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The Jewels from the Estate of Lydia Morrison

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Terence Cardinal Cooke, Archbishop of New York, presenting Lydia Morrison with a sterling silver tray in recognition of her support of the Alfred Smith dinners. Mrs. Morrison is wearing the Vargas diamond (Lot 587), and carrying a gold vanity case (Lot 552).

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(lots 500 to 587)

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Lydia Morrison in the 1930s.

Lydia Morrison 1906-1988

Lydia Morrison was born in New York in 1906, the only child of Louis Mendelssohn and Evelyn Dumas. Louis Mendelssohn was the financial genius behind the Fisher Body Company, which merged with General Motors, the world's largest automobile manufacturer. As one of the company's major stockholders, Mr. Mendelssohn accumulated one of America's great fortunes when the automobile industry was young.

Lydia Morrison was raised in a privileged world, surrounded by elegance and luxury. From her parents, she inherited a commitment to charity and a strong devotion to the Catholic Church. Her mother donated the bronze doors of St. Patrick's Cathedral and underwrote the renowned Alfred Smith dinners. Given annually by the Archdiocese of New York, this event brings together major religious and political figures in the United States. Lydia, who was a resident of New York for many years and had a life-long affection for the city, continued the tradition after her mother's death.

Educated in private schools in New York, Lydia made her debut in Detroit and subsequently married C. Henry Buhl. In 1956 Lydia married Dr. Thomas J. Morrison, a prominent New York physician. Together they maintained residences in New York, Palm Beach, Beverly Hills, Newport, and Grosse Pointe. Lydia loved to entertain her friends in her homes and was in turn welcomed by them during her annual travels throughout the United States and Europe. Throughout her life, Lydia made close friends with many distinguished people including cardinals, presidents and community leaders.

Lydia was known for her sense of fashion which was reflected in her clothing and jewelry. She dressed in *haute couture* by Chanel, Dior, Valentino, and her jewels were by Winston, Tiffany, Cartier and Van Cleef & Arpels. Her houses and her grand apartment on Fifth Avenue were filled with paintings and antiques purchased from the great dealers and auction houses. Lydia had an especially good eye for porcelain, which she displayed lovingly throughout her residences. In 1975, Lydia donated the Newport house along with its furnishings to the Church.

After Lydia's death in the late summer of 1988, one of her close friends described her as "the personification of elegance and style in her clothes, collections, and homes," a woman who "enjoyed every minute of life."

☐ 500 Amusing Group of Four Gold and Colored Stone Animal Brooches

Including one textured gold squirrel with curling tail and diamond-set eye, shown in profile holding a heart-shaped cabochon ruby; one textured eighteen-karat gold tiger brooch, the eyes with 2 fancy-shaped cabochon rubies and single-cut diamonds; one textured gold bear with sapphire eyes and ruby nose, seated upon a pink tourmaline crystal "log"; and one textured eighteen-karat gold whimsical rabbit, *Boucheron, Paris*, accented with small rubies, sapphires and diamonds, wearing a collar of *calibré*-cut turquoise, the group weighing approximately 54 dwts.

\$1,500-2,000

☐ 501 Gold Tassel Necklace

Of textured eighteen-karat gold, comprising twisted oval links interwoven to form a braid design, terminating in 2 rope-twist gold tassels, anchored by a herringbone pattern slide, weighing approximately 140 dwts., *length 39 inches*.

\$3,500-4,500

☐ 502 Gold Wristwatch, Baume & Mercier, Genève

The white enamel oval-shaped dial with black Roman numerals and hands within a plain gold case, flanked by braidwork straps of tapering shape, cabochon sapphire crown, *chipped*, weighing approximately 42 dwts., *movement by Baume & Mercier*, *length 6 inches*.

\$1,200-1,500



☐ 503 Pair of Gold, Coral and Diamond Ladybug Clips, A. Nardi

The stylized insects of pink coral edged and framed by eighteen-karat gold, inset on the wings and at the eyes with 24 round diamonds in gold collets, the undersides engraved in a foliate motif.

\$2,500-3,500

☐ 504 Pair of Coral and Diamond Earclips, David Webb

The fluted coral half-hoops studded with round diamonds set within collets, mounted in eighteen-karat gold.

\$2,500-3,500

☐ 505 Carved Coral and Diamond Carrot Brooch

The coral bar carved to resemble a carrot, crowned by leaves of stippled yellow gold and anchored by a fluted gold segment, accented with small round diamonds.

\$2,500-3,500

□ 506 Pair of Pink Coral and Diamond Earclips and Matching Ring

Each set with an oval-shaped pink coral cabochon, surrounded by round diamonds, the group with 76 round diamonds weighing approximately 3.00 carats, mounted in white gold.

\$3,000-4,000



☐ 507 Fourteen-Karat Gold Figure of a Heron

The bird with engraved plumage standing on a patch of ground beside flowering shrubbery, weighing approximately 62 dwts., *height 4/4 inches*; together with a carved rosewood stand.

\$1,500-2,000

☐ 508 Eighteen-Karat Gold Hippopotamus Table Clock, David Webb

The seated hippo realistically modelled in textured gold, diamond eyes, cabochon ruby thumbpiece, hinged head opens to reveal a circular watch dial, the whole weighing approximately 138 dwts., *height 3 inches*. With box stamped David Webb.

\$3,000-4,000

☐ 509 Carved Amethyst Figure of a Bear on Aventurine Quartz Stand

The carved amethyst bear cub with diamond eyes and gold accents standing on all fours atop a flat, irregularly-shaped base of aventurine quartz, *height* 2½ inches.

\$1,500-2,000



☐ 510 Eighteen-Karat Gold Figure of David

The nude figure standing on a circular base, his eyes inset with small round diamonds, weighing approximately 108 dwts., base stamped Riedel-Rohrfelden, Salzburg, height 3½ inches.

\$2,000-3,000

☐ 511 Gold, Diamond and Enamel Rifleman Brooch with Pyrite Stand

The realistically modelled figure standing with rifle raised, his costume applied with translucent green and russet enamel, diamond-set bandolier, brooch fitting on reverse, *height with base 5 inches*.

\$1,500-2,000

☐ 512 Gold, Lapis Lazuli and Diamond Table Clock, Dunhill, Paris

The lapis lazuli dial applied with fluted gold chapter ring, cabochon sapphire and round diamond markers and diamond-set hands, within a basketweave case, upon lapis lazuli bead legs, *movement by Angelus*, *15 jewels*, *height 2¹/₄ inches*. With fitted box.

\$1,500-2,000

☐ 513 Eighteen-Karat Gold and Turquoise Desk Clock

The turquoise dial applied with gold "feather" hands, the chapter ring of fluted gold inset with 12 round turquoise cabochon markers for hours, the case of gold basketweave, the legs formed of a pair of turquoise beads, movement signed Angelus, 15 jewels, number 188742, height 21/4 inches. With fitted leather box stamped G. Bilbault, Paris.

