

Birthstones

January - Garnet

**The Garnet signifies
Constancy**



February - Amethyst

**The Amethyst signifies
Sincerity**



March - Aquamarine

**The Aquamarine signifies
Courage**



April - Diamond

**The Diamond signifies
innocence**



May - Emerald

**The Emerald signifies
Love and Success**



June - Pearl

**The Pearl signifies
Health**



July - Ruby

**The Ruby signifies
Contentment**



August - Peridot

**The Peridot signifies
Married Happiness**



September - Sapphire

**The Sapphire signifies
Clear Thinking**



October - Opal

**The Opal signifies
Hope**



November - Topaz

**The Topaz signifies
Fidelity**



December - Zircon

**The Zircon signifies
Prosperity**



Why Silver Tarnishes, and How to Protect it

Unlike gold or platinum, sterling silver can react to particles in the air – sulfur in particular – and develop a black tarnish. This micro-thin coating is the result of oxidation. To prevent tarnishing, silver can be coated with a thin layer of rhodium – a shiny member of the platinum family. (Even when tarnished, silver does not deteriorate like iron-based metals or copper, thankfully.) When tarnish sets in, it can be easily removed with silver polish or a silver cleaning cloth. Wearing your silver jewelry constantly won't tarnish it. It is also helpful to remember that silver is a soft metal, so it needs to be stored separately from your other jewelry.