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Newsletter Special

- To our newsletter subscribers we are offering a 20% discount on EVERYTHING on our website. (Amazon. COM products not included) This special ENDS Jan, 15th, 2007. Mention code (NLS1206). Our shopping cart can't adjust for specials, so you will be re-funded 20%, less shipping, when we receive your order.
- Get a D and B Rockwerks gift Certificate. Don't know what to get your favorite rock hound? Get a gift certificate, can't go wrong.
- Check out our Flat Rate shipping Rough deals. \$8.10 shipping for the first 20 pounds, \$8.10 for the next 20 pounds and so on. Check them out today.

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Winter 2006

What's New at D and B Rockwerks

Welcome to D and B Rockwerks winter 2006 Newsletter. We hope you find this issue informative, and enjoyable. We always take contributions from our friends. If you have something you would like to include in our newsletter, drop us a line, and we will look it over, and include it, if relevant. Please we would welcome your contributions.

Well, the summer of 2006 saw a lot of new action at D and B Rockwerks. In brief, we acquired a Bead Mill. At D and B Rockwerks we can now mill beads from 5/16ths of an inch thru 3/4 of an inch. Bead milling is a time consuming process, but if you

We are now taking orders for Gemstone knives. Not just Gemstone handles, but the whole knife made from Gemstones. These are one-of-a-kind knives. They are for display purposes. They are sharpened letter opener sharp to help prevent chipping. They can be sharpened more upon request. They are a great way to show off the beauty of gemstones. The knives feel great

and help you find someone who can do what you need done. However we can handle quite a broad range of Lapidary service needs.

have rare or exotic rough that you would like us to turn into beads, let us know. We can also make mini spheres. Mini spheres are a great way to show off gemstones, all sides are polished, great display pieces. Contact us to see what we have in stock, or discuss how we can make your rough into Beads or Mini Spheres.

We also acquired a new Bull wheel and rock saw set up. This cuts our time greatly in the initial processing of gem material. This was a welcome edition to our shop.

Contact us for your custom lapidary needs. If we can't do something we will tell you straight up,



Mini Spheres made from Obsidian

Gemstone Knives

in the hand. They will shatter if dropped on a hard surface, again they are for display, but you won't find anything like them. There is a small turn around time due to the labor involved. You can send us our rough, or inquire about our stock of rough, and we can create you a fantastic Gemstone knife.

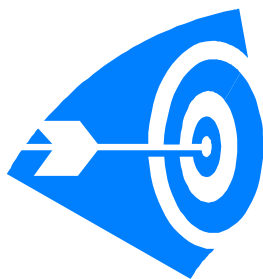
This knife made from Chinchilla Petrified Wood, (AU) Midnight Lace (OR), and Black Skin Agate from India.





Royal Savannah Jasper

“Jasper, it’s been used for thousands of years as a gemstone...”



Gemstones in the Spotlight: Jasper

Jasper, it’s been used for thousands of years as a gemstone. Jasper comes in a wide variety of colors and textures. Jasper’s composition is mostly Silicon Dioxide, with other trace minerals. The crystal structure is Trigonal. The hardness of Jasper is about 7 on the Mohs scale. Jasper is composed mostly of the same mineral, (Silicon Dioxide) as is Chalcedony, and Agate. As a matter of fact Jasper is a massive, fine grained, opaque, variety of Chalcedony. Some of the many shades Jasper can take on are; Brown,

Grey-Blue, Red, Yellow, White and Green. Jasper’s occurrence is widely spread around the world. You may see Jasper in a mix of colors, it may be layered color, or swirled color.

Sometimes the layers can line up just right and you get picture jasper. Picture Jasper is a type of jasper that when cut a scene, or landscape will appear. There are many varieties of Picture Jasper. There are porcelain jaspers that when polished have a porcelain type texture and appear-

ance. Google “Jasper” and you will be surprised at how many varieties of Jasper there are out there. If you haven’t ever worked Jasper, give it a try, it is fun stuff. Need a Jasper specimen or pendant, let us know. Do you know of any rare Jaspers, let us in on them. Jasper is just about everywhere.

D and B Rockwerks New and Improved Book Page!

Well, we finally got around to improving our book page. It was too slow in loading, and wasn’t categorized too well, well we fixed those problems. We are bigger and a whole lot better than we were before.

