

NIRMAL TOYS AND CRAFTS

Nirmal toys are charming wooden creations made from 'poniki' wood, sourced from local forests. They come in various sizes and shapes, including animals, fruits, vegetables, and deities. These are painted with natural colors derived from local plants and materials, these toys are visually striking and reflect traditional craftsmanship.

Uniqueness

Nirmal toys, originating from the village of Nirmal and part of India's handicraft sector, boast distinctive features that set them apart from other handmade toys. These are crafted from 'poniki' wood sourced from local forests in Adilabad, these toys are lightweight due to the seasoned wood and are assembled with bamboo stems as joining material. The toys, depicting natural forms such as birds, animals, fruits, and vegetables, are first covered with fine cotton cloth before being intricately painted. An indigenous tool called 'taapi' is used to apply 'lappam' (a traditional adhesive made from tamarind paste and sawdust), creating a unique visual texture.

Raw Materials

Poniki wood, bamboo stems, tools, tamarind paste, lappam, natural colours etc

Price
₹100/- to ₹2000/-

Class of Goods
28

No. of Families Involved
80-100 artisans (Approx.)



Type of Goods
Handicraft

Geographical Location
Adilabad, Andhra Pradesh

Proof of Origin
400-year-old tradition

Method of Production

Nirmal toys from Telangana are crafted using seasoned 'poniki' wood from local forests, joined with bamboo stems. Artisans first cover the wooden shapes with fine cotton cloth and apply a tamarind paste and sawdust adhesive called 'lappam' using a tool known as 'taapi'. The toys are then further painted with natural colours, highlighting their detailed and vivid designs.