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## Category: Blue Topaz

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### **Tip: Blue Topaz as an Anniversary Gift**

Besides being the birthstone of anyone born in December, blue topaz is also on the list of anniversary gifts for during certain years of marriage. Blue topaz is traditionally given during the fourth and nineteenth years of marriage. What better way to celebrate the brilliance that is the one you love than to give her custom gold jewelry that features the brilliant and captivating blue topaz? Depending on what type of jewelry your loved one likes, blue topaz can be incorporated into custom earrings or custom made rings.

Choose from fashion or band settings with multiple stones, or go for a ring with one large stone in a simple or sophisticated setting. A blue topaz necklace or blue topaz pendant can also be custom designed to suit your loved one's style, including her love of simplicity or embellishment. Be sure to select your loved one's favorite metal or one that matches her other jewelry.

### **Tip: Blue Topaz Ring Design**

Since blue topaz can go with nearly every article of clothing in your wardrobe and can move easily from casual attire to sophisticated nights on the town, you have a lot of leeway in designing jewelry with this type of gemstone. Custom gold jewelry, such as a blue topaz ring, can be something unique to add to your collection because it will stand out from the more traditional gemstone selections. Design your blue topaz ring to be set in a fashion style or a band-style ring. Because of its versatility and ability to be cut into many shapes, it's most often used for fashion rings that offer the widest range of settings to choose from. When designing custom made rings for yourself or loved ones, you can choose to set one larger blue topaz within a simple setting or you can opt for a multi-stone design with multiple blue topaz stones. Because this gemstone's color can be coordinated with other colors, your blue topaz fashion or band ring design can also incorporate other stones, such as diamonds and rubies.

### **Tip: Blue Topaz: A Mystical and Magical Gemstone**

In selecting what type of gemstone to choose for your next custom design, consider blue topaz not only for its beauty and ability to catch someone's eye, but to experience its mystical and magical power. For centuries, this gemstone is believed to have both a cooling and calming effect for those who wear it. Blue topaz is also said to calm fears and alleviate anger. A blue topaz necklace is captivating and fresh due to the depth of its sky-blue to deep blue hue. Its magic can be found in a jeweler's ability to create unusual cuts to the gemstone as well as incorporate large gems for a blue topaz pendant or custom earrings, allowing it to be shown off in a truly unique fashion. Creating a blue topaz pendant design as a gift for a loved one or for yourself can be an

excellent way to share its mystical and magical powers, captivating others who can't help but notice the stunning color and unique quality of your custom-designed jewelry piece.

### **Tip: Caring for Blue Topaz Jewelry**

All jewelry requires special care, but blue topaz has unique qualities that need to be attended to so as to ensure a long life for all your custom earrings and custom-made rings featuring this gemstone. While blue topaz is highly rated as one of the most scratch-resistant gemstones, it can fracture quite easily if not taken care of. Be sure to remove all jewelry with this stone, such as a blue topaz necklace or blue topaz ring, when you're playing sports, exercising, or doing housework. Blue topaz earrings stand a better chance with these types of activities, but it's always better to be safe than sorry and remove all jewelry, especially if you have designed it yourself or it holds significant sentimental value. When not wearing your jewelry, store the blue topaz necklace or blue topaz ring in a safe place like a jewelry box or drawer.

### **Tip: Cleaning Blue Topaz Jewelry**

Cleaning a blue topaz necklace or blue topaz ring is highly recommended in order to keep its sky-blue brilliance shining through. Regularly cleaning blue topaz helps ensure a long life for your custom pieces. Since you never know when you may have a special occasion or feel like wearing your gorgeous blue topaz necklace on a whim, clean it and your other pieces on a monthly basis. The best jewelry-cleaning products are a liquid jewelry cleaner or simply some mild detergent and warm water. Blue topaz custom earrings or other pieces should not be used in any type of ultrasonic cleaner because blue topaz gemstones are often heat irradiated to bring out their brilliant color even more. Hence, a jewelry cleaning machine can increase the risk of damage. Lastly, store all your stunning pieces in a jewelry case that can help reduce dust from collecting on the stones and settings.

### **Tip: Making Art from Jewelry with a Blue Topaz Necklace**

Due to its ability to be found in large sizes and be shaped to fit various jewelry designs, the blue topaz gemstone is a versatile choice for your next custom designed jewelry collection. Featuring an eye-catching gemstone, a blue topaz necklace or custom earrings are a stand-out choice due to the artistic designs that can be created to match your personal style. For instance, a blue topaz necklace can be designed to look like a dragonfly, a key, a cross or other identifiable shapes. However, because the blue topaz has such a brilliant color, it's an excellent choice for designing a blue topaz necklace that has modern, clean lines with a minimalist approach. Another option for a blue topaz necklace is to select a design that is embellished in an Art Deco or has Victorian scrollwork. Fitting so many different design styles gives you the opportunity to wear blue topaz many different ways—from an everyday set of custom earrings to a gorgeous

blue topaz pendant that is the centerpiece for a glamorous night on the town.