\$1,000-1,500



☐ 514 Pair of Aquamarine and Diamond Earclips

The stylized snail shells set with fancy-shaped aquamarines and accented with scrolls of round diamonds, mounted in platinum.

\$2,000-3,000

□ 515 Eighteen-Karat Gold and Diamond Flower Brooch, Van Cleef & Arpels, circa 1940

The flowerhead with openwork petals of gold wire edged in round diamonds, the center with a cluster of diamonds, the total diamond weight approximately 9.00 carats, *signed and numbered 67874*.

\$8,000-10,000

☐ 516 Fourteen-Karat Gold and Diamond Cigarette Box and Matching Compact

Each designed as a basketweave purse of rectangular shape, the curved flap edged in diamonds, applied with baguette diamond monogram LYD, the compact with fitted mirror, the total diamond weight approximately 7.00 carats, together weighing approximately 280 dwts., 3½ by 3 inches and 3½ by 2½ inches respectively.

\$5,000-7,000



☐ 517 Gold, Blue Enamel and Pearl Bracelet, circa 1860

The hinged bracelet formed of five slightly curved panels, each applied with deep blue translucent enamel and decorated with a gold foliate and scroll motif centered by a pearl, spaced by split pearl bars, *one bar missing*, weighing approximately 44 dwts.

\$2,000-3,000

☐ 518 Gold and Amethyst Necklace, early 19th Century

The single row continuously set with 21 round amethysts, each within a gold coronet-style mounting, *length 15 inches*.

\$2,000-3,000



□ 519 Pair of Turquoise and Diamond Flower Earclips

The stylized flowerheads set with 8 oval-shaped turquoise cabochons, accented centrally and around the borders with 26 small round diamonds, mounted in gold.

\$2,500-3,000

□ 520 Pair of Turquoise and Diamond Earclips and Matching Ring, Fred, Paris

Mounted in eighteen-karat gold, each formed of a pair of turquoise sections designed as leaves, joined and centered by bands of round diamonds.

\$5,000-6,000

□ 521 Pair of Turquoise and Diamond Earclips and Matching Ring

Each set with a large oval-shaped turquoise cabochon surrounded by round diamonds, the group with a total of 64 round diamonds weighing approximately 5.50 carats, mounted in gold.

\$4,000-6,000

□ 522 Turquoise, Diamond and Sapphire Frog Brooch, David Webb

The carved turquoise frog studded with collet-set diamonds and resting upon a bed of flowers set with numerous small round diamonds, sapphires and turquoise, mounted in eighteen-karat gold.

\$4,000-6,000



☐ 523 Cultured Pearl, Diamond and Colored Stone Tassel-Necklace, Harry Winston

The ten-row rope composed of numerous cultured pearls measuring approximately 3.5 mm., suspending a cultured pearl tassel on each end, the tassels capped by eighteen-karat gold barrel-form links which join together, alternately set with cabochon emeralds and rubies and enhanced by round diamonds, total length approximately 28 inches.

\$7,500-10,000

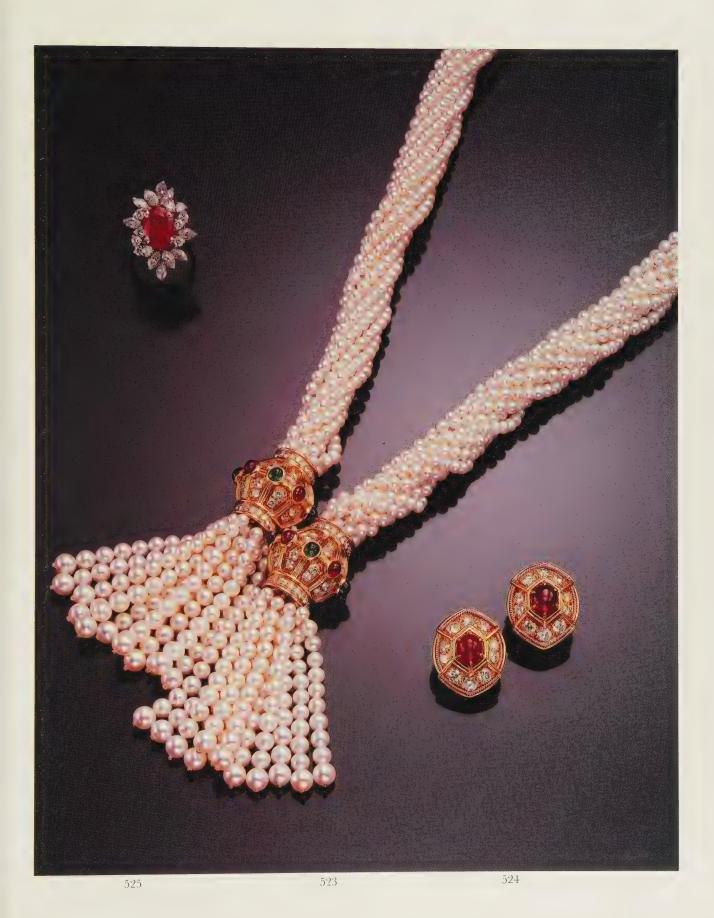
☐ 524 Pair of Ruby and Diamond Earclips, Harry Winston

The domed, oval-shaped mountings of eighteen-karat gold centering 2 oval-shaped cabochon rubies surrounded by 20 round diamonds weighing approximately 3.25 carats, the mountings decorated with ribbing and twisted wire. \$5,000-7,000

☐ 525 Ruby and Diamond Ring

Centering 1 cushion-shaped ruby weighing approximately 3.75 carats, surrounded by 10 marquise-shaped and 10 round diamonds arranged in a foliate design, mounted in platinum.

\$3,000-4,000



☐ 526 Fine Eighteen-Karat Gold, Carnelian and Black Onyx Link Bracelet, Marzo, Paris, circa 1930

Composed of 6 black onyx rectangles joined by gold links to 6 sugarloaf carnelian cabochons, *length 7 inches*.

The name Marzo ranks with the top French jewelry firms of the 1920s. Located at 22 rue de la Paix, near other notable jewelers such as Cartier and Lacloche, Marzo was one of the chief exhibitors at the celebrated L'Exposition Internationale des Arts Décoratifs in Paris in 1925, which served to bring the latest in jewelry designs to an international public. \$5,000–7,000

☐ 527 Gold and Nephrite Desk Clock, Cartier

White enamel dial with gold hands and 4 round diamonds at quarter hours, matte gold chapter ring applied with polished gold bars and four nephrite rondelles for markers, bordered by twisted wire decoration, the cylindrical reeded legs decorated with nephrite rondelles, movement by Concord #3770, height 31/18 inches.

