

Portfolio DAR Proyectos

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SECTION 1 : TEXTILES







SECTION 2 : STONE, CERAMIC, WOOD

ANDEAN CROCHET Innovative Textiles & Handmade Production

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OUR EXPERIENCE



The team at DAR counts on 10 years of experience making, selling and exporting handmade goods from a wide range of categories. We're pretty good at it. We produce our own brand of home decor products sold at the below retailers, and we offer a wide range of private label and customizations, including for our textile clients above.

Some of our retail partnerships:



NORDSTROM

bloomingdales



ALL**MODERN**



PRESERVING VANISHING SKILLS

Techniques native to Perú are at risk of being lost to more un-skilled economic alternatives. Craftspeople aren't teaching their kids the skills that their parents passed on to them.

DAR (Desarollo Artesanal Rentable) has focused on social impact programming to enable a wide network of rural craft communities to create long-term change.

We work towards the following UNDP & UNESCO goals >



NDER EQUALITY	
Female artisans employed 280	93%
Male artisans employed 20	93% WOMEN
Female leadership roles enabled	15

GENDER EQUALITY

Enable women's active and effective participation in economic and community life in line with the UN Development Goal #05. Documentation and registry of formal associations formed by women enable log term opportunities. Flexible work-from-home structure enables moms yo balance work while maintaining traditional responsibilities



SKILL BUILDING

Technical skill building enables rural artisans yo meet international quality standars, providing access to market throught organizational empowerment, and entrepreneurial development

CERTIFICATION



DAR Proyectos is proudly certified by the Build a NEST Foundation for Ethical Handcraft since completing the rigourous Artisan Accelorator program in 2022.

Through extensive training and on-site audits, we continue to validate that our social and environmental impact are responsible and transparent, respecting fair trade standards.





DAR was formed by two designers, with specialties in textiles, fashion and industrial design, plus a love of color. In partnership with a wide range of artisan teams, we produce high-quality products thanks to living directly in Northern Perú.



OUR SERVICES



DESIGN TEAM:

DEVELOPMENT

Our sample development is unmatched! We spec out designs stitch by stitch to avoid lengthy product development, and to ensure that even those on our team with limited reading capabilities can interpret a design requirement.



Techniques:

Andean crochet tramado Textured crochet Backstrap loom weaving Net-making Embroidery

Materials:

Stretchy cord* exclusive Peruvian cotton High spun acrylic Grass Nylon fishing line Alpaca

Type of products

Bags Swimwear Garments Decor Accessories

Design Services

Graphic pattern design Seamless 3d construction Surface & texture design Patternmaking Grading



