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*curated Jewels of the Season*

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Spring arrives with a spirit of renewal – and with it, the third issue of Gems & Trends and the launch of my very first capsule collection. Designed to inspire your bespoke creations, discover new essentials to try on in my Zurich Showroom, gift to a classy lady, or treasure yourself. Alongside it, I share jewellery trends, impressions from my travels through India, and insights into investing in coloured gemstones.



# A LETTER FROM MICHELLE

As the days grow longer and the light turns soft and golden, Spring arrives with a sense of renewal – a season of fresh inspiration, effortless elegance, and new beginnings. With this third issue of Gems & Trends, I'm delighted to introduce something very close to my heart: my first-ever capsule collection.

These designs are created as a source of inspiration – pieces that can spark the imagination for your own bespoke creation, be tried on in my Zurich Showroom, or become the perfect essential gift for every classy lady. Each design reflects the spirit of the season: light, refined, and endlessly versatile.



As always, within these pages you will also find my insights into emerging jewellery trends, along with the inspirations that continue to shape my creative world. In this issue, I share impressions from my travels through India, a place where colour, craftsmanship, and culture intertwine in the most extraordinary ways. I also explore the fascinating world of investments in coloured stones, whose beauty and rarity continue to captivate collectors and connoisseurs alike.

For me, jewellery has always been far more than ornament. It is memory, heritage, and emotion captured in precious form – an art that evolves with time yet remains timeless. Through these pages, I hope to bring you closer to that spirit: the dialogue between tradition and modernity, rarity and reinvention, intimacy and grandeur.

Thank you for continuing this journey with me. May this spring edition inspire discovery, elegance, and the quiet magic that only jewellery can bring.

With love and vision,

*Michelle*

# THE CAPSULE COLLECTION

Introducing my first capsule collection – a carefully curated selection of essential pieces designed to be worn every day, yet elegant enough to elevate the most special moments. These are the jewels that form the foundation of a refined collection: timeless, versatile, and effortlessly chic.

Created with the modern woman in mind, each piece embodies the idea of quiet luxury – designs that feel as natural with a crisp shirt in the morning as they do with an evening dress after sunset. They are the classic must-haves every lady should own, pieces that accompany you through life and become part of your personal story.

More than just jewellery, this capsule collection celebrates enduring elegance and everyday sophistication – treasures meant to be worn often, loved deeply, and kept forever.

Each piece can be fully adjusted through a bespoke order to perfectly reflect your personal preferences. I warmly invite you to try the designs in person at my showroom in Zurich, where you can experience the craftsmanship, proportions, and brilliance of each piece firsthand.

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I look forward to welcoming you and guiding you through the collection.



# BRILLIANT STUDS

The ultimate expression of effortless elegance. Two round brilliant-cut diamonds set in luminous gold, capturing light with every subtle movement. Timeless, refined, and endlessly versatile, they are the quiet luxury every woman returns to – a pair of jewels that illuminate the everyday as beautifully as the most unforgettable nights.



# LADY PEAR STUDS



A graceful expression of classic brilliance. Two pear-shaped diamonds, encircled by a delicate halo of sparkling diamonds and set in gold, create a luminous play of light and elegance. Sophisticated yet effortlessly wearable, they bring a touch of refined glamour to every moment, from the everyday to the unforgettable.

# M A D E M O I S E L L E

## N E C K L A C E

The Mademoiselle Necklace—a masterclass in understated glamour. Two pear-cut diamonds cascade delicately along a slender chain, forming a subtle Y that hints at sophistication without ever shouting. It's the kind of jewel that feels effortlessly chic over a high, closed turtleneck, lending a whisper of sparkle to daytime elegance, yet transforms seamlessly to crown an open, evening gown with refined drama. Quietly confident, it's a study in modern versatility—luxurious, polished, and wonderfully under the radar.