\$1,500-2,000

☐ 528 Pair of Carved Jade Earclips, Trabert & Hoeffer, Mauboussin

Of stylized floral design, set with 4 oval-shaped carved jades arranged in pairs, completed by white gold curved stems.

\$3,000-4,000



☐ 529 Diamond Brooch, Marzo, Paris, circa 1930

The buckle-shaped brooch decorated centrally and at the sides with fancy-shaped diamonds, the borders double rows of alternately-set round and baguette diamonds, mounted in platinum.

\$7,500-10,000

☐ 530 Topaz and Diamond Ring and Matching Earclips

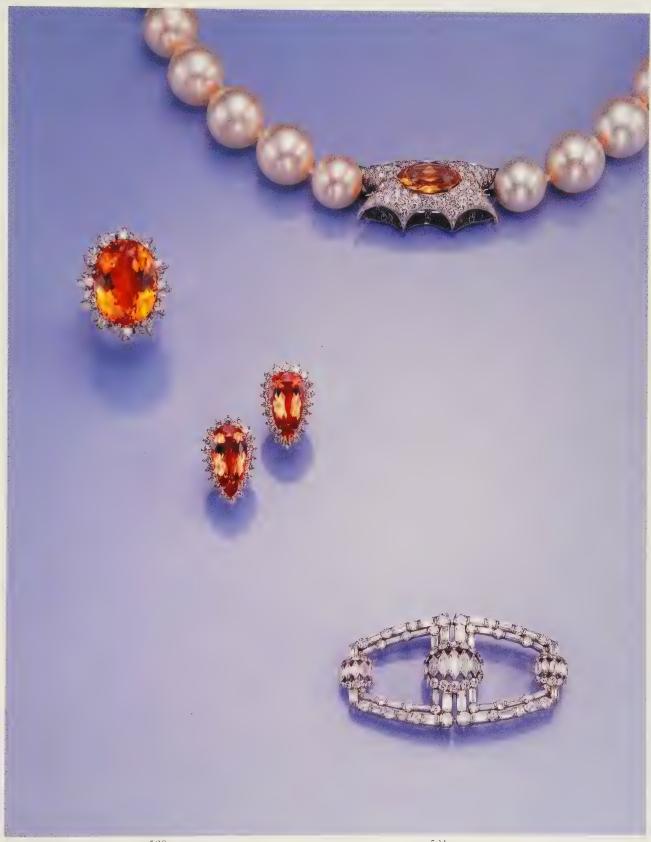
The ring centering a large oval-shaped topaz surrounded by clusters of round and marquise-shaped diamonds, the earclips set with 2 pear-shaped topaz within round diamond borders, mounted in white gold.

\$6,000-8,000

☐ 531 Simulated Pearl Necklace with Citrine Quartz and Diamond Clasp

The long single strand composed of 51 simulated pearls measuring approximately 14.6 to 16.8 mm., completed by a platinum and pavé diamond clasp centering 1 marquise-shaped citrine quartz, length 36 inches. Clasp made by Oscar Heyman & Bros., Inc., center stone has been changed.

\$4,000-5,000



☐ 532 Pair of Gold, Ruby and Diamond Fish Clips and Matching Earclips, circa 1940

The naturalistic curved fish-forms decorated with small round rubies along the dorsal fin and tail, and completed by small round diamond eyes, weighing approximately 26 dwts., *1 ruby missing*.

\$1,500-2,000

☐ 533 Fourteen-Karat Gold Cigarette Box and Lighter, Ruser, circa 1965

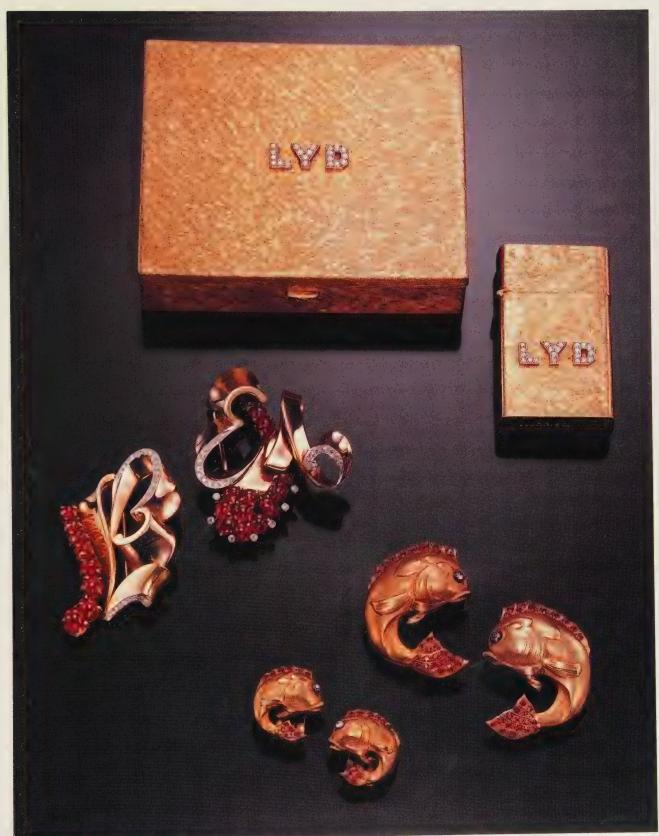
The rectangular box and matching lighter of textured gold, both applied with the monogram LYD set in diamonds, the box inscribed and dated September 21, 1965, together weighing approximately 120 dwts., 3½ by 3 inches and 2¼ by 1¼ inches respectively.

\$1,000-1,500

\square 534 Pair of Two-Color Gold, Ruby and Diamond Clips, Trabert & Hoeffer, Reflection, circa 1945

The asymmetrical clips of floral design formed of yellow and pink gold scrolls edged in small round diamonds, the flowers and buds formed of cabochon rubies, one clip inscribed: "designed & executed for C. H. Buhl."

\$5,000-7,000



☐ 535 White Gold, Aquamarine, Ruby and Diamond Bracelet, Trabert & Hoeffer, Mauboussin, Reflection, circa 1945

The large central scroll motif set with 1 emerald-cut aquamarine bordered by curved rows of round rubies and interrupted by diagonal rays inset with small round diamonds, the sides of open white gold links. En saite with the following lot.

\$6,000-8,000

□ 536 White Gold, Aquamarine, Ruby and Diamond Brooch and Earclips, Trabert & Hoeffer, Mauboussin, Reflection, circa 1945

Each of scroll design decorated with diagonal rays, centering 3 emerald-cut aquamarines and bordered by curves of round rubies, the rays inset with small round diamonds, *earclips unsigned*. *En suite* with the preceding lot.

