

Turquoise Final CLOSEOUT

*Stabilized from the Sleeping Beauty Mine
and Timberline Mine + Chinese Beads*

We are downsizing! and this is our last remaining high grade stock. Once it's gone it's gone! Please inquire to insure the parcel you want is available . Prices INCLUDE USA shipping. This rough is 100% satisfaction guaranteed and may be returned within 10 days for a full refund. All pieces must be returned undamaged in the same condition as when sent. (general lapidary rules apply) If you saw,grind or polish it, then you own the parcel – no returns!

Untreated Sleeping Beauty has SOLD OUT.

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TM2008 \$358 20% OFF! **NOW \$286**

ALL NATURAL From the **TIMBERLINE** Mine

1 big solid nugget! Great spiderweb / 465 cts approx 58 x 40 x 32 mm
This is our last remaining natural nugget. Great color and spiderweb!



TU7113 \$449 30%OFF! **NOW \$310**

STABILIZED Sleeping Beauty. Large Flats Med/Dark 4 pcs / 610 cts.



TU2121 \$698 30% OFF! **Now \$488**
STABILIZED Sleeping Beauty. Flats Dark 12 pcs / 725 cts.



TU2124 \$148 30% OFF! **NOW \$103**
STABILIZED Sleeping Beauty. Trims Med/Dark 9 pcs / 195 cts.
ground / sawn pieces



TU2224 \$179 30% OFF! **NOW \$125**
STABILIZED Sleeping Beauty. Trims Medium 14 pcs / 225 cts.
ground / sawn pieces



TU2125 \$258 30% OFF! **NOW \$180**
STABILIZED Sleeping Beauty. Trims Medium/Dark 16 pcs / 325 cts
ground / sawn pieces



TU2126 \$268 30%OFF! **NOW \$187**
STABILIZED Sleeping Beauty. Mixed Medium 18 pcs / 335 cts
ground/ sawn pieces



TU2114 \$419 30%OFF **NOW \$293**
STABILIZED Sleeping Beauty. 1 piece Lt/ Med / 480 cts approx 16 x 47 x 75 mm



TB1014 \$519 Drilled,ready to string **NOW \$449**

STABILIZED BEADS from Chinese mines (many now closed)

Note: the Chinese Govt has closed many mines and prices have increased. Largest beads in photo are approx 1 ¼ in long. This is our last remaining stock – don't miss this deal!!

Entire parcel of beads – *everything shown!* OVER 2600 carats only 20 cents per carat!



WHAT IS Stabilized Turquoise??

It should be noted that turquoise has been treated for thousands of years, usually with waxes and oils. Modern techniques represent "advances" on old solutions. Furthermore, many of the various types of gemstones sold these days have been treated in some way to harden them and create clearer crystals; heat treating is especially common.

Virtually all turquoise on today's market has been treated with a clear epoxy, resin or some other form of liquid plastic. Newer methods involve "pressurized impregnation," in which pressure is used to force the hardening solution deep into the turquoise rough. This is the technique that the Sleeping Beauty mine used.

The final product polishes better and It is harder and will keep its color and be more resistant to scratches and dirt.

Stabilization is clearly much better than simple waxing and oiling. Stabilization not only protects the stone from dirt, but also reduces the chances of fracturing. Our position on stabilization is simple: Given the nature of turquoise, together with the growing shortage of gemstone quality turquoise, stabilization is often necessary. **We object only when the consumer is NOT informed that the turquoise they are buying has been treated.** The last few years (when the mine was still in operation) I preferred using stabilized. I got a much higher percentage of recovery using stabilized. As mentioned earlier, stabilized does not change color, is not porous like untreated and so makes much better jewelry; it will not absorb soaps, body or cooking oils.