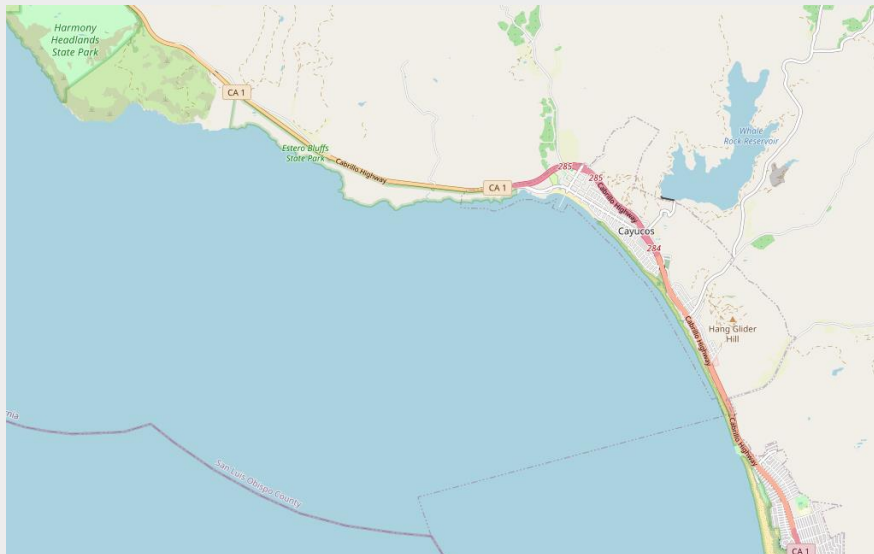


Cayucos Beach, Cayucos, San Luis Obispo County, Kalifornien / California



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Im Bereich der weitläufigen Pazifikbucht nahe des Ortes Cayucos, etwa auf halbem Weg zwischen Los Angeles und San Francisco gelegen, finden sich sehr interessante Jaspise und Jaspachate. Die Besonderheit der in der so genannten Franciscan Formation vorkommenden, teilweise beachtlich großen Jaspisblöcke liegt in Ihren scharfkantigen Breccienstrukturen. Bei den schönsten Varietäten „schwimmen“ orangefarbene, braune, gelbe und weiße scharfkantige Jaspisbreccien in einem blauweißen Verkittungsmaterial aus Chalcedon. Mitunter zeigen sich zwischen den Jaspispartien auch schöne Bandachatstrukturen. Das lebhaft gezeichnete Jaspismaterial kommt nahezu im gesamten Farbenspektrum vor. Obwohl es sich bei dem vorwiegend zu Cabochons verarbeiteten Material um einen der schönsten amerikanischen Jaspise handelt, ist es in Sammlerkreisen nur wenig bekannt und auch kaum auf dem Markt erhältlich.

Very interesting jasper and jasp-agate can be found in the area of the extensive Pacific bay near the town of Cayucos, about halfway between Los Angeles and San Francisco. The special feature of the jasper boulders found in the so-called Franciscan Formation, some of which are considerably large, lies in their sharp-edged breccia structures. In the most beautiful varieties, orange, brown, yellow and white sharp-edged jasper breccias “swim” in a blue-white chalcedony cementation material. Sometimes beautiful banded agate structures can also be seen between the jasper sections.

The vividly marked jasper material occurs in almost the entire color spectrum. Although this material, which is predominantly worked into cabochons, is one of the most beautiful American jaspers, it is little known among collectors and is hardly available on the market.



