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## ABOUT THE ARTISANS

St Mary's Mahila Shikshan Kendra is a women's handicraft organization run by the Dominican Sisters in Gomtipur, Ahmedabad. This area of Ahmedabad, once known for its textile mills, suffered much unemployment since global competition closed the mills in the 1980s. It continues to attract landless laborers who come searching for work. Artisans of St. Mary's create embroidery in the tradition of the Kathiawadis, a craft more than a thousand years old. Ten Thousand Villages has purchased products from St. Mary's since 1987.



## ABOUT YOUR HANDCRAFTED TREASURE

### Flower Filigree Shoulder Bag

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Women artisans of St. Mary's Mahila Shikshan Kendra hand embroider the stylized patterns of this attractive bag. Embroidered Cotton Our fair trade products are handcrafted. Slight variations enhance authenticity. 13Wx10H inches Made in India



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The artisans of St. Mary's share in decision-making and project responsibilities. The organization runs a dispensary and maternity clinic that caters to the poor and marginalized women in the area. It also runs health programs, a savings program, sewing education and children's education programs.