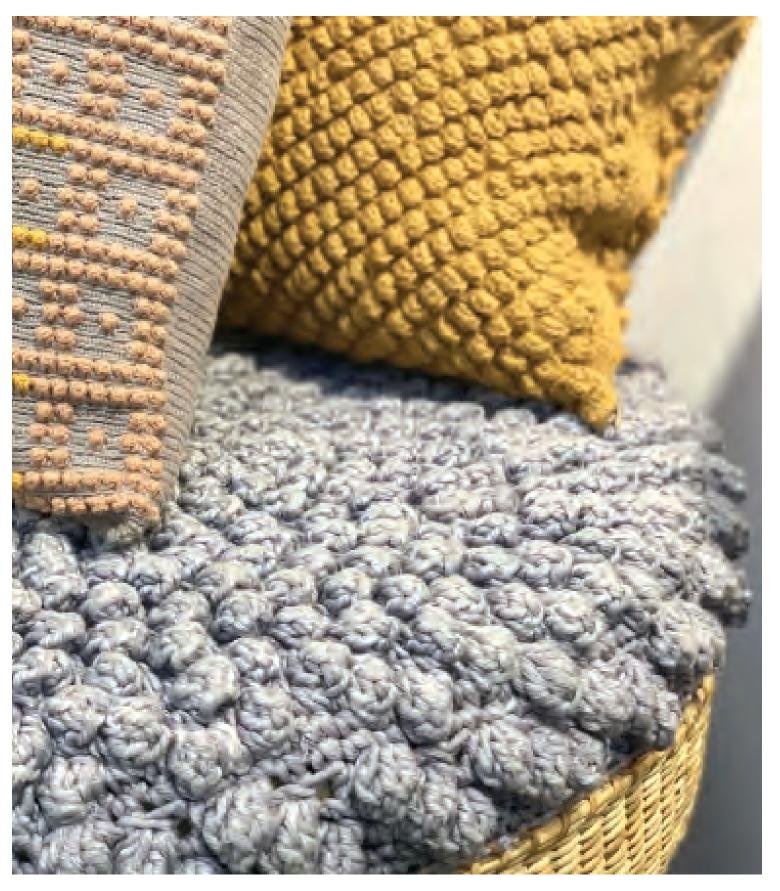
ANDEAN CROCHET

The ingenuity of Andean highland women have created a hybrid technique to backstrap loom and European crochet. Benefits of this technique include:

Seamless dimensional construction



Surface Texture applications





INNOVATIONS IN ANDEAN CROCHET

There are some areas in which this technique really shines. The inclusion of a hidden weft allows for unique solutions to textile design.

- Reversible fabrics
- Mix of multple colors
- Dynamic continuous patterns
- Various tensions achievable floppy to rigid
- Seamless shaping





This also makes sampling more efficient!







The design team specs out each stitch to ensure that even those with limited reading skills can successfully interpret a design.







BACKSTRAP LOOM

The highlands of Cajamarca are known for their rich tradition of backstram hand-woven fabrics.

Double-weave, raised surface texture and embroideries available, with design pushing the boundaries of construction and textile development possible through this hands-on technique.

Double-weave, machine sewn



Raised-weft, hand assembled w/custom sponge fill



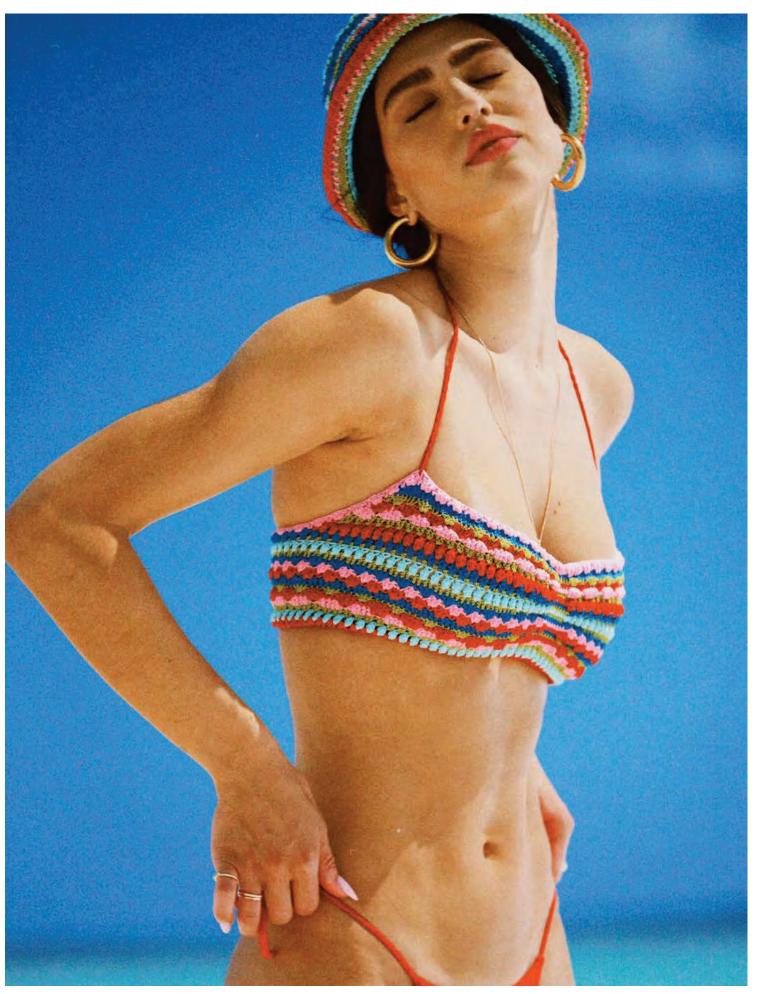
Double-weave trim experiment



STRETCHY-CROCHET®

An exclusive cord yarn (similar to the ear strap of a mask, but finer and softer!) has been developed through a proprietary machine, allowing for customizations from fibre to end use. Ideal for use in form-fitting garments and accessories, and retains its stretch and look with years of use!

