

ROGER DERY GEM DESIGN



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To Cab or Not to Cab

Roger is known for being a precision flat faceter, which means the gems he facets have flat facets arranged in a precise manner...pretty smart, huh! There are times though that the gem rough isn't suited to flat faceting. Perhaps it's too thin or too dark. Or perhaps he's just in the mood to be a bit different, to leave his usual repertoire behind, and strike out in a different direction.

For Roger, a gemstone going in a different direction may mean embracing curves and being free... a cabochon, cab for short. To cab or not to cab?

The 7.25ct lolite below is cabbed from Tanzanian rough in a traditional outline with a sugarloaf dome.



The 8.54ct free form cab below intensifies lolite's shimmering blue color and is from Tanzanian rough.



Rhodolite Garnet looks fantastic as a cabochon, strengthening the rich rose colors into an intense pool of red. The 25.67ct Rhodolite below is from Tanzanian rough in a trillion outline with a cab top.



To cab or not to cab? Depends on the day in Roger's world!

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