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**Subject:** **Rough Opal OFFER 8 Oct 2012**

Today we have quite a range of opals for you to look at, material from as little as \$75/oz for some Dark Base Lambina which is great value for money. If you get a bit of colour on that dark base you don't need many stones to get your \$101 back, up to \$1,750/oz for some beautiful Dead Horse Gully material. The pictures are pretty good but nowhere near as bright as the opal. Our eyes are much better than cameras. There are greens, golds, blues, you can see from the picture of the stone as Heather took it, it takes up nearly half the palm of her hand. This will cut some beautiful solids but if you are a carver this stone is for you, it has one big huge surface area and is a stone that will genuinely thrill you.

The Andamooka Quartz pen holder for only \$268 is a big favourite of mine. That is #26 & 27, it has colour on all sides and it really has to be in your hand to fully appreciate it. It is a wonderful item to have on your desk even if you didn't keep your pen in it, you'd pick it up and use it as a fiddle stone. One side has a couple of opals with brilliant golds turning to red and back to green as you roll it around. The stone is about 1.5" long and .75" deep, there is so much colour here for so little money.

There is a Mintubi on Sandstone gem bars for \$180 IMG\_7694 #20, it weighs 4.5oz with colour right through the stone. You could grind the top off and flatten it off to see exactly what you are getting, there will be many many stones in there, there won't just be the one big piece, many of the stones could be cut or you may just take the sandstone off and have a piece approximately 3" x 2" with a wonderful base of reds and greens. That's a beauty.

#9 & 10 the Andamooka Natural Honey Matrix 1.1oz for only \$92 is a bargain but I don't think it will last long.

The Mintubi Plate #34 & 35 IMG\_7765 1.47oz shaped like an isosceles triangle, there's a bar running along the top of that stone, if you grind down on that bar you are going to get one of the best opals you have ever seen. The bar isn't thick, you will have to be careful. Under it is what we call 'water bar', we really should cut this stone into beads. I see at the bottom of this stone there's another very solid bar running through so you could have a double sided stone, you can have one hell of an enjoyable time grinding down on both colour bars and ending up with something absolutely exquisite for the small money of \$1,323.

Now I could sit here and go through all these opals but I have orders to do and have to run - enough I have work to do.

Just because I haven't mentioned a stone please don't ignore it. The Lightning Ridge Crystal 38.88cts for \$425 is also a bargain. It may be an opalised shell.

Murray

1. \$28.24 IMG\_7739 Mintubi \$80/oz 39mm x 21mm x 7mm .353oz
2. \$62.40 IMG\_1015 Mintubi \$160/oz .39oz
3. \$70 IMG\_7432 Lightning Ridge Black 64.95cts
- 4-5. \$85 IMG\_6989 Andamooka Matrix 57mm x 25mm \$1/ct a ridiculously inexpensive price 85.5cts
6. \$85 IMG\_0045 Lightning Ridge Crystal Greens some Orange 13.14cts
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11. \$101 IMG\_6471 Lambina Dark Base \$75/oz 1.35oz
12. \$110 IMG\_9815 Lightning Ridge Nobbie 88.95cts
13. \$115 IMG\_7746 Mintubi \$350/oz .33oz
14. \$125 IMG\_7658 Lightning Ridge Black Opal .6oz
15. \$125 IMG\_4478 Mintubi in Sandstone 2 gem bars 1.46oz
16. \$135 IMG\_3864 Lightning Ridge Black deep Blues on Black 39.3cts
17. \$135 IMG\_1516 Lightning Ridge Black Nobbie 25cts
18. \$157 IMG\_6464 Lambina Semi Black \$1,250/oz .126oz
19. \$175 IMG\_3338 Lightning Ridge faced Nobbie 23mm x 12mm 12.65 grams
20. \$180 IMG\_7694 Mintubi on Sandstone Gem Bars 4.5oz
21. \$195 IMG\_3726 Coober Pedy full shell 15.14cts drilled at top
22. \$247.50 IMG\_6478 Lambina Greens \$150/oz 1.65oz
23. \$250 IMG\_6451 Lambina Dark Base Gem Red Bar & Greens .0896oz
- 24-25. \$260 IMG\_8424 Andamooka Red & Green Jelly 45mm x 40mm x 20mm thick - a very beautiful stone 2oz
26. \$268 IMG\_8468 Andamooka Quartz pen holder 200cts (pen not included)
28. \$287 IMG\_6468 Lambina Mixed Special \$400/oz .719oz
29. \$425 IMG\_7701 Lightning Ridge Crystal maybe a shell 38.88cts
30. \$675 IMG\_7706 Honey Matrix 5.15oz
31. \$675 IMG\_9103 Coober Pedy Shell perfect with full colour double sided 53.2cts
- 32-33. \$857 IMG\_6892 Dead Horse Gully Dark Base \$1,750/oz .49oz
- 34-35. \$1,323 IMG\_7765 Mintubi Plate \$900/oz 1.47oz Isosceles triangle 60mm x 60mm sides, base 50mm - 11mm thick
- 36-37. \$2,537 IMG\_6910 Dead Horse Gully Dark Base \$1,750/oz 1.45oz



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35. \$1,323 IMG\_7772 Mintubi Plate \$900/oz 1.47oz Isosceles triangle  
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36. \$2,537 IMG\_6910 Dead Horse Gully Dark Base \$1,750/oz 1.45oz



37. \$2,537 IMG\_6912 Dead Horse Gully Dark Base \$1,750/oz 1.45oz

Kind regards

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