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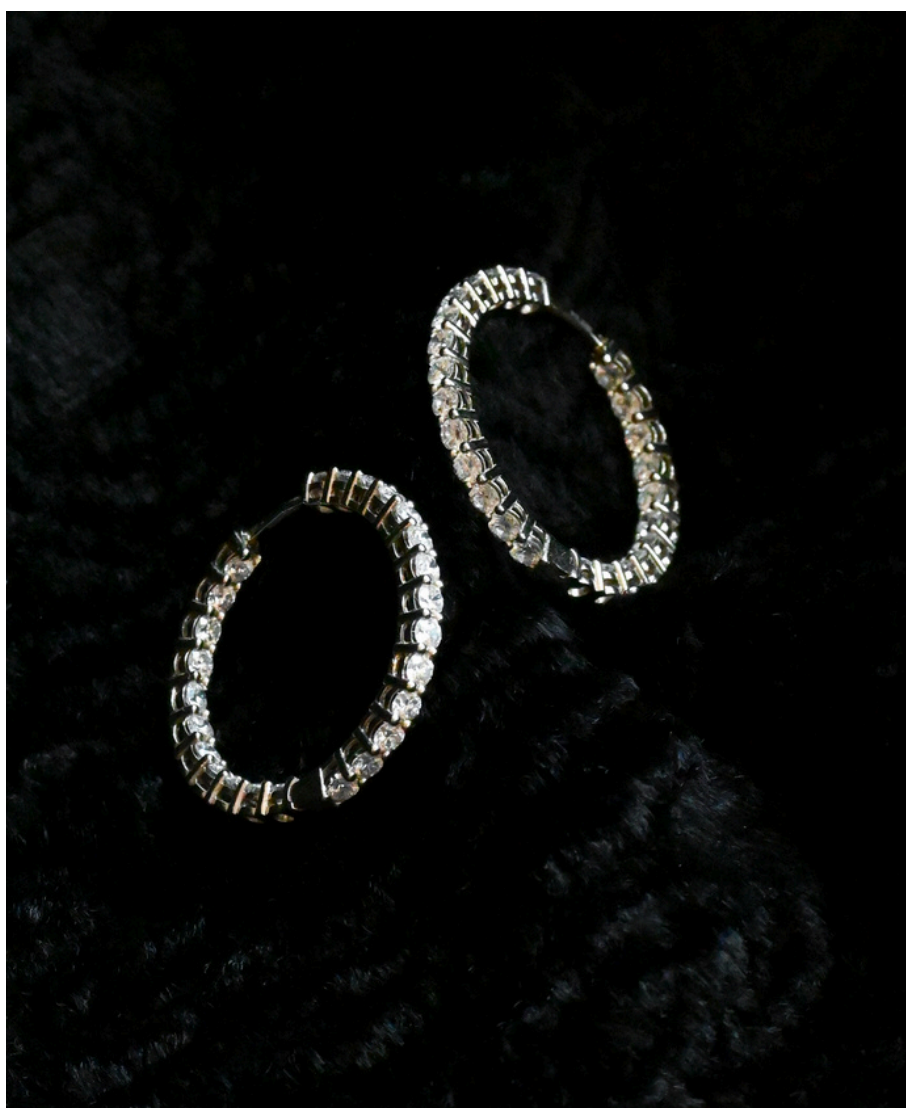
The Bling Necklace—effortless, versatile, and endlessly chic. A soft gold chain is punctuated by seven petite diamonds, each catching the light with subtle sparkle. Wear it alone for a whisper of refinement, or layer it with your favorite chains for a curated, modern stack. A perfect everyday essential, it's the kind of jewel that feels natural at any age, any moment—timeless, understated, and undeniably luminous.

# HAILEY EARRINGS

The Hailey Earrings—where elegance meets effortless charm. A round and pear-shaped diamond pair in a graceful dance of light, catching attention without demanding it. Perfect for day or night, they slip seamlessly from a crisp office blouse to an evening gown with open shoulders. Refined yet approachable, these earrings are a quiet statement of sophistication, designed to feel naturally at home in every moment.