### **Tip: Other Ideas for Blue Topaz Jewelry**

Since blue topaz is such a versatile gemstone and can be cut into any size or shape, it can be incorporated in any number of custom made rings or custom earrings as well as be showcased as part of a blue topaz necklace or featured as a blue topaz pendant. A blue topaz necklace can make a great gift for a new mother; a custom made blue topaz ring may light up your child's eyes when you give it to her as a graduation present for a job well done. For a friend, sister, or mom who enjoys an embellished or Celtic design, a blue topaz gemstone, in shades of blue and blue-green, can offer a unique addition to her jewelry collection. Live with a "fashionista"? A blue topaz pendant is a stunning accessory for the latest clothing design, and it can serve as the highlight to a cocktail dress or evening gown.

### **Tip: Reasons for Selecting Blue Topaz**

There are a number of reasons to select a blue topaz gemstone for your next set of custom earrings, necklace, or custom-made rings. First, there are so many different shades of blue topaz due to heat irradiation processes that can make no two blue topaz gemstones look alike. This special quality can help make your next custom-designed piece of jewelry look even more unique. Second, it's the perfect gift for Christmas and December birthdays and anniversaries because it's the birthstone for the month of December. Its timeless elegance makes it a sophisticated choice that any friend or family member will love. Third, blue topaz a versatile gemstone that goes with any color or occasion. It can also be combined with other gemstones in varying colors to further its unique qualities for custom gold jewelry or other metal settings. Fourth, its elegance and uniqueness can come at reasonable prices. Considering its available qualities and advantages, a blue topaz pendant, blue topaz necklace, or blue topaz ring make stunning gifts at a reasonable price. So, why not get one of each?

### **Tip: Symbolic Messages in Blue Topaz**

Ancient civilizations believed that blue topaz was a gemstone that held great power, strength, and protection. It's clear to see why the Greeks and others believed that the gemstone conveyed these symbolic messages. All you have to do is consider and reflect on the intensity of color that a blue topaz offers as part of a blue topaz ring or blue topaz pendant. When deciding which type of gemstone to use for your next piece of custom jewelry for either yourself or a loved one, incorporate a gemstone's background or mythology in the setting or in the message you include with the gift of custom jewelry. Think about selecting a blue topaz necklace design to help empower yourself or boost the spirits of someone else who might be struggling. Explain to them the power that the gemstone holds to encourage them in challenging times. Even if some only think the ideas surrounding the power of the blue topaz is a myth, there is a

lot to be said for the power of positive thinking. When you wear a blue topaz necklace you designed for yourself, glance down at the brilliant blue stone that radiates from your chest and you just may feel a little bit stronger or safer.

### **Tip: Wearing a Blue Topaz Pendant**

Each piece of custom jewelry has an ideal time or situation for which to show it off. A blue topaz pendant necklace is an excellent choice for certain outfits or events. Often, more formal events call for simple and sophisticated designs in which a blue topaz pendant could be the focal point without needing any other pieces that might detract from its sophistication and elegance. A blue topaz pendant looks best with dark clothing. It's also more suited for an open neckline design so that it can be set against the skin for a greater dramatic effect. What shape of blue topaz pendant you choose is up to your individual preference and unique style. Because of its ability to be shaped quite easily by jewelry craftsmen, you can design a blue topaz pendant to be round, oval, pear, princess style, emerald-cut and even heart-shaped. Since it's most often worn alone, except for a pair of custom earrings complementing it, you can set the blue topaz pendant with just about any metal. Silver and copper create a dramatic look while other metals offer a more subtle approach.

## Category: Emerald

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### **Tip: Cleaning Emerald Custom Jewelry**

To maintain the natural beauty and extend the life of the custom jewelry design setting for all of your emerald custom jewelry, take the time to frequently clean and maintenance it. You do not have to take your emerald rings or other custom jewelry into the jeweler for cleaning and maintenance because it can all be done at home. Be sure to take special care and follow these directions to ensure that you keep your emerald custom jewelry sparkling. An emerald necklace or emerald rings should only be cleaned with a delicate cloth or cotton swab that is free of lint and dirt. Only use mild detergent and warm water on the jewelry because any harsh soap or other type of cleaner, along with hot water, can remove the oil from the emerald, decreasing its strength and its value. Liquid jewelry cleaners are not recommended for emerald custom jewelry. Like many other gemstones, it is best to avoid the use of ultrasonic cleaning machines.

### **Tip: Creating an Emerald Necklace**

Creating your own emerald necklace can be fun and easy whether it's for yourself or someone you love. Think about a theme or an object that you want to use as the focal point of the emerald necklace. For example, it could be a letter of the alphabet for

someone's name or it could be a flower, butterfly, leaves or a heart. If you're creating an emerald necklace with your heritage or that of another in mind, consider incorporating a Celtic design or Victorian flourishes.

If you don't have a particular theme to use for your custom jewelry, think about whether you like simple designs or those that feature many elements. This will help you decide some of the other components of your emerald necklace. You may want to add other gemstones like diamonds to your emerald necklace. This combination is commonly used in a custom jewelry design in which one gemstone follows another in a cascading pattern. When designing your emerald necklace, think about the type of metal you prefer as well as the size of the design and length of the chain.

### **Tip: Designing and Wearing an Emerald Pendant**

If you like the simple elegance of an emerald pendant, it may seem like you have fewer elements to consider in terms of the overall custom jewelry design. However, you still need to think about the stone shape, such as trillion, marquise, princess, emerald-cut, pear, oval, or round. Each shape creates a different effect, so look at examples of each to get a sense of what you feel is right for your personal style, or one that matches the individuality of your friend or family member to whom you are gifting emerald pendant.

