



THE FINEST ART OF COPPER MAKING



#### \*TEPOTZTLI\*

Each Tepotztli piece is individually handcrafted one piece at a time by artisans in Sierra Madre Mountains, a communities located high in the Sierra Madres Occidental of Southwestern Mexico. Tepotztli represent the finest art of Mexican copper making, celebrating the Purepecha Empires way of copper making.

Each piece is individually made and decorated.

Traditional copper work in Mexico has its origins in the pre Hispanic period, mostly limited to the former Purépecha Empire in what are now the states of Michoacán and Jalisco. Their tradition of copper work originated mysteriously over 1000 years ago. Some theories connect its origins with the appearance of Quetzalcoatl, the feathered serpent, a harbinger of peace and culture. Copper religious items, such as bells, first appeared and spread with his cults throughout Mexico. Other theories compare the techniques for working the copper which appeared suddenly and without evidence of development.

The Purépecha developed some techniques for extracting copper from rock as well as techniques for shaping it. The working of the metal had advanced enough that it was used for utilitarian objects as well as ornamental and religious ones. The Purépecha made a number of objects from the metal including axes, boxes, fish hooks, knives, small bells, necklaces, bracelets and earrings. Copper was first worked by cold hammering but as copper loses elasticity as it is worked this way, heating was soon discovered to recondition it. The creation of objects by casting was not common for copper but was used to make small delicate objects such as bells.



# THAN TOOLS

The art work that we provide are not only just beautiful and handmade from scratch. They are a result of our passion and creativity, the very core of true craftsmanship. In our job we do not only devote ourselves to our customers with high quality, we want to give them something else that's much more precious, A feeling. A symbol. Something to grow with. Something to stand for. A source of wisdom and strength, deeper connection with our art pieces and designs.

A thought that resonates fully with its bearer. Something more than just tools...











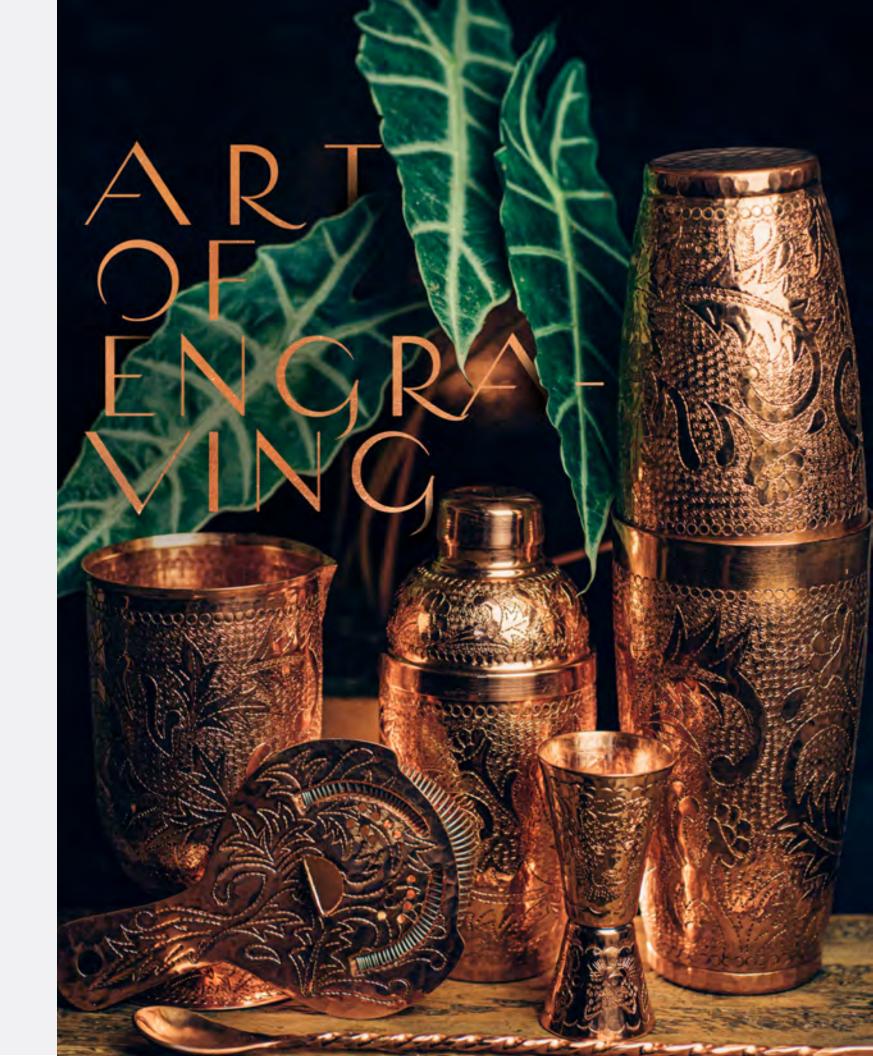






Few people understand the skills and attention to detail involved in the traditional craft of hand engraving. It is a diverse craft with a long history that is intrinsically entwined with human culture. Historically hand engraving has been used in both practical and decorative applications.

