

FAIR TRADE CHIMES



These metal chimes are made by a single family in the town of Behat, in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh, India. The artisans work out of a converted house which is now their workshop in the remote village.

Fair trade artisans are paid 50% of the cost up front so that they are able to purchase the materials for the products in which they are making. The chimes start out as flat sheets of scrap metal and are cut or stamped into the correct chime design. Once the chimes are cut and the basic shape is formed, they are washed to remove any rust or dirt and to give the metal a clean surface for painting and finishing.

The wives, daughters, and sisters of the men who create the chimes finish each piece with colorful beads and small bells to give them beautiful sound. This family business is supported by your purchases of their chimes!