\$6,000-8,000

In the 1930s Trabert & Hoeffer introduced a unique line of jewelry catering to an American clientele. A revived interest in jewelry after the Great Depression popularized "Reflection—Your Personality in a Jewel." The new collection was a marriage of recent production innovations and old-school custom-made techniques. Casting allowed clients to mix and match pre-assembled modern motifs according to their particular tastes. Large colorful semi-precious stones, gold settings and smooth-sided curves characterized most pieces. See Penny Proddow and Debra Healy, American Jewelry, Glamour and Tradition, p. 112.

☐ 537 Aquamarine and Diamond Ring, circa 1945

The emerald-cut aquamarine weighing approximately 54.00 carats, the stylized prong mounting of platinum accented at the shoulders with small round and baguette diamonds.

\$7,000-9,000



☐ 538 Attractive Lapis Lazuli, Turquoise and Diamond Necklace, Harry Winston

The articulated, graduated collar decorated with lapis lazuli sections applied with oriental motifs centered by oval-shaped turquoise cabochons anchored by pear-shaped and round diamonds, each section spaced by a row of diamonds, mounted in gold, *link at back detaches to shorten necklace, circumference approximately 16 inches.* With pouch stamped Harry Winston. *En suite* with the following lot.

\$20,000-25,000

☐ 539 Lapis Lazuli, Turquoise and Diamond Bangle-Bracelet, Harry Winston

The articulated bangle of crossover design applied with lapis lazuli plaques spaced by rows of diamonds, the center with an oval-shaped turquoise cabochon partially bordered by round and pear-shaped diamonds, mounted in gold. *En suite* with the preceding lot.

\$7,500-10,000



\square 540 Pair of Eighteen-Karat Gold and Diamond Flower Earclips

The flowerheads centered by 12 round and 2 marquise-shaped diamonds weighing approximately 4.00 carats, the curling petals *pavé*-set with 220 round diamonds weighing approximately 6.50 carats.

\$10,000-12,000

☐ 541 White Coral and Diamond Flower Pendant-Brooch and Matching Earclips, Van Cleef & Arpels, New York

The flowerheads with carved coral petals centering clusters of round diamonds surrounded by gold stamens, mounted in eighteen-karat gold, *signed and numbered 1K7135 and B3002J6 respectively*, *small chip on petal*.

\$6,000-8,000

\square 542 Diamond, Ruby and Porcelain Rose Brooch, David Webb

The single rose with cluster of round diamonds in the center, porcelain petals enamelled in yellow, a gold and cabochon ruby bee perched on one petal, completed by a textured eighteen-karat gold stem, *small chips to porcelain*. \$1,000–1,500



□ 543 Eighteen-Karat Gold and Diamond Necklace, Van Cleef & Arpels, France, circa 1940

The flexible necklace composed of fringes of cone-shaped links inset with diamonds, the sides with stylized bow-form links accented with pavé-set diamond cylinders, the whole set with 150 round diamonds weighing approximately 9.00 carats, 72 dwts., signed and numbered 46870, length 15 inches. En suite with the following lot.

\$15,000-20,000

□ 544 Eighteen-Karat Gold and Diamond Bracelet, Van Cleef & Arpels, France, circa 1940

The five-row bracelet composed of small cone-form links, each inset with a round diamond, the bar-form clasp enhanced by diamond bands, set totally with 136 round diamonds weighing approximately 8.00 carats, the whole weighing approximately 66 dwts., signed and numbered 45777, length 7 inches. En suite with the preceding lot.

\$12,000-15,000

The above lots exemplify gold jewelry popularized by Van Cleef & Arpels in the 1930s and 40s. At this time yellow gold competed with platinum as the preferred material for daytime vogue jewelry. Interlocking mosaics of small hexagonal, round and rectangular sections were bespeckled with tiny precious stones set in a fashion known as "serti etoile" (star settings). Common patterns resembled spangled honey-combs or dress sequins. See Sylvie Raulet, Van Cleef & Arpels, pp. 118–131.

\square 545 $\,$ Gold and Diamond Dome Ring, Van Cleef & Arpels, New York, circa 1945

Designed as a large gold sphere centering a diamond floret and studded with round diamonds set singly and in threes, the total diamond weight approximately 4.00 carats, *signed and numbered 7777*.

\$3,500-4,500



☐ 546 Seed Pearl and Diamond Tassel-Necklace, circa 1920

The long twisted rope of seed pearls terminating in two seed pearl tassels, several pearls missing on one strand, joined by platinum caps set with small round and single-cut diamonds, length approximately 43 inches.

\$6,000-8,000

☐ 547 Carved Emerald and Diamond Pendant-Brooch, 19th Century

The large cushion-shaped carved emerald framed by round diamonds and crowned by a diamond-set scroll motif centering an emerald bead, suspending a fringe of 7 emerald drops and 7 emerald beads joined by diamond rondelles, mounted in silver, *1 diamond missing*.

\$12,000-15,000



☐ 548 Set of Three Sapphire and Diamond Clips, Cartier, circa 1940

The fan-shaped clips of identical style, one of slightly larger size, set with 48 cushion-shaped sapphires, randomly decorated with 12 small round diamonds, mounted in gold, clip backs signed Cartier.

\$12,000-15,000

☐ 549 **Diamond Dome Ring**

The large dome randomly set with 22 emerald-cut diamonds weighing approximately 8.00 carats, the shoulders with swirls of baguette diamonds and additional small round diamonds, mounted in gold-plated platinum.

\$10,000-12,000

\square 550 Sapphire and Diamond Ring, Cartier

Centering 1 cushion-shaped sapphire weighing approximately 25.00 carats, surrounded by round sapphires, within gold prongs, completed by a platinum shank set at the shoulders with small round diamonds, *signed and numbered* 44-53211.

