



# WELCOME TO KASUKU,

A SUPERB RANGE OF EAST AFRICA'S AUTHENTIC FABRICS AND DESIGNS IN KIKOYS AND KANGAS PUT TOGETHER YET AGAIN.

Kasuku launches a brand new collection of vibrant kikoys.

New colours, new designs and new fabrics..... that's what makes this latest range a 'must-have'. It takes the kikoy beyond the beach into the urban setting. From using a kikoy as a sarong to a chic scarf for a funky look with a simple blazer or pair of jeans. It adds that little bit of extra cool when meeting your friends!

With our array of new stripes and fabulous colours, make a statement about your originality and taste.

Also new to this catalogue are Kanga towels with fun and vivid colours. Our new animal print Mara Marinis, add an exotic touch to all wardrobes.

Kasuku Clothing introduces new designs that signify casual comfort wherever you are; holiday, home, office, shopping.

We hope you will get pleasure from using Kasuku Products which are known and worn worldwide from Benin to Barbados, from Berlin to Bali. Our superior kikoy fabric is preferred by those who know and understand kikoys and our offering of an inexhaustible colour range will never leave you without choice.

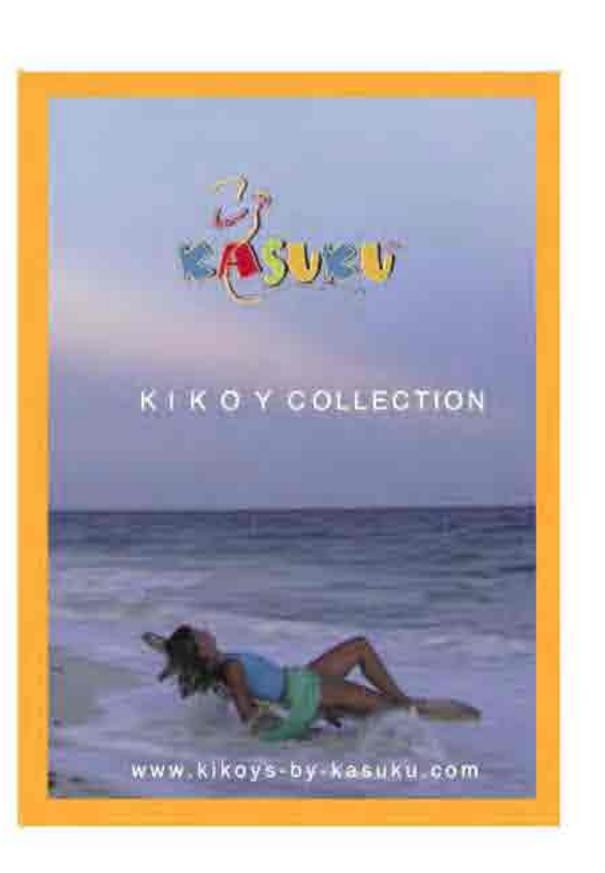
This catalogue serves in addition to our last catalogue. See, Buy and Try the Kikoy!

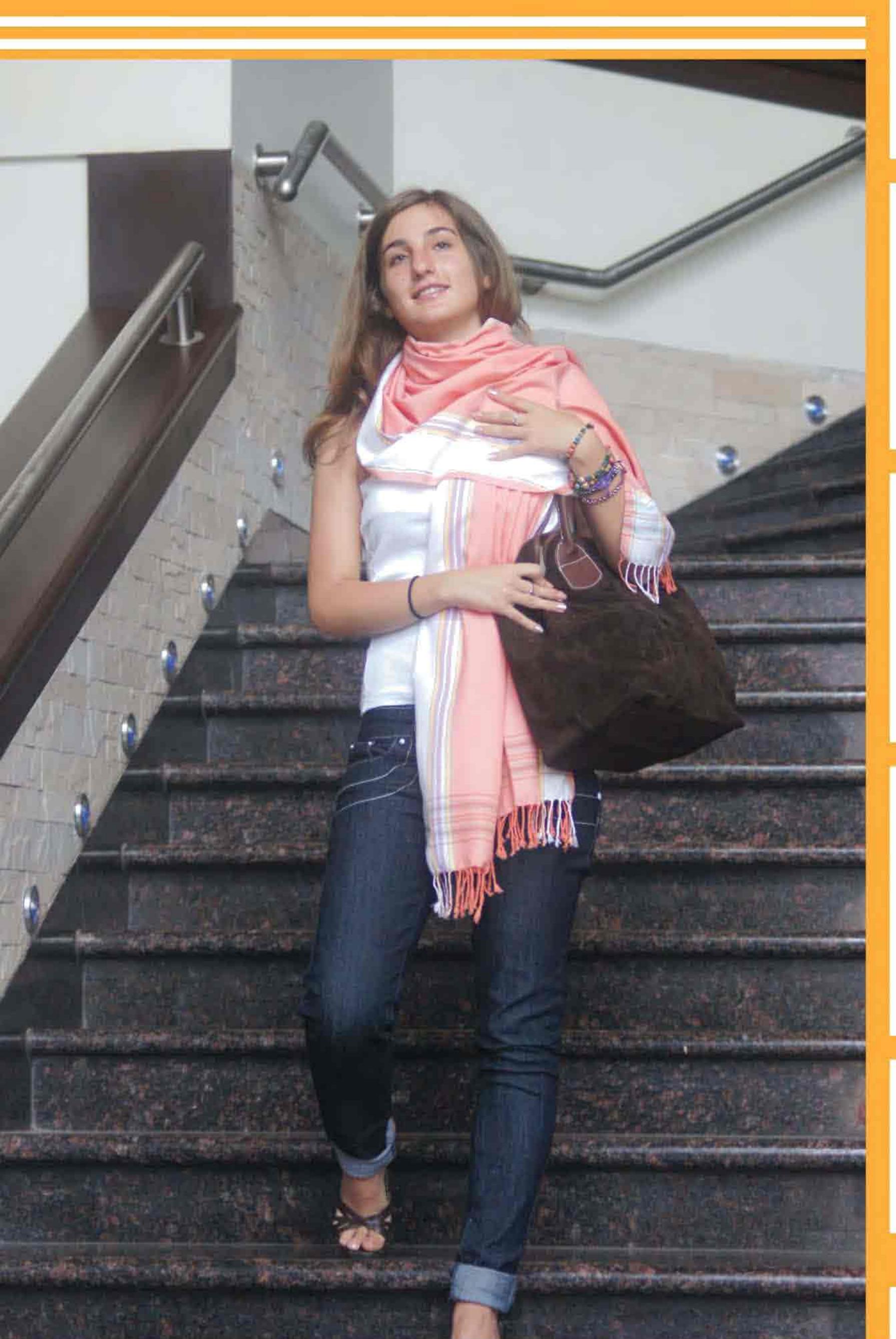
Kasuku's factory in Kenya is a member of Kenya Federation for Alternative Trade (KEFAT).

