

## PHOTOGALLERY: MINERALS OF FIVE CONTINENTS

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1. **Bismuth.** Mine #38, Niederschlema, Erzgebirge, Saxony, Germany. 3.5 x 2.5 cm.  
Specimen: "North Star" company.

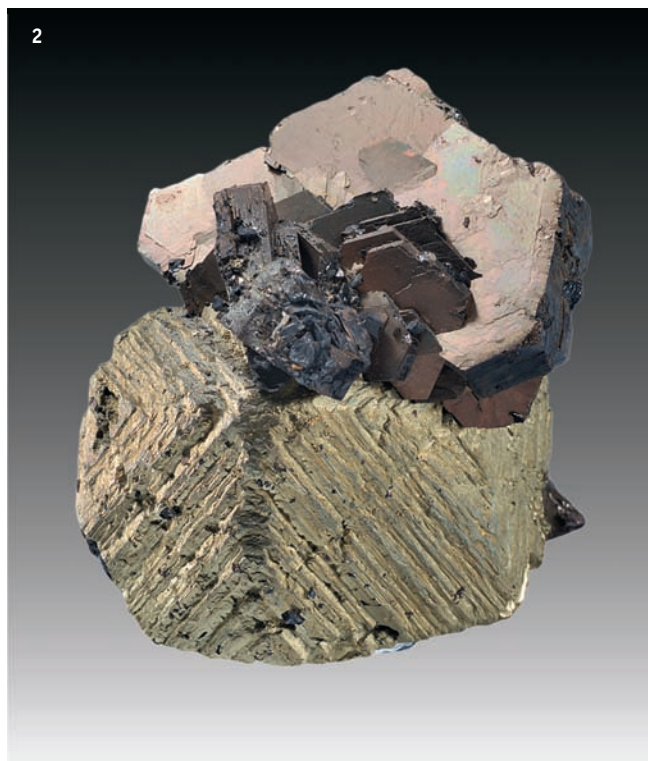
2. **Pyrrhotite on Chalcopyrite.**  
Second Sovetskiy Mine, Dalnegorsk, Primorskiy Kray, Russia. 5.5 x 5.5 cm.  
Specimen: "Wendel Minerals" company, ex Armin Wendland collection.

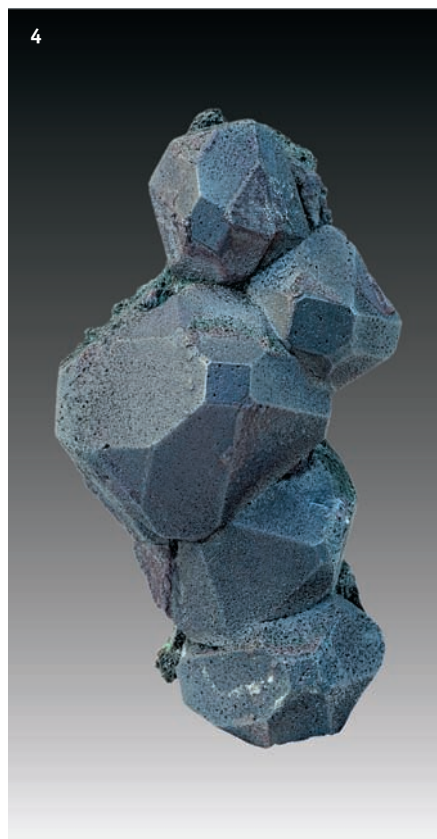
The most active part of the mineralogical community comes to the Tucson Show every year. Hundreds of dealers from all over the world in various places of the town present specimens unsurpassed in quality. This variety could not be covered during the show. However, serious collectors have their prime spots and know how not to get lost in this sea and to find desired specimens. Sure, an intimate knowledge, powers of observation, endurance, and the Internet, not the least, help them. Modern dealers develop Internet capabilities to inform their potential buyers about the newest acquisitions.

In turn, collectors do not miss the opportunity to get first-hand information. It is interesting that contrary to naysayer's predictions the emergence of this powerful information channel did not lead to reduced participants and visitors to the Tucson Show. Activity is not going down here. I am pleased to report that new dealers appear and young well-educated collectors of the next generation come into the business.

The specimens, which are shown below, are a negligible part of the material presented at the fair, but we tried to select attractive specimens. The readers will have the final say to what extent it has been successful.

We express our gratitude to Dr. Inna Lykova (Fersman Mineralogical Museum) for help in choosing specimens for photography.





3. **Azurite**. Sepon Mine, Vilabouly District, Savannakhét Province, Laos. 9.5 x 5 cm. Specimen: Regis Duquenne.