An emerald pendant will need a metal setting. Decide whether you prefer white or yellow gold, rose gold, sterling silver, or platinum. Each metal changes the look of the custom jewelry, accentuating a different feature of the emerald or setting off the green in a multi-faceted way. Lastly, think about the length of chain in terms of making it in proportion to neck length size as well as the type of clothing you or your loved one will wear with the emerald pendant.

### **Tip: Designing Custom Emerald Rings**

Do you entertain? Are your hands often in the spotlight at work or in social settings? Designing custom emerald rings involves careful consideration on what style, design, shape, and number of gemstones to place in the setting. Think about what will best display your sophisticated taste and create the “wow” effect in those who see your custom ring.

If you're looking for a sophisticated, rich look, focus on a custom jewelry design with a larger carat-size emerald in a classic pear shape surrounded by diamonds. If you are seeking a simple and sleek look in terms of customized rings, select a platinum or white gold ring setting with an emerald-cut shape. If you're looking for a more sentimental or unique look for your custom emerald rings, you can create a ring that looks like a four-leaf clover or a band encrusted in small emeralds scattered throughout the design.

Whatever you choose in designing custom emerald rings, make sure you think about

each of the components, your reason for creating it, and your budget. Also, have alternatives ideas in mind if your original custom jewelry design doesn't meet your expectations.

### **Tip: Myths and Lore About Emeralds**

Every gemstone comes with its own myths and legends. Emeralds have quite a distinction of having a wide range of beliefs from the Celts that believe in its magical qualities and ability to see the future to Egyptians who sought emeralds for assistance with fertility and Romans who gave emeralds to Venus, the goddess of love. Knowing these legends and stories makes wearing custom jewelry made with emeralds more fun and make for great conversation pieces. When giving a custom jewelry design as a gift to a loved one, get creative by including a typed up myth or legend that ties to the reason you are giving such a gift. For example, if it's an emerald necklace for a loved one on an anniversary or for Valentine's Day, write something about how you see a great future together. Or, if the emerald pendant is for a new mother, relate the story of the Egyptians belief in fertility as a way to celebrate the new baby. In creating a custom jewelry design with emeralds or giving one as a gift, the lore behind the gemstones add a special and memorable touch.

### **Tip: Occasions for Emerald Jewelry Presents**

There are a number of occasions where a custom jewelry design that incorporates emeralds makes an excellent present. If you have loved ones with birthdays in May, custom jewelry that uses emeralds makes the perfect match as this gemstone is the birthstone for this month. For those seeking a way to surprise someone on St. Patrick's Day or recognize their Irish heritage, customized rings with emeralds will sure to delight. Highlighting any special occasion, regardless of the month, like a birthday, an anniversary, or a "just because," is a perfect time to create a custom jewelry design that brings the "wow" with the use of emeralds. Who says you have to wait for someone to create custom jewelry with emeralds as a gift? After all, there never has to be a real occasion to treat yourself to a piece of custom jewelry, such as an emerald necklace or an emerald pendant, to celebrate a personal success or remind yourself that you deserve it.

### **Tip: Qualities of the Emerald Gemstone**

Emeralds are a green gemstone that can have a wide range of variations within the green color palette. There are both light and dark green versions of emeralds along with those that are sparked with various bits of blue coloring. All of these variations make some of the world's most memorable custom jewelry like an emerald necklace or emerald pendant. Often, emeralds come with small fractures that jewelers fill in with resins or oils before using them for emerald rings or other types of jewelry. Commonly found in Colombia, Brazil and Zambia, technology has also made it possible to create

emeralds in the laboratory. These man-made versions are often difficult to find amongst the available custom jewelry on the market today. These emeralds often look like those mined from natural sources, sharing the same physical, chemical and optical qualities. Whether they are natural or born in the lab, emeralds offer a brilliant green color unmatched by other gemstones, creating a sophisticated look for any type of custom jewelry design.

### **Tip: Taking Care of Emerald Jewelry**

More than other types of gemstones, emerald custom jewelry must be cared for and handled very gently. It is somewhat delicate, having a lower rating on the hardness scale but still considered strong in its form. The strength provides some scratch resistance, but it does not protect emerald from breaking or even chipping. This is because emeralds often already have tiny cracks that, if hit in the right place, can cause the gemstone to easily break. Be sure to find out if the emeralds have been oil-treated, which offers some measure of protection for these stunning gemstones. Remember their delicate nature when wearing an emerald bracelet, emerald ring, or emerald necklace. Try to remove all custom jewelry during active situations, such as sports, exercise, or swimming. Wearing emerald earrings, however, is usually safe from any potential damage. Store emerald custom jewelry in their own boxes or separate from other types of jewelry in your jewelry storage in order to further protect it from damage.

### **Tip: What to Wear with Emeralds**

Any fashion follower knows that accessorizing an outfit can make the difference between just making the right statement creating the drop-dead gorgeous “wow” factor. Putting a look together can be difficult, but jewelry is one of the best ways to add some real appeal to whatever you wear no matter what the occasion may be. An emerald necklace or beautiful piece of emerald custom jewelry does not have to be tucked away in the jewelry vault until you have a formal event. Feel like a queen and show off those brilliant gifts from your loved one or the eye-catching emerald earrings you designed for yourself with just about any outfit. From casual jeans for a day out or with a summer sun dress at a cocktail party, custom jewelry with emeralds will add simple elegance and sophistication to your ensemble. After all, the “wearing of the green” does not have to wait until St. Patrick's Day.

