

# Terracotta JEWELLERY

With terracotta art of the Indus Valley civilisation dating back as early as 3000 BC, one can easily say that this art form is an ideal representation of the rich heritage of the subcontinent. Additionally painted in varied tones, you can often see women draped in a sari, along with matching terracotta jewellery — necklaces, earrings, bangles, etc.



## TERRACOTTA WITH SARIS

Whether it is comfy cotton or a gorgeous silk, one for an evening out, clay jewellery can add a touch of sophistication. Possibly the only thing that one requires to complement that look is a 'teep' on your forehead. As our 'deshi' vibe never goes out of fashion, the trick is to express one's persona without holding back.

Arannya has a range of products ideal for everyday wear, which is a blend of clay and wooden beads, with price tags of Tk 600. You can also find terracotta pieces blended with silver and brass at Tk 2,500 and above.

Match any one of these exquisite pieces with your Jamdani, and you are bound to be the show-stealer at any party.

## TERRACOTTA WITH WESTERN WEAR

Popular perception dictates that terracotta can only be matched with ethnic wear.

Think again! Earthen pieces are ideal for those who adore fusion wear, giving their outfit a careless bohemian vibe.

A pair of clay-brass floral studs from



Aarong, which cost from about Tk100 to 300, can be matched with a monochromatic orange, or black tops and harem pants for a preppy look. Oversized rings with strokes of turquoise are just another way of adding a touch of tradition to western wear. In fact, you can even wear animal figurines such as elephants and fish for a coveted youthful vibe.

## ESSENTIAL FALGUN WEAR

With Falgun right around the corner, the earthy hues of terracotta will certainly come to the forefront of fashion. Opt for neutral bases of brown,



upon which you can have vibrant hues of red, yellow, and green. Your saris in shades of bistre will remain without an orange bead necklace!

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Terracotta, which literally translates to 'baked earth', is made from clay. With colourful flower and animal motifs, terracotta jewellery are intricately designed and often hand painted in earthy hues of brown, blue, green, pink and red.

One can find exquisite pieces at almost all boutiques, not to mention fashion giants such as Aarong, Aranya, and Deshi Dosh. In fact, artisans have taken terracotta art to the next level, which when used with some creativity can add a rustic charm to any outfit. This is wearable art that resonates deeply with the colours of our Bangladeshi existence.

## CASUAL TERRACOTTA

Earthen jewellery is an affordable option to jazz up everyday wear. Simple dangling ones can be matched with a kurti or shalwar kameez. Finish off your look with a pair of bangles and you are good to go!

If you are feeling daring, opt for bright bold studs. The models are often multicoloured, thus adding a pop of vibrancy to your outlook. Alternatively, try the classic reddish-brown shade for

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a subtle finish.

You can find them at New Market for as little as Tk 60. With a plethora of options available, you are bound to find contemporary designs that will complement even tops and shirts.

