



## Marula Certification in Swaziland

2004, **Swazi Indigenous Products**, **2004**

2006, **Natural Futures Programme, World Conservation Union (IUCN) and PhytoTrade Africa, 2006**

2005, **Hluphekile Magagula**, **Khelina**

50%

*My name is Khelina and I am 49 years old. I am divorced and have seven children and two grandchildren that I look after. I use the income earned from Marula kernels 'iyasiwondla lokusisiza kakhulu'*

(to take care of us in many ways). From this income I buy the maize-meal to feed my family and other basics like laundry soap, sugar and salt and to pay the school fees for my grandchildren. I also use the money to buy ingredients for food I make and sell in the community during the Marula o -season.

I am very happy to now be involved in supplying organic Marula. I have benefited from being a member of Swazi Indigenous Products through training and workshops on organic kernel production and now earn almost 10%<sup>1</sup> more for organic kernels than for the conventional kernels.

I have noticed that the income from kernels has also given married women the ability to make their own decisions about how to use the money from Marula kernels. Before getting income from kernels, these married women depended entirely on their husbands who would make decisions on how to use money from livestock and crop sales.

20%

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