# FRIDAY EARRINGS



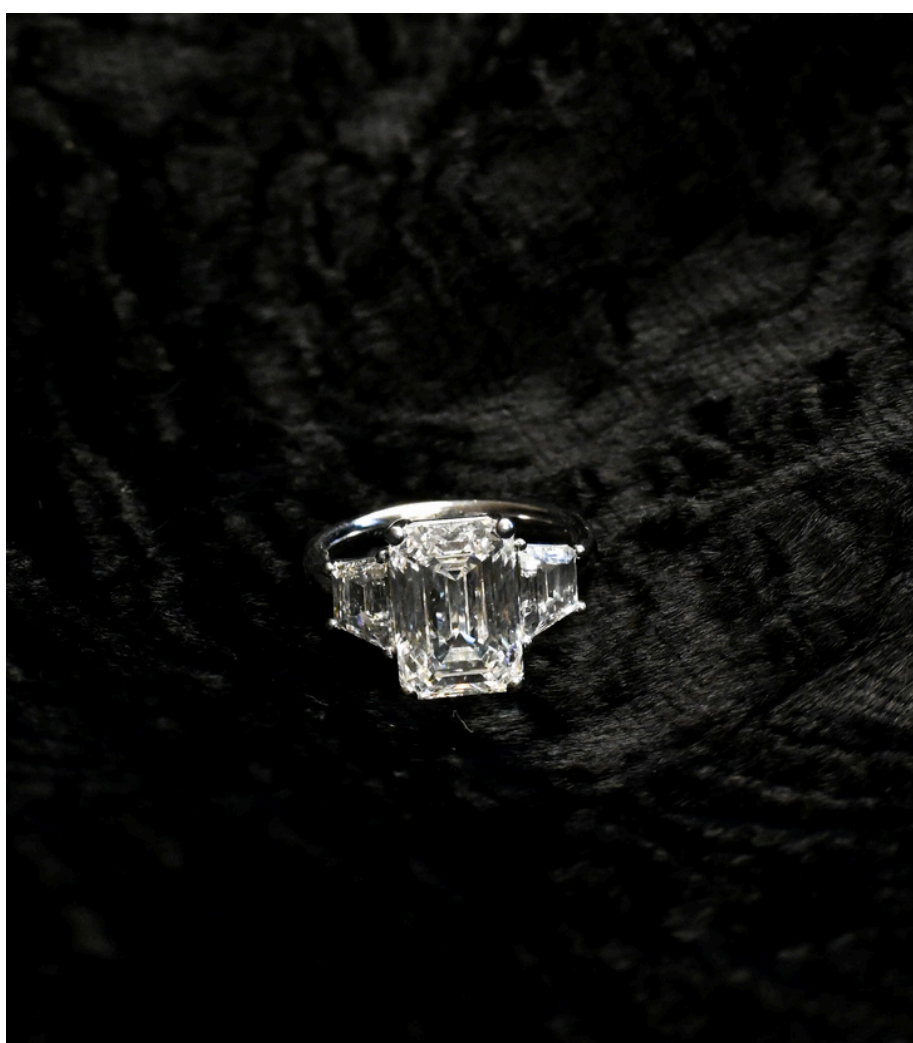
The Friday Earrings—inside-out diamond hoops that balance modern edge with everyday elegance. Designed to catch the light from every angle, they're sleek enough for the office yet effortlessly transform into the perfect go-out accessory. Subtle but striking, these hoops make a statement without saying a word—your seamless bridge from desk to dinner, day to night.

# CLUSTER EARRINGS

The Cluster Earrings – pure, refined elegance for the most elevated occasions. Each diamond is meticulously set to catch the light with quiet brilliance, creating a look that is both regal and effortlessly graceful. Perfect for the opera or any evening of refinement, these earrings whisper sophistication, completing an ensemble with timeless glamour and undeniable poise.



# GLACIER RING



The Glacier Ring—a masterclass in modern romance and effortless grandeur. A 5-carat emerald-cut diamond takes center stage, its sleek, architectural lines amplified by a cascade of delicate side stones that catch the light from every angle. Designed for the woman who commands attention without saying a word, it bridges bold luxury with refined elegance—perfect for the proposal, the celebration, or simply a moment meant to last forever. Modern yet timeless, understated yet unforgettable, this is a ring that turns any gesture into a statement.

