Special
Fishermen Pants
ref: CG12006
COTTON - MENS
ref: CL12006
COTTON - WOMENS

Fishermen Pants printed
ref: CG12007
COTTON - MENS
ref: CL12007
COTTON - WOMENS

Yoga Pants
ref: CL09002
JERSEY - WOMENS

Yoga Pants printed
ref: CL09003
JERSEY - WOMENS
Threads

One for all, all for one!

This is the slogan of sewing graduates setting up a cooperative group, allowing them to work together as small businesses. This prepares them well for becoming independent producers. Two to four students will group up in one house, sharing the costs, the work and, of course, the profits!

Scarf Dragons
ref: CU14001
149 x 37 cm
KROMA

Inspired by the children’s art

Scarf Friends
ref: CU12010
167 x 44 cm
COTTON

Inspired by the children’s art
FRIENDS-SHUI!

NOT ONLY CAN YOU WEAR OUR PRODUCTS, YOU CAN BRIGHTEN UP YOUR HOME WITH THEM. ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES, YOU CAN FIND MANY COLORFUL WAYS TO MAKE YOUR HOME ‘FRIENDLY’.
Happy-up your home with our animals and posters

Reaching Rabbit

ref: LI12015
39.5 x 19.5 cm
COTTON

Living with Friends
Crazy Cat
ref: LI12011
20 x 15 cm
COTTON

Friendly Fish
ref: LI12013
30 x 13 cm
COTTON

Daring Duck
ref: LI12009
26.5 x 9 cm
COTTON

A piece of Lao joviality in your home
Most of the products in this category originate from Lao P.D.R with their stunningly bright and lively designs from tribal villages. Special embroidery techniques are used in combination with typical Laotian colors – a feast for the senses.
Topsy Turtle
ref: L112006
29 x 16 cm
COTTON

Tiny Topsy Turtle
ref: L112016
21 x 11 cm
COTTON

Dangerous Dragon
ref: L112021
26 x 30 cm
COTTON

Little Dumbo
ref: L112012
21 x 14 cm
COTTON

Living with Friends
Our work in Lao P.D.R. reaches out into rural communities such as a very special village 52km outside of Vientiane. The villagers come from the ‘Hmong’ community who enhance our products with their elaborate embroidery techniques and thanks to the work of Friends-International all children of this community are now attending school.
Living with Friends
Topsy Turtle
ref: LS12006
7 x 6 cm
COTTON

Fat Fish
ref: LS12012
8 x 4.5 cm
COTTON

Speedy Snail
ref: LS12011
8 x 3 cm
COTTON

Friendly Fish
ref: LS12004
9 x 3 cm
COTTON

Chilly Chili
ref: LS12002
2 x 9 cm
COTTON

Lovely Ladybug
ref: LS12007
3.5 x 6 cm
COTTON

Elegant Elephant
ref: LS12003
8 x 5 cm
COTTON

Goofy Giraffe
ref: LS12005
3 x 9 cm
COTTON
Friends-International celebrated its 15 years anniversary with a complete collection of children’s art which was created by children and youth as part of our Educational and Vocational Training Center in Phnom Penh.
The Three Chefs
ref : CI01010

Romdeng Chef
ref : CI01009

Grilling Fish
ref : CI01014
Go international!
Friends-International is active globally and partners up with organizations from all over the world to maximize its impact in saving lives and building futures.

Working with Friends

Work is fun with these products!