Textured stitch



Chain stitch



Full point with reversible stitch detail

FINISHING DETAILS & OTHER TECHNIQUES

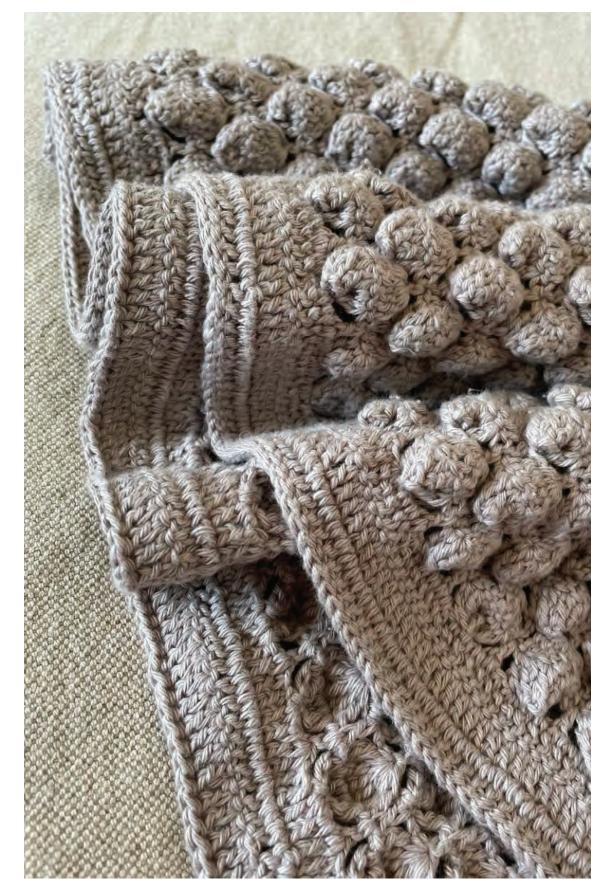
We continue to focus on redefining the intersection of tradition and innovation, combining modern design with the rich cultural heritage of the Peruvian Andes. Strong finishing details are essential to creating a top quality final product!

Embroidered strap with loose warp detail; voluminous chirimoya crochet texture; fisherman netmaking; net bag in fisherman technique; crcohet flowers with chain stitches; raised surface; ring strap in nylon















Clockwise from top left:

DESIGN INNOVATION & AWARDS

DAR won Best Product Design Award for Weaving the Light project, a design innovation project utilizing traditional craft techniques and cutting edge wearable technology.

Weaving the Light proposed a series of lamps – a long two-meter snake lamp and a classic table lamp, whose structure inherently glows from the textile itself. The lamps consist of electroluminescent (EL) wire – both the source of light and the foundation of the structure itself, which is encased and shaped by traditional Andean crochet weaving.





2023 Toronto, Canada Juror's Choice Award, Living Well



2020 Seattle, USA Winner Product Design



2023 New York, USA Ethical compensation certificate





Gardening & Outdoor Living award Stationary & Gift Items Design







ABOUT US

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2025

Andean Gemstone Collection Wholesale Order Catalogue



Precious material

Beyond the Jewelry Box: Unlock the beauty of semiprecious gemstones beyond the jewelry box as they seamlessly integrate into your everyday life.

Gems to play

Transform your home with luxurious jewel puzzles! These gemstone treasures bring good vibes and endless fun, making every moment at home a chance to interact with gems.



