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Africa has a great variety of patterns. The patterns feature repetitions of shapes, colours, lines and textures all laid out in special arrangements. The colours and design used in the pattern usually has some special significance. Inspiration for the patterns often comes from the environment so you may notice that animal patterns feature in the design.



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African patterns also feature geometric lines and shapes in the design. Features include diamonds, triangles, zig-zag lines, chevrons, dots, circles, curved lines and spirals. Very often, these shapes are repeated in the design. These patterns are used for clothes, fabrics and soft furnishings for houses.



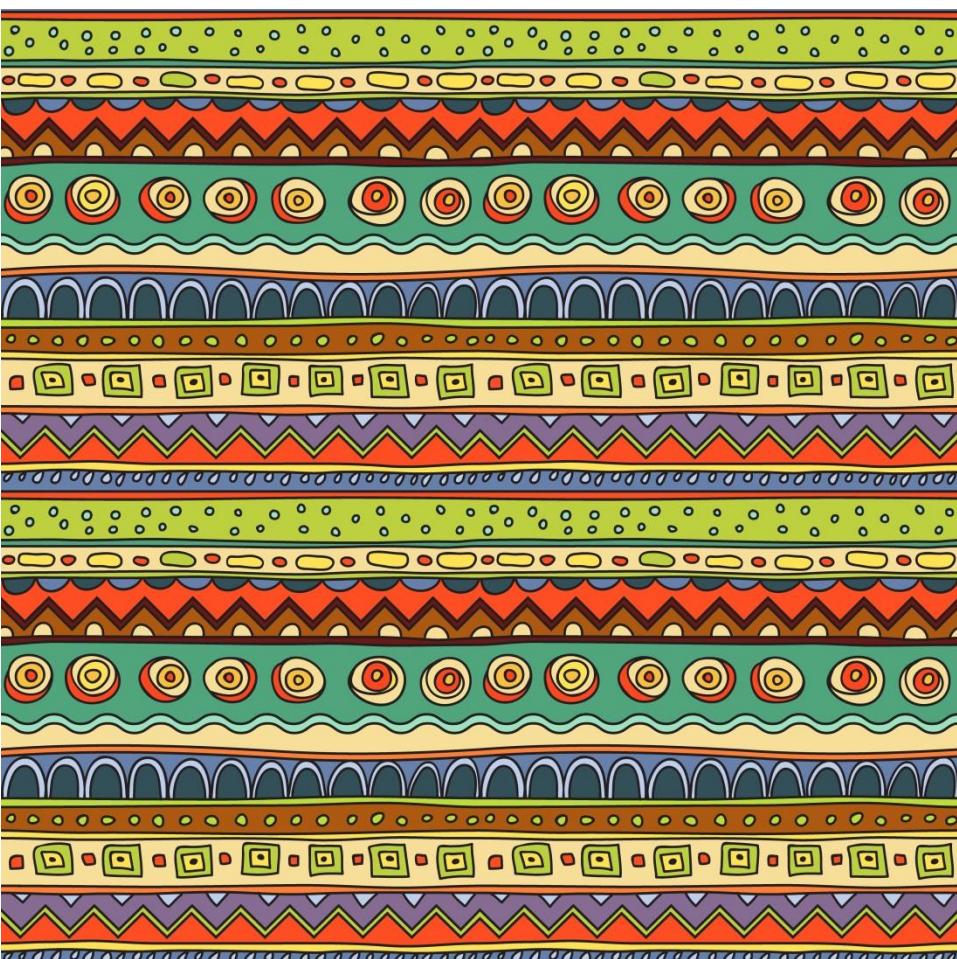
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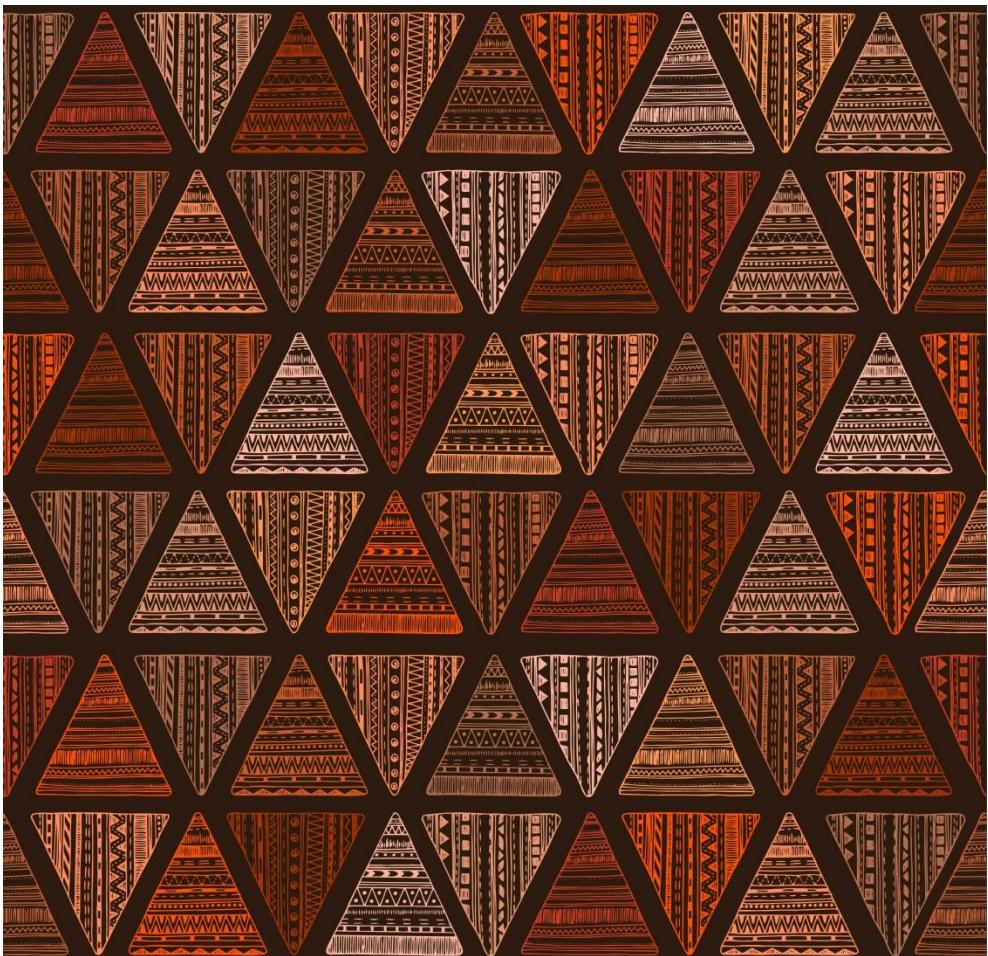