\$7,500-10,000



☐ 551 Gold, Amethyst and Diamond Bangle-Bracelet, circa 1940

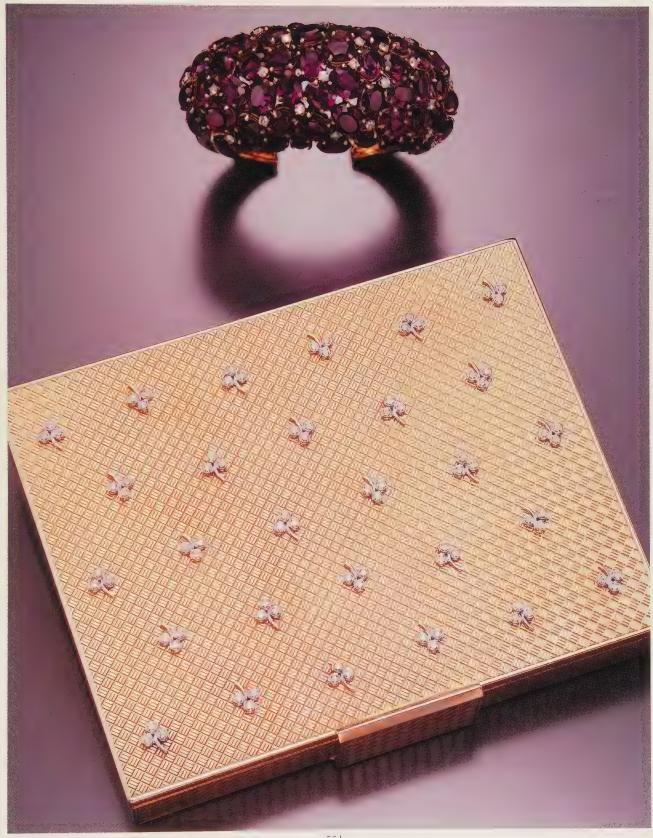
Of bombé form, decorated with a large floral cluster of numerous oval-shaped amethysts and small round diamonds, the fluted sides of polished gold, one side hinged.

\$7,500-10,000

☐ 552 Gold and Diamond Vanity Case

Of rectangular shape and basketweave design, the cover applied with platinum and diamond clover motifs arranged in spaced rows, the interior with fitted mirror, comb (teeth missing), and five covered compartments in varying sizes, weighing approximately 27 troy ounces, 6 by 4% inches.

\$5,000-6,000



☐ 553 **Very Fine Aquamarine and Diamond Necklace**

The graduated row set with 7 emerald-cut aquamarines weighing a total of approximately 170.00 carats, joined by platinum links and spheres pavé-set with numerous single-cut diamonds, length 16 inches.

\$35,000-45,000

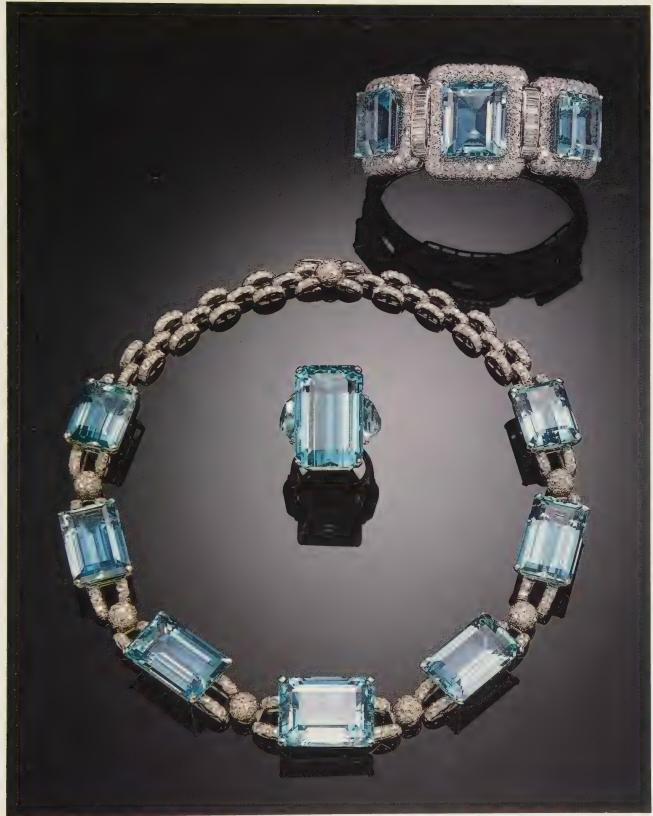
☐ 554 Very Fine Aquamarine and Diamond Bracelet

The tapered bracelet set centrally with 3 emerald-cut aquamarines weighing approximately 70.00 carats, within rectangular frames pavé-set with diamonds, spaced by bands of baguette diamonds, completed by articulated pavé-set diamond straps, mounted in platinum.

\$15,000-20,000

☐ 555 Aquamarine Ring

The large emerald-cut aquamarine weighing approximately 40.00 carats, flanked by 2 fancy-shaped aquamarines, simply mounted in platinum. \$7,500–10,000



☐ 556 **Diamond Band Ring**

The wide band pavé-set throughout with round diamonds weighing approximately 8.00 carats, mounted in platinum, size 51/4.

\$7,000-9,000

☐ 557 Pair of Black and White Cultured Pearl and Diamond Earclips, Tiffany & Co.

Centering 1 natural black color cultured pearl measuring approximately 13.1 mm, and 1 white cultured pearl measuring approximately 12.6 mm., encircled by spirals of 82 round diamonds weighing approximately 8.00 carats, mounted in platinum.

Accompanied by G.I.A. report #1940205.

\$12,000-15,000

☐ 558 Elegant Diamond Necklace, Harry Winston

Designed as a strand of round diamonds and a strand of pear-shaped diamonds crossing over in the center, bordered by numerous small round diamonds, the whole set with 54 round diamonds weighing approximately 16.00 carats and 49 pear-shaped diamonds weighing approximately 20.00 carats, mounted in platinum, numbered 5968, length 16 inches. With suede box stamped Harry Winston.

\$40,000-50,000



☐ 559 Eighteen-Karat Gold, Platinum and Diamond Necklace

Formed of triangular-shaped links edged in eighteen-karat gold rope-twist decoration, the platinum centers *pavé*-set with a total of 310 round diamonds weighing approximately 12.00 carats, *length 16 inches*. *En suite* with the following lot.

\$10,000-15,000

☐ 560 Eighteen-Karat Gold, Platinum and Diamond Bracelet

Of bombé form, composed of platinum triangular-shaped and diamond-shaped links pavé-set with diamonds, edged in eighteen-karat gold rope-twist decoration, the whole set with 346 round diamonds weighing approximately 21.00 carats, length $7^{1/2}$ inches. En suite with the preceding lot.

\$15,000-20,000

☐ 561 Pair of Gold and Diamond Earclips

The half-hoops of openwork trellis design, studded with 102 round diamonds weighing approximately 5.00 carats.

\$4,000-6,000

☐ 562 Gold and Diamond Dome Ring, F. Staal

The openwork dome alternately decorated with graduated bands of round diamonds and bands of small gold beadwork circles centering round diamonds.

\$2,000-3,000



☐ 563 Fine Pair of Aquamarine and Diamond Earclips, Van Cleef & Arpels, New York

Centering 2 emerald-cut aquamarines weighing approximately 20.00 carats, framed by foliate motifs set with 60 round diamonds weighing approximately 5.50 carats, mounted in platinum, *signed and numbered 33872*.