Most of our designs are inspired by Nature, but also with a special feeling and emotion of the particular artists creating them. We want our pieces to be something more than just a beautiful. We want to give them a meaning and a purpose that the user can feel, relate to and embrace.











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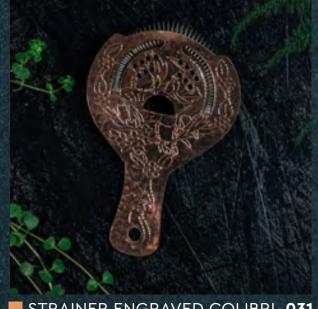
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HAND PAINTED SET TULIPANES **050** 









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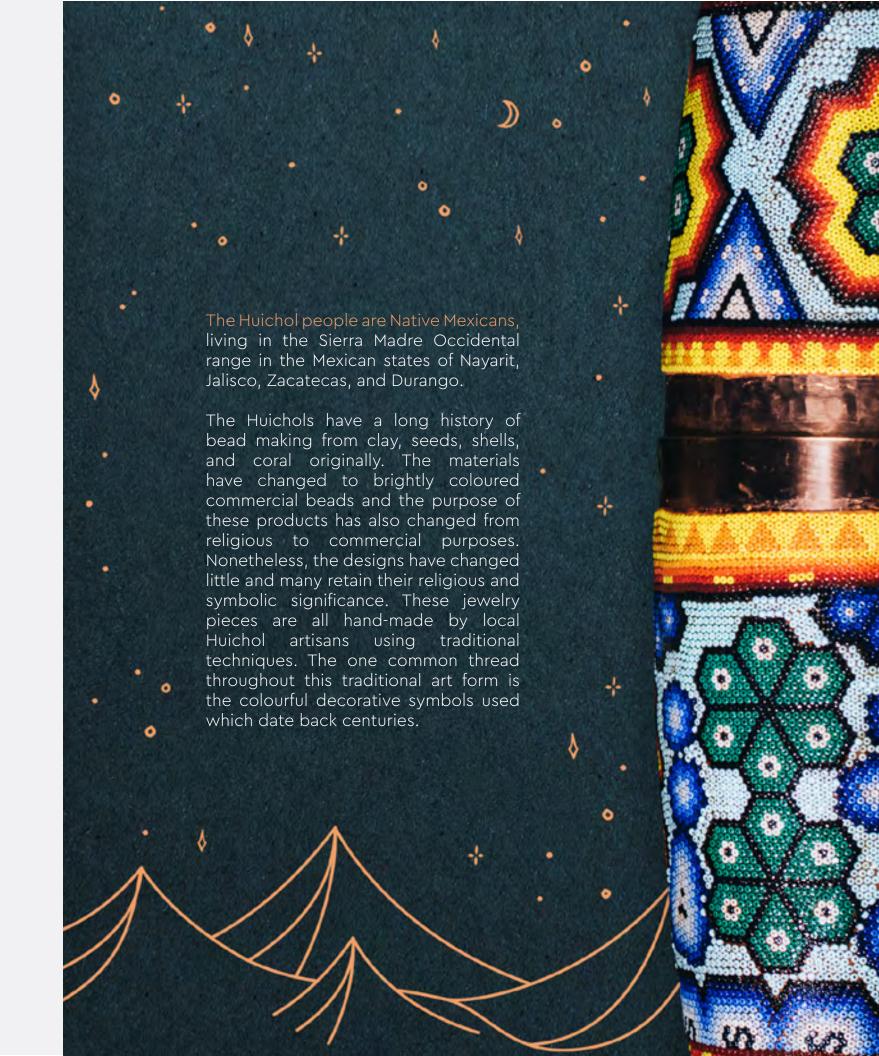


### W/IX/ARIKAS COLLECTION

The collection #Wixarikas it's inspired by our experience with Wixarikas People in Sierra Madre Mountains. Wixarika connection to nature and spirituality its big part of out inspiration. Each Piece it's unique and only one ever made. Each symbol and color has a meaning which will speak to if it's meant for you. Each piece take up to 7 days of concentration and work to finish.

