



SAME ALEXANDRITE SHOWN IN DIFFERENT LIGHTING;  
*Courtesy of Omi Privé*

HANDCRAFTED ALEXANDRITE AND DIAMOND  
RING SET IN 18K WHITE GOLD;  
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# Split Personality Sizzler

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Let's say you love several colors of exotic gemstones, and can't settle on just one? You're in good company. And this is your lucky day. We've got a special jewel for you to consider this month, and it has quite a pedigree.

## ROYAL PROVENCE

Some particularly rare jewels possess an unusual ability to change color in different light sources. Natural daylight reveals one color on the stone. Move into incandescent lighting and let the show begin. The stone transforms into a completely different color. The mystifying process is infinitely repeatable. These types of gemstones are categorized as *phenomenal*, and we can't think of a better descriptor for a stone with a split personality.

One of the most coveted phenomenal gemstones is Alexandrite. A member of the chrysoberyl mineral group, this

variety is so spectacular it deserved a regal title. The stone's name pays homage to 19th century Russian Czar Alexander II. Legend claims it was discovered on his birthday in 1834 in the Ural Mountains of Russia.

## WITHIN REACH

Today, sophisticated collectors are drawn to this precious stone for its ability to produce different colors on the same piece of jewelry. Every Alexandrite is a rare occurrence, and larger carat sizes add to its desirability. Omi Privé is celebrated for creating jewelry featuring awe inspiring gemstones.

Naples area collectors prefer designers who offer creations that are both splendid and original. Many special jewels make their way to Naples based Jeffrey Zanger Private Jeweler who can provide a private viewing of Omi Privé Alexandrite or other rare treasures upon request with notice.

It's a woman's prerogative to change her mind about her favorite color of gem. In the case of Alexandrite, she can choose two...on the same spectacular piece. 🍷