We are partnered with Amazon. COM and can offer great deals on all sorts of rock

hound equipment, books, Lapidary tools, etc.

Some of the many things we offer are, Gemstone Books, Field Guides, maps, Back Packs, DVD’s, How-To Books, Tents, Camping Supplies, Lapidary Tools, Lapidary Supplies, Rock hound tools, and soooooo much more. You just

have to check our book/tool page out. If you want to see something in our store that isn’t, let us know and we will see what we can do. All purchases are backed by Amazon, shipped by Amazon, so you will have the full security offered by Amazon. Visit our store today!

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Here is a list of this we do, and things you can do at www.dbrockwerks.com.

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- Jewelry
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- Slabs
- Cabochons
- Books
- Tools
- Outdoor Supplies
- Field Guides
- Sign our Guest Book
- Rough Rock
- Take our poll
- GPS’s
- Rock Hammers
- And Much, Much, More!

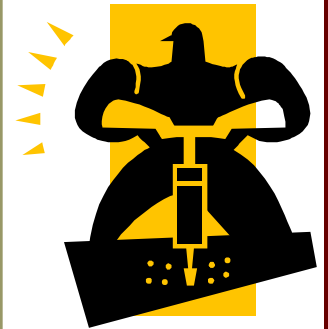
Women –n– Rocks

As a child I would walk along and pick-up the stones that were pretty to me. All the shells and rocks were stuffed every where. My mother used to say, what are doing with those rocks, well get rid of them. So I put them all in a shoe box in my closet, then forgotten about for many years, until Dan and I got together. He would slowly introduce me to the real rock world and all that goes with it. The second year that we were dating I bought him a cab machine, and we have been at it every since. We developed D and B Rockwerks, and put our rock collection together, and I wouldn't have it any other way. Our first vacation trip, we went to get some obsidian. He took me to places that I can't even begin to tell you where. When we got to Glass butte I was astounded by all the rocks, really glass. I was standing on a mountain that contained glass rocks every where. At first I ran around grabbing my buckets and heading to a hole, where Dan was just laid back, taking his time and snickering about me. I had 3 buckets filled before he had even started. Half way threw the day I finally got it. Take your time and find the honey hole. There is so many types of obsidian you'll want to take your time and get the REALLY good stuff. So then he started educating me to what one type or the other and what's good and what's not. It was a heck of a learning exercise , one which is still going on to this day. I've have been treading on mans turf for some time now. For women like me, its a great hobby and you can get some really nice stuff. Now I can cut my own rocks, work them on the cab machine, polish them. As a woman there are advantages I just love, like the jewelry, outdoors getting fresh air. We have lived rocks and probably always will. Its in our blood and its great to have a full shop with all the equipment that we would need to work them. I have to say it has brought us some really great friends, like Darren and Tully from Australia, two of the best buddies a person could have, and it gives us some interesting packages from Australia. They liked it so much they'll be back next spring. So if you don't know if you'll enjoy it, I'd at least give it a go, you might be surprised. RLK

We do Etching. Try something different!



Try something different. We can now etch Gemstone slabs and cabs. The picture is of a Rainbow Obsidian Cab that was etched with a rose design. The etching really makes the stone and design POP! Order your etched cab or slab today.



"Now I can cut my own rocks,....."



"The etching really makes the stone and design POP!...."

Were Gemstones Shine!



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We at D and B Rockwerks stand by everything we sell. If there is ever a problem, please let us know and give us a chance to make it right. We take pride in our work, and want our customers to be very happy with their purchase. Everything we do is a manual process, no automated machines here. Every project we work on is treated as if we were doing it for ourselves. Give us a try, and you won't be disappointed. We do custom work, and have already made items on our website. Thanks for stopping by, and hope to talk to you soon. D and B Rockwerks

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1. Acid
2. Andesite
3. Ash
4. Basalt
5. Batholith
6. Cinders
7. Composite
8. Core
9. Dormant
10. Extinct
11. Fault
12. Fragmental
13. Gases
14. Gneiss
15. Igneous
16. Igneous
17. Intrusive
18. Lahar
19. Lithosphere
20. Loihi
21. Magma
22. Obsidian
23. Plagioclase
24. Sandstone
25. Seismograph
26. Shale
27. Sulphur
28. Surface
29. Tuff
30. Mantle

Find all the words on the left in the puzzle. Circle your answers

Rockwerds

Igneous Rocks & Volcanoes

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