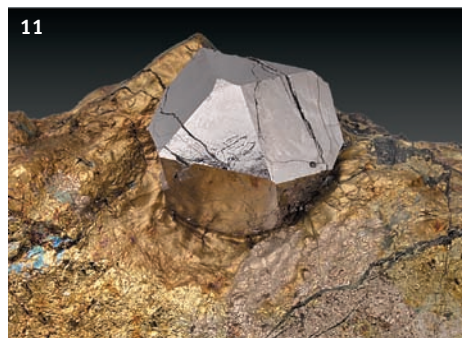
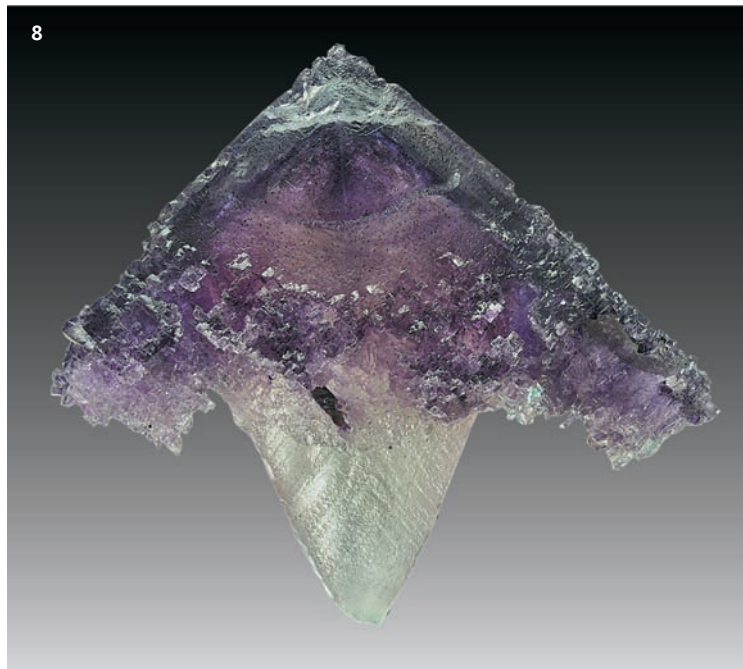
4. **Cuprite**. Ogonja Mine, Seeis, Windhoek District, Namibia. 6 x 3 cm. Specimen: Terry Szenics.

5. **Beryl** var. Emerald. Gujar Kaly, Humnoi, Shangla Par Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. 5.5 x 0.8 cm. Specimen: "Rocksaholics" company.

6. **Datolite**: pseudomorph after **Danburite** crystal. Dalnegorsk, Primorskiy Kray, Russia. 21 x 8.5 cm. Specimen: "Axinite PM" company.

7. **Epidote**. Raskoh Mts., Kharan, Balochistan, Pakistan. 15 x 7 cm. Specimen: "Fine Art Minerals" company. Photo: Gail Spann.





8. **Fluorite**. Almoood county, Tennessee, USA.  
11 x 10 cm. Specimen: Nick Stolowitz.

9. **Dolomite** with Quartz. Trepcha Mine, Mitrovica,  
Kosovo. 12 x 7 cm. Specimen: "E-minerals " company.

10. **Grossular** (var. Tsavorite), **diopside**, graphite.  
Merelani Hills, Arusha, Tanzania. 3.5 x 3 cm.  
Specimen: "Stonetrust" company.

11. **Sperrylite** crystal (2.0 x 1.5 cm) in chalcopy-  
rite ore. Oktyabr'kiy Mine, Noril'sk, Taimyr  
Peninsula, Russia.  
Specimen: private collection.

12. **Taaffeite** crystal. Mogok, Burma.  
(1.0x 0.9) cm. Specimen: "KARP" company.

13. **Hematite** after **Magnetite** with **Fluorapatite**.  
Cedar City, Iron County, Utah, USA. 17 x 10 cm.  
Specimen: Andy Seibel.

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14. **Gibbsite** on **crocoite**. Adelaide Mine, Dundas, Tasmania, Australia. 8 x 5.5 cm.

Specimen: Adelaide Mining Company.

15. **Beryl**, var. Emerald, crystal (1.5 x 0.5 cm) on quartz. Bakhi Mine, Bazarak District, Panjsher Prov., Afghanistan. Specimen: "Fine Art Minerals" company.

16. **Baddeleyite** twin. Mogok, Burma. 2.0 x 0.6 cm. Specimen: Alfredo Petrov.

17. **Beryl**, var. aquamarine, with **apatite**. Nagar, Hunza Valley, Pakistan. 7 x 8 cm. Specimen: Terry Szenics.

18. **Gold**. Urals, Russia. 2.5 x 3 cm. Specimen: "Miner's Lunchbox" company.

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19. **Gold** crystal aggregate.  
Kalgoorlie, Western Australia. 3.5 x 2.6 cm.  
Specimen: "Ausrox" company.

20. **Galena**.  
Bear Hole Mine, Shullsburg, Lafayette Co.,  
Wisconsin, USA. 14.7 cm wide.  
Specimen: Steve Copeland.

