

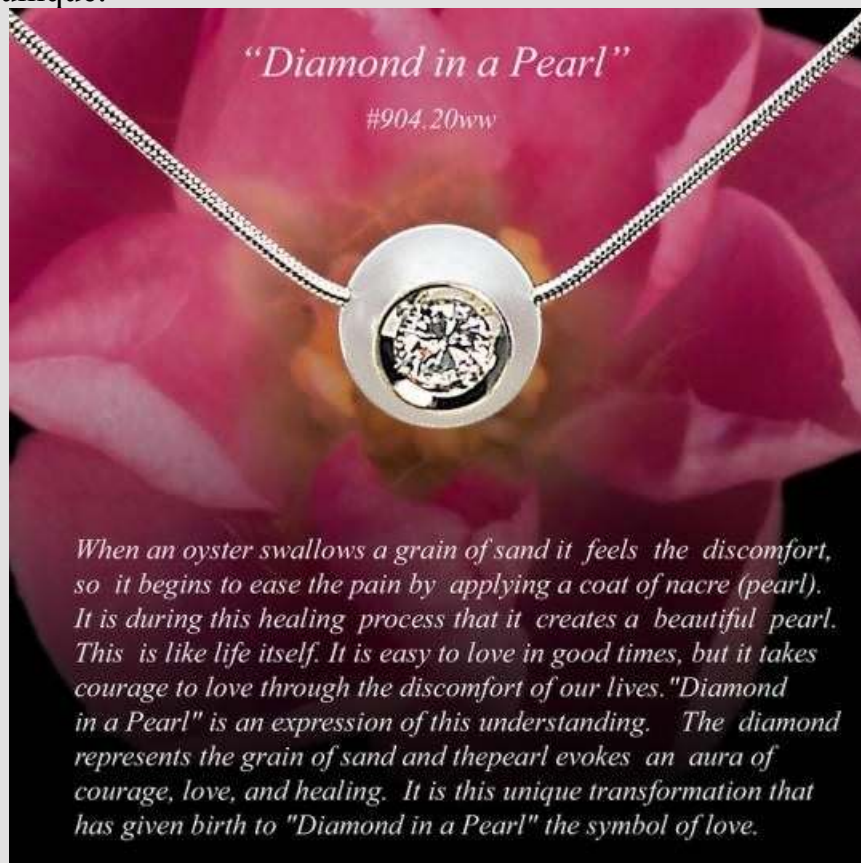
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June's birthstone is PEARL

Did you know that the Latin for Pearl is "unique"?

The beautiful, iridescent pearl is the *Pinctada* oyster's reaction to an irritation. When an object is introduced into the interior of an oyster, the oyster reacts by surrounding the foreign body with *nacre*, the lustrous material of pearls. The resulting pearl depends upon the species of oyster, it's health, food source, and water quality. This makes the pearl a rare gem, where each one is quite literally, unique.



Reportedly, Cleopatra dissolved a single pearl in a glass of wine and drank it, in order to win a bet with Marc Anthony. The bet was that she could consume wealth equivalent to that of an entire country in just one meal. Pearls do require care and are not meant for everyday wear. They should be the last item put on

when dressing and the first item removed. Avoid makeup, hairsprays, and other chemicals and clean only with a soft, moist cloth after each wearing.

South Seas pearls are known for their beautiful, white luster, while Tahitian pearls are found in gray, black, and fancy colors, including silver and green tones. Japanese pearls are also white, with pink or creamy tones and are farmed in seawater. Freshwater pearls are now largely from China and do not come from oysters, but rather from mussels.

Pearls are formed by an oyster, so each one is unique. Size, shape, color, luster and complexion are used for grading pearls. Common shapes include round, oval, drop, button, and baroque, with sub-categories among these.

When you are in the mood to experience some of nature's bounty (PEARLS) drop in any time.

June is the month of Weddings!

and Anniversaries!?

Were you married in June? If so, Congratulations and Happy Anniversary! This little bauble is a Diamond "Journey" pendant in white gold. It has 1/2 carat of diamonds and is \$1175.00



Wives, if maybe, your husband is not sure of your taste in jewelry, or thinks you have all the jewelry you want - even after all these years - we can help. Stop in and fill out your Wish List. When your husband comes in, we will be happy to show him every item on your List and he can make a choice guaranteed to please you. You'll be surprised with his selection and he can be confident that you'll **LOVE** it.

Wishing all the best on your anniversary and always,
Louellen & Jim, Jeannie & Greg, Corrina & Derick, Suzanne & Jim,
Brenda & Carmine (30 years), Dana & Robert, and Rosemarie & Larry
celebrating 45 years!. Happy Anniversary to you all!

Happy Birthday to ALL our June Babies!

Whether you are a Gemini or a Cancer Celebrate ALL month long

June is named after the Roman Goddess Juno, wife of Jupiter. The summer solstice occurs this year on the 21st, marking the longest day

of the year. (don't get a sunburn) Father's day is on the third Sunday the 17th in the U.S. It is also celebrated in Canada, Great Britain, Mexico, Ireland, and the Netherlands. And June is Great Outdoors Month and National Safety Month. So be careful out there on your camping trip. And come in and have your jewelry cleaned when you get back!



We want to wish an especially joyous birthday to: Brandi, Bob, Everett, Joan, Madelon, David, Joe, Carolyn, Scott, April, Heidi, James, Barbara, Tamera, Dave, and Jacki. If you too have a June Birthday come in for a free jar of jewelry cleaner as our Birthday gift to you. (That will be your reward for reading this far!)

Other famous June Birthdays include: Norma Jean Mortenson (Marilyn Monroe), Helen Keller, Andy Griffith, Paul McCartney, Carly Simon, Paula Abdul, Igor Stravinsky, M. C. Esher, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Joe Montana, Angelina Jolie, Johnny Depp, and Jacques-Yves Cousteau. June Happy Birthday to all of you!