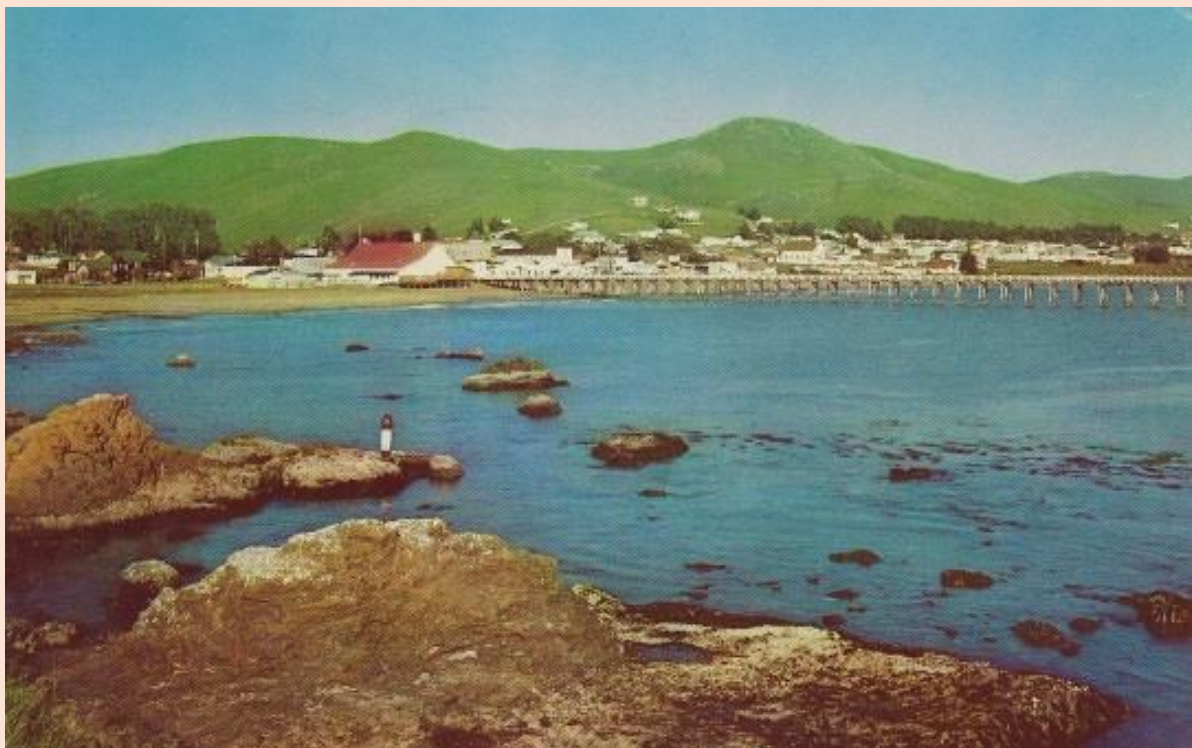
Cayucos Beach. Hans Gamma photo.



Gesteine der Franciscan Formation in der Cayucos-Bucht. / Outcrops of the Franciscan Formation, Cayucos Beach. Hans Gamma photo.



