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Gemstone Care & Maintenance

Gemstones are very beautiful creation of nature. We buy & collect the gemstones out of great love; attached to the gemstones are a good value, hope & sentiments hence it is very important to take good care of it. Gemstones appear to be very hard externally & they are as well but they might not be equally strong from internally, technically there is a difference in the hardness & toughness of a stone, some stones are really hard but not tough & some stones may not be that hard but are pretty strong. Toughness relates to resistance against wear & tear & pressure. A stone may not be strong from within because technically it's internally molecules may naturally not be strongly held to each other.

Further now days' mining takes place with the help of blasting due to which the gemstones internally get weaker after the impact of the blasts. So now we know that a hard looking stone may not be that strong & needs to be given good care for it to last longer & longer.

For e.g.

1. Emerald stands as the 4th strongest stone on the scale of hardness but internally is weak & brittle just with a drop it could break into 2 or more pieces.
2. Organic stones Like Pearls, Corals, Turquoise, Amber etc shouldn't be bought into contact with any kind of acids or chemicals this may force them towards erosion & damage.

Here are some tips to maintain your precious gemstone

1. Often we see after setting the stone into a pendant or a ring with regular usage there is accumulation of grimes, dirt & soap more at the back of the stone, in such a case you could apply some tooth paste & clean of the dirt, soap & grime accumulated behind, after which just take some olive oil on a brush & apply it at the back of your stone, this will make it clean & strong again.
2. There are natural microscopic pores in gemstones & we have apply oil to them they tend to absorb it & get stronger with time. Oil is good for the life of Gemstones.
3. Avoid keep changing your pendant & ring designs regularly as this may not be good for some gemstones especially emeralds & organic stones. It takes some pressure to set stones in ring or pendant, the excess pressure might damage the gemstones, and also polishing of the ring might cause some damage to the organic gemstones.
4. Try choosing designs with closed setting this will have your gemstone covered with metal on all sides unlike prong setting or any other type of setting & hence your stone shall be more safe & protected against loss & will be safer for daily use.
5. Be careful & avoid it from falling or colliding against walls or anything else tough enough.
6. Try buying gemstones with more clarity.

Just for your curiosity & knowledge below is table that shows the hardness of different gemstones. Enjoy!!!

If you have any further queries or suggestions please feel free to write to us, we would be glad to assist you.

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