



GEMMOLOGICAL REPORT

Report Number
24112126

Colour
red

Date
5 December 2024

Species
Natural corundum

Item
One faceted gemstone

Variety
Ruby

Weight
4.74 ct

Origin
Thailand (Siam)

Shape
oval

Condition
No indications of heating (NTE).

Cut
brilliant cut / step cut

Comments
See Information Sheet(s).

Measurements
11.55 x 8.18 x 5.12 mm

Important notes and limitations on the reverse.

Transparency
transparent

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INFORMATION SHEET

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Unheated rubies

Large rubies of gem-quality are rarely found in nature. Not only is a delicate mineralogical balance essential for this red variety of corundum to be formed deep within the earth, but specific geological conditions as well as adequate pressure and temperature must also be present. Furthermore, the sufficient supply of a rare combination of chemical elements, such as aluminium and chromium, are yet another necessity required for the formation of rubies.

Over the past decades, various heating techniques, as well as the use of chemical additives, have been introduced to increase the supply of rubies resembling the high-quality untreated specimens. The aim of these treatments was and still is to improve the visual appearance of the gemstones.

Prior to the advent of modern heating techniques, rough rubies were cut and polished retaining the quality that nature had originally endowed them with. Therefore, in earlier times, rubies with obvious imperfections were considered and accepted as the norm. However, the expectations with respect to quality (colour and transparency) rose steadily.

The demand for natural, unheated rubies kept growing while the supply of such gems remains highly limited, making natural rubies of gem-quality from all major sources, such as Burma (Myanmar), Mozambique, Madagascar, Kenya, Tanzania, Vietnam, Afghanistan and Tajikistan, difficult to find.

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