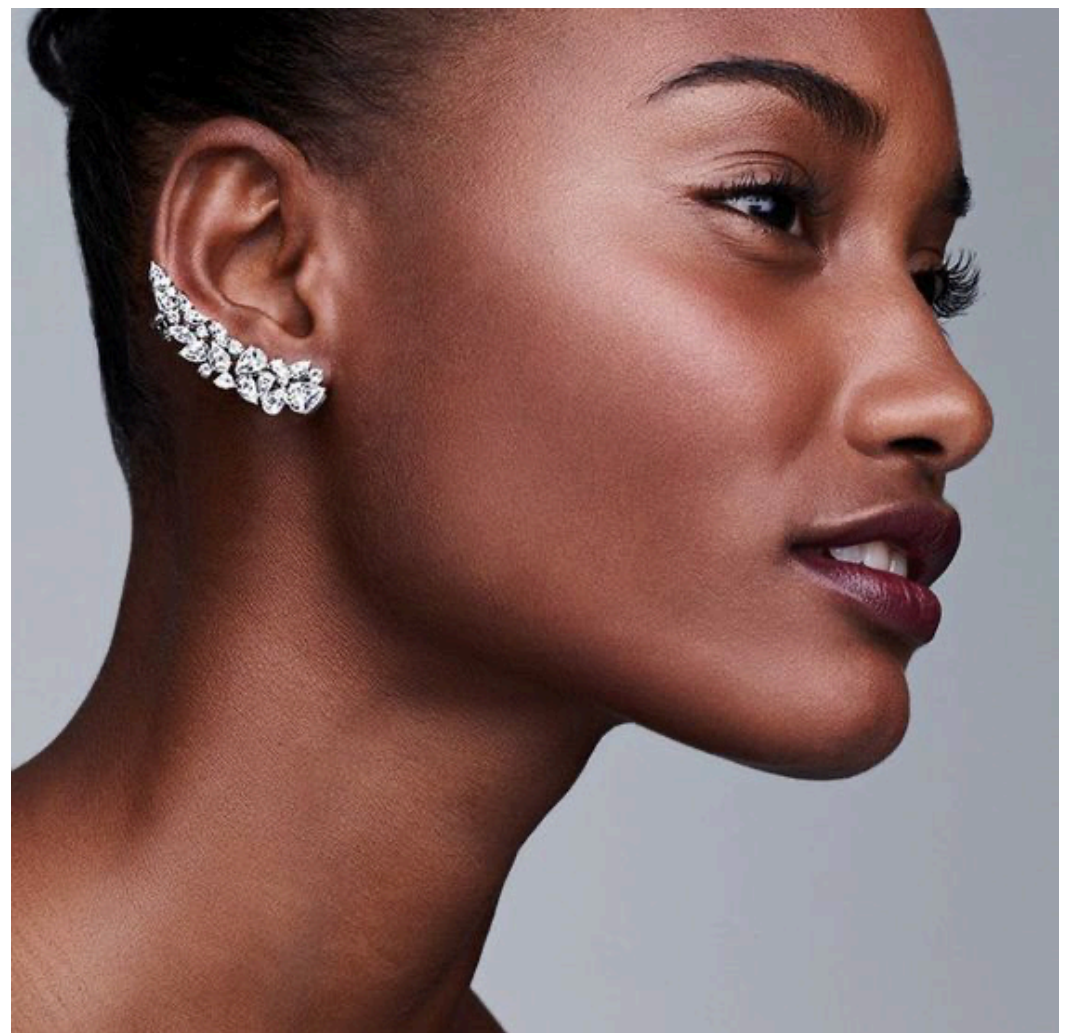
# TRENDS



## **Spring Radiance: The Jewelry Trends Defining the Season**

As the days grow longer and light returns with a softer glow, jewelry embraces a fresh sense of optimism. This spring, design moves toward pieces that feel luminous, expressive, and deeply crafted—where brilliance unfolds in delicate clusters, artistry shines through layered gemstones, and diamonds reveal a warmer, sunlit hue. From constellation-like earrings to handcrafted creations rich in texture, and the rising allure of yellow diamonds, the season celebrates a new kind of elegance: radiant, thoughtful, and quietly unforgettable.

# CONSTELLATION CLUSTERS



Like stars scattered across a midnight sky, diamonds come together in luminous clusters that feel both organic and intentional. Rather than relying on a single focal stone, these designs celebrate the poetry of many—small diamonds carefully arranged to create a constellation of brilliance. Each stone catches the light at a slightly different angle, producing a soft, multidimensional sparkle that feels alive with movement. The beauty lies in the composition: delicate yet dramatic, refined yet expressive. Clustered earrings frame the face with a glow that feels effortless and romantic, offering a modern interpretation of classic diamond jewelry. They evoke the magic of the cosmos—timeless, mysterious, and quietly radiant.

# THE ART OF THE ATELIER

True luxury begins at the workbench. In this new wave of fine jewelry, craftsmanship becomes the centerpiece, and every piece carries the unmistakable touch of the artisan. Diamonds and precious gemstones are thoughtfully layered over softly glowing semi-precious stones, creating a rich interplay of color, light, and texture. The result is jewelry with depth—pieces that feel sculpted rather than assembled. Each setting, each stone placement, each polished surface reflects hours of patient work and an eye trained in the traditions of the atelier. These jewels celebrate the beauty of thoughtful creation, where imperfection becomes character and every detail tells a story. It is a return to the romance of handmade luxury: soulful, artistic, and undeniably unique.