KEFAT promote social justice in trade and economic devolopment. The Federation was established, to create a national forum within which Fair Trade stakeholders in Kenya can collectively be involved in sharing of experiences and pressing for their mutual socio-economic concerns.



The crochet motifs found in Kasuku Clothing are made by a "collective" group of women in Kenya. The profit made from this work is used to support their children in paying school fees, buying books and uniform. At the same time, they teach their girls to crochet, developing a past time and keeping the girls occupied.





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# **Kikoys**

A large range of Kikoys in the traditional design feature in this catalogue along with new patterns with narrow and wide stripes, larger borders and fabulous new colours. This new collection is varied and suitable for all tastes due to the unrivalled choice of designs and colour combinations. The uses of a kikoy remain numerous, moving on from a beach sarong to an urban accessory. Kasuku continues delivering the enhanced quality kikoys made from 100% mercerised cotton. Worn by all ages, the Kikoy culture is not just a fad but has now become an essential part of one's attire.

Size of all kikoys: 104 x 174 cms (including fringes)





# **Swara Kikoy**

New colours add a new dimension to this very popular design













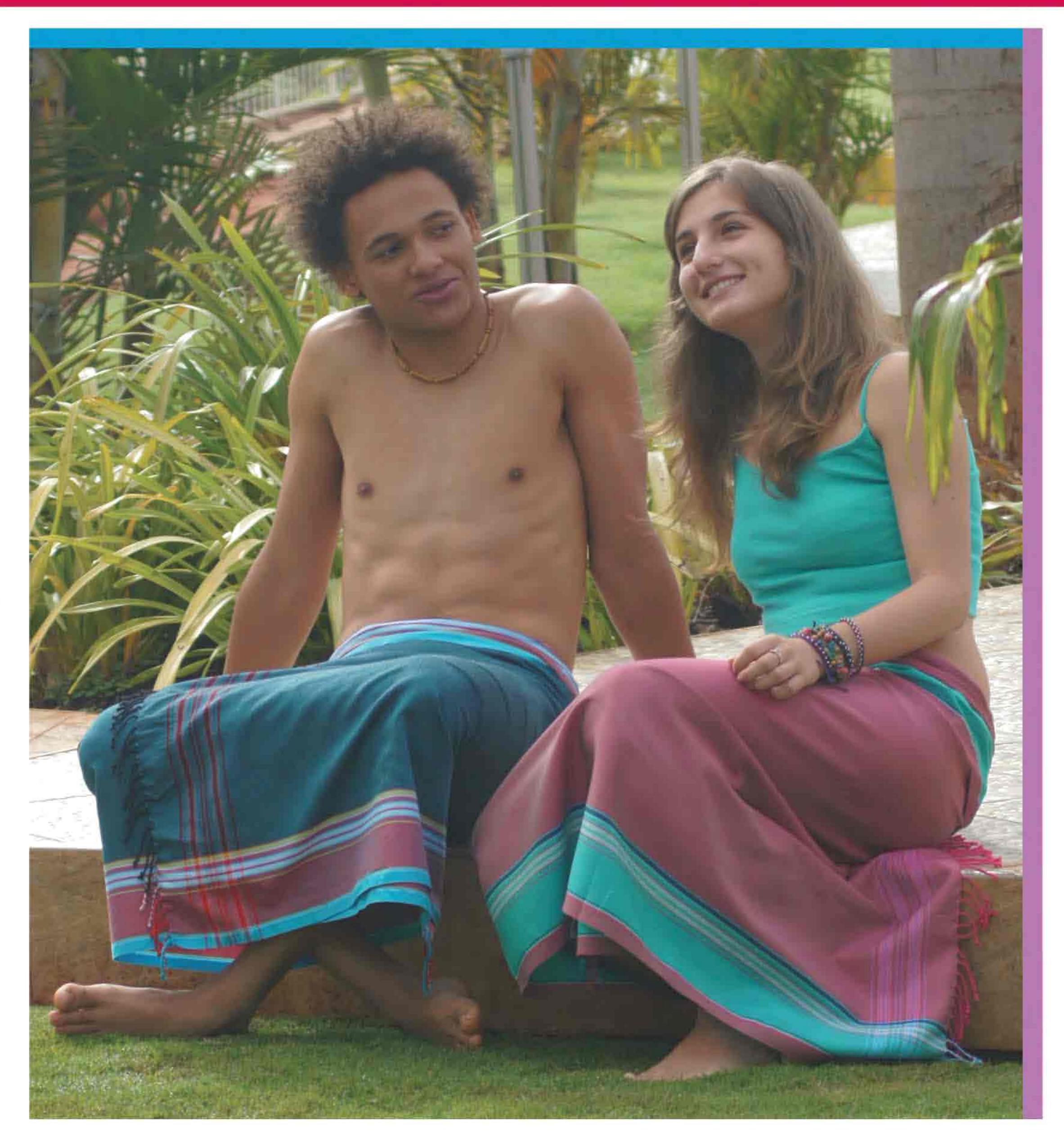


# Kongoni Kikoy

The prominent border remains the main feature of Kongoni Kikoys.