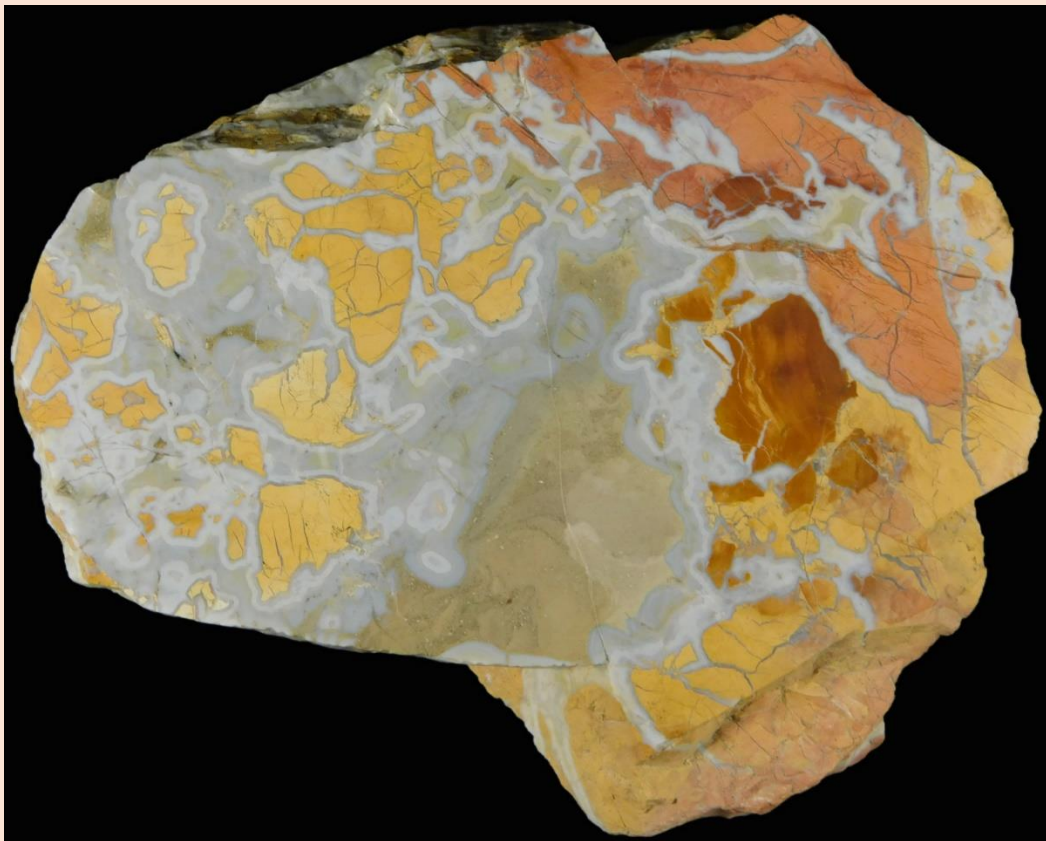
**Pazifikwasser umspült einen großen Jaspisblock /
Pacific water washes around a big jasper boulder. Hans Gamma photo.**



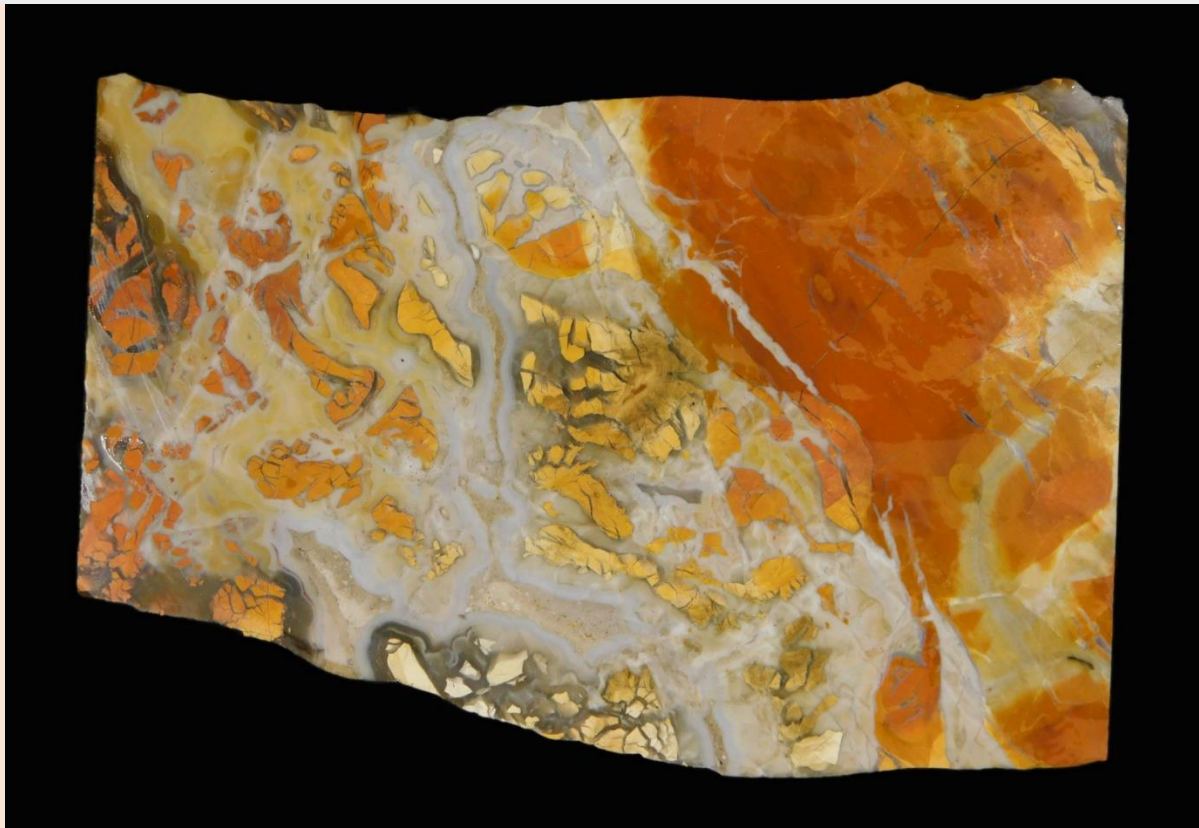
**Historische Postkarte der Stadt Cayucos / Historical postcard of the town of Cayucos.
Johann Zenz archive.**



