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# JEWELRY

## CARE & CLEANING GUIDE



# Cleaning and Caring for Jewelries

## Diamond Care

Soak a diamond jewelry in mild warm soap water solution or mild detergent, then gently brush the jewelry with a soft brush and rinse the diamond jewelry in warm water to remove any remaining soap and wipe it with lint free cloth. Using instant jewelry cleanser is also the other option for diamond jewelry. Store every piece of jewelry in its own place to prevent scratching.

## Emerald Care

Naturally, emeralds are fragile. Heat can actually damage emeralds, especially by extending the fractures. Therefore, special care should be practiced when wearing emerald jewelry. It's risky to clean them ultrasonically or with steam. The best way to clean the emeralds is to scrub the jewelry with a warm, half-dried cloth. If it appears a bit dull, you can bring it to your jeweler and ask them to oil it for you. You can do it yourself with a cotton and olive oil.

## Sapphire and Ruby Care

Soak a sapphire or ruby jewelry in warm water solution with a few drops of soap or using instant jewelry cleanser. Then, gently brush the jewelry with a soft brush and wipe it with soft cloth.

## Semi-precious Gemstones Care

Semi-precious gemstones are more brittle than gemstones like diamond, emerald, ruby or sapphire. Therefore, they tend to get cracked or damaged easily. Giving a special care to the jewelry when wearing it is needed. Never store semi-precious gemstones near heaters or in places with direct exposure to sunlight. Clean your semi-precious gemstones in mild warm soap water solution or jewelry cleanser. Then, brush them with soft brush, rinse with clean water and wipe them with a soft cloth. Store your jewelry in its own place to avoid scratches.

## Pearl Care

Never use detergent, bleach or any kind of cleaning agent in powder form since these can damage the surface of the pearl. When cleaning pearls you really need to avoid any form of abrasion - never use toothbrush or harsh cloth in order to scrub or wipe it. After wearing, you should only gently clean it with soft wet cotton and keep it in your jewelry box when it's dry.

## How to Store Pearl

Pearls can get cracked, chipped or damaged when they get dehydrated. Therefore, do protect your pearls from extremes of heat, sunlight, and dryness. Don't store pearls in a plastic bag or other airtight container – the dry air may cause them to crack. Safe-deposit boxes are another dry environment that's typically hard on pearls. Pearls are very delicate, contact with metal, gemstones, another pearl, or even rough textiles can scratch them. Therefore, do wrap your pearls in a soft, breathable material, like linen or tissue paper and put them in their own special packaging. This protects them from bumping into other jewelry or hard surfaces.

## How to String Pearls

Pearl necklaces should be restrung periodically. The length of the intervals depends on how often you wear them but once a year is ideal for pearl jewelry. Pearls should be strung with silk and with knots tied between each pearl. The knots keep the pearls from rubbing against each other and being scattering when the string is broken.

## How to Wear Pearl Jewelry

Always remove your pearls before applying cosmetics, skin care products, hair spray or perfume since these products contain chemicals or acid that will cause damage to the pearls. Allow the skin to absorb the beauty products for a few minutes before putting the pearls on. Avoid the string to get wet, so always remove your pearls before showering or swimming. Pearl ring should also be removed before washing hands or dishes. When removing the ring, you should grasp the band or the shank (metal part), not the pearl itself, to avoid contact with potentially oily skin.

## Final Note

Taking care of jewelries is not difficult. Always avoid them from chemicals exposure, everyday cosmetics and scratching. Do clean your jewelries properly, wrap them with tissue paper or satin cloth. Then, store them in their special velvet boxes. Keep in mind that jewelries should be kept separately from each other. You should always clean your jewelries after use and they will be always shining bright. In addition, always bring your jewelries to the jeweler to have a check on them in order to make sure that your gemstones are firmly secured in the setting, no damage or crack. Also, make sure that your pearl silk thread is always in good condition.



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