

Topaz Spirits

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Happy very late fall! I'm sorry that this newsletter has been so long in coming ... there's almost no fall left to make the season!

This newsletter will discuss Melody Stones, the mystical, mysterious heavily included quartz first named "Super Seven" by Melody (who filed a trademark on Super Seven). The miners who first showed it to Melody named it Melody Stone in her honor and the name has stuck.

Melody Stone was first discovered in Espiritu Santo, Brazil and is a combination of smoky quartz, white quartz, amethyst, cacoxinite, lepidocrosite, rutile and goethite. Although it's uncommon to have all of the seven in a single piece, the energy is imparted, none-the-less. Further cacoxinite is sometimes crystalline (little fan-like splays of crystals) and other times, a golden blush. Occasionally, there will be other inclusions for Melody Stone which has become fenstered (fenster is German for window and literally, these are crystals with "windows" formed along the crystal lattice from Earth forces). Sometimes you will find enhydros and some Melody Stone has coatings of hematite and occasionally goethite.

The original mine that produced the Melody Stone is now beneath a lake,

however, many other mines in Espiritu Santo are discovering Melody Stone. And indeed, like the ajoite in quartz that was brought to prominence when discovered in relative abundance (as compared to Ajo, Arizona) in Messina, South Africa, Melody Stone is appearing in other locations. Some of the Karur quartz is indeed Melody Stone with all of the inclusions, however the prevalent color is amethyst, whereas smoky is prevalent in the Brazilian material. The energies are shifted somewhat, but are basically similar. Among the new material are larger pieces, celestial terminations, scepters, tabbies and wands. These bring Melody Stones into whole new energy expressions, greatly expanding their role in the crystalline community.

Melody Stone has been compared to St. Elmo's Fire and at first when I saw that written, I had to confess to being a bit taken aback. After all, St. Elmo's Fire is an atmospheric effect seen during thunderstorms where electricity gathers around tall metal structures and sets up an eerie blue-violet glow. It's seen most often with tall ship masts and airplane wings. That being said, I thought a bit and yes, indeed, this is similar. The various inclusions are highly charged and they do seem to gather the energy in a most efficient manner. Further, you'll notice that most Melody Stones are streaked or zoned ... visual testimony

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to the fact that these energies continue to work within the stone, coupled with your own. It is truly high-intensity and extremely clearing.

Many also have praised the Melody Stone in enhancing psychic ability ... me among them. When energy is moved to this degree, blockages are scrubbed out and the things that used to hold you back no longer have an effect. And count among those blockages self-doubt, insecurity, fear, reluctance and a host of others. We are all born with psychic abilities but because of the popular belief system, many of us leave those abilities behind. Others are afraid to use them or don't like the "infringement" they feel from seeing what they see. It does carry responsibility as when the channels are open, the revelations come to those who can best make a difference. It really is a whole new way of experiencing the world as you will "see" colors never seen, "hear" sounds never heard and sense vibrations never felt before.

Some may find the Melody Stone too intense, particularly at first. This is a crystal that loves to be efficient, so if you are experiencing too much intensity, ask the crystal to step it down until you feel comfortable and then upwardly adjust the energy after you

and the crystal become used to each other's frequencies.

Many people like to wire-wrap small Melody Stones and you'll find them dynamos of protection as well. Silver wire works best ... or even wrapping in black velvet or leather and putting in a medicine pouch. I like to include some sage in the medicine pouch just because it seems to mellow the energy out and make it easier to wear constantly.

As always, if you have questions, please email me. And in the meantime, have the best of Holidays, a delightful Solstice and the best New Year ahead!

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