

### Problem

## Sourcing of sustainable materials

Many traditional materials such as cotton are not environmentally friendly and can require large amounts of energy to produce

### Customers

Purchasing from expensive ethical brands and is inaccessible or classist as a result.

# Company overview

For lasting ways of life. A world of timeless designs that honour the people who make them & the places they're made.





### Meet the team

Rami Helali

Co-Founder & CEO

Benjamin Sehl

Co-Founder & Product designer

Mackenzie Yeates Co-Founder & Chief Brand Officer

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### KOTN

- Headquartered in Toronto, Canada
- Launched in 2015 by creating the perfect T-shirt
- Certified B corporation creating quality clothing with ethical practice



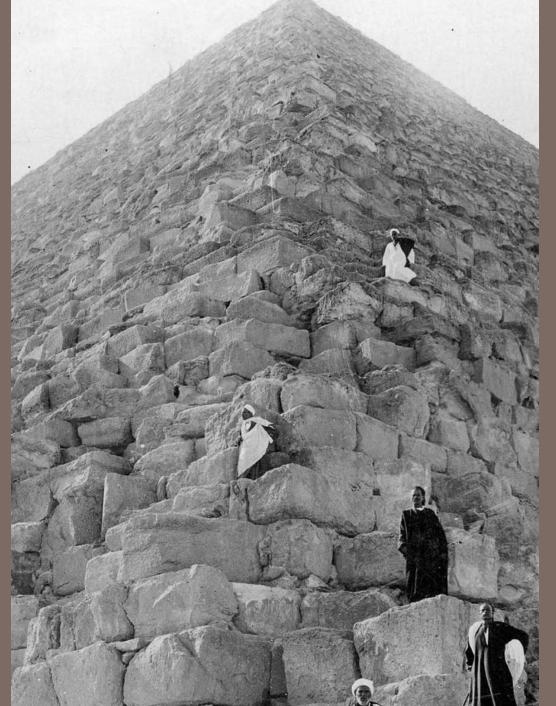
## Supply Chain

### Apparel

 Directly working with 2,390 small holder farms in the Nile Delta, and Faiyum region of Egypt

### Location

- Alexandria Egypt
- Raw cotton arrives from the farms



#### Man-made or machine

• From the farms, the raw cotton is taken in large bails to the yarn mills

### Authentic

Designed with the help and input of fabric Mills, dyed roll in Obur, Egypt, and the final step of construction in Porto, Portugal



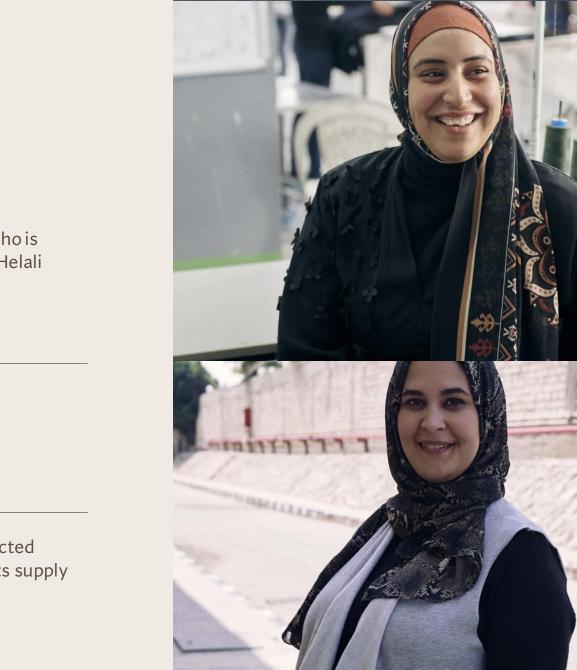
## Sustainability

"You can't make a single claim until you know every person who is touching your product and in what part of the world" - Rami Helali

Kotn creates products that are made from high-quality fibers that will biodegrade at end of life	<ul> <li>Egyptian cotton</li> <li>Linen</li> <li>Ecotec cotton</li> <li>BCI Cotton</li> <li>Lyocell</li> <li>Organic cotton</li> <li>Merino wool</li> </ul>	
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### How do we become more sustainable?