Bold traditional colours mixed with colours of the seas gives way to another great array of colour combinations.









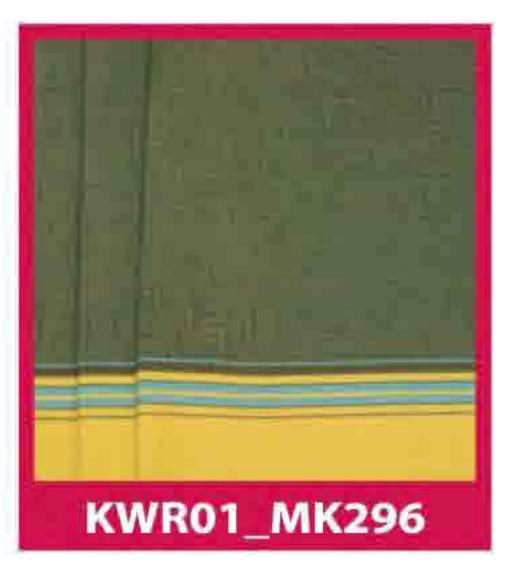














White borders with pastel colours give these new Kongoni Kikoys almost an iridescent effect. Colours that would match with almost all casual clothing or beachwear makes this collection very handy.





































Narrow and wide stripes
running across the kikoy are
distinctive to Kifaru Kikoys.
Another time honoured
design presented in a
combination of traditional
and modern colours.



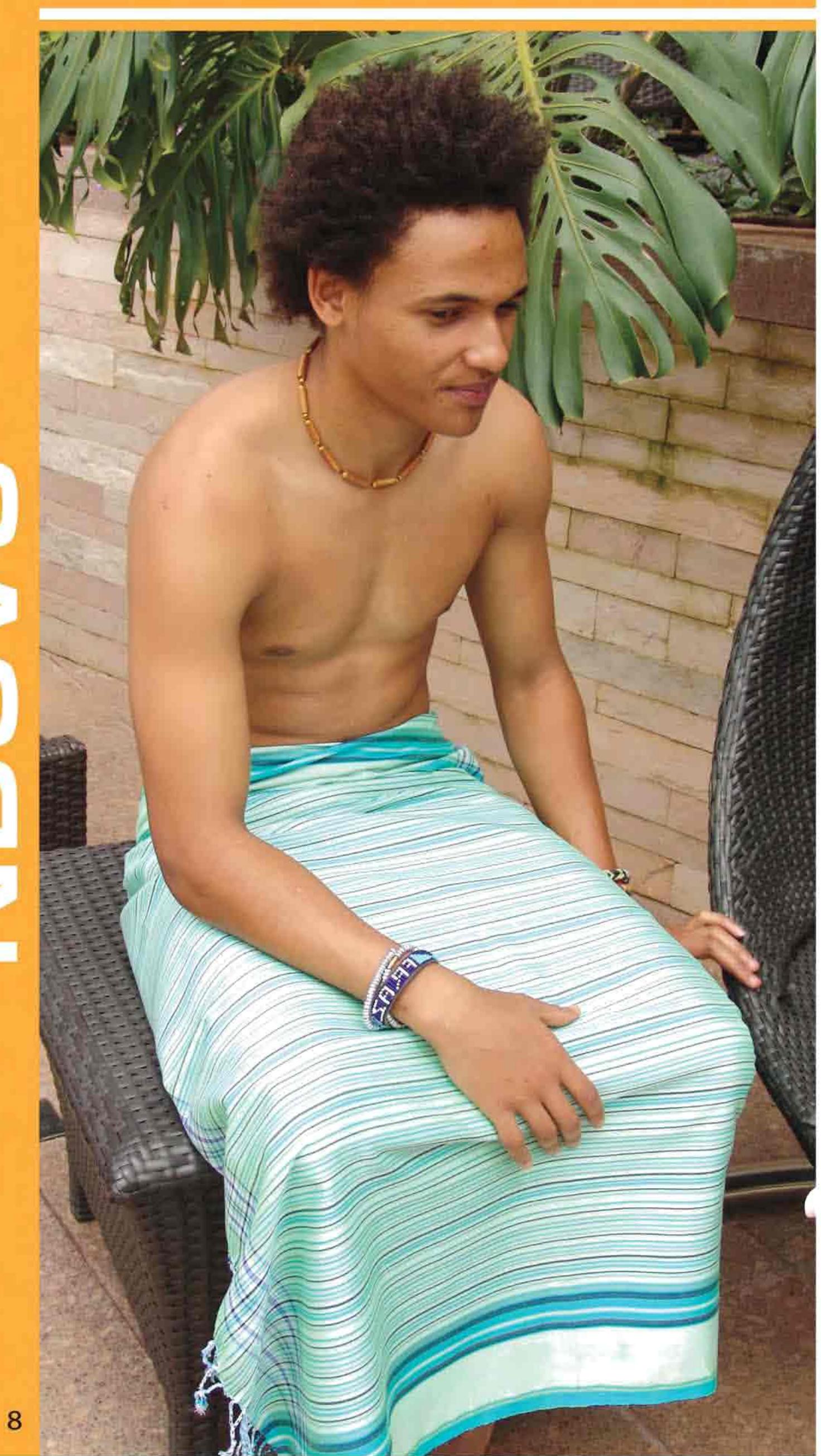
























# **Ndovu Kikoy**

Ndovu Kikoys feature a novel pattern in narrow stripes reflecting the traditional kikoy borders with symmetrical all over stripes. A generous choice of colours is offered to suit all tastes.



















# Chui Kikoy

The new Chui Kikoys with broader borders are inspired by calm oceans and sunsets, offering pastel colours with stylish sophistication.



# Laini Kikoys

New to the Kasuku Collection are Laini Kikoys. 100% cotton, the texture of these kikoys is lighter than the original kikoys and slightly thicker than the Marinis. Soft and supple with varying designs and colours, Laini Kikoys are fast moving and ever changing. Check out our website for current designs.

