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Hi Everyone,

Welcome to your regular newsletter from AA Mineral Specimens.

We have just taken delivery of another series of specimens.

This week we feature a specimen of **quartz, pyrite and sphalerite crystals** from Quiruvilca, Peru. This specimen is of museum quality and worth checking by anyone after a display sample of considerable technical interest.

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-139/pyrite-quartz-sphalerite-quiruvilca/Detail>

Also featured is quite a different specimen from Poona in India. The main mineral in this is a lovely green **fluorite** complimented by 2 “wheat sheaves” of white **stilbite**. Not your average zeolite sample from this locality.

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-138/fluorite-stilbite-zeolite-Poona/Detail>

We also have a fascinating **smoky quartz crystal cluster** from Minas Gerais, Brazil. Now I admit a quartz crystal from Minas Gerais is hardly unique but take a look at this one. It is made up of one long main crystal with smaller crystals, some of them doubly terminated, coming off it at various angles. Of unusual color and complexity for this region.

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-136/smoky-quartz-morian-terminated/Detail>

Another sample of both technical interest and aesthetic appeal is of **galena, cerussite and barite** from Morocco. This specimen is layered with orange barite overlain by an encrustation of almost black galena which is again overlain by clear, well formed cerussite.

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-140/galena-cerussite-barite-morocco/Detail>

We also have a most elegant cluster of yellow gold **pyrite** crystals from Guangxi Province, China. This **pyrite “sunflower”** is from a coal mine but is far more appealing than the sun dollars coming out of North America with its substantial mass and its amazing crystal perfection and color. Very much worth a look.

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-137/cube-guangxi-china-crystal/Detail>

Also worth checking out are

- a couple of nice **diopase** samples from Congo

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-129/dioptase-shaba-congo-vugh/Detail> and

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-133/green-emerald-dioptase-crystal/Detail>

- a nice cluster of **epistilbite** from India

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-117/epistilbite-zeolite-calcite-Nasik/Detail>

- and an attractive cluster of **vanadinite and barite** crystals from Morocco.

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-135/vanadinite-barite-morocco-crystal/Detail>

For the sulphide enthusiast take a look at the cluster of

- **quartz and pyrite crystals** from Peru

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-124/quartz-pyrite-sphalerite-quiruvilca/Detail> and

- the **quartz-sphalerite cluster** from China

<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-125/quartz-sphalerite-hunan-china/Detail> .

Both are exceptionally nice samples. Especially for the prices offered.

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This is only a few of our offerings and any mineral collector will be rewarded by a thorough browse through our listing at www.aamineralspecimens.com .

Best wishes,

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