

R2372-RC1655-ALCE Cat's Eye Alexandrite, Alexandrite & Diamond Ring

Platinum ring accented with black rhodium featuring a 3.26 carat cat's eye alexandrite accented by 0.45 carat total weight of round alexandrites and 0.96 carat total weight of round diamonds.

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DESIGN DETAILS

Cat's Eye Alexandrite, Alexandrite & Diamond Ring Platinum w/ Black Rhodium, Size 6.5 1 Cat's Eye Alexandrite 3.26 ct. (8.96x6.78x5.49mm) - Natural 44 Alexandrite Rd 0.45 ctw. - Natural 18 Diamond Rd 0.96 ctw. (F+/VS+)

<u>Unique Design Traits</u>

Rare alexandrite cat's eye displays two remarkable phenomena - color change and chatoyancy. The color change is clearly visible under different light sources, while the cat eye is crisp and clearly defined.

The center is accented with a faceted halo of alexandrite melee, complementing the center's color change, with prongs accented in black rhodium to better display the change.

Uniquely crafted outer diamond halo seamlessly transitions from French pave into a diamond set knife-edge shank.





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Gemstone Details

Alexandrite

Alexandrite is one of the most unique and rare gemstones ever discovered. It is a phenomenal variety of the mineral chrysoberyl that naturally color changes from bluish green in daylight to purplish red in incandescent light. First discovered in 1830 in Czarist Russia in the Ural Mountains. Since the imperial colors of Russia were red and green, the newly discovered stone was named after Czar Alexander II, then heir to the throne. Quickly it became the national stone of Russia, worn by royalty and the nobility. Today, fine alexandrites, particularly those of Russian origin, are most often found in period jewelry since newly mined gems are extremely rare.

The original source in Russia's Ural Mountains has long since closed after producing for only a few decades. In 1987 a new deposit of Alexandrite was found in Hematita, Brazil. Although there are other areas where Alexandrite has been discovered, Brazil is considered the finest source for Alexandrite since the 19th century. The most important quality factor when determining the value of an Alexandrite is its color change, caused by the complex way this mineral absorbs light. All other things being equal; the more dramatic the color change, the higher the value. Fine quality stones over one carat are exceptionally rare.

Alexandrite is the birthstone for June and the gem for the 55th wedding anniversary.



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