

VIETNAM ARTISAN STORY



Many villages in Vietnam underwent damages from destructive wars and have recently been impacted by urbanization. The resilient and skilled artisans still preserve their traditional handcrafted work to produce the best silk in Vietnam,

Their silk was once supplied to the Imperial Palace for royal members and noble- then they widely sold accessories to different areas in Vietnam.

IMPACT



SUSTAINABLE JOBS

Artisans typically receive little compensation for their work as they are exploited by middlemen who take a large cut of their profits. Thanks to Fair Trade artisans receive a fair wage for their hard work.



CULTURAL RESPECT

Vietnam is comprised of ethnic hill tribe people. These hill tribes have little access to markets as they live in rural hilly and mountainous areas. We work to promote awareness of ethnic minority crafts and cultures.



EMPOWERMENT

This is one of very few villages where the artisans work together to help each other do the entire process of silk production- raising silkworms, feeding them mulberry leaves, harvesting cocoons, extracting silk threads, dyeing spinning & weaving.

