

The Magic Art Of Pottery In Oman

For more than 4,000 years, the art of pottmaking has been in Oman. Nowadays pottery items are mainly used as decorative pieces in restaurants, homes, and gardens or as a souvenir to bring back home from the souq

Bahla in A'Dhahirah Governorate has been of the main producers of pottery, and there are two main reasons behind it. Firstly the soil of the nearby wadi is rich in red clay that is used for making the clay utensil and secondly the pottery artists in Bahla have magical fingers which allow them to master the art and create the finest and strongest items. While these pieces of art are com-

monly available in souqs and local markets

Jihal: Jihal is the most traditional pottery items. It has a pointed shape with a beak and in olden times these were used to store water inside. The clay prevented the water from getting warm and kept it fresh at room temperature

