

CHRISTIE'S

Magnificent Jewels & The Archduke Joseph Diamond

Geneva, 13 November 2012, Sale #1393

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

292 lots sold		Total: SFr.80,615,930 / \$85,049,810 / €66,911,221		84% sold by lot
348 lots offered		SFr.1=\$1.055 / SFr.1=€0.83		86% sold by value
Lot	Description	Estimate (SFr.)	Price Realized	Buyer
350	THE ARCHDUKE JOSEPH DIAMOND	On Request	SFr. 20,355,000	Anonymous
	A cushion-shaped D colour internally flawless Golconda diamond of 76.02 cts \$280,000 per ct		\$21,474,525	
	WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR A COLOURLESS DIAMOND		€16,894,650	
	WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR A COLOURLESS GOLCONDA DIAMOND WORLD AUCTION RECORD PRICE PER CARAT FOR A COLOUR-LESS DIAMOND			
233	A shield-shaped fancy intense blue SI1 diamond brooch of 3.33 cts, by Wartski \$740,000 per ct	950,000-1,400,000	SFr. 2,339,000 \$2,467,645 €1,941,370	European Trade
259	A brilliant cut G VVS1 diamond of 25.28 cts \$83,400 per ct	2,100,000-2,400,000	SFr. 2,000,440 \$2,110,468 €1,660,365	Asian Trade
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236	A pair of cushion-shaped Burmese ruby ear pendants of 7.94 and 7.22 cts by BVLGARI \$139,000 per ct	290,000-480,000	SFr. 2,003,000 \$2,113,165 €1,662,490	US Trade
323	A cushion-shaped Kashmir sapphire of 30.07 carats \$61,000 per ct	1,450,000-1,900,000	SFr. 1,763,000 \$1,859,965 €1,463,290	European Private
349	An octagonal-cut Ceylon sapphire brooch of 60.44 cts \$26,000 per ct WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR A CEYLON SAPPHIRE	360,000-480,000	SFr. 1,763,000 \$1,859,965 €1,463,290	UK Trade
342	A pear-shaped D colour VVS2 diamond of 21.85 cts \$79,700 per ct	1,200,000-1,800,000	SFr. 1,651,000 \$1,741,805 €1,370,330	US Private
215	A brilliant-cut D colour VVS1 diamond ring of 12.62 cts by Van Cleef & Arpels \$130,000 per ct	1,200,000-1,900,000	SFr. 1,555,000 \$1,640,525 €1,290,650	Asian Private
231	An antique single-strand natural pearl and diamond necklace	420,000-540,000	SFr. 1,419,000 \$1,497,045 €1,177,770	European Trade

Rahul Kadakia, Head of Jewellery, Christie's Switzerland and the Americas:

"On November 13 the legendary 'Archduke Joseph Diamond' sold for US\$21,474,525 / SFr.20,355,000 (US\$280,000 per carat) at Christie's Geneva, setting a new world record for a colourless diamond at auction. Undoubtedly one of the rarest and most famous diamonds in the world, this magnificent gem combines an impressive size of 76 carats, perfect colour, and internally flawless clarity. Originating from the ancient Golconda mines in India, it was previously owned by the Archduke Joseph August of Austria (1872-1962). It was first sold at auction at Christie's Geneva in 1993 for \$6.5 million (\$10.1 million in today's money), which represents a 113% increase over a 19 year period".

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