Playful gifts for workspace & family

Celebrating minorstones and inviting connection has never been more important. These pieces blend playfulness with adult sophistication, a joy to give and to receive!

buildanest.org Fair trade certification

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Ethically Handcrafted[™]





AWARDS





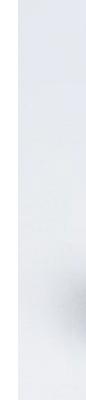






Slow Burning

#INC-ESF-CE SPHERE INCENSE HOLDER blue angelite 2.25" x 2.25" h x 2.25" \$24



#INC-ESF-RH SPHERE INCENSE HOLDER pink rhodonite 2.25" x 2.25" h x 2.25" \$**30**

Handmade in Pacasmayo - Perú





#INC-ESF-OC SPHERE INCENSE HOLDER onyx crema 2.25" x 2.25" h x 2.25" \$24



#INC-ESF-SE SPHERE INCENSE HOLDER green serpentine 2.25" x 2.25" h x 2.25" \$24





#INC-CUR-NE CURVE INCENSE HOLDER black onyx

4.5"l x 1.5"w x 1.25"h \$ 24



#INC-CUR-OC CURVE INCENSE HOLDER

onyx crema

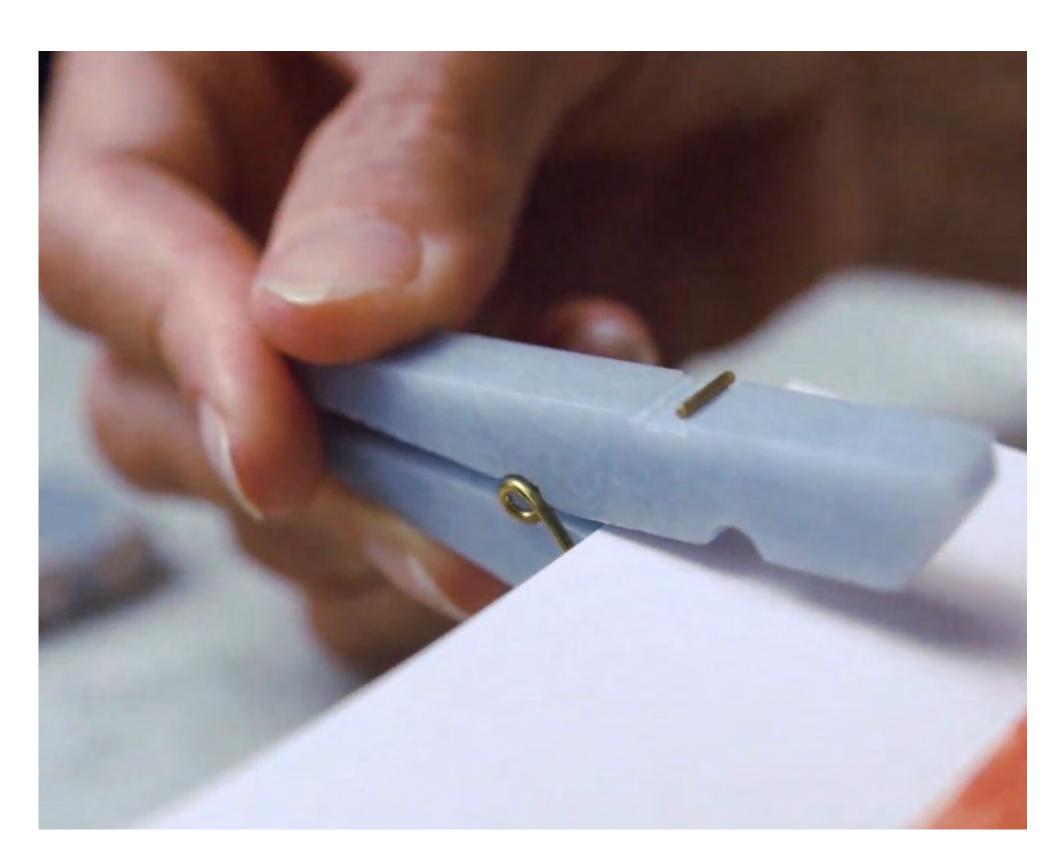
4.5"l x 1.5"w x 1.25"h 24 \$

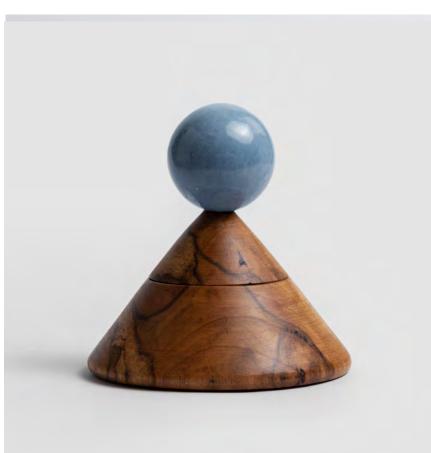






Highlight: **Ancient Angelite**





#COF-CON-CE CONE SPECIAL THINGS BOX blue angelite 6" x 6" - 14 x 14 x 14cm \$ 57.50