Size:110cm by 195cm (Including fringes)





- 1. SK011/3
- 2. SK013/10
- 3. SK015/39
- 4. SK016/3
- 5. SK013/43
- 6. SK012/3
- 7. SK002/2
- 8. SK006/41
- 9. SK012/5
- 10. SK013/37
- 11. SK014/5





- 12. SK012/43
- 13. SK013/19
- 14. SK012/2
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- 17. SK012/48
- 18. SK003/19







# Marini

The Marini fabric is light and very versatile.

Made from 100% cotton, Marini wraps are
extremely cool to wear and as their Swahili
name suggests, attractive & elegant, fresh &
fashionable.

Sarong, scarf, bikini top, skirt, belt are some of the uses of Kasuku's Marini Collection. Besides the considerable choice of colours in the Plain and Two-Tone, the Marikoy colour range in Kongoni, Punda Milia and Swara has also extended.

With the new printed Marinis called Mara
Marinis and the Plain Marinis with a beaded
clasp, Kasuku continues offering new products
and new designs.



# Marikoy - Swara (Above)

Being sexy is fun – That's what Swara Marikoys portray. Sun and water colours are reflected in the graduating shades within the stripes creating sensational sunset and deep sea effect.



Size 110 x 180 cms (including fringes)



# Marikoy - Punda Milia (Right)

The inspiration behind this range of Marikoys is the gorgeous zebras walking East Africa's famous plains during varying times of the day with different light rays shining on them. Punda Milia Marikoys make stunning scarves or sarongs for both men and women.

Size 110 x 180 cms (including fringes)









# Plain Marini

The plain colours make this Marini truly versatile when it comes to the different colour combinations and designs that it can be worn with. It never goes out of fashion and remains handy and valuable forever.

Size: 107 x 180 cms (including fringes)











# **Two-Tone Marini**

Two different coloured yarns give this light fabric its two tone effect making very unusual coloured Marinis.

Beach or Bar; Sport or Spa; Picnic or Party – Suitable wherever you are.

Size 110 x 180 cms (including fringes)





# Marikoy - Kongoni

This exclusive Marikoy is a wonderful fusion between the bestselling classic Kikoy design and the sensual, light-weight Marini fabric. An extensive choice of beautiful colours is offered. Dark or bright yet the colours are not too overwhelming due to the sheerness of the fabric.

Size 110 x 180 cms (including fringes)





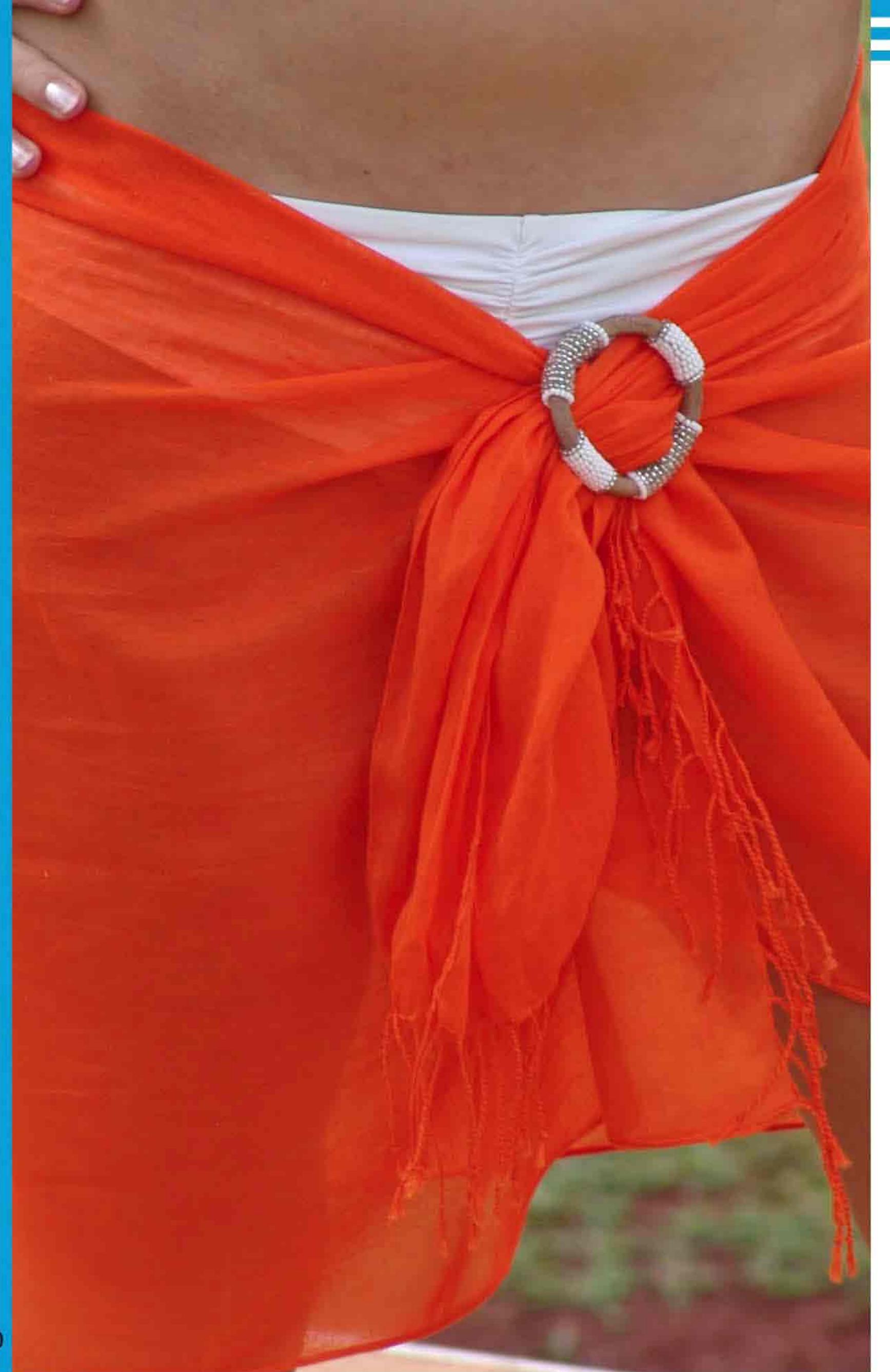














# **Marini with Clasps**

Plain Marinis which are half the size of the normal marinis are "glamorised" with beautiful handcrafted Maasai beaded leather clasps. Worn as a sarong tie, scarp pin or a belt buckle, these clasps are multifunctional and striking.