\$7,500-10,000

☐ 564 Pair of Cultured Pearl and Diamond Earclips, Harry Winston

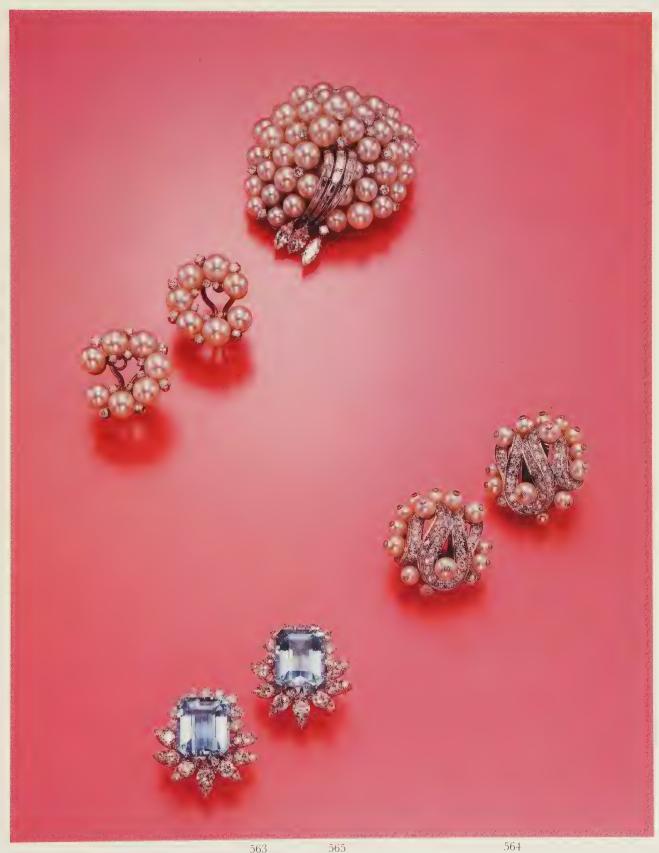
The serpentine bands of *pavé*-set diamonds studded at random with cultured pearls inset with small diamonds, the total diamond weight approximately 6.00 carats, mounted in platinum.

\$5,000-7,000

☐ 565 Cultured Pearl and Diamond Pendant-Brooch and Earclips

The clustered cultured pearl pendant-brooch enhanced by numerous randomly-placed round diamonds, further decorated by three rows of baguette diamonds suspending 3 marquise-shaped diamonds; the crescent-form earclips composed of 14 cultured pearls and accented by small round diamonds, mounted in platinum.

\$10,000-12,000



☐ 566 Pair of Eighteen-Karat Gold and Diamond Earclips, F. Staal

Designed as fluted hoops of yellow gold centering white gold half-hoops *pavé*-set with round diamonds weighing approximately 5.00 carats.

\$4,000-6,000

☐ 567 Gold and Diamond Ring

Of *bombé* form, the fluted gold band designed as a rope terminating in a pair of loops enclosing *pavé*-set diamond domes, the total diamond weight approximately 5.75 carats.

\$5,000-7,000

\square 568 Eighteen-Karat Gold and Colored Stone Chain Necklace and Bracelet

The necklace decorated with oval-shaped sapphire cabochons and emerald cabochons alternately arranged, surrounded by small round diamonds, spaced by segments of gold links, weighing approximately 190 dwts., *length 33 inches*; the matching bracelet similarly decorated with alternating sapphire and emerald cabochons encircled by diamonds, joined by heavy gold links, weighing 92 dwts., *length 8 inches*.

\$15,000-20,000



☐ 569 Suite of Eighteen-Karat Gold and Coin Jewelry, Bulgari, Italy

Comprising a necklace set with 6 antique coins within stylized octagonal frames of pink and white gold, joined by yellow gold curb link segments, weighing approximately 158 dwts., *length 15½ inches*; a pair of earclips, the 2 coins within circular frames of yellow, pink and white gold, and a ring set with a single coin within a gold collet, the shank formed of three-color gold curb links, the group set with a total of 9 coins depicting Filippo II of Aragon, Charles II of Naples and the Roman Emperor Docletianus.

\$15,000-20,000



☐ 570 Pair of Eighteen-Karat Gold and Diamond Earclips, Harry Winston

Designed as graduated chevron-shaped rows of round diamonds, topped by a pear-shaped diamond and suspending flexible pear-shaped diamond drops, the whole set with 62 round and 16 pear-shaped diamonds weighing approximately 13.50 carats. With fitted box stamped Harry Winston.

\$12,000-15,000

☐ 571 Eighteen-Karat Gold and Diamond Bracelet, F. Staal

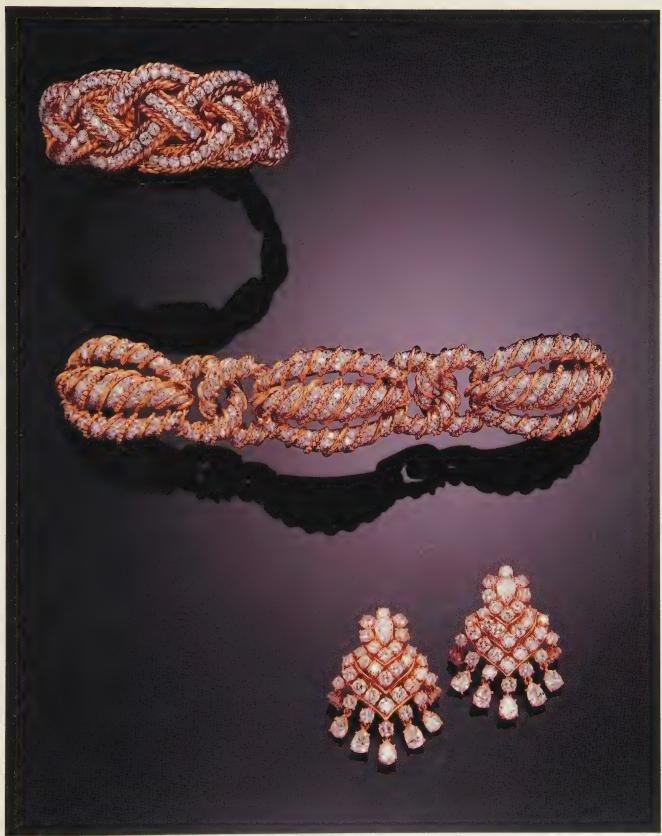
Composed of three large oval-shaped links joined by paired circular links, all of white gold with yellow gold ribs and beadwork decoration, set throughout with numerous round diamonds weighing approximately 13.00 carats, 2 diamonds missing, length 71/4 inches.

\$12,000-15,000

☐ 572 Eighteen-Karat Gold and Diamond Bracelet-Watch, Boucheron, Paris

The graduated strap of braided rope embellished with 102 round diamonds weighing approximately 9.00 carats, the center fitted with a cushion-shaped watch dial, movement by Boucheron, length 7 inches.