Look at the following African patterns for inspiration to create your own African-style pattern. Try to include elements of the style such as repeated patterns/shapes and strong colours.



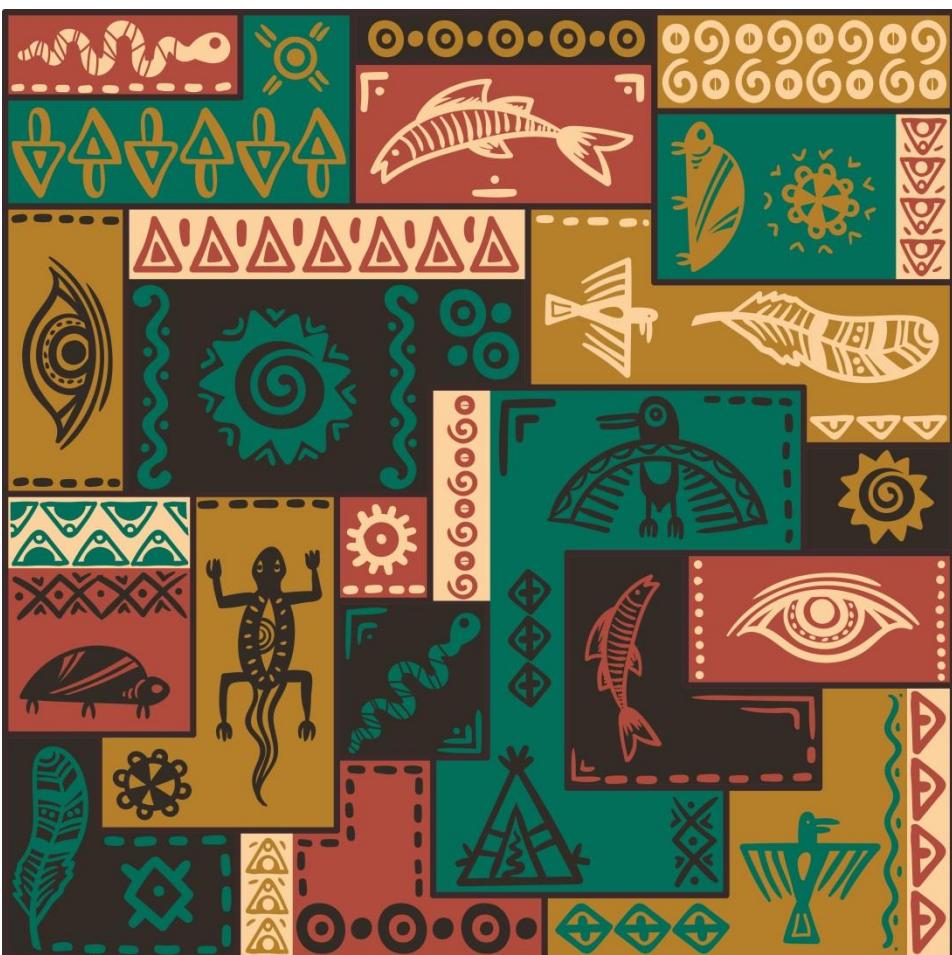
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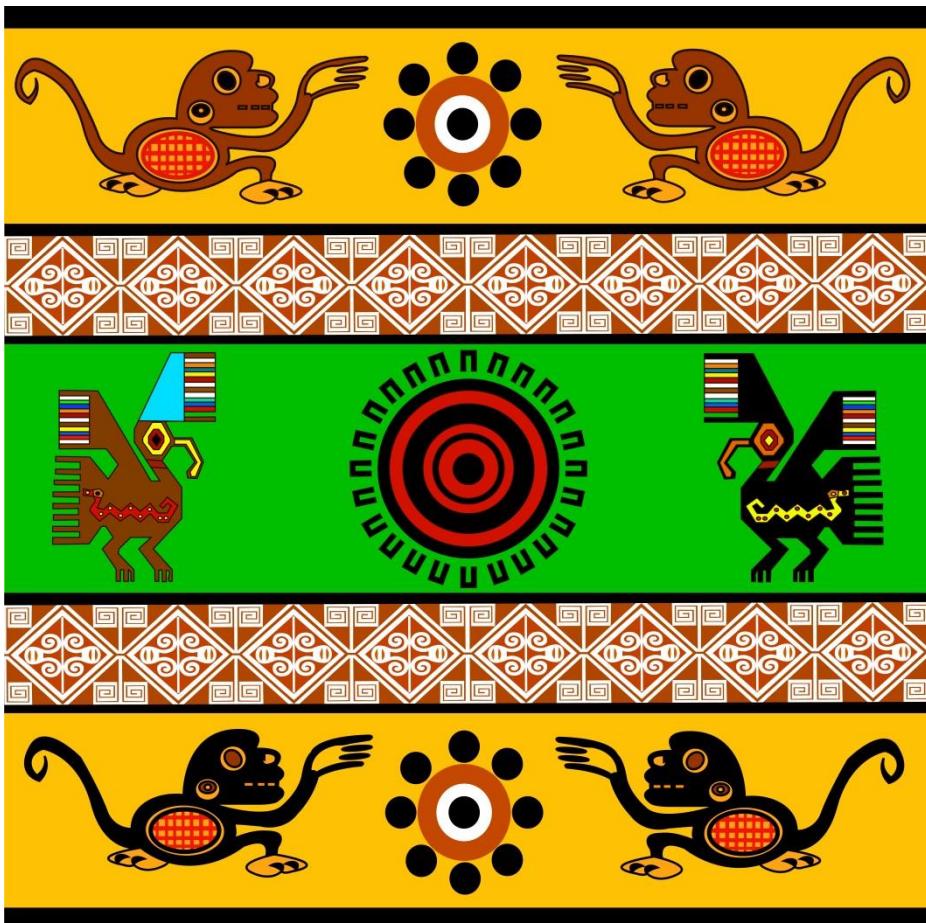