Breccienjaspis von Cayucos. 5.5 cm. Hans Gamma collection & photo.



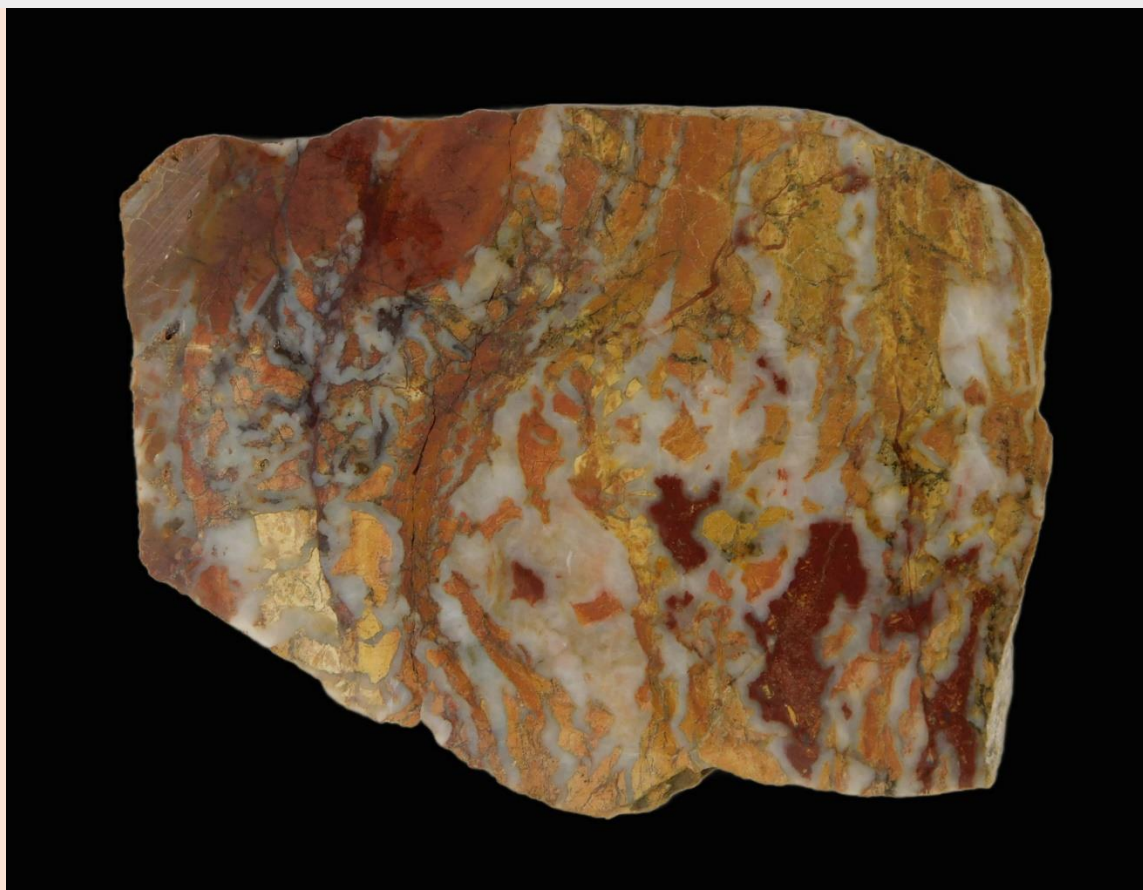
Mehrfarbiger Breccienjaspis von Cayucos. 11.5 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