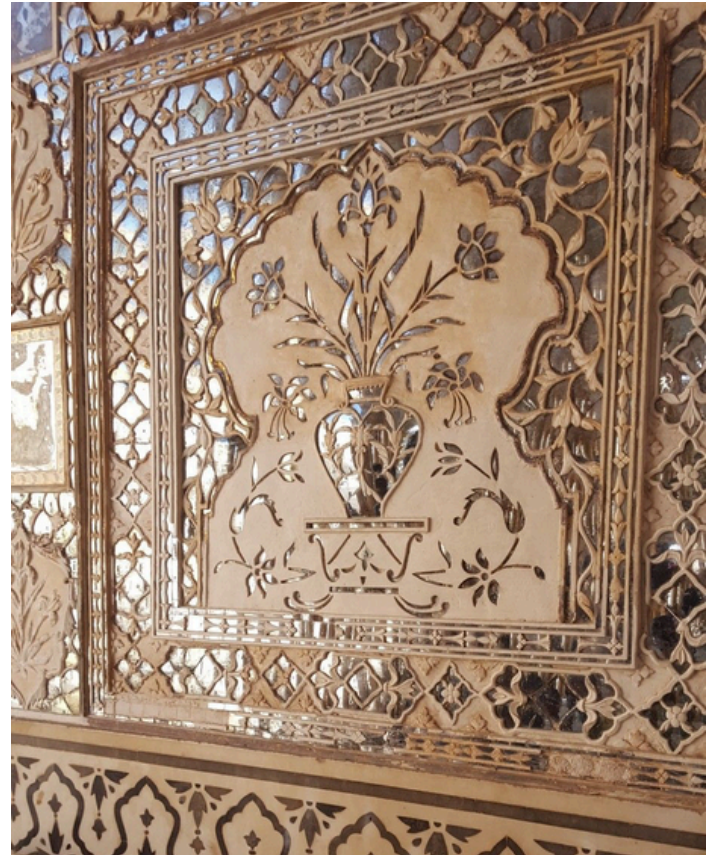


# GOLDEN LIGHT



As spring arrives, the world softens into warmer tones—and diamonds follow suit. Yellow diamonds, with their delicate sunlit hue, are emerging as the season's most captivating alternative to the classic colorless stone. Their glow is subtle yet unmistakable, radiating warmth in a way that feels both modern and timeless. Unlike traditional diamonds that sparkle with icy brilliance, yellow diamonds shimmer with a softer light, reminiscent of morning sunshine or the golden hour just before dusk. Once treasured primarily by collectors, they are now stepping confidently into the spotlight, bringing a fresh perspective to fine jewelry design. Whether set as delicate accents or celebrated as luminous centerpieces, these golden stones capture the spirit of spring: optimistic, radiant, and quietly extraordinary. They remind us that luxury is not always about more brilliance—but sometimes about discovering beauty in a different shade of light.

