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Thobelani was developed so that the women of the Tsolwana region could change their own lives. They didn't want a hand-out, they wanted to develop their own individual skills and talents in order to achieve self-respect. Thobelani is the Xhosa name for Respect.



Our current range is a unique blend of useable and decorative items that are sought after by both local African craft lovers, decorators and international tourists.

Each item brings with it the gift of Xhosa creativity and talent. Each item is hand crafted on Fair View Farm in Tsolwana, Eastern Cape and each piece is the result of the training and development of Xhosa women in order for them to reach their aim of Thobelani or Respect.

This, they believe, comes from being able to use their talents and creativity to provide for their children's basic needs of food, clothing and schooling.

