

Mineral of the Month Club



Offer Sheet - September 2013

Our special offers for September include four minerals and one rock. The minerals are from the United States, China, Morocco, and Brazil; the rock, which is a gemstone material, is from Indonesia. As always, we try to include in our monthly offers specimens with interesting contrasts in colors, structures, textures, and origins, and we think that we have succeeded here. The colors of our offers range from amber, orange-brown, and aquamarine-blue to a kaleidoscopic yellow-orange-black. The origins of these specimens include hydrothermal veins, granite pegmatites, and even volcanic fumarole environments. After reading the following descriptions, please let us know if you are interested in acquiring any of these specimens to add to your collection.

“Recently , I read the article, “Crazy Calcite” by Bob Jones in the July 2013 issue of Rock and Gem Magazine and was both intrigued and mesmerized by how many crystal shapes and colors Calcite takes on based on its environment. Hence a selection of 4 to 5 Calcite specimens offered this month, all with different localities, 4 of which are in the United States and 1 from China.” Christine

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Barite

These specimens of coxcomb barite are from the classic locality at Mibladen, Morocco. The barite is primarily present as an intricate maze of cockscomb, bladed crystals with rich, salmon-pink to orange-brown colors. Some barite is also present as thin, pink, tabular blades. The barite rests atop a matrix of dark galena and vein-wall material of altered, honey-brown limestone.

Specimen sizes: 1" x 1.5" to 3.5" x 5"

Price ranges: \$20.00- \$65.00 and \$85.00- \$175.00



Bumble Bee Jasper

This very unusual and colorful gemstone and decorative stone, which has only recently become available in western markets, is found only in volcanic-fumarole environments on the Indonesian island of Java. Consisting of carbonate-cemented particles of realgar, orpiment, and manganese oxides, it exhibits attractive bright-yellow, rich-orange, and jet-black banding. These specimens are slabs that are sealed with a polyester epoxy resin.

Specimen sizes: 1.5" x 2" to 4" x 4.5"

Price ranges: \$25.00- \$90.00 and \$175.00

NOTE: There was an article in the August issue of Rock and Gem Magazine on Bumble Bee Jasper. A copy of the article will be included with your order.



Beryl var. Aquamarine:

These specimens, which consist of sections of large beryl prisms, are from the pegmatites of Minas Gerais, Brazil. Some specimens are nearly two inches in diameter and have perfectly formed, hexagonal cross sections and smooth, glassy faces. The color is a clean, aquamarine blue with a subtle hint of green. Their transparency is excellent. Only a network of internal stress fractures prevents these from being classified as gem material.

Specimen sizes: 1" x 1" to 3" x 4"

Price range: \$40.00 - \$95.00



Calcite on Quartz

Collected at the Shimen arsenic-gold deposit in Hunan Province, China, these composite specimens show extraordinary crystal development. Barrel-shaped crystals of milky-white calcite with the slightest hint of pink rest atop an exquisite matrix of thousands of delicate, water-clear, perfectly terminated, needle-like prisms of quartz. The glittering specimens make superb pieces for display or for study of contrasting crystal forms.

Specimen sizes: 4" x 4" to 4" x 8" and 5.5" x 9.5" and 6" x 7.5"

Price range: \$60.00- \$120.00 and \$275.00- \$300.00

Calcite Assemblage:



Calcite

This assemblage of calcite specimens includes modified rhombohedrons and scalenohedrons from three, well-known localities in Ohio, Kentucky, Iowa and Indiana. Transparency ranges from gemmy to sub-transparent; colors include amber, honey-brown, beige, and peach. These make very nice display pieces. Call us for details on color and crystal structure.

