

# Batik

## History

The word Batik is Indonesian and means "wax writing". Batik is very often considered a craft like ceramic, pottery or even needlework. Although it is a household word all over the world, batik is still overlooked by art critics who do not consider it an art form. There are several countries known for their batik creations, starting with India where it originated. After that it moved to Indonesia, Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Thailand and the West.

The history of Indian batik can be traced as far back as 2000 years.



Wall Hanging



Saree



Blouse Piece



Scarf

### Description of the craft

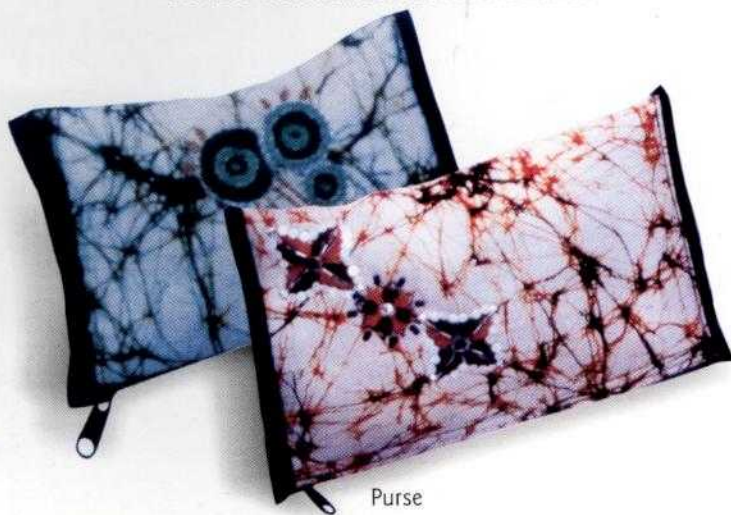
The process involves brushing on melted paraffin and beeswax on it penetrates specific portions of the fabric.

The waxed fabric is then dipped into or painted with wet dyes. The waxed portions repel or 'resist' the dyes thus the term 'resist process'.

Each time a new colour is introduced on the fabric, portions of that colour are waxed and held until the desired colour scheme is achieved. All wax is removed after the process is complete. Batik can be recognised by its characteristic crackles or veining that appears throughout the design and unifies the colours and compositions.

The beauty of batik lies in its simplicity and the fact that one need not be an artist to achieve results. Some of the best effects in batik are often achieved by chance.

This craft has entered its new era with colourful designs under the tutelage of the famous artist Nandalak Basu and is now predominant in Bolpur, Suri, Rampurhat-I, & II, and Md. Bazar. Excellent designs of Saree, Panjabi, Top, Garments, Shalwar pieces, Wall mats, Suiting, cover files bags etc. are most attractive in the national and international markets. This craft is expanding with computerized designs with an immense pace among the rural women artisans across the district.



Purse



Saree



Salwar Piece

**Product range:** Some of the popular Kancheerappan products are stoles, bedspreads, wall hangings, cushion covers, napkins and beach bags, sarees, salwar suits, jackets, hankies, tops, kurtis, dupattas, different types of shopping bags and ladies purses.



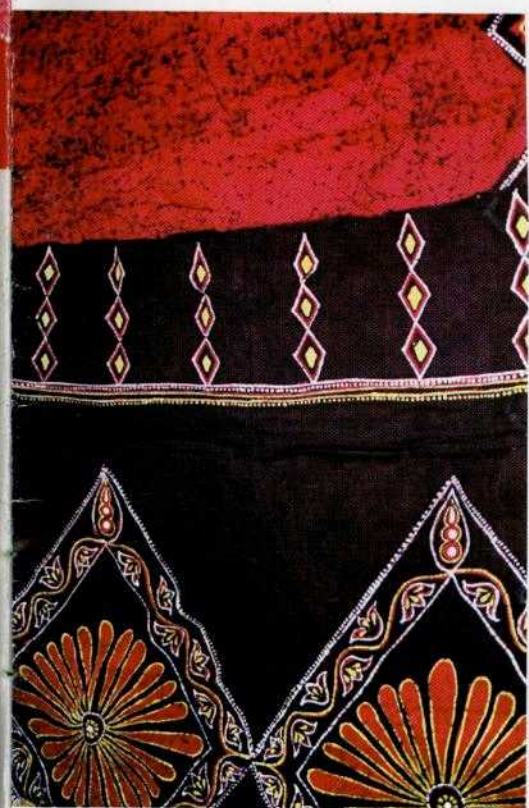
Bag



Blowse Piece

## PRODUCT & PRICE RANGE

Product	Description	Retail price(Rs.)	Price range
Batique	Saree(silk)		1500-2500
	Blowse piece		50-110
	Salwar Set(silk)		700-1500
	Dopatta		300-500
	Top		90-150
	Chadar(Stole)		170-200
	Scarf		60-90
	Hanky		15-30
	Uttriyo		140-160
	Tshitr		140-160
	Punjabi		225-350
	Different types of bag		35-50
	Purse		25
	Hanky		15
	File cover		100
	Cushion-cover		100
	Saree(cotton)		180-350
Salwar(cotton)		300-600	
Bed-Sheet		200-220	



Saree

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