\$8,000-10,000



\square 573 Pair of Ivory and Turquoise Flower Earclips, Schlumberger, Tiffany & Co.

The carved ivory petals decorated with numerous small turquoise cabochons and polished gold dots, and finished by gold stamens centering 2 small diamonds, mounted in gold, one turquoise cabochon missing.

\$1,200-1,500

□ 574 Ruby and Diamond Berry Brooch, Schlumberger, Tiffany & Co., France

The pair of berries studded with round rubies, crowned by entwined leaves pavé-set with round diamonds, mounted in eighteen-karat gold and platinum. \$7,500–10,000

☐ 575 Fine Pair of Platinum, Gold and Diamond Swallow Earclips

The flying birds fashioned with wings of finely reeded gold and platinum bodies *pavé*-set throughout with numerous round diamonds, highlighted by 2 round ruby eyes collet-set in gold.

\$5,000-7,000

☐ 576 Fine Pair of Eighteen Karat Gold, Platinum and Diamond Pendant-Earrings, Schlumberger, Tiffany & Co., France

The detachable acorn-shaped pendants of openwork design decorated with alternating rows of round diamonds and smooth gold bands, suspended from stylized leaf-forms *pavé*-set with numerous round diamonds, mounted in eighteen karat gold and platinum.

\$12,000-15,000

Jean Schlumberger was born in 1907 in Alsace into a family of prosperous textile makers. Although he received no formal training in art, he sketched constantly as a child, and, in his early twenties, broke from his family and moved to Paris. His first experiment with jewelry making occurred when he purchased china flowers from the Paris Flea Market and mounted them as brooches for friends. Soon after he captured the attention of the couturière Elsa Schiaparelli who hired him to make costume jewelry and buttons. Commissions from other clients soon followed, and, by the 1930s, Schlumberger was making more costly jewels from precious and semi-precious stones. Throughout his life he was inspired by flowers, foliage and underwater motifs. In describing the design process, he once stated: "I try to make everything look as if it were growing, uneven, at random, organic, in motion." Schlumberger was also responsible for reviving the art of jewelry enamelling. In 1956, he became a Vice President of Tiffany & Co. and, in that same year, the company established the Schlumberger showroom which still exists today in the New York store. See Thomas Hoving, "Cellini, Fabergé and Me," Connoisseur, April, 1982, pp. 83–91.



☐ 577 Eighteen-Karat Gold, Platinum, Cultured Pearl and Diamond Necklace and Earclips, Buccellati

The necklace fashioned as a simple platinum collar of arc-shaped links supporting a tapering bib of stylized leaf-design links accented by rose-cut diamonds, surrounding a patterned arrangement of 12 cultured pearls measuring approximately 12.3 to 13.1 mm., *length 16 inches*, accompanied by a pair of matching cultured pearls and rose-cut diamond earclips and a second pair of leaf-form gold and rose-cut diamond earclips, *formerly links*. With fitted box stamped Buccellati.

\$20,000-25,000



Elegant Cultured Pearl and Diamond Necklace and Matching Bracelet by Harry Winston

☐ 578 Cultured Pearl and Diamond Necklace

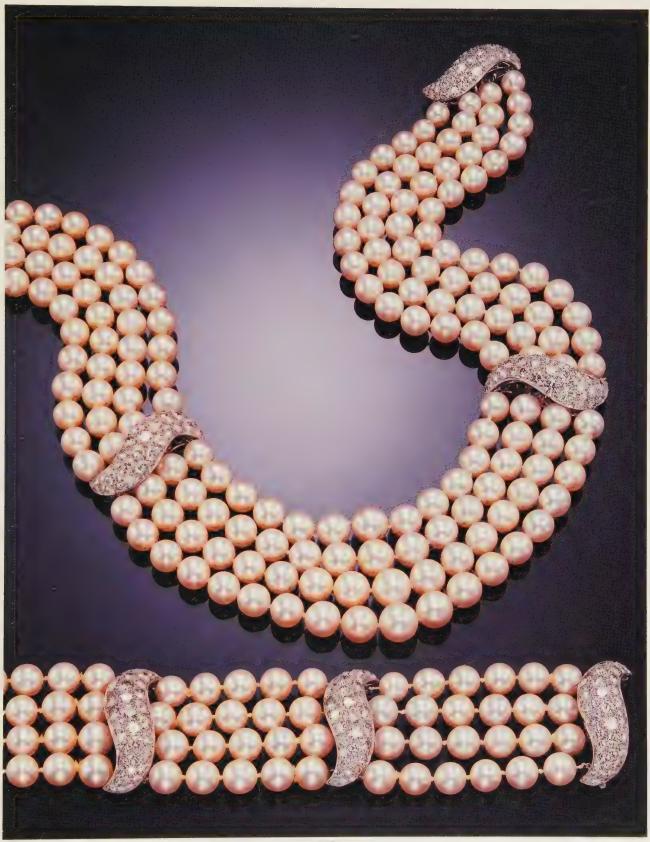
The four-strand collar composed of numerous cultured pearls measuring approximately 8.0 to 10.5 mm., embellished by a platinum clasp and two side spacers of stylized foliate motif *pavé*-set with 104 round diamonds weighing approximately 16.00 carats, *length 17 inches. En suite* with the following lot. With box stamped Harry Winston.

\$35,000-45,000

☐ 579 Cultured Pearl and Diamond Bracelet

Composed of numerous cultured pearls measuring approximately 8.3 to 8.7 mm., in four strands, anchored by a platinum clasp and two spacers of stylized foliate design *pavé*-set with 108 round diamonds weighing approximately 17.00 carats, *length* 7½ inches. En suite with the preceding lot.

\$15,000-20,000



☐ 580 Attractive Diamond Necklace

The scalloped collar formed of a row of baguette diamonds upholding a swag of round diamonds and a swag of square-cut and emerald-cut diamonds, interrupted at intervals by fringe motifs anchored by emerald-cut diamonds, the whole set with 14 emerald-cut diamonds weighing approximately 30.00 carats, and 6 smaller emerald-cut diamonds weighing approximately 5.00 carats, 24 round diamonds weighing approximately 15.00 carats, and 290 round and baguette diamonds weighing a total of approximately 60.00 carats, mounted in platinum, central motif missing, length approximately 16 inches.

\$150,000-200,000

☐ 581 **Diamond Clip**

The stylized bow of curved shape set with 29 round diamonds weighing approximately 18.00 carats and 108 baguette diamonds weighing approximately 18.00 carats, mounted in platinum.

