



COLLIER'S CRYSTALS Hematite sterling silver pendant, \$48.

Hematite
Polished steel-grey hematite can be magnetised – long strands can be looped and linked as a necklace or bracelet. It is brittle, so take care when wearing and storing.

Hope Diamond
The world's largest blue diamond has a history featuring French and English royalty, theft and debt. It is said to come with a curse, bringing misfortune to all who own it. In 1958 Harry Winston donated the 45.52ct diamond, in its setting, to the Smithsonian Institution in Washington.

Ingot
A metal bar or block that is obtained when melted metal is poured into a mould, with the expectation that it will be further processed.



OWNING HOPE Mrs Evelyn Walsh McLean, c1915.



Krupp Diamond
Richard Burton bought the 33.19-carat Krupp Diamond ring for Elizabeth Taylor in 1968, the first of many jewellery gifts.



MAKERS MARK
Freshwater pearl lariat with jade and aquamarine by Barbara Heath, \$3720.

Jade
True jade is one of two minerals: jadeite or nephrite. In China it dates back to at least 3000 BC, often carved in ornamental pieces.

1860s after Prince Albert died. Queen Victoria and her court adopted jet for all mourning jewellery, and English society followed. Jet can be carved or cut, and jewellery can be dull or polished. It's not to be confused with French jet, a glass designed as an imitation. Real jet is warmer and lighter than glass, much softer, and can be burned. ➤

Jet
Also known as Whitby jet, after the Yorkshire region where it is extremely high quality, this black "gem" is thought to be a type of carbon similar to lignite, or fossilised wood. Jet jewellery was at the peak of its popularity in the



JET BROOCH John T Hinkley Jeweller, Sydney.

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