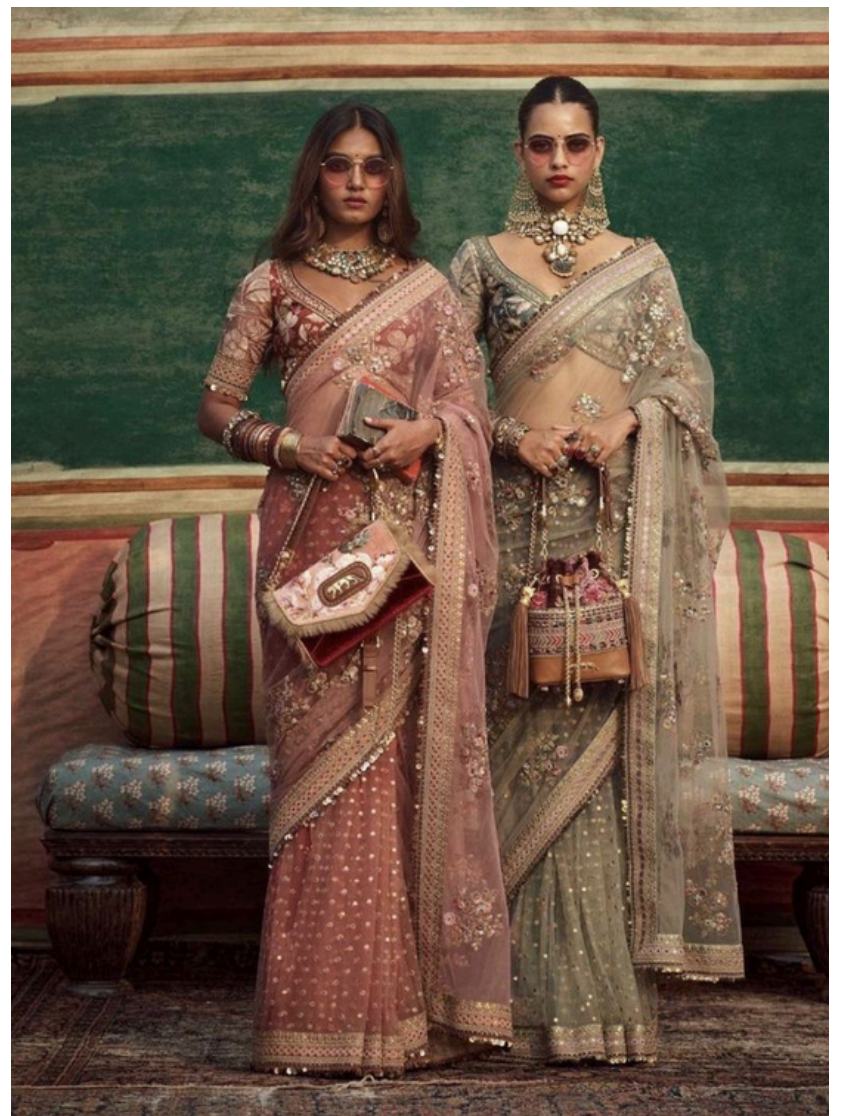
# INSPIRATION



## **Rajasthan Reverie: Where Hospitality Meets Timeless Inspiration**

India doesn't just welcome you—it envelops you. Walking through Jaipur and the vibrant landscapes of Rajasthan feels like stepping into a living jewel box, where color, texture, and history pulse through every street.

At Amber Fort, mirrored halls and intricate inlays shimmer like gemstones, offering endless inspiration for bespoke jewellery—bold yet refined, opulent yet balanced. The delicate lattice of Hawa Mahal evokes airy filigree and layered goldwork, whispering ideas of repetition, rhythm, and lightness.



Even more unforgettable is the extraordinary hospitality: warm, intimate, and generous, it mirrors the essence of jewellery—crafted to celebrate connection. In my private jeweller practice, these experiences translate into pieces that tell a story, capturing light, geometry, and emotion. India reminds me that jewellery, at its heart, is storytelling. Each bespoke piece becomes a small architectural wonder—an echo of places, cultures, and moments that leave a lasting impression.

As a private jeweller, these experiences naturally weave themselves into my work. Bespoke jewellery is not simply about stones and metal; it is about translating journeys, memories, and emotions into pieces that can be worn and cherished.