Jolly Journal

[Small]
ref: CS04009
10 x 15 x 2 cm
ROLLED MAGAZINE

[Big]
ref: CS04010
14 x 20 x 2 cm
ROLLED MAGAZINE
Round Pretty Pens
ref : CS04011
18.5 x 6 cm
ROLLED MAGAZINE

Bright Business
ref : CS08001
11 x 7 cm
VINYL

Square Pretty Pens
ref : CS02002
18.5 x 6 x 5.5 cm
NEWSPAPER

ref : CS03001
COMIC

Smart Sleeve A4
ref : CS04008
32 x 25 x 1.5 cm
ROLLED MAGAZINE
Petite Packaging
ref: CS02003
11 x 12 x 4 cm

Pompous Packaging
ref: CS02005
31.5 x 37 x 15 cm

Posh Packaging
ref: CS02006
25 x 27 x 10.5 cm

Plump Packaging
ref: CS02008
24 x 33 x 7.5 cm

Popular Packaging
ref: CS02004
24.5 x 28 x 6 cm

Tube Packaging
ref: CS02007
10.5 x 36 cm

Freedom!
We support our families to help them set-up their own business and find success in the local market.
Apsara Angkor
ref: CS01016

Boy With Fruit
ref: CS01017

Angel
ref: CS01018

Elephant Heads
ref: CS01019

Phnom Penh
ref: CS01020

Postcards (10 x 15 cm)
Struggle of a Group of Children
ref: CS01021

Vatey’s Fruits
ref: CS01022

Fruit Seller
ref: CS01024

Pagoda
ref: CS01025

Buddha
ref: CS01023

Postcards (15 x 15 cm)
Greeting Cards (8.5 x 8.5 cm)

Seller to Support Study
ref: CS01029

Romdeng Chef
ref: CS01026

Buddha in My Dream
ref: CS01027

Monk’s Blessing
ref: CS01028

A Woman Dancer
ref: CS01030
Secrets of Female and Male Dragons

ref: CS01036

Pagoda

ref: CS01032

Boats on the Mekong

ref: CS01031

art 15 Friends

ref: CS01046
20 x 20 cm

15 years of stunning children’s art from Friends-International’s programs is collected in this book.
There is nothing better than eating with Friends
**Food for life**

Friends-International has an expanding number of internationally acclaimed restaurants in South-East Asia. These function as social businesses blending the extensive social support and vocational training for marginalized youth that we are famous for. As the number of our restaurants increase, we can ensure more great dining experiences for you and more opportunities to build a future for our students.
Children’s Bib Goofy Giraffe

ref : LK12001
43 x 34 cm
COTTON

Children’s Bib Friendly Fish

ref : LK12004
36 x 31.5 cm
COTTON

Children’s Bib Topsy Turtle

ref : LK12002
31 x 21 cm
COTTON

Children’s Bib Cranky Crab

ref : LK12003
32 x 26.5 cm
COTTON

Eating with Friends
Along came a spider… and won 2 awards!

The World Food Media Awards event is considered the most comprehensive international competition of its kind. Having been awarded Best Asian Cookbook in 2009, Friends-International's Cambodian cookbook ‘From Spiders to Water Lilies’ also won the prestigious Cordon Bleu World Food Award in 2010. You will enjoy a wide range of traditional yet creative recipes from the countries provinces.

Order your copy now and enjoy your culinary journey through Cambodia!
You like our shapes and design but would like to make them your own?

Just follow these three steps:

1. Collect all that scrap paper and pick a style
2. Get it to us
3. We will turn it into great products for you
Your Friends

CREATE YOUR OWN T-SHIRTS, ACCESSORIES OR HOME DÉCOR ITEMS

WHATEVER IT IS, WE CAN MAKE IT. YOU WILL END UP WITH A UNIQUE PRODUCT FOR YOUR CUSTOMERS, EMPLOYEES OR MEDIA CONTACTS AND SUPPORT THE FUTURES OF OUR PRODUCERS AT THE SAME TIME.

IF YOU HAVE YOUR OWN DESIGN OR WOULD LIKE TO GIVE US YOUR FEEDBACK, PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO sales@friends-international.org.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!
What we can do for Equite, one of our distributors in Europe, we can do for you!

If your business is drowning in scrap paper and you feel guilty throwing it away, just send it to us for a revamp. You will end up with a unique product for your customers, employees or respective clients and support the futures of children and families at the same time.
Contact us!

