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Product Information

What are the arkart animals made from?

The fibres used in the manufacture of Ark Art's products are made from the matured leafstalks (petiole) of the Buri palm. The scientific name of the plant, which is native to Asia Pacific, is *Corypha Elata*.

To enable the palm fibre to be used in the manufacture of the animals it is first soaked for an extensive amount of time to ensure the fibres separate. After this process it is bleached, heat dried, cut into bundles, and then made into rough cylinders and shapes by being hand wired onto a central soft wire which runs through the middle. This wire allows the critters to bend freely and to be posed without breaking.

Where are they made?

All Arkart animals are designed and developed by the Arkart family team of designers. Initially critters were finished in Australia in house, however due to the immediate popularity and growth of the product range the small Australian team could no longer meet the demands of their stockists. Now all of the production happens offshore in the Philippines, where the animals are hand cut with special scissors into their final shape. Facial features, claws, and feet are then attached and mainly all natural products are used such as seeds, nuts, pods and beads. If metal is used this is recycled from old paint tins. The critters are then painted and quality checked, ready for packaging and fumigation. All critters are made with love by talented workers who enjoy what they do and are proud to showcase their skills internationally and be associated with such a great company.

100% Natural and Environmentally Friendly

The team at Arkart is very much concerned with the protection of the environment and so they ensure that there is a strict regeneration process of the trees used in the production of these products. They work closely with their overseas manufacturing plant to ensure this and are constantly looking for new ways to make fun and environmentally friendly products.

All ArkArt animals are insect free and do not contain any threat of pest infestation or contamination to the environment as all fiber is quarantine inspected and appropriately treated prior to importation into this country.

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