# HISTORY

## The Cocktail Ring: A Bold Symbol of Glamour

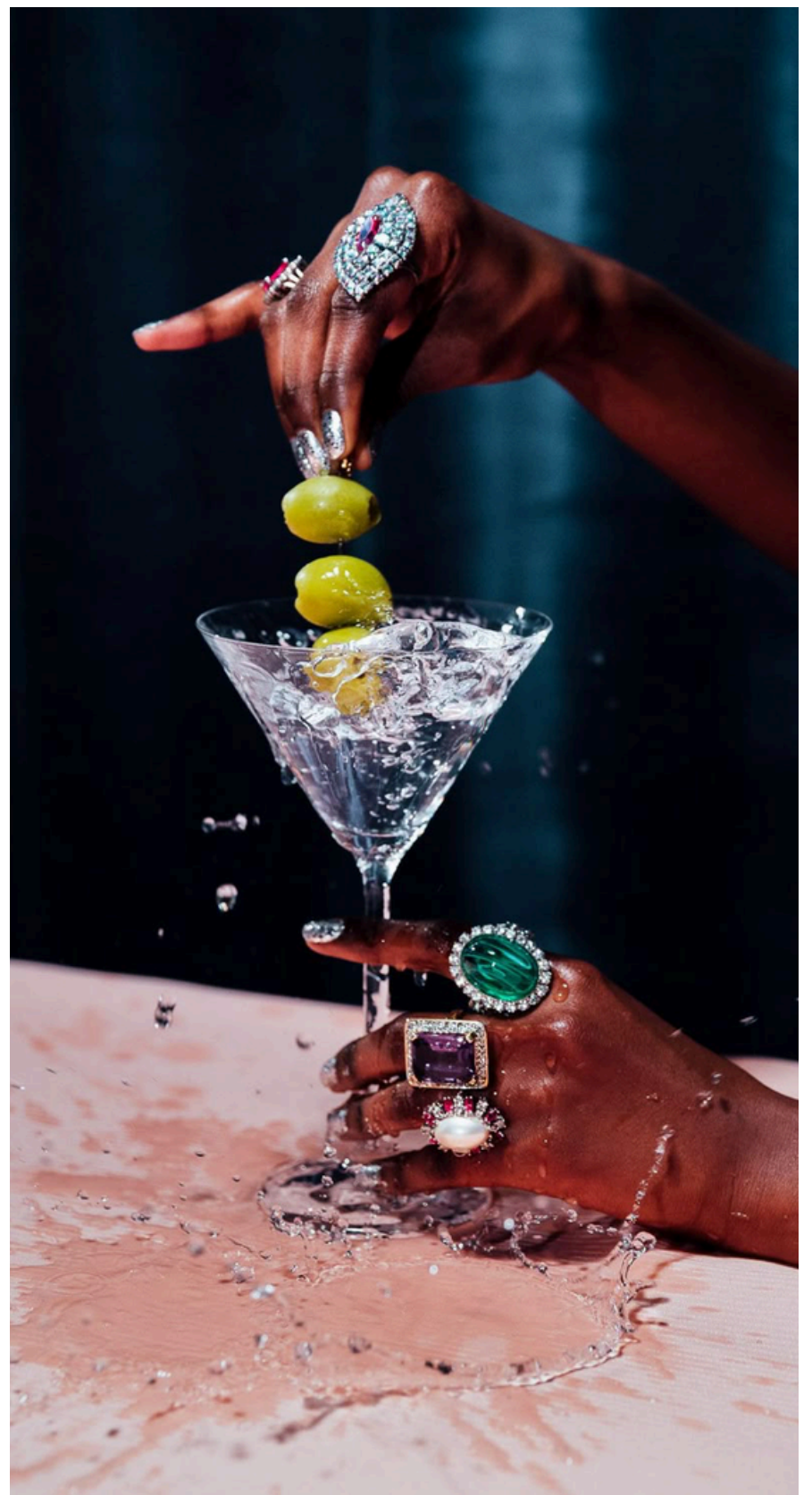
Few pieces of jewellery capture drama and individuality quite like the cocktail ring. Oversized, unapologetically glamorous, and designed to command attention, the cocktail ring has long been a statement of confidence and celebration.

Its story begins in the 1920s during Prohibition in the United States, when alcohol was officially banned but secretly enjoyed in underground speakeasies. Women attending these clandestine gatherings often wore striking rings set with large, colorful gemstones—designed to sparkle dramatically as they held a cocktail glass. The ring became more than an accessory; it was a symbol of rebellion, independence, and the emerging social freedom of women.

By the time of the Roaring Twenties, cocktail rings had evolved into icons of Art Deco glamour. Bold geometric designs, vibrant stones like emeralds, sapphires, and citrines, and elaborate diamond settings defined the era's aesthetic. These rings were intentionally oversized—created not for subtlety, but for spectacle.

Through the decades, the cocktail ring continued to evolve, reflecting changing tastes while maintaining its unmistakable presence. From the colorful extravagance of mid-century Hollywood to today's contemporary interpretations, the style remains a canvas for creativity, allowing jewellers to experiment with scale, color, and sculptural design.

Today, the cocktail ring represents something timeless: jewellery designed to be seen. Whether worn at an elegant soiree or styled with modern simplicity, it carries the same spirit it always has—a celebration of individuality, glamour, and the joy of standing out.



# INVESTMENTS

## Padparadscha Sapphire: A Rare Gem for Investment

Among the world's most exceptional coloured gemstones, the Padparadscha Sapphire stands apart for its rarity and remarkable beauty. Named after the Sinhalese word for "lotus blossom," it is celebrated for its delicate blend of pink and orange tones—an elusive colour that only a small number of sapphires naturally display.