Photo: SKU# CALCO-1

Calcite , Pugh Quarry, Custar Wood County Ohio, United States, 3" x 4.5" , \$150.00

Calcite Group: Specimen sizes: 1" x 1.5" to 3" x 4.5" Price ranges: \$30.00- \$165.00



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Berry Materials Quarry, North Vernon, Indiana, United States, 2.25" x 3.5" , \$65.00

Calcite Group: Specimen sizes: 1" x 1.5" to 3" x 4.5" Price ranges: \$30.00- \$165.00



Photo: SKU# CALC-2

Stoners Farm, Jessup, Iowa, United States, 2" x 3", \$65.00

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Price ranges: \$30.00 to \$165.00

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Complete descriptions of these minerals can be found in the **Atlas of Minerals** in the Library section of the website.

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Specimen sizes: : 2.5" x 5" to 4" x 5"
Price ranges: \$85.00 - \$110.00

Calcite

These specimens of calcite are from the Sweetwater Mine in the Viburnum Lead Belt of Missouri. The calcite appears as clusters of well-developed, translucent scalenohedrons with pleasing yellowish or honey-brown colors. Typical of the distinctive colors and structure of calcite from the classic Viburnum localities, these specimens make fine display pieces.

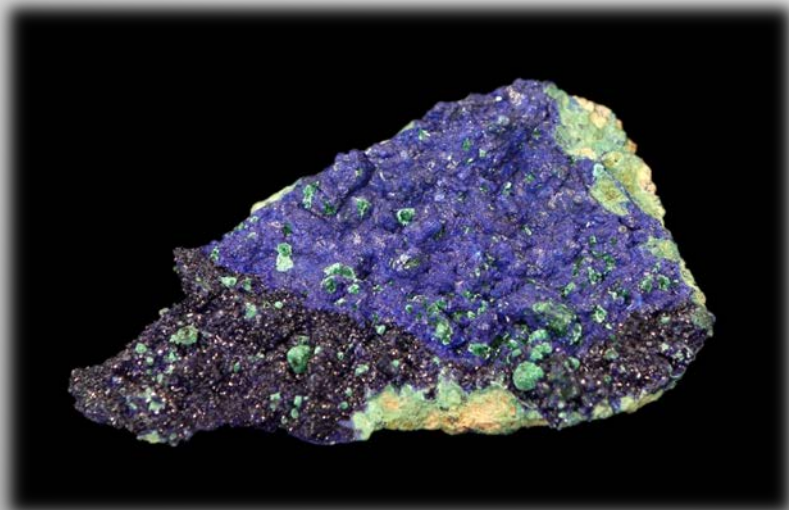


Specimen sizes: 1.75" x 2.5" to 3.5" x 5"
Price range: \$25.00-\$125.00

Chrysocolla with Quartz and Hematite

Collected at the Doña Angelina Uno Mine in the Humay District of Peru, these specimens have coatings of bright, turquoise-blue chrysocolla, a hydrous copper silicate, on a matrix of small, water-clear, well-developed, terminated quartz crystals, along with hematite, an orange-brown, iron-oxide mineral. These blue, orange-brown, and colorless minerals create a pleasing and interesting color combination.

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Malachite w/Azurite

Collected from the Katanga Copper Crescent in the Democratic Republic of Congo, these specimens have small, glittering crystals of deep-blue azurite atop a matrix of forest-green malachite. This striking, blue-green color combination is typical of the best of the fine malachite-azurite specimens now coming from the classic Katanga localities.

Specimen sizes: 1" x 2" to 2" x 4.5" Price ranges: \$25.00- \$65.00
1 Specimen measuring 4" x 11" Price: \$1500.00



Schorl with Quartz

These composite specimens of the tourmaline-mineral schorl with quartz and muscovite are from the pegmatites of Pakistan's Shigar Valley. When viewed with backlighting, the prisms of nearly black schorl reveal a deep-green translucence and a yellow "watermelon" rind. With a matrix of white quartz and exceptionally well-developed, pseudo hexagonal plates of pearly, white muscovite, these specimens provide very interesting contrasts in color and crystal structure.

Specimen sizes: .5" x 1.25" to 2" x 3"
Price ranges: \$25.00 to \$45.00

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.

Specimen size: All of our specimens are approximate in size.

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

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