\$40,000-50,000



☐ 582 Important Cultured Pearl and Diamond Necklace

The graduated single-strand composed of 31 cultured pearls measuring approximately 11.3 to 15.0 mm., completed by a simple clasp of platinum set with 1 square emerald-cut diamond weighing 19.52 carats, *length 18 inches*. \$200,000–250,000

☐ 583 Very Fine Cultured Pearl and Diamond Dome Ring

Centering a cultured button pearl measuring approximately 15.5 mm., encircled by round diamonds and further decorated with additional round diamonds in small petal motifs, the total diamond weight approximately 8.00 carats, mounted in platinum, *1 diamond missing*.

\$8,000-10,000





Original sketch of necklace, lot 584, by Oscar Heyman & Bros., Inc.

☐ 584 Exquisite Ruby and Diamond Necklace

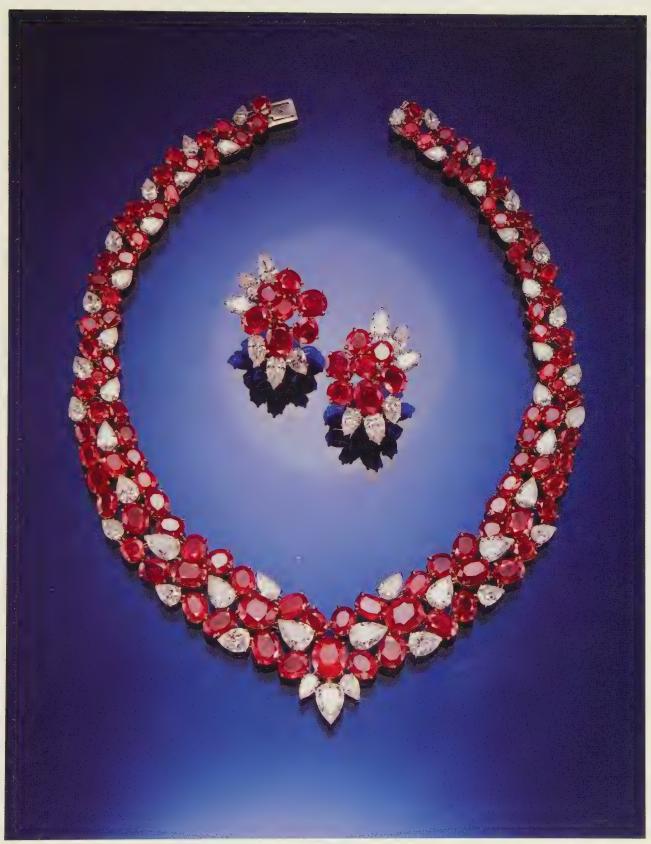
The totally flexible, graduated necklace set with clusters of rubies and diamonds, the center with 1 cushion-shaped ruby of approximately 5.50 carats, further set with 2 cushion-shaped rubies weighing approximately 9.00 carats, 4 cushion-shaped rubies weighing approximately 10.00 carats and 96 cushion-shaped rubies weighing approximately 106.00 carats, further decorated with 3 pear-shaped diamonds weighing approximately 8.00 carats and 37 pear-shaped diamonds weighing approximately 8.00 carats and 37 pear-shaped diamonds weighing approximately 19.00 carats, mounted in platinum and eighteen-karat gold, *length 16 inches. Made by Oscar Heyman & Bros., Inc. #108340. En suite* with lot 586.

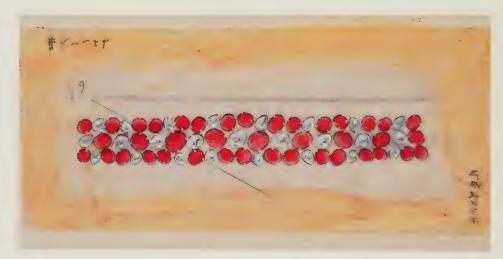
\$350,000-400,000

☐ 585 Important Pair of Ruby and Diamond Earclips, Harry Winston

The clusters set with 14 cushion-shaped rubies weighing approximately 28.00 carats, bordered by 12 pear-shaped diamonds weighing approximately 7.00 carats, mounted in platinum and eighteen-karat gold.

\$125,000-175,000





Original sketch of bracelet, lot 586, by Oscar Heyman & Bros., Inc.

☐ 586 Exquisite Ruby and Diamond Bracelet

The wide, totally flexible bracelet formed of clusters of rubies and diamonds, set totally with 10 cushion-shaped rubies weighing approximately 28.00 carats, 32 cushion-shaped rubies weighing approximately 60.00 carats as well as with 10 pear-shaped diamonds weighing approximately 12.00 carats and 18 pear-shaped diamonds weighing approximately 10.00 carats, mounted in platinum and eighteen-karat gold, length 6¾ inches. Made by Oscar Heyman & Bros., Inc. #82244. En suite with lot 584.

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The President Vargas No. 4

The most spectacular find since the discovery of the Brazilian diamond fields in 1725 was the President Vargas diamond, at 726.60 carats one of the largest rough diamonds in the world. The President Vargas was unearthed by two diggers on August 13, 1938 from the San Antonio river in Minas Gerais and named in honor of Getulio Dornelles Vargas, President of Brazil.

According to Ian Balfour, the gem historian, the President Vargas was first sold to a diamond broker for \$56,000. He then took the stone to the provincial capital, Belo Horizonte, and sold it for £235,000 to a dealer who turned it over to a Dutch syndicate for transfer to Europe.

As soon as Harry Winston heard about this discovery, he flew to Brazil, but the stone was already on its way to Europe. Winston then sailed to Antwerp, arriving in advance of the stone, and negotiated successfully for the diamond. He then insured the President Vargas for \$750,000 and mailed it to New York at a cost of 70 cents.

The President Vargas was not cut until 1941, after many months of study by Harry Winston and his chief diamond cutter. The pressure was so great on the cutter that after he made the first cleave of the stone, "he passed out cold."

The President Vargas rough yielded 29 stones, the largest of which was a 48.26 carat emerald cut. The other major stones cut from the President Vargas were sold to wealthy Americans, Europeans and an Indian Maharaja. The present diamond, the President Vargas No. 4, was sold to Lydia Morrison in 1945. Accompanying this diamond is a certificate signed by Harry Winston attesting to the provenance.

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☐ 587 The President Vargas Diamond No. 4, Harry Winston

The emerald-cut diamond weighing 28.03 carats, flanked by 2 fancy-shaped diamonds, within a simple platinum mounting.

Accompanied by G.I.A. report #5233332 stating that the diamond is H color, VS_1 clarity; together with original working diagram stating that the stone may be potentially flawless.

This lot is also accompanied by an illuminated certificate of authenticity, signed by Harry Winston and Lydia Morrison (then Lydia Buhl).

\$500,000-600,000

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