### **Tip: When to Consider Emeralds for Custom Jewelry Design**

Emeralds are a gemstone that can be considered for any custom jewelry design because they look good no matter what the setting or style of jewelry that is used. Young or old, anyone considering this gemstone should add custom jewelry with emeralds to the must-have list for their jewelry collection. As a deep, alluring gemstone, emeralds offer a rich and elegant accent to any type of outfit—formal or casual—and lend themselves to both simple and embellished designs as part of an emerald

necklace. As an accent piece, custom jewelry with emeralds can be a way to show off or as a means of making a unique statement amongst all the other more traditional gemstone-adorned custom jewelry. Adding an emerald to custom jewelry like an emerald necklace is a good way to show off your heritage or family history as well as make a bold statement by incorporating a darkly colored gemstone as an accessory to an understated dress or suit.

## Category: Gemstone Jewelry

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### **Tip: Advantages of Custom Gemstone Jewelry Design**

There are a number of advantages to creating custom gemstone jewelry. Unlike simply selecting from the same inventory of jewelry design that everyone has at their fingertips, you can create custom gemstone jewelry that reflects your personality and individual style. The custom gemstone jewelry you have will simply be like nothing else on the market, which means you are sure to not run into a carbon copy of yourself at a party or social event. Making custom gemstone earrings or gemstone rings allows you to purchase something that is made to your exact specifications—from the gemstone and setting to the metal and number of stones used. You also have access to thousands of existing concepts that can be transformed to what you had in mind. Services that offer personal jewelry design use high-quality materials and work with master jewelers to produce gemstone earrings or gemstone rings. Better yet, creating custom jewelry can all be done in the comfort and convenience of your home because the service is available through the Internet.

### **Tip: Available Precious Metals for Custom Jewelry**

What makes custom gemstone rings, necklaces, and earrings stand out even more is the ability to select from a wide range of precious metals that can be used to hold and showcase different types of gemstones. While the gemstones usually get the most attention in custom jewelry, it is the precious metals that complement and highlight the gemstones for a bigger effect. Typically, the most commonly used precious metals for custom jewelry are gold (white, yellow, and rose), silver, and platinum. Despite the popularity of platinum and silver in recent years, gold remains the standard precious metal of choice due its beauty and symbol of wealth. White and rose gold are variations on gold that have been created by mixing in other metals to create a new color. Silver is more plentiful and creates a more subdued look that can create intense contrasts and drama with certain deep gemstone colors. Because it is rarer, platinum tends to be the most expensive precious metal. As a good choice for custom jewelry, it is able to hold gemstones more securely, does not wear away or fade, and is hypoallergenic.

### **Tip: Choosing Gemstones for Custom Jewelry**

Selecting gemstones for your custom jewelry or for jewelry you are purchasing as a gift is really all about individual preference rather than a professional opinion. While one gemstone may be more resilient or scratch-resistant than another, those kinds of factors are good to know but not necessarily relevant to the criteria involved in purchasing custom jewelry. Your decision on gemstones for custom jewelry should be about your style and what matches your look as well as about the colors you like and what a specific gemstone may mean or represent for you. For example, you may want gemstone earrings that match your birthstone or you are drawn to a gemstone because of the lore and myths associated with it. Deciding on gemstones for custom jewelry may even be as simple as loving the color red or feeling happy when wearing purple. Often, the colors most loved are also reflected in one's wardrobe, so it makes sense to coordinate one's custom jewelry with these outfits.

### **Tip: How to Design Custom Gemstone Jewelry Online**

Designing custom gemstone jewelry online is easy and convenient. First, go to a site like Gemvara.com and click on any jewelry style to get started with a custom gemstone jewelry option like a ring, necklace, or pair of earrings. There are pages and pages of beautiful setting styles to choose from that are sure to match your individual style. This site even allows you to read more about the custom jewelry designers and search for their designs to get a sense of their individual talents.

Once you have selected a style, then it's up to you to select a gemstone or combination of stones and metal. Being able to design custom gemstone jewelry online allows you to see what each one would look like before you purchase it. When you finally decide on the combination of design components, then all you have to do is hit the click and pay buttons. From there, it's just a matter of waiting for the custom gemstone jewelry to arrive in the mail. Why bother driving to all types of jewelry stores when you can make your own personal statement with custom gemstone jewelry designed by partnering with an online company?

### **Tip: Incorporating Fashion Trends in Gemstone Rings**

In order to help you personalize your gemstone rings purchase, a good place to look for ideas are fashion and celebrity magazines that often have pictures of the stars who are wearing gorgeous jewelry paired with beautiful clothes. You don't have to be a star in order to wear jewelry like you see on these glossy pages. All you have to do is search out a company that offers a personal or custom jewelry design service for gemstone rings. Sites that offer this service often include a wide range of designs for gemstone rings—from the classic and traditional to artistic, modern, and avant-garde. Having a range of jewelry designers available to this type of service means that they can update the available designs for gemstone rings on a regular basis and offer new looks to

match those recently seen at an award show or other red-carpet event. Being able to access your own custom gemstone rings can have you feeling and looking like a celebrity.