Kotn has positively impacted 100,000+ people across its supply chain





### Business

#### 1. B2B aspect of their business

2. Source of Inspiration

3. Giving back to the people and place

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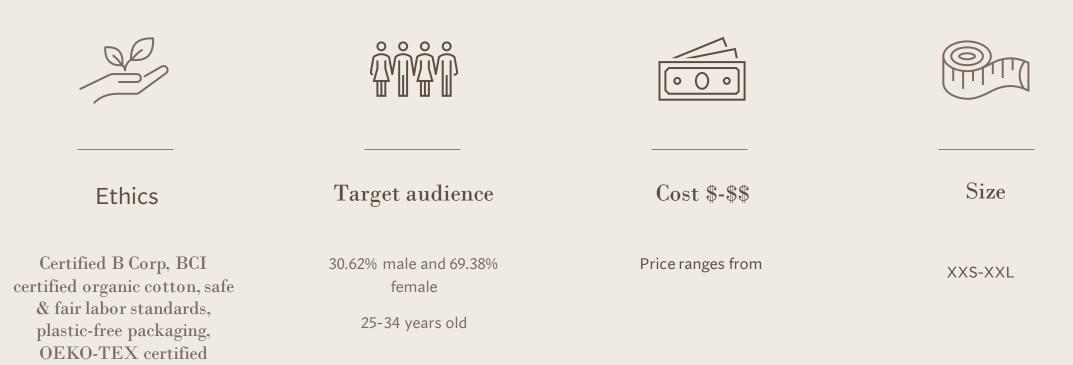
### **Product overview**

- Clothing ranges from womenswear and menswear which includes T-shirts, dresses, tops, bottoms, loungewear, socks and accessories
- Along with a home category

- Kotn ranges from their lowest items of \$12 which include their most basic items which are socks, bike shorts, tanks and turtlenecks
- To items as high as \$248 which include items such as blazers, trousers and dresses



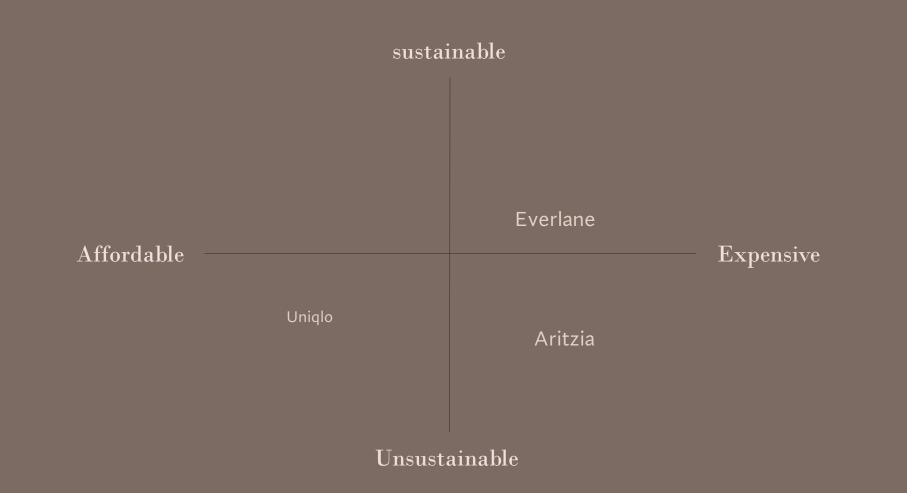
### Market demographic



nontoxic dyes, gives back to Egyptian communities

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### Our Competition





## 50-year change

- Rami witnessed gender inequality and generational poverty in Egypt
- To break this cycle of poverty and ensure these young girls and women are being educated
- Each purchase goes towards a fund to build and run schools throughout the Nile Delta and Faiyum regions of Egypt
- The Misr El Kheir Foundation operates the schools and pays for the building and the ongoing operation which includes teacher's salaries, uniforms, stationary, computers, land building



## Summary

- Kotn is a sustainable clothing brand from Canada that ethically and sustainably makes clothing from Egyptian cotton
- Manufactures its first and second stages of production locally to reduce its climate impact
- Mission is to improve social condition for cotton communities in Egypt
- Limiting waste and resources and recycling water and materials
- Kotn works with Egyptian NGO to build schools and provide every child in its framing communities with safe, convenient, quality education



# Thank you



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