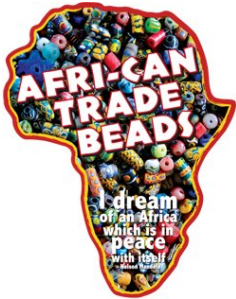


AFRICAN TRADE BEADS



Since ancient times, traders have crossed Africa in search of gold, salt, minerals and even slaves. The currency was spices and most often, beads. Beads were easy to transport, attractive to local people and became regular currency. Throughout history the people of Africa have used beads to decorate themselves, as they continue to do today.

Beads from these ancient routes often have symbolic meaning in African cultures and societies, and many are still made in traditional ways. Today, African trade beads are made into modern items to bring new life into items with significant history.

African Trade Bead Keyrings



ATB-BBGS
 Big Blue Glass
 51g 3.5x7cm



ATB-BONE
 Big Bone
 28g 3x6cm



ATB-TOUAREG
 Terracotta & amber
 29g 2.5x7cm



ATB-AQUA
 Big Aqua Glass
 54g 3.5x7cm



ATB-MTLBNE
 Metal & Bone
 47g 3x7.5cm



ATB-MALI
 Terracotta & amber
 29g 2.5x7cm



ATB-THINBONE
 Thin Bone
 28g 2.5x7cm

Keyrings come with an optional African Trade Beads product tag (featured above). Length measurement is beads only.

African Trade Bead Bracelets & Necklaces



ATB-XMAS
 Christmas Beads 5g



ATB-COCO
 Small Cocoina Beads 9g



ATB-MXDGLASS
 Mixed Glass Beads 32g



ATB-FLOWER
 Glass Flower Beads 13g



ATB-ASIA
 Mixed Asia Beads 9g



ATB-BRACE
 Trade Bead Bracelets 28g



ATB-NECKSM
 Trade Bead Necklaces on 1mm leather cord
 Beads may be taken off and rearranged 56g



ATB-NECKLG
 Trade Bead Necklaces on 1.5mm leather cord
 Beads may be taken off and rearranged 123g

All items beads come from throughout Africa; Ghana, Mali, Nigeria, South Africa, Ethiopia and many other countries. Bracelets are strung with either single or double elastic cord; necklaces on 1mm brown leather cord. Bracelets are 17 – 18cm long; necklaces have 40cm of beads strung on leather cord.