### **Tip: Selecting Customer Jewelry for Others**

Buying custom jewelry as a gift is a beautiful way to show love for someone else because it sends the message that you have gone beyond just going to a store to buy a piece of jewelry that may have been mass-produced. It means that you took the time to create and add thought to the colors and design that may appeal to your loved one. No matter how sweet the sentiment, there is still pressure there to get it right, especially when the type of jewelry a person likes tends to be very personal and unique to their style. The best way to select custom jewelry for others is to take note of the gemstone rings or gemstone earrings they currently wear. There is even nothing wrong with taking the direct approach and asking how they would design their dream piece of jewelry. With an online service, it might be possible for you to deliver on their dream. And, if your partner or loved one needs gift ideas that you might enjoy, there is also nothing wrong with navigating them toward a website and highlighting certain pages. Some people really do need and feel relieved to get this type of direction.

### **Tip: The Custom Jewelry Experience**

Custom jewelry firms are making this new, exciting option for accessories possible through the use of amazing technology that incorporates a three-dimensional computer modeling software that you can see online while also using this same model to create the actual piece of custom jewelry. With this matching technology, you are sure to get the exact custom gemstone jewelry you see on the screen. From there, the gemstones selected are set by hand to ensure the precise level of quality that you should expect from ordering custom jewelry. The custom jewelry experience also involves ensuring that the custom gemstone jewelry uses high-quality gemstones. Make sure the custom jewelry firm uses AAA quality gemstones, which are known for their cut, brilliance, and polish. Reputable companies use premium medium-toned gems for their gemstone earrings and gemstone rings, which appear to have no visible inclusions, excluding emeralds that have these features. When pieces that have multiple types of gemstones are ordered, it is important to ensure that the company provides a quality assurance that they will match the color intensity of each gemstone as closely as possible. While there is nothing wrong with enhancing the beauty of some gemstones, it is important to select a company that only uses natural gemstones to guarantee a certain level of quality and value. .

### **Tip: Types of Settings for Custom Gemstone Rings**

Before selecting gemstone rings from custom jewelry designers, make sure you learn about the types of ring settings available. Custom gemstone rings can be created in the

following types of settings: prong, bezel, pavé, channel, and bar.

A prong setting is also known as a claw setting, so you can imagine that it looks like the gemstone mount has a grip on the gemstone from all sides. All types of gemstones can be placed in a prong setting and are usually used for larger carat stones. The pave setting has a prong-like setting but the prongs are barely visible, creating the appearance that the gemstones are larger than in reality. This setting is often the choice for diamond rings. A bezel setting looks like a disk of metal is cradling the gemstone and is usually selected for classic gemstones rings settings. The channel setting places gemstones side by side and have long tracks of metal that hold square, princess and rectangle gemstones in place. This custom gemstone rings setting is often used for the band-style ring. Similarly, bar settings use a design that places the gemstones next to each other in order to create a more brilliant and dazzling effect.

### **Tip: What to Look for in Custom Jewelry Designers**

When selecting a custom jewelry designer to work with on a special pair of gemstone earrings or other type of custom jewelry, look for a company that provides information about the expertise and experience of their custom jewelry designers. Being able to read about what each of the custom jewelry designers specialize in will help you find one that specializes in the metal, gemstones, and setting design that matches your style or that of your loved one for whom you're buying a gift. If you are interested in a particular type of metal for the setting or type of design, look for custom jewelry designers who state they are a master goldsmith or work primarily with platinum or silver. The information provided on a particular custom jewelry maker may state their awards or recognitions as well as other well-known companies they have designed for. Just looking at examples of their work will also help you determine if that designer can make the type of custom jewelry you're looking for as well as indicate the level of craftsmanship and quality they can deliver.

### **Tip: Working with Custom Jewelry Firms**

Despite not reaching the status of being couture clothing, you can still buy custom gemstone jewelry from firms that make anything you wear look like you've just stepped off the runway. Why wear jewelry from a chain store or the mall when you can take advantage of new technology that helps firms offer a unique, high-quality custom jewelry service for the price of what you find as part of a jewelry store collection. Look for a company that can provide a wide range of gemstones in virtually every size and shape alongside an array of designs and metal options. Some sites may offer 16 different kinds of gemstones, eight precious metals, and hundreds of settings. Statistically, the available custom jewelry options can go on forever, especially when new designers join the team or innovative designs are added to the product guide. Custom jewelry firms offer a wide range of product photographs and a detailed explanation of the process to help guide your selection process, including information

on the stones, precious metals, designers, and the company. Having this information at your fingertips makes creating custom jewelry a satisfying, exciting, and enjoyable experience.

## Category: Ruby

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### **Tip: Building a Ruby Custom Jewelry Collection**

Since the ruby gemstone is considered to be one of the priciest types of gemstones for custom jewelry, you might want to consider building a ruby custom jewelry collection one piece at a time. There are a number of pieces that you can consider adding to your ruby custom jewelry collection or gifting to friends and family to fuel their passion for the ruby gemstone. Customized jewelry that features a ruby gemstone includes ruby stud earrings, ruby drop earrings, a ruby necklace, a ruby pendant, bracelets, and ruby rings in all types of settings with an endless combination of precious metals, designs, and combination of gemstones. When creating your gift list for your loved one who may not be sure what to get you, consider asking for a custom jewelry set with a ruby necklace and set of ruby stud earrings rather than a number of small gifts. A matching set of customized jewelry provides a way to easily accessorize an outfit not to mention helps build your ruby custom jewelry collection faster. Even when you don't get that piece of ruby custom jewelry that you had your eye on as a gift, you should still consider treating yourself to it.