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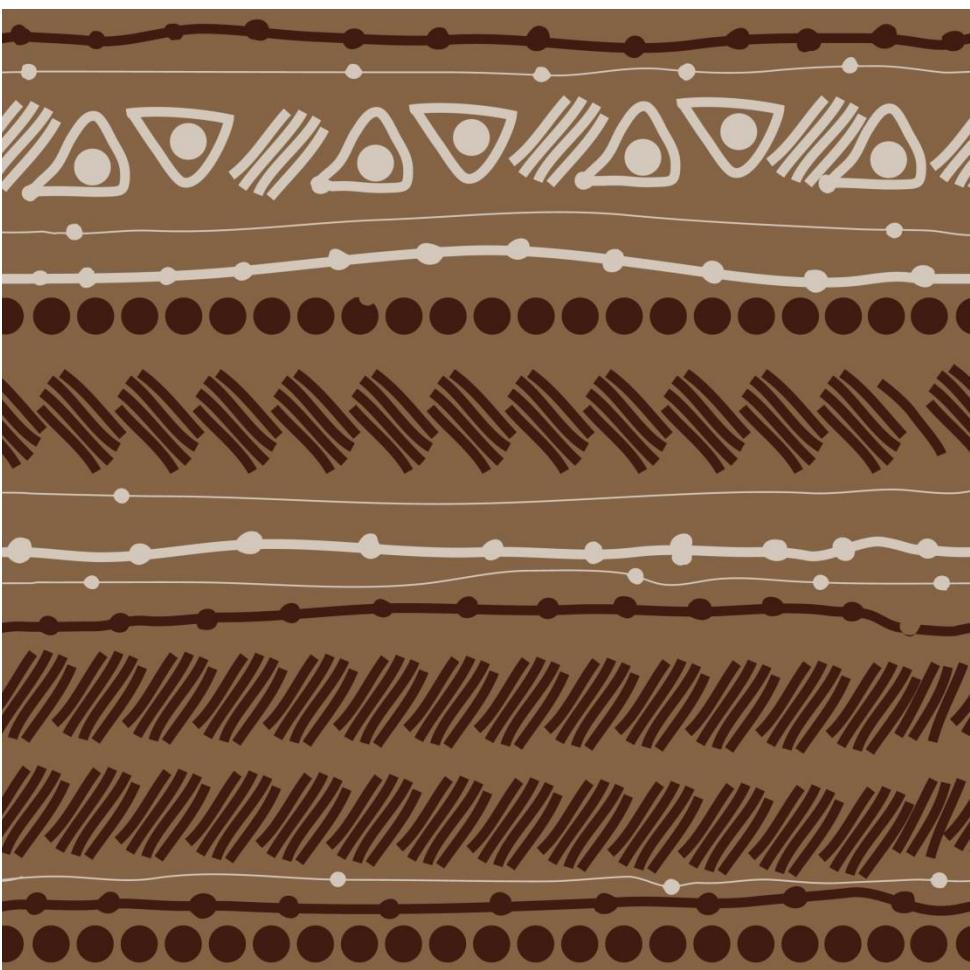
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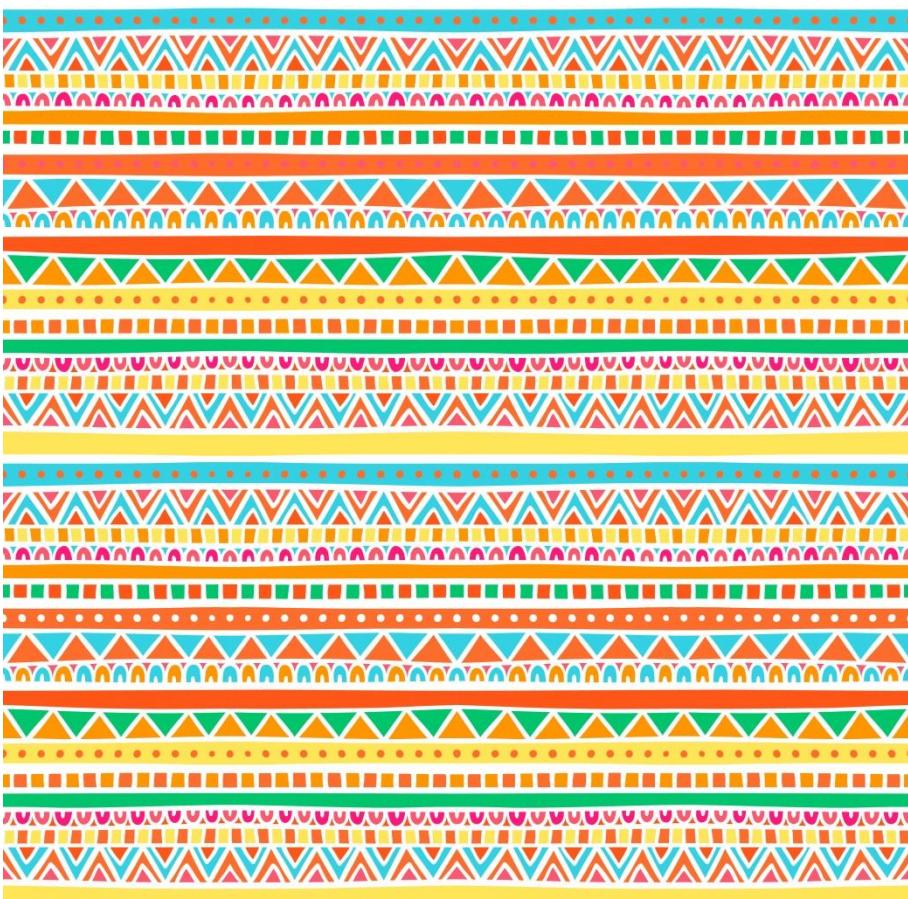
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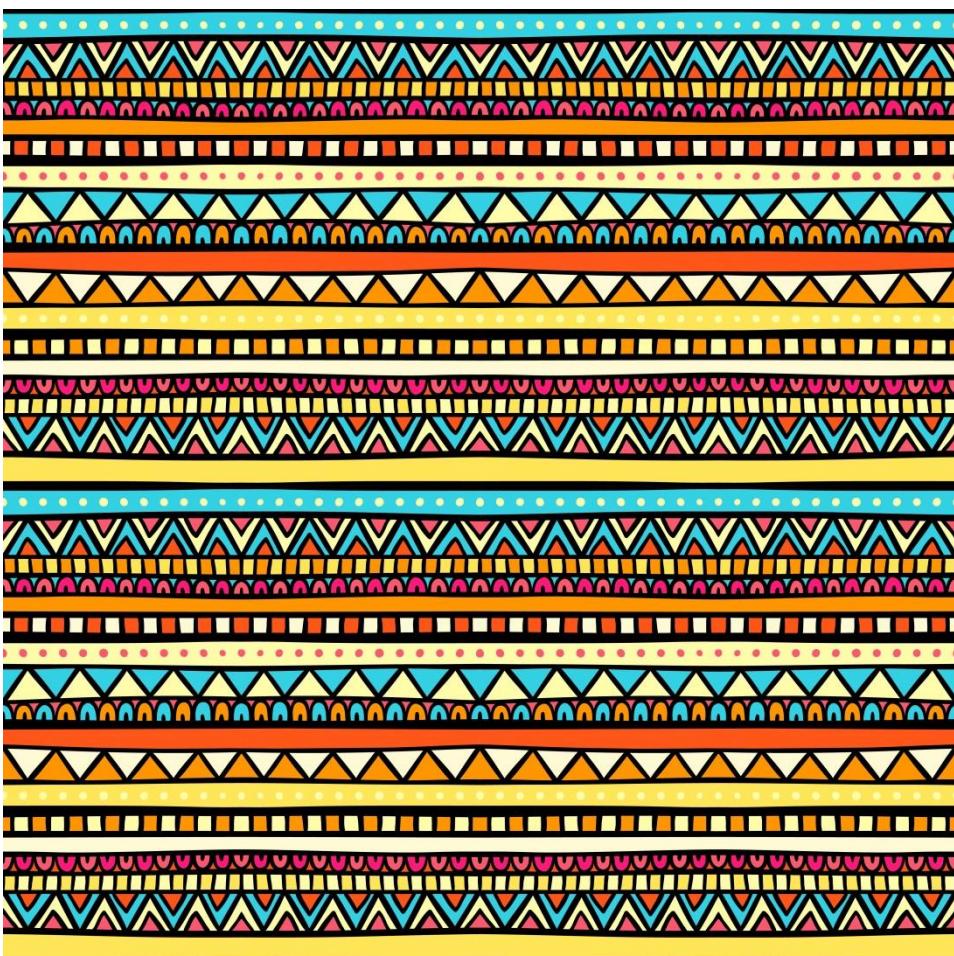
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