



Newsletter Fall 2005

Welcome to fall! This is always my favorite time of year, what with the fall colors, fall fragrances on the air and of course, the harvest! Orion is brilliant in the morning sky and that chill on the air is invigorating, although the cats don't like it unless there is a fire involved ...

### **Arkansas Quartz**

In any case, this newsletter, I'd like to talk a bit about Arkansas quartz. With all the sublime Russian material, the fantastic Orange River quartz, the Tibetans, the Lemurians, and so on ... it seems like the Arkansas quartz falls to the bottom of the heap. It's "common" – everyone wants something new and different. Well, here's the big news – Arkansas quartz is *very different* than most of other the quartz around the world.

First, let's address the issue of commonness – well, that's a bit on the true side. The veins in Arkansas are the largest and most collectable of any in the US and therefore, the quartz is abundant. But, that's where the "common" label stops. Most of the world quartz was formed as a result of volcanic action. High temperature and high pressure water carried the melted silica into the rock crevices, together with the hodge-podge of other minerals, likewise melted into the silica. This is how you get hematite, hedenburgite, etc. included in the quartz.

Things happened differently in Arkansas. As the Ouachita Mountains rose, they trapped seawater which then became

heated to high temperatures. The quartz that was subsequently formed was during the closing stages of the mountain building, and as such, is among the purest in the world.

All quartz is piezoelectric, a physical phenomenon that means it is capable of conducting electricity under pressure. Because of the purity of the Arkansas quartz, its piezoelectric capabilities were more pronounced and predictable and thus, Arkansas quartz was highly desirable for computer chips and the like. Advancement in chip technology has largely eliminated quartz for this use and has saved many crystalline Spirits as a result.

Now, from an energetic point of view, what you have in Arkansas quartz is one that is unsurpassed for general use in amplifying, transforming, transferring and focusing energy. **Unsurpassed.** Every quartz configuration can be found in Arkansas: Dow, channeler, Isis, tabby, faden, scepter, etc. If you are a healer, having a good collection of Arkansas quartz is like having a good set of basic tools – you can pretty much handle 95% of the jobs with those and add specialty crystals for "fine adjustment". When I did crystal healing in NM, I had a group of little double terminates I used between Chakras as well as a palm-sized DT and a Dow, all Arkansas, as the ones I used *all* the time. These are all still with me and I use them in grids, along with many other stones and crystals, but these to set the stage and make a predictable energy environment from which to build.



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And I admit it, I am a quartz junkie and I have a long-standing love-affair with Arkansas quartz – the moonlight elastics, the magnificent ultra clear Dows, the “energy antenna” burrs, the wondrous DTs and everything in between! Plus, in Arkansas, you can still go to the mines and dig for yourself – not many places in the world allow that!

*And, if you're in Arkansas wanting to dig and don't know where to go, look up Becky and Randy at the Sweet Surrender Mine in Mt. Ida! They are the dear friends and have the most wonderful crystalline Spirits to offer! Visit them on the web at [www.sweetsurrendercrystals.com/](http://www.sweetsurrendercrystals.com/)*

*Note: for additional information on geology and Arkansas quartz, visit [www.rockhoundingar.com](http://www.rockhoundingar.com).*

### **The Holiday Season**

It seems that we barely get into fall and discover that the holidays are upon us. Don't forget to think about Arkansas quartz as a wonderful holiday gift for the crystal lover! And check Topaz Spirits regularly as we will be posting a lot of new additions, Orgone (chi) generators (new stock coming soon) and other great gift ideas!

Remember too that from now until the end of the year, any purchase over \$100 (including international) gets up to \$10 off shipping!

In the meantime, thank you all for making this such a wonderful eBay experience – it has been such a

wonderful thing to get to know you all and share your crystalline experiences –

Many thanks, lots of blessings and tons of hugs ...

*Jan*