### **Tip: Custom Jewelry Design with Rubies**

The possibilities are endless when creating a custom jewelry design with a ruby gemstone. Its hardness allows for this gemstone to be crafted into a wide range of shapes and sizes, making it the perfect fit for everything from a ruby necklace and ruby rings to ruby stud earrings. When selecting a ruby gemstone for your custom jewelry design, look for those gemstones that have the most intense red effect possible as this trait points to a higher quality ruby gemstone than others that may not display such a deep crimson color. However, this level of quality is also what drives up the price, so be aware of your budget when selecting the ruby gemstone for your custom jewelry design. Along with the price you have in mind, focus on the type of design, shape of the ruby gemstone, and type of metal that you want to combine to create your custom jewelry design. You may need to look at a few different pages of custom jewelry design options and switch settings and precious metals before you discover that must-have look.

### **Tip: Dazzling Ruby Rings**

There is no better way to show off those red lacquered fingernails than with a sparkling

customized ruby ring. Because of the rarity of a ruby gemstone, you can be a real fashion stand-out with a collection of ruby rings.

One customized jewelry design option for adding ruby rings to your collection is to focus on a band design because this style can incorporate numerous small ruby gemstones around the entire band, creating a dazzling effect. If you're looking to spend a bit more, consider ruby rings that feature a ruby gemstone in a solitaire setting because they tend to be larger and more elegant.

Selecting ruby rings should again be based on your personal style and match your customized jewelry collection in a way that these new additions can be mixed with other pieces. This means sticking with a traditional approach or modern look as well as opting for a specific type of precious metal for the ruby rings. However, if you only plan to add one customized jewelry piece with a ruby gemstone, pick something different and unique so that it can be showcased as a standalone piece.

Whatever you choose, having ruby rings on your fingers are bound to be a distraction for you and those around you because of their sheer stunning gemstone qualities and the power that lies within those crimson beauties.

### **Tip: Designing a Ruby Necklace**

One of the most dazzling ways to show off a ruby gemstone is within a necklace, placing the beautiful stone so close to the center of passion, one's heart. Your customized jewelry with a ruby gemstone has so many possibilities to consider.

Since a ruby is typically no larger than two carats and can be expensive, a ruby necklace usually has a smaller ruby gemstone, making a pendant style somewhat uncommon. However, you can create a pendant look by creating custom jewelry that has an oval, heart-shaped, or round ruby gemstone surrounded by diamonds.

Other options for designing a ruby necklace include a smaller ruby gemstone that sets off a letter or object like a butterfly or a cross. Using multiple types of gemstones furthers the uniqueness of your custom ruby necklace while adding detail and beauty.

When selecting the precious metal for your ruby necklace, consider your preferred metal and also look at other options that may set off the ruby gemstone more effectively, especially those metals like white gold and platinum.

### **Tip: Handling Ruby Customized Jewelry**

Considered to be a rarer gemstone than diamonds with only a few mines found around the world, including ones in India, Madagascar, Thailand and Vietnam, it is especially important to take great care with such a special piece of customized jewelry. Despite its

rarity, a ruby gemstone doesn't necessarily need kid gloves when handling because it is second to diamonds in terms of hardness. It has no cleavage, which means that it is very difficult to break. Keep your ruby customized jewelry clean and free of all dust and dirt. You can choose to have a professional jeweler clean it or you can opt to do it yourself. Recommended at-home cleaning should only involve jewelry cleaner or lukewarm water. Be sure that all ruby customized jewelry is kept away from any environments where there is extreme heat or chemical products, such as bleach and ammonia, as these will damage it.

### **Tip: Occasions for Giving Ruby Custom Jewelry**

Ruby custom jewelry is a special gift for any occasion, but there are also certain times where it has been more common to select a ruby gemstone as the centerpiece of a custom jewelry gift. Those born in July enjoy ruby customized jewelry as a way to recognize that month's birthstone. A ruby necklace may also be the perfect gift to celebrate a 15<sup>th</sup> or 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Of course, you don't want to forget one of the most passionate and loving occasions of all that happens every February 14<sup>th</sup>—Valentine's Day. There is no better way to show the depth of your love and all the facets of affection that you feel for your partner than to create a custom jewelry design around a ruby gemstone or combination of rubies and diamonds. Just imagine the look on your loved one's face when you hand her what she thinks is a box of chocolates and opens it to discover that it contains a breathtaking ruby necklace.

### **Tip: Ruby Gemstone Legends and Lore**

As with all gemstones, the ruby gemstone has its own legends and lore that add to its appeal. Rubies are thought to provide a person who wears one with long life and vitality. In Biblical times, the ancient religious texts referred to the ruby as the most precious of all the gemstones and were prized by a number of civilizations, dynasties, and monarchies. Everyone from Marco Polo and Kublai Khan to American philosopher Ralph Waldo Emerson and other well-noted historical figures in between have praised the ruby gemstone for its beauty and power. The power of a ruby gemstone was also seen as a way to protect the person wearing one from physical injury and from evil as well as bring good luck and attract a spouse. If you're looking to create a ruby necklace or add ruby rings to your jewelry collection, enjoy the fact that you're selecting a gemstone of royalty. As a gift, the queen in your life and even your loyal subjects will love to receive customized jewelry with rubies.

