

Grenadier

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IZIKO LOKUBASELA
Handmade Ethnic
Woodburning
Ceramic Fires





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A Unique Collection of Magnificent Handmade Ethnic Woodburning Fires

These beautiful African fireplaces are made from a unique ceramic giving them superb performance as well as highly impressive looks.

The African Mask, symbolising unity, reflects the ethnic origins of these fires. Iziko Lokubasela literally means 'The place where you make fire' and is abbreviated to Iziko.

The ceramic body of the Iziko will not crack, rust, smoke or smell and has the ability to radiate heat into the room long after the fire has burned down. The handmade wrought iron stand complements the Iziko creating a truly impressive feature even when not lit.

A stunning and quality alternative to more conventional fireplaces.

Each Iziko is handmade by highly skilled African craftsmen. Starting with the press moulding of the specially formulated ceramic, the body is then hand sculptured and ethnic markings added as appropriate. Next the Iziko is kiln

fired to 1200°C and allowed to cool naturally, this part of the process, combined with the properties of the unique ceramic, ensures that the body of the Iziko will not crack when in use. When cool the body is hand painted with coloured glaze. Following painting the Iziko is rapidly brought to 1100°C and immediately removed glowing from the kiln and plunged into wood shavings. It is then doused with water, while still at about 750°C, withstanding thermal shock many times more violent than it will incur during everyday use. This technique gives the Iziko its unique aesthetics, each one being slightly different from its predecessors.

The Iziko burns particularly efficiently, with logs being reduced to a very fine ash. As a result maintenance is minimal, cleaning may be required only every 20 fires or so.

The Iziko is easily installed using standard flue pipes and is equally at home in a traditional inglenook or in the centre of a modern day lounge. The relevant building regulations must be adhered to.



White Crackle



Deep Red

THE IZIKO LOKUBASELA COLLECTION



AFRICAN EARTH (Front Cover picture)

Body & Lid: Mottled copper, green and burnt umber, ethnic markings around the upper body.
African Mask: Colour as body and lid.
Finish: Matt.



WHITE CRACKLE

Body & Lid: White background with dark glaze crackle. Crackle is coarse grained and randomly distributed.
Trim: Mottled grey/blue around outside edge of lid & around mouth of main body.
African Mask: Terracotta.
Finish: Matt.



DEEP RED

Body & Lid: Rich red with variable black and speckle.
Trim: Midnight blue around outside edge of lid & mouth of main body.
African Mask: Bronze.
Finish: Gloss.

This Iziko undergoes a special secondary firing which results in the unique depth of colour.



DIMENSIONS

Height: 855mm (On stand).
Width: 540mm.
Depth: 505mm.
Weight: 52Kg (Body), 6Kg (Stand).

Part of the natural charm of these fireplaces is their handmade individuality, as a result the sizes, colours and weights may vary very slightly.

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