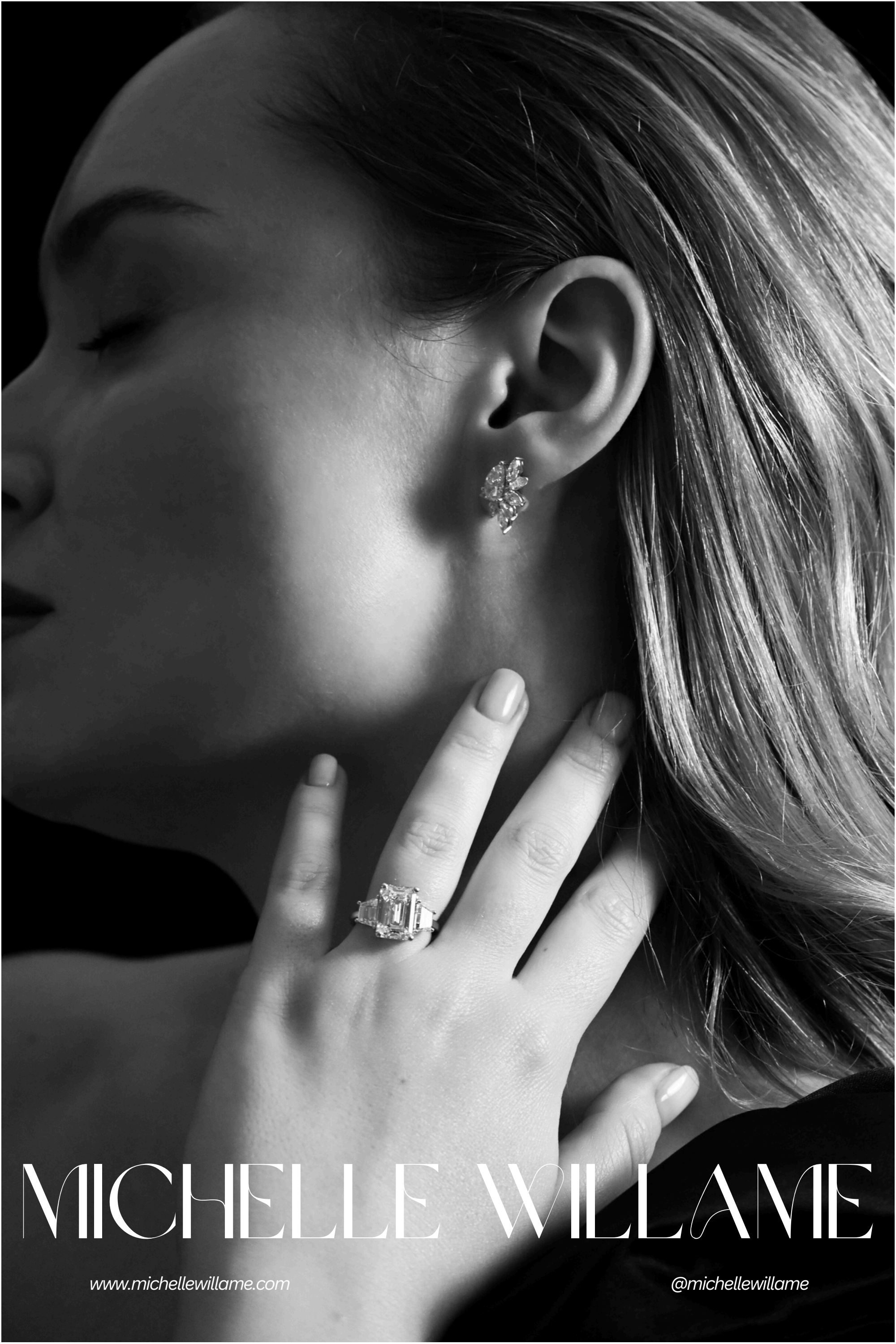
Rarity is the key driver behind its investment appeal. Only stones with the precise balance of pink and orange qualify as Padparadscha, and strict gemological standards further limit supply. The finest examples traditionally come from Sri Lanka, with smaller deposits found in Madagascar and Tanzania. Stones above two or three carats—especially untreated ones—are exceptionally scarce.

This scarcity has translated into strong market performance. Investment-grade Padparadscha sapphires have shown estimated compound annual growth rates of around 5–8%, with rare collector stones appreciating even faster as demand for coloured gemstones continues to rise.

Auction results illustrate this momentum. In 2017, a 28.04-carat Padparadscha sapphire sold at a Christie's auction in Hong Kong for approximately \$2.49 million—about \$88,779 per carat, significantly exceeding expectations and setting a benchmark for the gemstone category.

Beyond financial performance, Padparadscha sapphires carry deep romantic symbolism through their lotus-inspired colour, making them increasingly sought after for high jewellery and engagement rings. For collectors and investors alike, they represent a rare intersection of beauty, scarcity, and long-term value—qualities that continue to elevate their status among the most coveted gemstones in the world.





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