### **Tip: Ruby: A Passionate Gemstone**

The passion for rubies dates back centuries where those in Sri Lanka prized its discovery as one of the most precious gemstones in the world. This passionate gemstone can also be found in Myanmar (previously Burma). Perhaps the idea of passion originated from the Hindus and how they believed that the deep, rich red color

of the ruby gemstone came from a fire burning inside the gemstone that could never be extinguished. Even now, a ruby gemstone is known for its fiery red color, which many commonly associate with love, passion, and intrigue. Its exotic look and reputation draw those passionate about life and, of course, jewelry, making it one of the most popular gemstones after diamonds. There's no better way to express your own passion for life and love than by wearing a custom ruby necklace or giving a pair of ruby stud earrings to a loved one who shares the same passion.

### **Tip: Showing Off Ruby Stud Earrings**

One way to add a ruby gemstone to your collection of gemstone custom jewelry is to create ruby stud earrings, which are an affordable way to increase the passion factor in your jewelry box. Ruby stud earrings are a practical jewelry piece that can be worn everyday and still make an impact because of the deep red color they project.

The ruby gemstone is typically smaller in ruby stud earrings, but the smaller size does not, in any way, diminish their brilliance. Ruby stud earrings are not limited in design options just because they are smaller than other types of customized jewelry. Custom ruby stud earrings can be embellished with other gemstones, such as diamonds, that surround the main ruby gemstone in a floral or star shape design. Designing custom ruby stud earrings can also be enhanced by selecting from a design palette that uses more precious metals, such as silver, to create petals or bands around the main ruby gem stone.

### **Tip: When to Wear Ruby Custom Jewelry**

Just because a ruby gemstone is one of the most expensive gemstones in the world, costing even more than diamonds, it doesn't mean you are limited to when you can wear ruby custom jewelry. A prime example is Dorothy in the "Wizard of Oz" who wore her ruby slippers to find her way home from a magical land. In reality, ruby custom jewelry is appropriate for just about any occasion—from casual experiences and the workplace to an evening on the town or social event. Wearing ruby custom jewelry is a beautiful way to express your love for others as well as for life, so it's nice to accessorize with ruby custom jewelry when out and about with the one you love. The passionate color and rich red color will turn heads and attract others. The elegance and timeless beauty of ruby custom jewelry will work anytime and anywhere.

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### **Tip: Creating Pink Sapphire Rings**

Pink sapphire rings provide a way to fulfill your love of everything pink—from bubble gum to strawberry-hued tones. Pink sapphire rings are a fun and flirty option for your growing custom made jewelry collection. Highlighting the brilliant bright nature of a pink sapphire is the selection of metal for custom rings. A lighter color precious metal will create greater contrast while a gold or rose gold setting will tone down some of the pink “pop.”

Pink sapphire rings can be custom-designed to be complemented by a multi-stone setting. Two of the most ideal selections for complementary stones are diamonds or rubies because their coloring blends nicely with the pink hue of the sapphire.

Since pink sapphire rings are commonly used for engagement rings, solitaire settings are an option. These ring settings have more than one purpose and work well as an everyday “I deserve to be a princess” ring. Growing in popularity amongst fashion trend-setters are the more modern and sleek pink sapphire ring settings that were once only seen in classic or traditional versions.

#### **Tip: Designing Blue Sapphire Earrings**

Blue sapphires can be deep, dark, and mysterious or they can exude a lighter and brighter hue for an entirely different fashion statement. Blue sapphire earrings can be custom designed to fit your personal style, including how and where you plan to wear this type of jewelry.

There are a number of styles of earring where blue sapphire gemstones can create a special look. You can create custom made blue sapphire earrings in a post or stud style, which provide a way to wear them as a practical daily set of custom made jewelry. The dark blue hue of some sapphires pairs nicely with conservative business entire or casual wear. Another practical daily design style for blue sapphire earrings are loop styles, which typically curl down into a hoop shape but are set closer to the ear. A nice design would be to incorporate small blue sapphires and diamonds along the edge of the loop style.

Other earring styles include the chandelier and drop style that hang down from the ear. These styles are typically worn in a more formal setting to complement evening wear and bridal gowns.

#### **Tip: Envisioning Gorgeous Pink Sapphire Jewelry**

Pink sapphire jewelry is growing in popularity because it's a way to step outside the common gemstone collection and add something fun and fresh to your look. Due to its increased attraction, more custom jewelry designers are expanding their design collection for this bright gemstone. Custom made jewelry is now available in an entire range of options, including custom necklaces, pendants, bracelets, custom rings, and

stud and drop earrings.

When wearing pink sapphire jewelry, it might be nice to accessorize with just one piece at a time and pairing it with another selection of custom made jewelry in a complementary precious metal setting and style that features diamonds or white sapphire. However, depending upon your outfit or the occasion—especially if it involves a brighter or casual ensemble—it would be exciting to go over the top with a set of pink sapphire customized jewelry, including a ring, earrings, and necklace.