If you have any questions or you would like to sell our products in your region, feel free to contact us any time under sales@friends-international.org.

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On the way to you!

Please contact us to inquire about order quantities, shipping costs, delivery times and methods. All of our products are dispatched from Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

New arrivals every month!

Our design teams are always surprising us, so please check our website www.friends-international.org regularly for new product arrivals. If you’d like to receive a reminder every month from us, please drop us a short email under sales@friends-international.org.
In order to build more futures of children and youth, Friends-International has expanded its impact by setting up the CYTI Alliance. This is a worldwide network of currently 25 organizations who aim to provide the highest standard of services to marginalized urban children and youth, their families and communities. Trained and coordinated by Friends-International, these organizations work effectively, only in the best interest of children and youth in places like Cambodia, Egypt, Honduras, Indonesia, Lao P.D.R, Mexico and Thailand. In this way, training methods, skills and experiences are exchanged to constantly improve existing projects and respond to future challenges with effective solutions.

CYTI Alliance strives to build futures for vulnerable people from all over the world so they can become independent citizens of their country. Through this, they will be able to have an influence on society, will adopt positive behavior changes and will be enabled to provide supportive environments for future generations.

**Producing Partners**

**M'LOP Tapang:**

M'LOP Tapang, a local non-profit organization registered with the Royal Government of Cambodia, has been working with the street children of Sihanoukville since 2003. They currently work directly with over 3000 children and 900 families through nine specialized centers in the Sihanoukville area providing shelter, medical care, sports and arts, education and training, counseling, family support and protection from all types of abuse. Another 20,000 children live in precarious family situations in Sihanoukville, one step away from having to drop out of school, start working, lose their homes or be victims of abuse. These children are familiar with M’LOP Tapang (through outreach workers, radio, shows, and volunteers) and know how to access any of their services in case of need.

**Straw coaster and Placemat**

Coaster SR001
Placemat SR005
Made of recycled drinking straws carefully wrapped in noodle or washing powder wrappers.

**Wash bag large**

FR0025 - Colors vary.
Great traveling companion, hand made from beautiful, traditional sarong material.

**2 Bags**

FR006 - Colors vary.
Reversible bag with shoulder length handle.

M’LOP Tapang Shop - Serendipity Beach Road - Sihanoukville, Cambodia
**Damnok Toek:**

Damnok Toek (DT) has supported vulnerable and exploited children and their families since 1997. This Cambodian non-government organization is active in the three locations of Poipet, Neak Loeung and Phnom Penh. Each day, up to 100 employees and a handful of technical advisors provide best quality services to more than 1,500 children. The organization has been founded by the Goutte d’Eau Foundation and receives ongoing support on financial and quality management matters.

**Amade:**

Founded in 1963 by Princess Grace of Monaco, the World Association of Children’s Friends (Association Mondiale des Amis de l’Enfance) - AMADE strives to contribute to the wellness of the most vulnerable children in this world. The project of building a day care center near the prison of Phnom Penh started on 1st July 2009. Since then, the center accommodates 35 to 40 children every single day from morning until evening, providing them with basic hygiene, food and leisure activities while their mothers are in prison. The project aims at showing the children a different life during daytime and ensuring they receive the necessary means to grow up as healthy children.

Mobile made of recycled paper

Zipper bags & purses

For orders from our producing partners, please email us at sales@friends-international.org
‘Friends’ – a great investment!

We know that every penny counts, especially to children on the streets. Because of this, we strive to keep the costs of running the organization to a minimum. Administrative costs are less than 10 percent of total spending and procedures are constantly evaluated to make them as efficient as possible, so that as much money as possible goes towards directly impacting children’s lives.

If you would like to make a donation to our projects, go to www.friends-international.org and click on ‘support us’.

Thank you very much for your support!
You can follow us on Facebook and Twitter also...

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