Size: 51cm by 155cm (including fringes)















Size 107x 180 cms (including fringes)



## Kangas

Kangas have been a popular item of clothing in Eastern Africa for over one and a half centuries. Originally made from fabric brought in by the Portugese, the designs were adopted and large rectangular pieces of cloth were printed.

The Swahili name "Kanga" means Guinea Fowl and the new patterns and bright colours of the 'leso' were associated with the plumage of the bird.

The Kanga, a cultural heritage of East Africa is adored by all ages and sexes, generation after generation. Made from 100% cotton, the Kanga is still just as popular. Women are seen in vibrant coloured kangas tied around the waist especially on the Indian Ocean coastline from Lamu to Zanzibar and beyond.

Kasuku Kangas follow the same time-honoured, bold designs with a Swahili Proverb, but with some of the traditional vibrant colours combined with modern shades. The colours of this new collection are inspired by our own brand name - Kasuku (parrot in Swahili). Kasuku Kangas come in a soft, easy to wear fabric with hand-knotted fringes.

Kangas, just like Kikoys are multifunctional – sarong, scarf, sun screen, floor mat, baby carrier, the list goes on.

Kasuku Kangas add a dash of East African spice to plain swimwear or simple clothing.

Size: 110 x 180 cms (including fringes)





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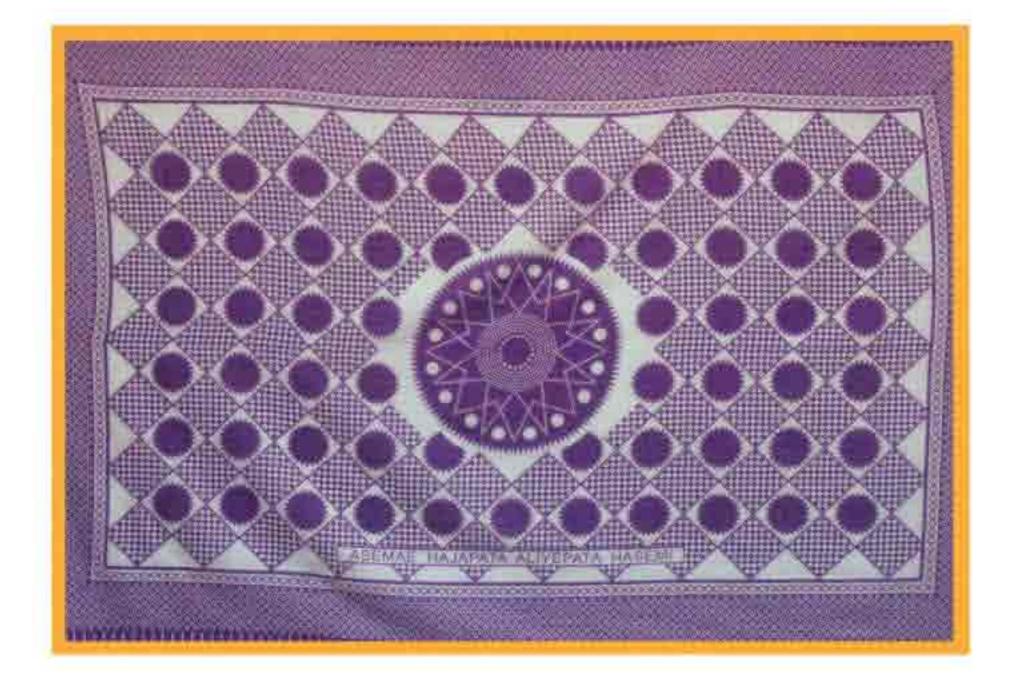








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# **Kasuku Kikoy Towels**

Kasuku's best-sellers, the Kikoy Towels, are now available in a much larger colour range and more designs. Convenient and always a necessity at the beach, one side of this towel is a kikoy and the other side is towelling.

Easy to carry in a matching kikoy draw-string bag.

The inset on each kikoy shows the colour of the towelling.

Size 96cm x 174cm (including fringes)







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KAC01\_MK263/17

KAC01\_MK333/28



KAC01\_MK351/2

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# Kasuku Kanga Towels

New to Kasuku towel range are the Kanga Towels. The tropical designs and colours look great by the beach or poolside.

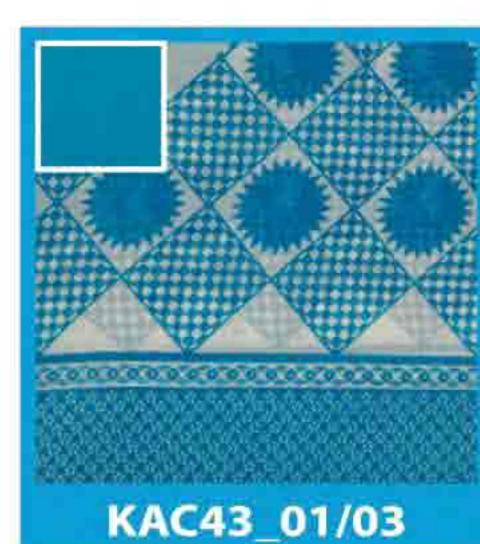
The inset on each kanga shows the colour of the towelling.