#PLAT-PEQ-CE ORGANIC STONE CATCH ALL - aprox 4" angelite blue 4" x 3.25" h x 0.8" - 10 x 8 x 2cm \$22

#CLIP-CL1-CE CLASSIC CLOTHESPIN

angelite blue

2.75" x 0.75" x 0.3 " - 7 x 2 x 1 cm \$14.50 each





#GAM-ESTR-CE 6 piece Burr Star Puzzle blue angelite

2.5"w x 2.5" h x 2.5" aprox \$72.5



#CON-RED_NUB CLOUD SPECIAL THINGS BOX angelite blue handle, cachimba wood

3.5" x 3.5" h x 5.5" - 9 x 9 x 13cm \$ 44.50

Formed in the high Andean altitude, these potato sized stones are minimally processed to reveal their darling blue hue







Gems to play with

Transform your home with luxurious jewel puzzles! These gemstone treasures bring good vibes and endless fun, making every moment at home a chance to interact with gems.

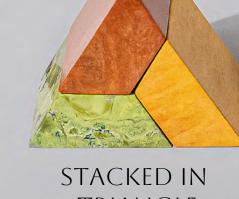


Playful Pauses



#KUX-CAN-SE WAVY CANDELABRA green serpentine 8.5" x 2 x 1.5" - 22.5 x 4 x 4.5cm

\$75



TRIANGLE POSITION

#CAN-TRI-TCM

e in Pacasmayo - Perú



#KUX-CAN-JC WAVY CANDELABRA creamy soapstone

8.5" x 2 x 1.5" - 22.5 x 4 x 4.5cm \$70

flip and turn candelabras to hold 2 or 3 standard taper candles



TRIANGLE PUZZLE / STACKABLE CANDELABRA serpentine, orange jasper, creamy soapstone 3.75" x 3.75" h x 2.25" - 9 x 9 x 6cm \$ 72.5





#CAN-FAC-NE FACETED TAPER CANDLE HOLDER black onyx

3.5" x 2.25" h x 2.25" - 8.5 x 5.5 x 5.5cm \$ 29

#CAN-FAC-JC FACETED TAPER CANDLE HOLDER

creamy soapstone

3.5" x 2.25" h x 2.25" - 8.5 x 5.5 x 5.5cm \$29









Precious material

Beyond the Jewelry Box: Unlock the beauty of semiprecious gemstones beyond the jewelry box as they seamlessly integrate into your everyday life.











#COF-RED-NE ROUND SPECIAL THINGS BOX black onyx handle, cachimba wood

3.5" x 3.5" h x 5.5" - 9 x 9 x 13cm \$ 49.50



#COF-OV-SE OVAL SPECIAL THINGS BOX green serpentine handle, cachimba wood 6" x 4" x 5" - 15 x 10 x 12.5cm \$ 49.50



Cool Containers



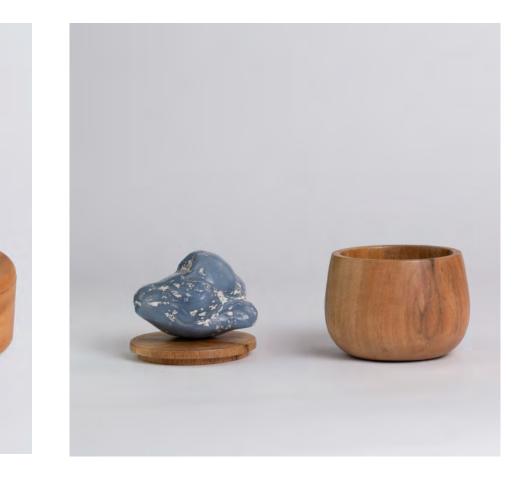
#CON-RED_NUB CLOUD SPECIAL THINGS BOX blue angelite handle, cachimba wood

3.5" x 3.5" h x 5.5" - 9 x 9 x 13cm \$ 44.50



#COF-CON-CE COOL CONE BOX blue angelite handle, cachimba wood

6" x 6" - 14 x 14 x 14cm \$ 57.50







Surreal Soirée

Invite guests to linger longer at the party by creating an engaging tablescape that pulls the tongue. By adding playful elements to a luxurious table, the conversation after dinner will never be dull!