### **Tip: Gifting Sapphire Custom Made Jewelry**

While everyone loves a gift of jewelry, remember just how personal jewelry is to other people in terms of their color and design preferences for gemstones, precious metals, and setting style. When gifting something as special as sapphire custom made jewelry, put a lot of thought into what your loved one might enjoy and be able to wear with their wardrobe and lifestyle. For example, while pink sapphires are pretty in your eyes and you have a whole section of your jewelry box devoted to this gemstone, your best friend may not like pink or own a single outfit where pink sapphire jewelry would complement the look. The same can be said for yellow or blue sapphire custom made jewelry. Take the time to look at jewelry designs and gemstone colors together while out shopping or on online custom made jewelry websites to get a sense of what loved ones like before you treat them to that extra special present.

### **Tip: Occasions for Wearing and Giving Sapphire Custom Jewelry**

Wearing, buying or giving pink sapphire jewelry is ideal for anyone born in the month of September as well as for a birthday, holiday, and anniversary surprise or splurge. While diamonds seem to be one of the most popular wedding and engagement ring gemstones today, sapphires continue to be highly popular for these special moments. When considering this gemstone as the focal point for custom made jewelry for yourself or others, this special stone is bound to elevate you to royalty status. Sapphire custom made jewelry is also the perfect choice when you want someone else to feel like a queen or princess. Sapphire custom jewelry befits any type of occasion and can be worn as a practical accessory on a daily basis. It is a versatile gemstone that works with any type of custom jewelry, providing a great excuse to own many custom made jewelry pieces across the entire sapphire color palette. Each type of sapphire gemstone adds elegance and sophistication to what you are wearing without too much formality.

### **Tip: Protecting Sapphire Custom Made Jewelry**

Sapphires are one of the hardest gemstones available for use in custom necklaces and custom rings alongside rubies and diamonds. This type of gemstone is very difficult to chip or break. Like all jewelry, special care and protection should still be used with all your pieces. You still may want to remove all sapphire jewelry when exercising or doing

housework to ensure they stay safe. Custom made pink sapphire jewelry can be cleaned at home instead of taking a trip to the jewelry store for maintenance. At-home cleaning recommendations that are safe for these types of custom necklaces and custom rings include liquid jewelry cleaner, warm water and mild detergent cleaners, and the use of ultrasonic cleaning devices. Also use a soft cloth to regularly remove any dust or dirt from your custom made jewelry as well as keep it in a jewelry box or armoire where there is less chance of contact with dust or potential for damage.

### **Tip: Sapphire Custom Necklaces**

Customized sapphire necklaces in any color within this gemstone palette, including blue, pink, and yellow, can all create a stunning necklace as a treat for yourself or for a loved one. One option you have is to keep it simple, especially if it is a more brightly hued sapphire like pink or yellow, by just focusing on one type of gemstone within the necklace custom jewelry design. Look for a sleek and minimalist design that uses just one element like a letter, circle, or swirl effect so that the gemstone is the featured attraction. Another option is to combine two or more types of gemstones as part of pink sapphire jewelry. A nice touch for customized sapphire necklaces is to select a design that allows you to add many different types of sapphires to one piece of jewelry. This works well with designs that have more than one element, such as intersecting circles, multiple shapes, or Celtic patterns.

### **Tip: Stories of Sapphires**

Sapphires have been treasured for centuries by royalty and other historical figures. The sapphire is one of the oldest British crown jewels, dating back to the 11<sup>th</sup> century. In more modern times, Princess Diana of England inspired others to wear sapphires after her dazzling sapphire engagement ring was revealed to the world. Stories about sapphires travel way back in civilization into the stories of mythology and those found in the Bible. Legend states that Prometheus first wore a sapphire while the ancient Persians of Biblical times looked to the sapphire as a product that came from the heavens and God. Temples in Burma also used the sapphire as part of their architectural design to pay homage and reverence to the gods. Despite having such a wide array of stories about sapphires, these stories add to the mystical and spiritual wonderment that makes sapphires such a popular choice for today's pink sapphire jewelry, such as custom necklaces and custom rings.

### **Tip: Symbolic Sapphire Settings**

Sapphires, in shades of blue, tend to represent something that emits feeling and a symbol of calmness, loyalty, and sympathy amongst all types of civilizations. Beyond the symbolism found in its most common color, sapphires have come to represent many different things to various civilizations and cultures, including standing as a symbol of faithfulness, truth, sincerity, wisdom and joy. Wearing a sapphire was even thought to

help a person become wiser and find solutions to challenging problems. Those in India believe that the sapphire has the power to physically heal people from snake and scorpion bites. Other cultures thought that the sapphire could help ward off evil. Whatever the story may be about the symbolic meaning behind sapphires and their settings, they all sound like good reasoning for convincing a loved one that a sapphire should be included as the gemstone of choice for your next custom made jewelry gift.

### **Tip: The Sapphire Color Palette**

Sapphires are one of those rare gemstones that come in more than one color, which makes collecting custom made jewelry with this gemstone all the more fun and unique. The most commonly known color of sapphires is blue in both light and dark shades, which is why they have been named after the Latin word for blue. There is also a spectrum of other colors now available for custom made jewelry. Hence, this gemstone has also been referred to as a celestial gemstone because of the various color reflections that can be seen within the sapphire's construction. This color palette includes pink, yellow, green, purple and white. Many jewelers accentuate and intensify these colors by applying heat treatment, which is a regular practice among jewelry manufacturers. This type of gemstone, in all its various color selections, can be found in mines throughout Southeast Asia, Australia, and Africa. While some colors are rarer than others, this gemstone tends to be more available than others, providing a good value choice for custom made pink sapphire jewelry.