Size 105cm x 180cm







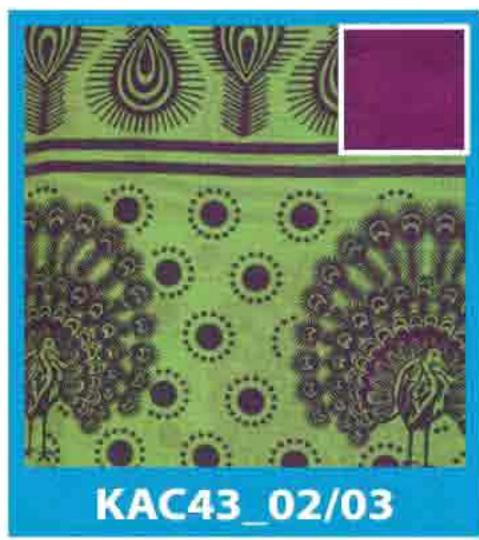




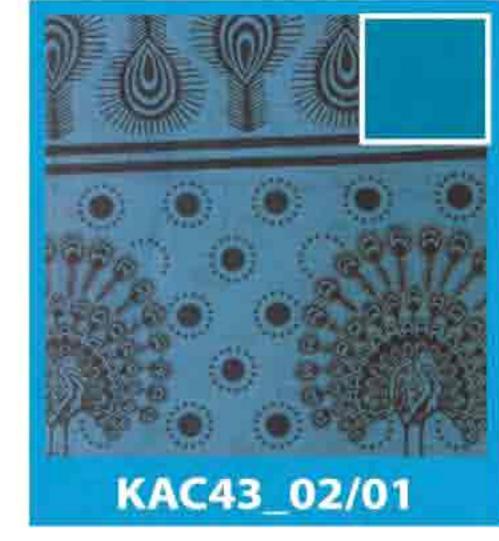




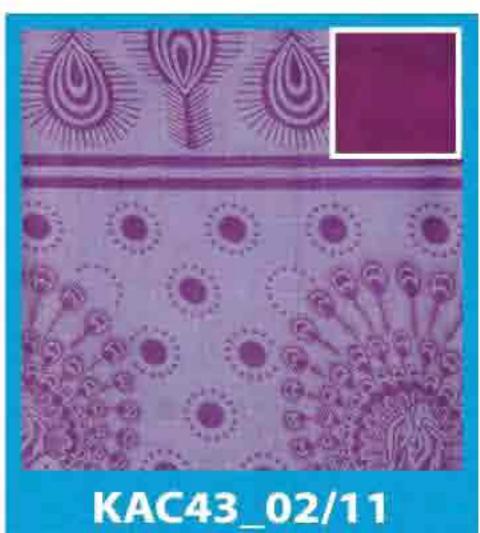




















# Kasuku Mrembo Kaftan (left)

Made from the striking kanga material in the beautiful peacock design, this top has three-quarter length sleeves, great for protection against the sun. It's very cool to wear and is a perfect cover-up after a cooling swim or just as a top over jeans or trousers.

Size: S. M, L, XL.



# Kasuku Kengele Dress-top (right)

This multi functional top can be worn on top of the bikini, as a dress or with a pair of leggings! Made from the light Marini fabric, this easy to wear dress-top is very feminine, perfect for the hot summers. Bell sleeves give it that special touch. Tied at the back it gives a shapely look and flatters all figures. Size: S. M, L, XL.

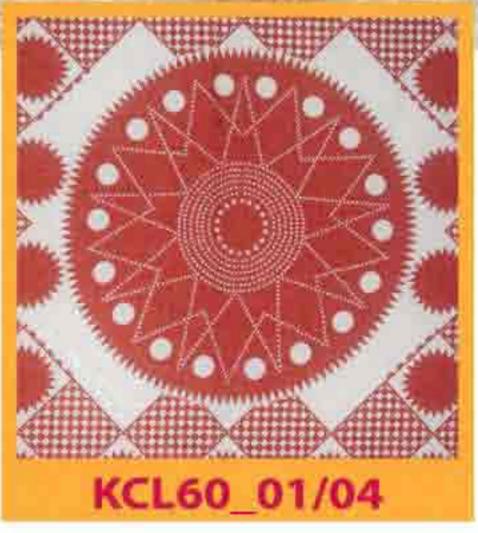


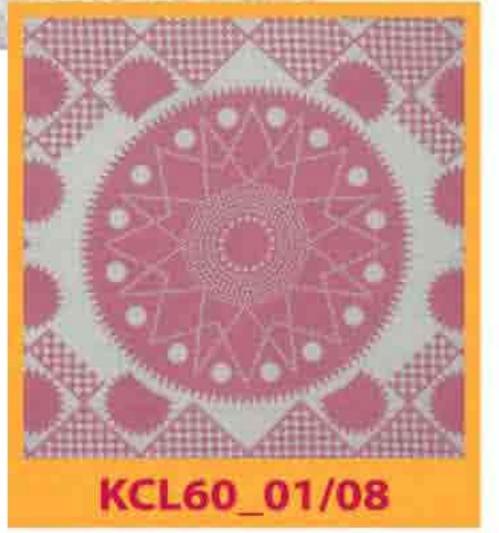
















# **Kasuku Johari Dress**

A dress made from the printed kanga material with a lovely crochet detail forming the shoulder straps and neckline. Fitted on top and flared at the bottom with an elasticated back for ease of wearing. Fantastic casual look and exceptionally trendy. Johari (Swahili for jewels) is portrayed by the necklace image of this beautiful design. Size: S, M, L, XL.