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Happy Hosting Invite playfulness to the dinner table



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#TABO-RC-MAD WOOD CUTTING BOARD 11" peruvian cachimba wood

ll" x 8" h x 0.6" - 29 x 19 x 1.5cm \$ 37.50



*shape has updated to match that of black onyx style

#KUX-POV-SE SET OF 4 COASTERS / TRIVET green serpentine 4" x 4" h x 0.5" - 10 x 10 x 1cm each \$ 70

#TABO-RC-OC STONE TRIVET TRAY 10"

onyx crema

10" x 10" x 0.6" - 25 x 25 x 1.5cm \$ 82.50 use the coaster set as a trivet by joining the 4 puzzle pieces!





#KUX-POV-NE SET OF 4 COASTERS / TRIVET onyx black 4" x 4" h x 0.5" - 10 x 10 x 1cm eac

4" x 4" h x 0.5" - 10 x 10 x 1cm each \$ 70



#KUX-POV-M SET OF 4 COASTERS / TRIVET wooden camchimba

4" x 4" h x 0.5" - 10 x 10 x lcm each \$ 37.50



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Playful gifts for the workspace

Celebrating minorstones and creating connection has never been more important. These pieces blend playfulness with adult sophistication, inviting creativity to the desktop. Always a joy to give and to receive!



Digita Detox

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#KUX-PIPA CACTUS PIPE creamy soapstone

4.5" x 3.25" h x 1.5" - 11 x 8 x 3.5cm \$ 36

#CLIP-CL2 CLASSIC CLOTHESPIN assorted colourful gemstones

2.75" x 0.75" x 0.3 " - 7 x 2 x lcm \$ 29 for set



#CLIP-XG GIANT CLOTHESPIN, WITH HOLE FOR WALL MOUNT BRICK PHONE STAND creamy soapstone

7" x 2.25 x 1.25" - 27 x 6 x 4cm \$ 70



#KUX-BRIK-JC Soft Earthy Soapstones

4.5" h x 4.5" l x 2.75 " h \$ 60





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Iconic Clips

classic laundry pegs to clip and hold favourite things.



elevated into special objects





#CLIP-XG GIANT CLOTHESPIN, w WALL MOUNT creamy soapstone 7" x 2.25 x 1.25" - 27 x 6 x 4cm \$ 70



#CLIP-CL2-CL1 CLASSIC CLOTHESPIN

assorted colourful gemstones

2.75" x 0.75" x 0.3 " - 7 x 2 x lcm \$14.50 for one \$24.50 for set of 2

#CLIP-G-JC LARGE CLOTHESPIN

creamy soapstone

3.75" x 1" x 0.5 " - 14 x 2.5 x 1.2cm \$ 19.50 each







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Gemstones Vieet Playtime

#GAM-CUB CUBESTONE 7 Gemstones, 32 ways to solve 2"w x 2" h x 2" \$ 42.50



#GAM-TAN TANGRAM Mix of 7 unique gemstones

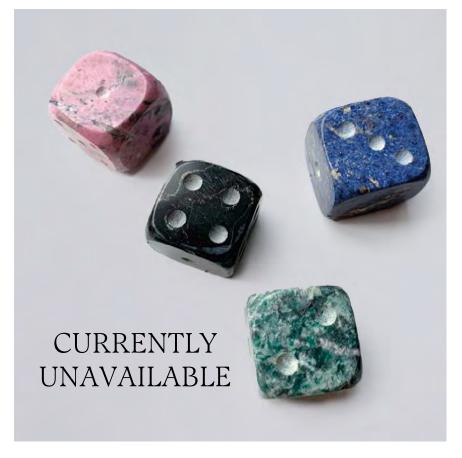
4.75"w x 4.75" h x l" \$ 49





#GAM-SCUB SUPERCUBE Giant mix of 7 unique gemstones

3.75" . 9cm square \$ 132.50



#GAM - DADO4 SET OF 4 DICE Rhodonite, Dumortierite, Onyx, Mariposita

1.25" square each \$49 for 4, \$24.5 for 2.



