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Where we pay attention to the details

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Fine Natural Beads

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I begin with the finest natural gemstones and beads that I can find. I prefer them to be untreated with one thing in common—impeccable quality in very classic designs. If you can't find just what you are looking for, I can custom design a set just for you.



On the top left side of the page is a collection (Knotted 8mm beads, bangle bracelet and hoop/bead earrings) of jade from a Canadian mine. I choose this jade because it was semi-transparent, grass green color. Below the jade I have a set of 10mm smokey topaz beads with 14ky gold roundels and clasp. Below the smokey quartz, I have an iridescent (a coating) quartz knotted necklace and matching iridescent topaz earrings. On the right side of the jade set is my personal favorite, labradorite necklace with a 14kw gold clasp. Really nice labradorite is not so easy to find. Fine labradorite is typically gray to nearly black in body color and has a natural phenomena called labradorescence. Labradorite shows blue and green flashes of color that are caused by interference of light reflecting off the gems layered structure. Last, beneath the labradorite I have a set of black onyx (dyed quartz) knotted 6mm beaded necklace with a large rutilated quartz teardrop bead in the center with matching earrings. The earrings and clasp are done in 14kw gold. Very original! These are just a few of the bead strands that are available in our store. Come buy and visit us or e-mail us and tell us what you want!

Brilliant Quote:

“Will the people in the cheaper seats clap your hands? All the rest of you, if you'll just rattle your jewelry.”

(John Lennon at the Royal Variety Performance, London, Nov. 4, 1967)

New for Fall: Very Bright vibrant colored gemstones that are mixed with large South Sea pearls. Pearl pendants that can be worn with different, versatile neck collars of leather in different colors, nitrile or stainless steel. Very bright colored gemstones in bold settings. Stackable rings of all types are still very fashionable. Layered chains as well as layers of natural and synthetic beads are great for fall as well.

Something new in the area of diamonds is the new journey pendant settings. They of course represent “the journey”. They consist of four or more diamonds that get larger as they go.

The Journey...

CHOICE METALS

Look out for other white metals such as palladium, steel, titanium and tungsten. These are all going to be alternative to platinum, silver and white gold. Titanium and stainless steel are growing in popularity mainly in men’s jewelry. Palladium is a platinum group metal that is lustrous and naturally white/gray. It is whiter than platinum. It does not tarnish and most of all, it won’t change color. It is harder, more malleable and less dense than platinum. It is lighter and can produce more jewelry than platinum from the same amount of metal. It should cost less on a retail level than platinum and white gold. Stainless steel continues to be in demand especially in mid and luxury priced

watches. It is durable, has good color and it is reasonably priced. Mens jewelry lines are growing the fastest with items like bracelets, money clips, key chains, cufflinks, pendants, chains and necklaces. Titanium is another metal that is clearly more dominant in the mens markets. It is most popular in mens wedding rings. It is lightweight, and does not bend easily. From a design point of view, it can be combined with gold, silver, leather or enamel with ease.

Last but not least, tungsten. This is a very heavy metal and is a steel gray in color. It is very hard and strong. Gold and silver can scratch and bend easily so for men (or women) that work out tungsten could be a great jewelry metal for you. It is mainly used in men’s wedding rings. It is the strongest metal that you can get and is very heavy and more difficult to work with. It is really not worth much as far as the metal goes, it is not a precious metal but if you want something that won’t easily melt, scratch or bend, this could be the metal for you!

There are many manufacturers and lines to choose from. We have endless books and choices in stock. Come in and see the difference if we don’t have just what you want, we will order it fast!

Men’s Titanium Wedding Band

