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Osmium Inlays Becoming More and More Popular in Premium Jewellery Design and Manufacture

MUNICH, Germany – 3rd of December, 2018 - Osmium inlays enable possessing the most expensive precious metal in the world also for smaller budgets. In the past, osmium jewellery has been entirely made of osmium. Osmium inlays can now be used to highlight geometrical features in jewellery pieces in combination with other precious metals such as rose gold, silver or platinum.

Combining osmium with other metals

Combining other precious metals with osmium inlays is becoming more and more popular to provide clients a more affordable option purchase osmium. In this way, osmium becomes the true eye-catcher of the jewellery piece. Working with osmium inlays is similar to setting diamonds, but osmium is significantly rarer and also more expensive. Currently, crystalline osmium approximately 20 times as expensive as gold.

Most precious metals harmonise very well with osmium, considering chemical aspects as well as lustre and reflection. Osmium inlays can be set using conventional methods and can also be removed easily. Therefore, the osmium inlay is not damaged when removed.

Many different shapes have emerged recently. Surprisingly, they are inspired predominantly by the Indian market. Elaborated designs, rich in detail, are very common in India. For exactly this reason osmium inlays are on high demand.

Quote from Elisabeth Gleirscher (Member of the management board of the Osmium-Institute): „The new osmium inlays provide the opportunity to reduce delivery lead times significantly. Their manufacture using the wire eroding process is in full swing and we expect stocks for all shapes to be available in sufficient quantity in the coming months. Osmium inlays enable completely new ornamental designs, which only adds to the preciousness and unique character the osmium jewellery pieces.“

Usually, inlays are fairly restricted in terms of geometry as they only make up a small area. This does not apply to osmium inlays because it is possible to cut the metal with a precision of a hundredth of a millimetre. Moreover, all shapes can be manufactured in advance. In addition, osmium inlays can be manufactured individually according to customer and jeweller requests. Letter shapes are in strong demand as they can be used to set names into jewellery pieces.

It is also possible to use osmium diamonds and stars for creating constellations. It is important to note that each individual osmium inlay of a jewellery piece comes with its own Osmium Identification Code to guarantee its authenticity by means of its unique crystal surface.

About the Osmium-Institutes:

Tasks:

Osmium Institutes have the international task of introducing osmium into regional markets. They provide native-speaker support in the marketing of osmium as well as training for investment advisors, processors and organizations working with osmium.

Osmium is promoted as a jewelry and investment metal by osmium institutes and receives considerable support. This serves the purpose of providing information on high-temperature processing into jewellery and at the same time helping investors to check osmium for authenticity.

The current Swiss prices are published after each fixing via RSS feeds of the Osmium institutes in several currencies.

Purchase of osmium:

To purchase osmium, please contact retailers, financial institutions and wholesalers as well as jewellers who have received approval from osmium institutes for trade and distribution. These organisations have an obligation to have a profound knowledge of osmium.

Some of them are listed on the websites of the regional Osmium Institutes.

Process of osmium certification:

After being crystallized in Switzerland, all pieces of osmium are passed through the German Osmium Institute.

After chemical analysis and scan, the crystal structures are entered as "fingerprints" of the osmium crystals in the international osmium database and the internationally valid number and letter code is assigned (hexadecimal code).

Manifestations:

Unlike osmium sponge, crystallized osmium is non-toxic and completely harmless. Its appearance differs in the crystal lattice structure and thus changes the chemical properties of osmium. The metal belongs to the group of platinum metals and, like any precious metal, has the properties of special resistance to reactors.

2D-geometries:

Osmium is supplied in flat structures with a layer thickness of approximately one mm. Almost any shape can be cut by wire erosion. The rectangular shape is common for bars, which can be imported duty-free in many countries and countries as an investment instrument.

Safety instructions of the Osmium Institutes apply for the cut. During processing, it is recommended that the regional Osmium Institute approves the desired cutting forms. Certified cutting companies can also be commissioned directly by the institutes. For these cuts, if ordered over an Osmium Institute, full insurance applies in the case of a false cut of the ordered form.

3D-geometries:

Osmium can be crystallized in structures up to 2cm in size on carbon cores. The core remains in the structure. It cannot be removed and in addition serves to the stability of the 3D surface. Only topologically monovalent forms are possible which do not have through holes. The shapes must merge smoothly. Sharp edges and corners are not possible.

Forms of trade for crystallized Osmium:

The most common trading forms are the osmium disc and osmium medium edged bars. They are called osmium semi-finished products and are duty-free in many countries. These bars are supplemented by osmium diamonds and osmium stars.

Special shapes are simple geometries, silhouettes and letters. 3D objects are only available in extremely small quantities and are rarely and usually produced on request.

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More information about Osmium may be found here:

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Basic information for when first getting in touch with Osmium.
Covers all important information to pass the examination.

2. Osmium-training.com

A short explanation of the virtual academy and therefore the online training.
More information about courses and further training.

3. Osmium-institute.com

Covers the tasks of the Osmium-Institute and its employees.
Here, all international institutes are listed by their region.

4. Osmium-onboarding.com

Explains cooperation with the Osmium-Institutes.
A platform where new partners can register. Choose your code of reference here.

5. Osmium-sales.com

Website covering the sales partner's settlement and basic information.
Explanation of the marketing plan / earnings. Password: bigbang

7. Osmium-academy.com

Multi-language online training for jewellers and sale partners.
Here you can take the online examination anytime you want.

8. Buy-osmium.com

Online shop to buy Osmium and Osmium-Jewellery. Access for sales partners.
Branded shops for each sales partner.

9. Osmium-TV.com

This channel covers topics about Osmium, introduces new jewellery and new partners.
All new information is broadcasted in high definition and 4k resolution.

10. Osmium-dlc.com

Platform for pictures, texts, short films, brochures, posters, interviews.
The latest press information and posters can be downloaded here.

11. Osmium-Jewelry.com

This website lists all jewellers trading with Osmium worldwide.
Information how to process Osmium and work with the material including a safety guide.

12. Osmium-Preis.com

This website covers the current price of Osmium and the related charts.
Essential is the 1gr (0,035 oz) price to determine the material price.

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