# Kasuku Mrefu Shirt Dress (Above)

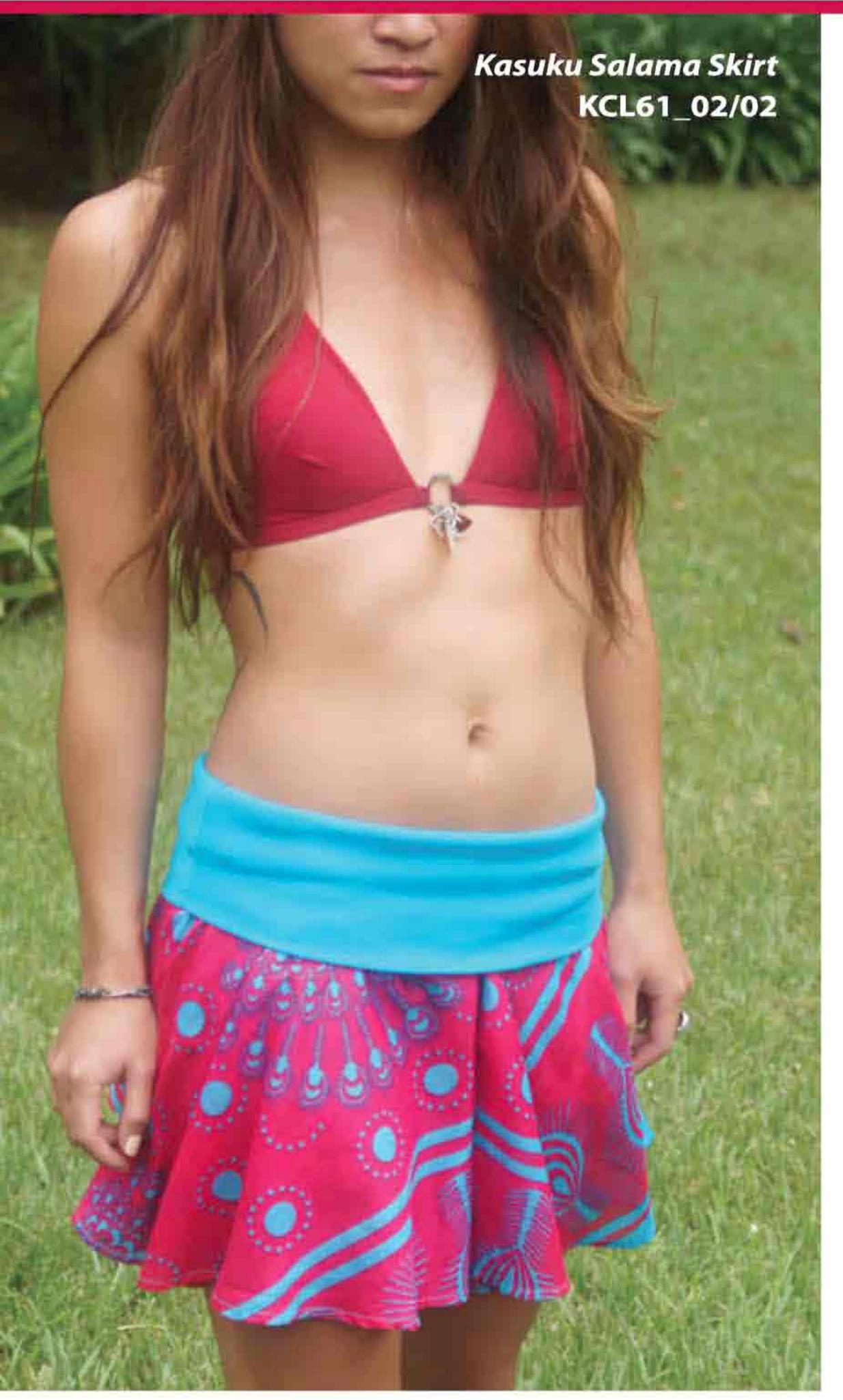
A simple design that stays forever yet very chic. The detail of the Marini border falls along the front with buttons running all the way down. With slits on the side and sleeves below the elbow, it looks smart and feels comfortable to wear. A perfect length to wear as a dress on its own or with jeans, leggings or even trousers. Try it with a belt for a more fitted look. Sizes: S, M, L, XL.







Sometimes less is more! Feel sexy and comfortable in this simple V neck kaftan made from the light Marini fabric. The soft material drapes easily and feels cool against the skin. Perfect for covering up against the sun, on the beach, by the pool and even at home. Simple yet elegant. Who needs more. Sizes: S, M, L, XL.



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Kasuku Furaha Skirt

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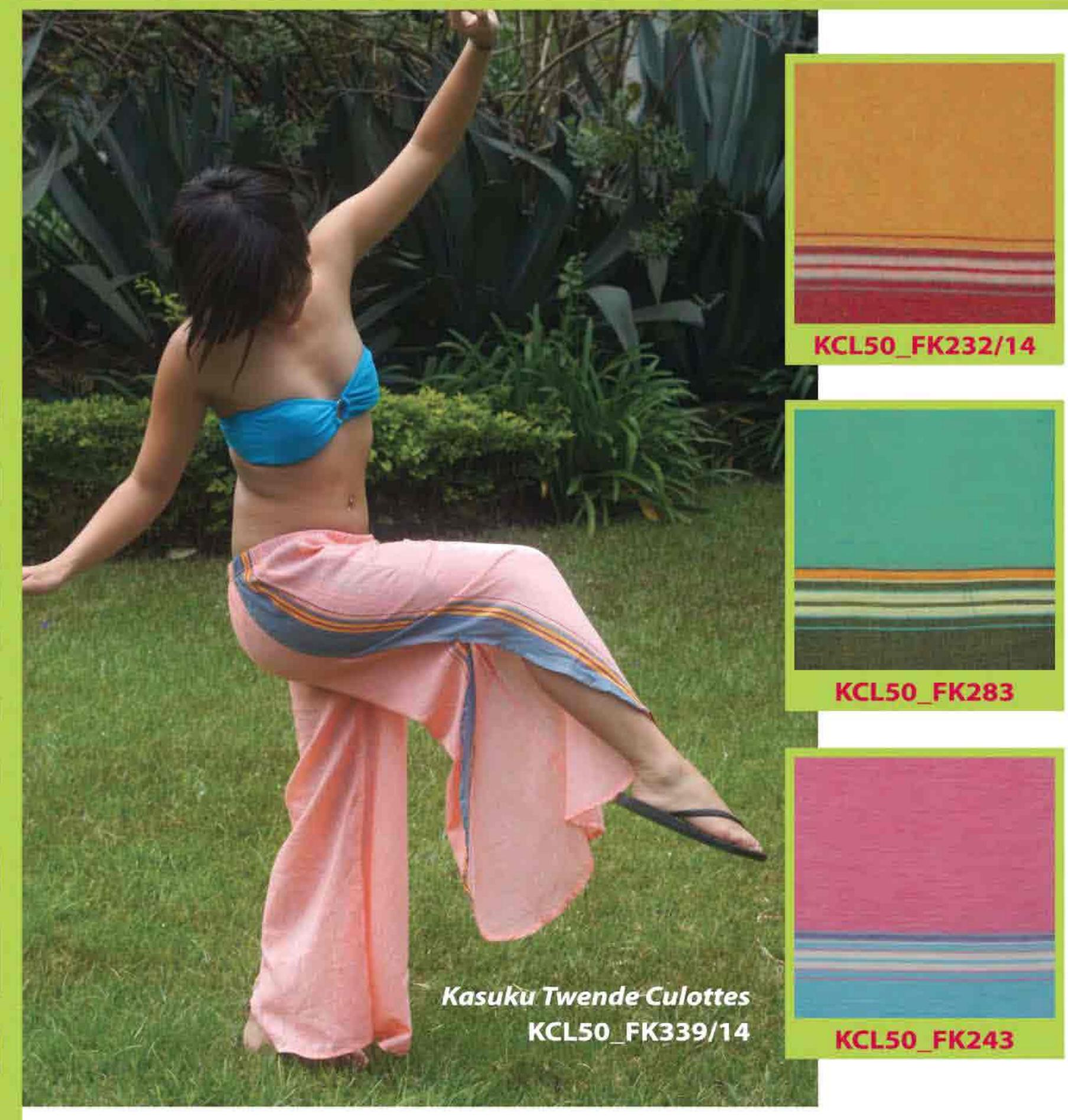
# Kasuku Salama Skirt (Above)