The Wixarika people live in a remote region of the Sierra Madre mountain range. Their rugged environment has allowed them to preserve their traditional lifestyle for hundreds of years. Their connection to the spiritual world is something inherent to life itself, as it is the way of coexisting in harmony with nature and all of creation. Today, the Wixarika way of life continues much as it has for thousands of years. Still without electricity or running water, the Wixarika people rely on their relationship with nature to sustain their communities.

The Wixarika people of Mexico has practiced its sacred healing traditions for millennia.











#### WIXARIKAS SYMBOLS MEANINGS



SHAMAN: Medicine man. SHAMAN: Curanero.



CANDLE: Offering to the Gods. VELA: Ofrenda a los Dioses.



DEER: The messenger of the Gods.

VENADO: Mensajero de los Dioses.



ARROW: Sacred offering to the spirits.
FLECHA: Ofrenda sagrada a los



fire. LEÓN: Mensajero del Dios del fuego.

LION: Messenger of the God of



GOURD BOWLS: Colorfully decorated used by shamans. JICARAS: Son decoradas con símbolos que usan los shamanes.



WOLF: Knowledge and wisdom. LOBO: Conocimiento y sabiduría.



MUWIERI: Important tool for the Shaman.

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TOURTLE: Assistant of the rain Godess. TORTUGA: Asistente de la Diosa de la Iluvia.



RIRRIKI: Sacred house and temple. RIRRIKI: Casa y templo sagrado.



SALAMANDER: God of the rain. SALAMANDRA: Dios de la Iluvia.



FIRE: Enables to have vision. FUEGO: Permite tener visiones.



SCORPION: Protector of the Peyote. ESCORPIÓN: Protector del Peyote



ECLIPSE: Union between male and female. ECLIPSE: Unión entre macho y



BIRD: Freedom PÁJARO: Libertad.



UXA: Root of a plant. UXA: Root of a plant.



TOW HEADED EAGLE: Duality of the Gods. AGUILA DE DOS CABEZAS: Dualidad de los dioses.



FLOWERS: Are utilized in all ceremonies. FLORES: Son utilizadas en las ceremonias.



BUTTERFLY: Announces transformative visions. MARIPOSA: Anuncia visiones transformadoras.



KERI: Tha plant is hallucinogen. KERI: Planta alucinógena.



MOTHER OF THE CORN: Is the creation.

MADRE DEL MAÍZ: Es la creación.



PEYOTE: Symbol for life and sucess. PEYOTE: Símbolo de la vida y el



EYE OF GOD: Protection for children.

OJO DE DIOS: Protector de los niños.



CORN: Health and prosperity. MAIZ: Salud y prosperidad.



SERPENT: God of the Ocean. SERPTIENTE: Diosdel Oceano.



MOON: Fertility. LUNA: Fertilidad.



IGUANA: Advisor of future. IGUANA: Adivino del futuro.



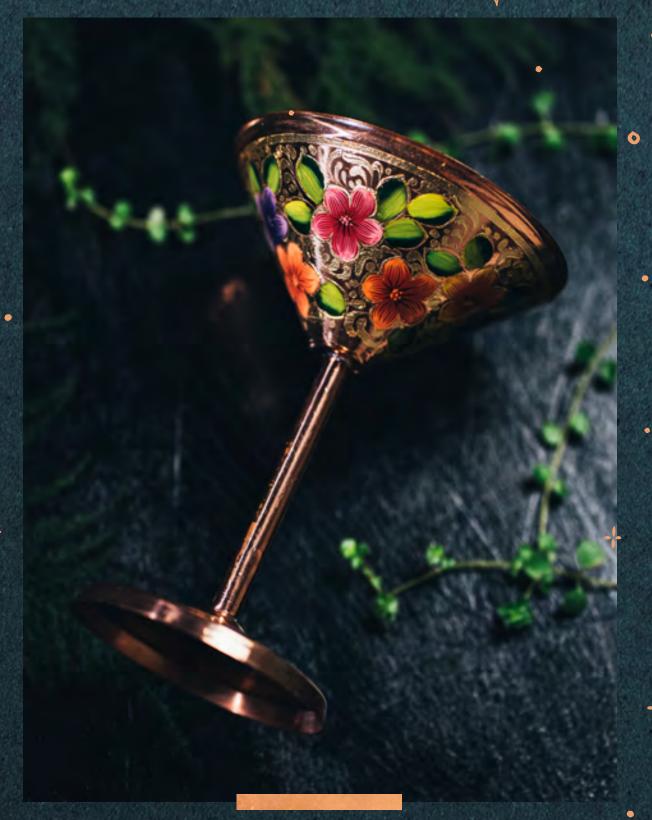
MOON: Power. LUNA: Poder.











HAND PAINTED MARTINI FLORES 094

















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