21. "Platinum" (probably **isoferroplatinum**)  
nugget. Ledyanoy Creek, Galmoenan massif,  
Koryak height, Kamchatka Peninsula, Russia.  
1.5 x 1.5 cm. Specimen: "KARP" company.

22. **Poudretteite** crystal. Mogok, Burma.  
0.6 x 0.6 cm. Specimen: "KARP" company.

23. **Zoisite**. Merelani Hills, Arusha, Tanzania.  
4 x 3 cm. Specimen: "Stonetrust" company.

24. **Apatite**. Dara-i-Pech pegmatite field, Chapa  
Dara District, Kunar Province, Afghanistan.  
10 x 8 cm, crystals up to 2.5 cm.  
Specimen: "Fine Art Minerals" company.



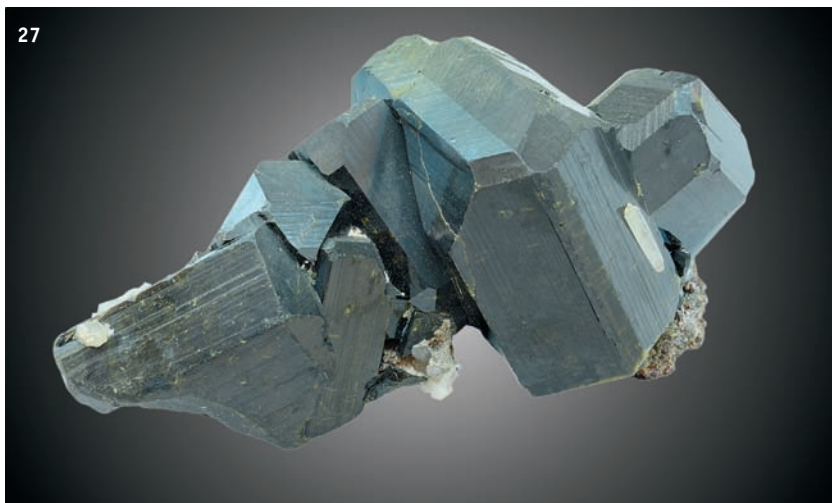
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25. **Scheelite** crystal. Mt Xuebaoding, Pingwu Co., Mianyang Pref., Sichuan Prov., China. 6.2 cm tall. Specimen: Irv Brown. Photo: Stuart Wilensky.

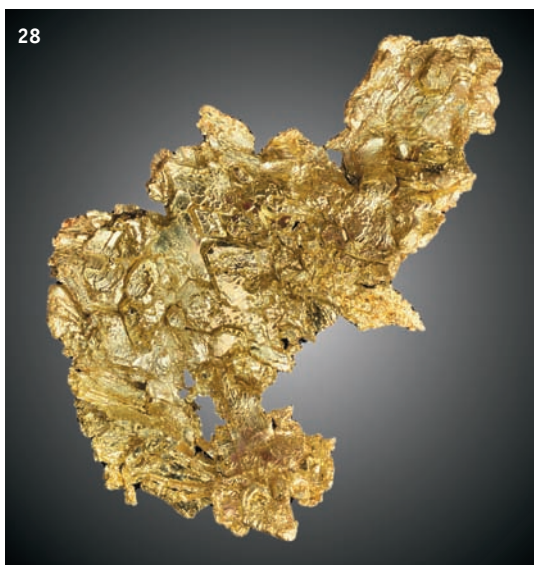
26. **Cassiterite**. Alchuri Mine, Pakistan. 10 x 7 cm. Specimen: "Fine Art Minerals" company.

27. **Epidote**. Green Monster Mt., Prince of Wales Island, Alaska, USA. 9 x 6 cm. Specimen: "KRISTALLE" company.

28. **Gold**. Round Mountain Mine, Ney County, Nevada, USA. 4.5 x 3.5 cm. Specimen: "Miner's Lunchbox" company.

29. **Hutchinsonite and Pyrite on Seligmannite**. Quiruvilca Mine, Santiago de Chuco Prov., La Libertad Dep., Peru. Image size 9 x 7 cm. Specimen: Jaroslav Hyrsl.

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30. Polished slice of **Clinocllore** "stalactite". Korshunovskoye iron mine, Zheleznogorsk, Irkutskaya Oblast, Russia. 10 cm diameter. Specimen: Karen Hruby. Photo: Jeff Scovill.



31. **Fluorite**. Sutcliffe Vein, Rogerley Quarry, Frosterley, Weardale, North Pennines, Co. Durham, England, UK. 9 x 8.5 cm. Specimen: Albert Liebetrau. Photo: Michael Leybov.

32. **Pyrrhotite**. Trepcha Mine, Mitrovica, Kosovo. 15 x 13 cm. Specimen: Luis Burillo Minerals, now in Karen Hruby collection. Photo: Jeff Scovill.