#GAM-TET TETRIS Blue Angelite, Orange Jasper, 2 Soapstones

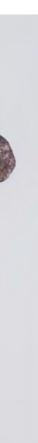
4.75"w x 4.75" h x 1" \$49



#GAM - MIC TIC TAC TOE Softcolour Soapstones

4.75"w x 4.75" h x l" \$ 39









Interacting with gems carved into puzzles and games invite time for mindful, grounding play.

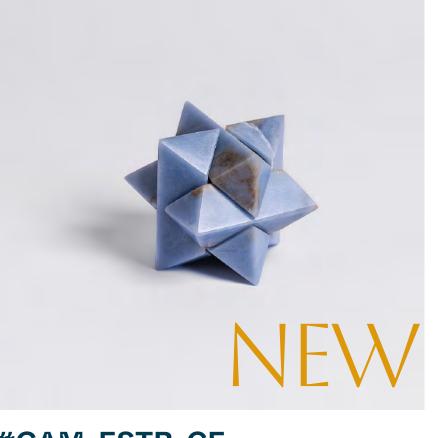
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Puzzies turned

into Jevels Creative challenges as beautiful to look as to solve



#GAM-ESTR-CE 6 piece Burr Star Puzzle Blue Angelite

2.5"w x 2.5" h x 2.5" aprox \$ 72.5



See page 8 for more stacking configurations

#GAM-T3M 3 piece Triangle Puzzle Creamy Soapstone, Jasper, Serpentine

4.25" x 4" x 2.5" \$72.5





#GAM-ESTR-OC 6 piece Burr Star Puzzle Creamy Onyx

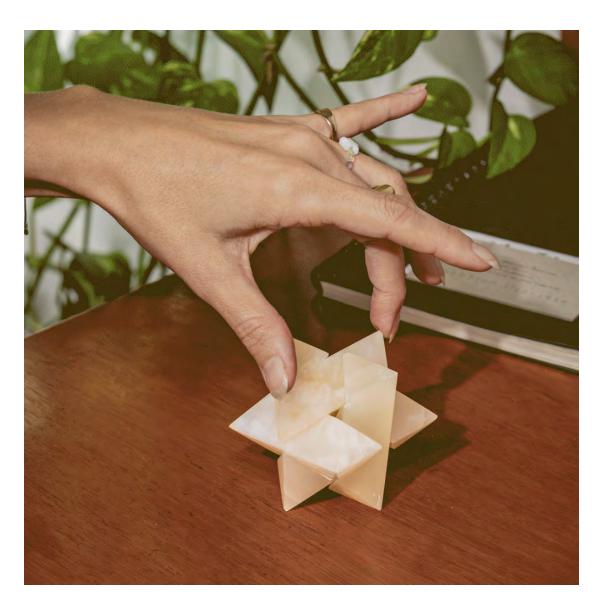
2.5"w x 2.5" h x 2.5" aprox \$ 72.5 **#GAM-ESTR-NE** 6 piece Burr Star Puzzle Black Onyx

2.5"w x 2.5" h x 2.5" aprox \$ 72.5



#GAM-P2-SE 2 piece Pyramid Puzzle Green serpentine

5"w x 5" h x 5" aprox \$ 82.5

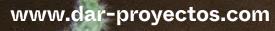




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the incredible porous ocean rock planter is 10x more absorbant than a regular clay pot



#MAC-PATA OCEAN PLANTER WITH FEET blue angelite, pink rhodonite, onyx crema 4" x 4" x 4" aprox - 10 x 10 x 10cm \$39



Ocean Planters



#MAC-OV-MA OVAL OCEAN PLANTER WITH WOODEN BASE calcite ocean stone + cachimba wood

7" x 4.25" w x 5.5" h - 15 x 10 x 11cm \$49

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About us

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