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Brazil Update and Great New Book - Cairngorms, Scotland

Brazil Update

This [Brazil Update \(click here\)](#) features a few selected excellent pieces from Brazil, from the unusual to the amazing. The update includes two remarkable brazilianite specimens from the closed Telirio Mine, a classic Medina aquamarine, a fantastic rutilated quartz from

Novo Horizonte, tourmalines, Sapó fluorapatites, a super Brumado dolomite, blue quartz, and a Novo Horizonte hematite that is a black mirror.

Great New Book

Crystal Mountains - Minerals of the Cairngorms

You may have seen that a new book has been published, Crystal Mountains - Minerals of the Cairngorms, by Roy Starkey. On the blog, I've posted a short piece about it with photos and a link where you can check it out if you like [Great New Book - Minerals of the Cairngorms \(click here\)](#). The book is an excellent read.

A significant number of original written accounts dating back to the 18th century are included - these are just great reading! My favourite quoted passage is one by a Scottish author, John MacCulloch, from 1824, in which he cites frustrating local selling practices (exorbitant prices and fraudulent substitution of Brazilian crystals, passed off as being from the Cairngorms). He goes on to cite a recent traveller referring to the local Highlander dealers as "impudent extortioners"...

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