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Hi everyone,

AND THE WINNER IS

Congratulations to the Buschettes, the winner of the draw for subscribing to our newsletter.

NEW STOCK

Here are some of our new additions:

Allanite on Diopside from Mary Kathleen in Queensland, Australia. The specimen was collected from an adit dug while the Mary Kathleen Uranium Deposit in Queensland was being evaluated prior to being mined for uranium.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-212/allanite-diopside-mary-Kathleen/Detail>

A nodule of almost pure Azurite from Cobar, NSW, Australia. The blue is just beautiful, and the bladed crystals are very interesting to look at.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-203/azurite-cobar-Australia-copper/Detail>

A twinned Cassiterite crystal with some smaller crystals from Elsmore, NSW. The Cassiterite is of a very deep, glassy red indicating the purity of the tin oxide.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-216/cassiterite-ruby-tin-twinning/Detail>

From Colebrook Hill, Tasmania, a complex sample of Ferro-axinite and Byssolite, with quartz crystals, pyrite and arsenopyrite. Deciding which photos to include was no mean feat!



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-218/ferro-Axinite-Tasmania-australia/Detail>

A dendritic cluster of Native Copper with a deep red patina, from Mt Elliot Mine in Queensland. We both share a soft spot for this specimen.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-217/native-copper-Mt-Elliot/Detail>

A large, spectacular Quartz cluster from Torrington, NSW. Many of the crystals are stained lightly pink hematite. The specimen has bit of a twist in the middle that makes it very interesting to hold and examine.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-214/quartz-crystal-Torrington-australia/Detail>

A strange and interesting doubly terminated Quartz scepter from China. This specimen is composed of several twinned crystals with the twinning arranged longitudinally.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-215/quartz-china-double-/Detail>

And none of our newsletters would be complete without a specimen of Sphalerite, and pyrite with Quartz. The faces of the sphalerite in this specimen are very shiny and black. Those on the pyrite are gold with a rich, moving rainbow patina. The quartz crystals are needle-like and most have intact terminations. You can probably tell that we really enjoy these beautiful specimens.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-213/sphalerite-pyrite-quartz-huanzala/Detail>

Best wishes and Happy Collecting!

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