



Roger Dery Gem Design

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Rare Color!

Roger usually facets material people are familiar with such as aquamarine, amethyst, or tourmaline. Sometimes he finds gem rough that isn't often seen, which we put in the "[Rare and Collector](#)" category.

The gemstone below is a 1.33ct. Madagascan Chrysoberyl. Roger purchased the rough during his July 2008 trip to Madagascar. Chrysoberyl is a very durable gemstone with a hardness of 8 1/2. In the gem trade when a Chrysoberyl exhibits color change it is known as the gemstone Alexandrite. Roger enjoys Chrysoberyl for its vivid yellow-green color that ranges from chartreuse to lemon yellow.



1.33ct Madagascan Chrysoberyl

Kunzite is a personal favorite for Roger. Often Roger facets the bottom or pavilion of kunzite with a cutting technique called Portuguese, which uses very small diamond shaped facets. This makes for a very bright gemstone. Kunzite is named after George Kunz who was one of the premier gemologists for Tiffany & Co. in the late 1800s and early 1900s. In 1902 this pink variety of the mineral Spodumene was discovered in the USA. Since Spodumene is such a mouthful to say, and to honor George Kunz, it is now called Kunzite.

Kunzite is one of those gemstones that usually occurs large. Kunzite is fabulous as a pendant or as an enhancer worn with pearls as the pink tone brings out the rose' color of pearls.



Pakistani Kunzite 12.98ct

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