

Mineral of the Month Club



Offer Sheet – April 2014

Hello Member:

Happy Spring to you! We have 5 new beauties for you this month. The chabazite, clinozoisite and wavellite have never been offered by us and we are excited to share them with you.

As you may know calcite comes in many crystal habits, acute to obtuse rhombohedra, tabular forms, prisms, with some exhibiting twinning types occurring as fibrous, granular, lamellar or compact and has a Mohs hardness of 3. The colors range from white, red, orange, yellow, green, blue, violet, brown, shades of gray or even black can occur when the mineral is charged with impurities. This month the calcite is from Santa Eulalia in Chihuahua, Mexico. It is a composite specimen with pale to charcoal gray colored blades with needle-like prisms of dark black stibnite, or antimony sulfide, a real looker. We love our calcites, can you tell?

Our five special offers come from the Western Hemisphere, with localities in the United States, Peru, Canada, and Mexico. We continue to strive for a varied selection in color and crystal forms. The colors of these specimens range from honey-brown, pale lime-green to orange, gray, and reddish-brown. Crystal habits include everything from prisms and twinned rhombohedrons to blades and botryoidal aggregates—even an unusual specimen with a polished “window.”

You may have noticed that each month we are posting one new “fine mineral” on the website. This month we have beautiful azurite suns from Australia that are sure to please. So be sure to visit the fine mineral galleries to view the latest and the greatest. This past year we have featured, rhodonite, calcite, green and watermelon tourmaline, brazilianite, barite, crocoite, cactus quartz and more. So far it seems that the amazonite and smokey quartz from Colorado were the #1 favorite.

Happy trails to you.....



Specimen sizes: 2" x 2.5" to 2.5" x 3"
Prices: \$25.00-\$50.00

Chabazite

Collected from the basalt cliffs along the Bay of Fundy in Nova Scotia, Canada, these specimens of the zeolite mineral chabazite-(Ca), a hydrous calcium aluminum silicate, show sharp, twinned crystals in interpenetrating rhombohedrons. The crystal color is orange with a subtle tinge of red. Each specimen is a section of an amygdaloidal cavity in a matrix of dark basalt.



Specimen sizes: 2" x 3" to 3" x 3"
Prices: \$20.00 - \$45.00

Wavellite

These specimens of wavellite, or basic hydrous aluminum fluorophosphate, are from Mauldin Mountain in Montgomery County, Arkansas, the premier wavellite locality in the United States. Wavellite is present as thick, botryoidal coatings of hemispherical aggregates with a pale, lime-green color. The wavellite contrasts nicely against a matrix of dark Big Fork Chert.



Specimen sizes: 1" x 1.5" to 2" x 2"
Prices: \$15.00-\$25.00

Fire Agate

Many collectors consider fire agate the most beautiful form of agate. Collected from the classic Calvillo locality in Aguascalientes, Mexico, these translucent specimens have a rich, reddish-brown, base color that is accented with subtle banding patterns and highlights of red and orange. A "window" on each specimen has been polished to fully display the color and high luster.



Specimen sizes: 1" x 1.5" to 3" x 3.5"
Price \$15.00- \$75.00

Clinozoisite

These specimens of clinozoisite, a basic calcium aluminum silicate, were collected at the famed Quiruvilca Mine locality in La Libertad, Peru. These specimens consists of intergrown clusters of well-developed, stubby, translucent-to-transparent prisms with sharp, chisel-like terminations and colors that range from a light honey to richer golden-brown. These are excellent specimens of a rare mineral.



Specimen sizes: 2.5" x 3" to 3" x 4.5"
Prices: \$30.00-\$75.00

Calcite

Santa Eulalia in Chihuahua, Mexico, is well-known for composite specimens of calcite, or calcium carbonate, in association with other minerals. These Santa Eulalia specimens show clusters of light-to-dark gray, calcite blades intergrown with needle prisms of dark black stibnite, or antimony sulfide. The striking contrast in color and crystal structure makes these composites excellent display specimens.



Azurite Sun-Australia

On the 1st of each month we will send out a separate email to announce the arrival of the "Fine Mineral of the Month." We have over 20 azurite suns that will be for sale. You can see all the photos in the fine mineral gallery.

<http://www.celestialearthminerals.com/category/mineral-galleries/fine-minerals>

Still Available From Last Month:



Specimen sizes: 2" x 4" to 2.5" x 5" and 4" x 4"
Prices \$75.00 - \$175.00

Hubetite, Quartz & Pyrite

These specimens of hübnerite, or manganese tungstate, are from Hubei Province, China, and have deeply striated, terminated, well-developed, tabular crystals that are opaque with a brownish-black color and subtle reddish highlights. The complex clusters of dark hübnerite intergrown with bright, brassy pyrite cubes and gleaming, colorless quartz crystals make these specimens outstanding display pieces.



Specimen sizes: 1" x 2" to 2.5" x 3.5", 3.5" x 5"
Prices: \$12.00-\$18.00 and \$30.00-\$40.00

Lepidolite

Collected in the granite pegmatites of Minas Gerais, Brazil, these specimens of lepidolite, a basic potassium lithium aluminum fluorosilicate and a former ore of lithium, have large, sheet-like, micaceous crystals with a delicate, pale-lilac color and a bright, pearly luster. Thick "books" of lilac lepidolite contrast nicely with a matrix of white albite.



Specimen sizes: .25" x 1" to 1" x 1" in perky box

Prices: \$35.00-\$75.00

Specimen sizes: 1.25" x 1.5" to 3" x 3"

Prices: \$25.00-\$70.00

Dravite

Collected at the Pierrepont locality in St. Lawrence County, New York, these specimens of dravite, or basic sodium magnesium aluminum borosilicate, are clusters of large, terminated, stubby prisms. Crystals are translucent to nearly opaque and have a brown-black color with a very bright luster. Dravite is one of the more unusual members of the tourmaline-group minerals.

****We only have a few of these left...get them before they are totally gone****



Specimen sizes: 2" x 2.5" to 4" x 4.5"

Prices: \$40.00-\$75.00

Smithsonite

Smithsonite, or zinc carbonate, occurs in a wide range of colors, the most familiar of which is green. These specimens, collected at the classic locality at Santa Eulalia, Chihuahua, Mexico, are an unusual gray with a hint of green. They have a soft translucency, excellent botryoidal development, and a bright, pearly luster.

Further Information

Discounts available: If you order 4 or more minerals from the offer sheet you will receive a 10% discount.

Ordering: To place an order you can call #800-941-5594 or email christine@celestiaearthminerals.com

Shipping: As always, shipping is free in the United States.

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Method of payment: We accept, Visa, MasterCard, American Express and checks.

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