



Ecu-Andino Hats

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About us



Ecua-Andino Hats is the most important producer and exporter of Panama hats from Ecuador, South America. It has been the first Panama hat brand to combine the expertise of its local craftsmen and its team of designers showcasing a wide range of hats all around the world.

Having thirty years of experience, attending top international fair shows, and being in many stores across the 5 continents have enabled Ecua-Andino to be considered as the number one reference in the Panama Hat world. Indeed, it is represented by the greatest ambassadors around the globe with more than 2500 distributors.

The main goal of Ecua-Andino is to change the image of Panama hats traditionally worn by Ecuadorian farmers to become a fashion legendary accessory.

Over the years, the brand has created its own in-house design. They are the ones in charge of forecasting upcoming trends and each decision is made in keeping with their experience and affinity of European fashion.



Traditional and Legendary Handmade Process



· The Toquilla Palm plantation (Carludovica Palmata)



· Cutting a stalk of the Toquilla Palm. Only the young shoots are used, before the leaves have opened up.



· The stalk is opened out, showing the inner fibres which are used to make the "Straw"



· They are then split using a special tool with a metal point.



· Artisans collect a group of Toquilla known as cogollos, they are tied into bundles of 8 (An Ocho) to get boiled.



· They boil the Toquilla in a large cauldron of hot water for about 20 min. It needs to be stirred constantly.



· Once the cogollos are already cooked, the artisans take them out of the cauldron.



· The artisans select the finest fibers of the Toquilla Straw to begin the manufacture of the hats.



· The weaving of the Toquilla Straw Hat begins with a circular "button" at the centre of the crown.



· The artisans take between 1 week to 6 months to manufacture a hat, depending of its quality.



· After the hat is weaved the artisans tie the end of the brim, they must do a gentle hammering all over the hat to get the weave even.



· The hat is then press with an iron from the crown to the brim.



· The artisans cut the uneven borders of the hat to avoid the brim to fall apart.



100 % Handmade with toquilla straw in Ecuador.
It is a timeless accessory for him and for her featured by the greatest personalities such as
Humphrey Bogart, Sean Connery, Jessica Alba, and Miranda Kerr.



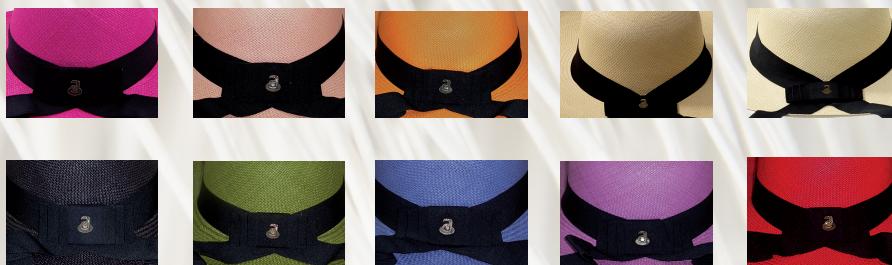
Classic Panama



300 more exclusive models on demand



100 % Handmade with toquilla straw in Ecuador.
It is the perfect accessory for an elegant and feminine look with its long brim.



Classic Lady

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100 % Handmade with toquilla straw in Ecuador.
Casual and comfortable hat with a short brim ideal for any occasion.



Adrian



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100 % Handmade with toquilla straw in Ecuador.
Crochet style hat for a simple yet practical outfit.



Hippie

300 more exclusive models on demand

Crochet (X-fresh)



100 % Handmade with toquilla straw in Ecuador.
Crochet style hat for a chic yet casual look with high quality details.



X-fresh



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100 % Handmade in Ecuador with traditional toquilla straw and leather.
They are the perfect sandals for a comfy summer look.



Sandals

Handpainted Panama Hat



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