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Hi everyone,

Welcome to our latest update. We have added some new items to our website, and we have embarked on an auction on a third party site in the UK. The 'AA Minerals Australian Auction' is currently online at <http://www.e-rocks.com/Products.aspx?action=list&type=17158#>

In addition, we have added some new items to our own site, [www.aamineralspecimens.com](http://www.aamineralspecimens.com) . They include:

**Azurite** from a small and newly discovered occurrence in the Western Arunta Block, Northern Territory, Australia. The azurite cluster is an intense blue and roughly circular in shape. The blue of the azurite is strongly contrasted with the pale cream of the bleached kaolinite matrix.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-242/azurite-kaolinite-arunta-northern/Detail>

From Jalgaon, India, one of the better **Cavansite** specimens we have listed. It consists of 5 larger electric blue cavansite clusters surrounded by numerous smaller clusters accompanied by a series of well formed, white **Stilbite** crystals set against an encrustation of mixed, white-cream, fine zeolite crystals. This comparatively large specimen will display well in any cabinet.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-239/cavansite-stilbite-india-zeolite/Detail>

**Galena** from Cumbria in England. The lead sulphide crystals occur in combinations of the cubic, octahedron and dodecahedral forms with twinning found on close examination. The edges and faces are well preserved with some of the faces dusted with fine pyrite crystals. The matrix is a pyritic silica encrustation of a vugh.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-240/galena-pyrite-cumbria-england/Detail>

A small cabinet sample of **Fluorite** from Sierra Madre, Mexico, in the deep rich purple only found in fluorite. This sample shows the highly geometric cubic form so diagnostic of the mineral.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-243/fluorite-mexico-purple-cubic/Detail>

A neat cluster of sharply terminated **Quartz crystals** from the Mt Elliot Mine, Queensland, Australia. The attractive and distinctive olive green is due to finely disseminated chlorite inclusions.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-241/quartz-chlorite-mount-mt/Detail>

A thumb nail specimen of the rare antimony mineral **Getchellite**, from its type locality at the Getchell Mine, Nevada, USA. The Getchellite displays the characteristic electric red of the species contrasted against the lustrous golden yellow of **Orpiment**.

This is a small sample of a rare mineral from its type location making it appropriate for a variety of series collectors.



<http://www.aamineralspecimens.com/servlet/the-238/getchellite-orpiment-getchell-nevada/Detail>

### **Our itinerary Sept/Oct:**

- *Sunday, September 23:* Country and Garden Fair, Fagan Park, Galston NSW
- *Saturday, October 13:* Surry Hills Festival, Prince Alfred Park, NSW
- *Sunday, October 14* (to be confirmed): Lane Cove Village Fair, Longueville Road, Lane Cove NSW
- *Friday October 19 -Saturday October 20:* Inverell & District Lapidary Club's Sapphire City Gem & Craft Show, Inverell Town Hall, NSW.
- *Saturday October 27 & Sunday October 28:* Lapidary Club of NSW Gem, Jewellery and Minerals Show and Sale, 136 Reservoir Street, Surry Hills NSW

Best wishes and happy collecting!

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