Cool, hip and casual. This rah-rah skirt can be worn with a bikini or swimsuit or even with a t-shirt. The length can be adjusted by folding or unfolding the contrasting colour waistband. Size: One Size, fits S, M, L.



# **Kasuku Furaha Skirt (Above)**

'Flowy', light, breezy and soft against the skin. This skirt made from Kasuku's floral kanga fabric is all about personal comfort. Uneven edges give a sexy and alluring look. The flexible waist band can be folded to adjust the length. Or try wearing it as a strapless dress. Looks great! Size: One Size, fits S, M, L



# Kasuku Twende Culottes (above)

Made from the fine Marini fabric, these casual cool culottes, offer utmost comfort. With slits on the side and an elasticated waist, they are airy and easy to slip on.

Size S, M, L, XL.





# Kasuku Maisha Dress (above)

Easy to wear and great to just slip on over swimwear or on its own. Ideal for those lazy times when comfort is the key aspect of the day.

Offered in charming bright colours to lighten up the mood.

An intricate embroidered neckline gives this dress

Size: One Size fits: M, L, XL.

an extra dimension.

































when tied with a Kasuku Clasp.

These hand-made clasps are made from real leather and embroidered with Masaai beads. They are stylish and remarkably multi-functional. Use them as a sarong tie, belt buckle, accessory or a scarf clasp.

Diameter: 6.5cm







Kasuku Beaded Leather Sarong Clasp

# **Safari Collection**

"Safari Njema na Kasuku"
- Travel well with Kasuku.
The colours in this collection are typical and traditional
Safari shades. The browns,
ecrus, khaki's are presented in the wraps (sarongs),
towels and clothing. They work well when travelling or to accentuate any casual outfit.





Towels Kikoy (1) and Kanga (2)



Kasuku Karibu Kaftan

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Marikoy Kongoni



Kikoy Kifaru

KIKOY WRAPS





# **BUYING INFORMATION**

For details on how to place an order with Kasuku refer to the enclosed order form or email info@kasuku.co.uk

To order by phone, call +44 (0) 7989-431025 or +44 (0) 208 090 9328.

If you are in Africa call +254 (0)20-3594711/2/3/4 Mobile: +254-(0)722-760063 or +254-(0)733-771829

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# RETURNS

We are sure you will be completely satisfied with your purchase. However, if you have any doubts, you can return any new products in the original packing within 14 days.

# **CONTACT US**

We do welcome your suggestions and invite you to write to us with comments and advice on our products.

Email: info@kasuku.co.uk or mail to 33 The Pines Chase Road, Oakwood London N14 4EX U.K

# **CUSTOMISED ORDERS**

Whilst Kasuku has its own line of clothing and accessories, our large Kenyan workshop can undertake customised orders for certain quantities.

Since we weave our own fabric, we can make kikoys in corporate colours or colours to match the theme of hotel rooms.

Call us or email to check on the various possiblities.

# WASHING INSTRUCTIONS

Kasuku Kikoys get better and better with washing and wearing.

Though mercerised cotton Kikoys are strong and colour fast, it is recommended to wash at 40°C and DO NOT tumble dry or bleach.

Like all cottons, it is advisable to wash separately the first time.

Set iron on cotton and use steam.

Kasuku Marinis are also made from 100% cotton and the same washing instructions apply as for kikoys. Since the fabric is very fine, it is advisable to handle them with a little extra care.

Every reasonable care has been taken to ensure that the descriptions and colours are accurate. However a certain colours due to the two-tone effect may have a slight variance. Hand-dyed products and certain beads could have a small colour difference due to the purely manual process.

Kasuku Woman	Small	Medium	Large	X-Large
UK	8/10	12/14	14/16	18/20
EUROPE	34/36	38 / 40	40/42	44 / 46
US	4/6	8/10	10/12	14/16

Kasuku Woman		Small	Medium	Large	X-Large
To fit bust:	inches	32 - 34.5	35 - 37	37 - 40	40 - 43
	cm	82 - 88	89 - 94	94 - 102	102 - 110
To fit waist:	inches	25.5 - 27.5	28 - 30	30 - 33	34 - 36.5
	cm	65 - 70	71 - 76	76 - 84	76 - 93
To fit hips:	inches	34 - 37	38 - 39.5	40 - 42	43 - 46
	cm	86 - 94	96 - 101	102 - 107	109 - 117





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