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**Subject: Loose Bead OFFER 31 MAY 2012**

Hi Folk

Today for the first time we have actually strung some loose rondel beads, one lot of freeform beads and pictured them from the side. Many of them have had pictures when they were on the flat as well.

Just a suggestion with the Mintubi White Base Red & Green beads 6.5mm rondels \$232.50, there are some black rondels that are next to nothing in price and there is one packet there for 49cts \$98, you could put those black rondels in between the white base. The white base is very good with reds and greens, the black and the white would make a great contrast.

The \$49.95 large black and white rondels 8-11mm is not only good value but they show you also what can be done.

Heather's favourite is probably the \$500 Mintubi packet, she has some round gem beads from the same parcel as this one.

If you would be interested in some other freeforms other than the \$55.30 packet that we have here let us know and we can make some of those up as well.

Take a look at the 15cts of whites, blacks and blues for only \$37.50, that'll give you an idea of what the blacks next to the whites will look like.

For those of you who understand Boulder and in particular Boulder Opal will know that there are very few beads made from Boulder opal, again because of the yield. 85% of the Boulder is thrown away and only 15% retained. Many times there is just a thin veneer of opal on Boulder and if one cuts beads that thin veneer can often vanish and you end up with only ironstone. The \$300 Boulder gem bead is not such an example of a thin veneer, this had quite a thick bar of opal running through it, that is why we have such a unique bead.

The 16mm Boulder bead for \$54.68 is a beauty, there are 4 or 5 places there where the opal is showing through very small pieces throughout the ironstone, we hoped that by cutting a bead these would show. We had a big win on that occasion. I can recommend that bead to you.

The same with the pair of Boulder opal earrings for only \$89, we don't really know what's inside but we did capture some opal on the outside.

The nine Boulder Matrix beads between 15-17mm don't have a lot of colour, they are much lighter than regular Boulder opal. If you wet them and look at them closely the person across the other side of the room would be able to see your Boulder opals carry a lot of colour but you'll know and so will your loved one that

gets close to you, they will see the lovely colours in these beads. Nine stones for only \$120 is a ridiculously low price, it makes these large beads less than \$14 each. You could mix and match these with other beads and make a very interesting necklace.

We have also included some gorgeous carved opal frogs and horse heads, don't miss these, they are always very popular.

Regards

Murray

1. \$15 each \$285 IMG\_8568 Boulder Beads (19) 15-17mm round
2. \$30 IMG\_3195.JPG Boulder 10mm round loose bead 5.42cts
3. \$40 IMG\_2948 Boulder Opals pair 10mm round Dash of Colour \$20 each
4. \$46.17 IMG\_0786 Boulder Beads Loose 8mm round \$1/ct 46.17cts
5. \$54.68 Boulder Bead 16mm 27.34 carats \$2/ct
6. \$70 IMG\_6665 Boulder Opals 6.5-11mm round \$3/ct 23.35cts - 7 remaining (one 10mm round sold)
7. \$87 pair IMG\_7971 Boulder earrings 17mm round 71.5cts
8. \$89 pair IMG\_7966 Boulder earrings 14.5mm round 40.3cts
9. \$120 IMG\_1270 Boulder Opal Matrix beads (9) 15-17mm round 162cts
10. \$300 IMG\_2862 Boulder Opal Gem Bead 10mm round 6.37cts
11. \$37.50 IMG\_5599 Rondel loose beads 4-6mm \$2.50/ct 15cts
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