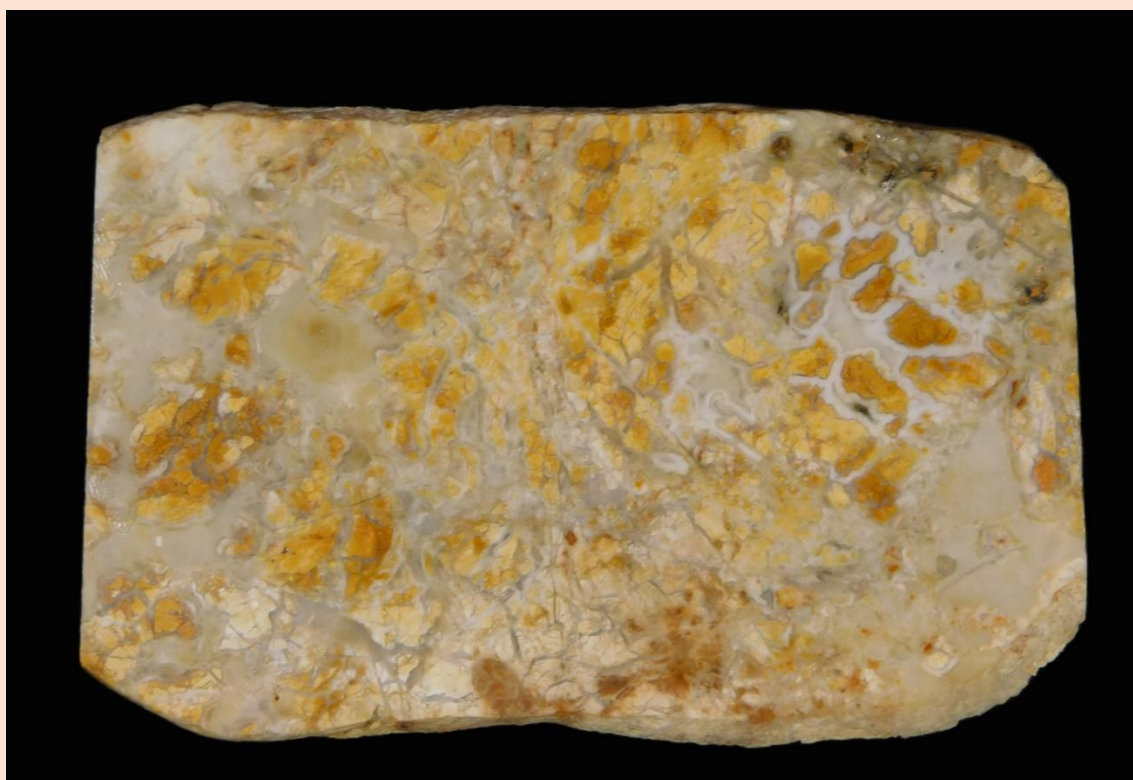
10.5 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



11 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



9 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



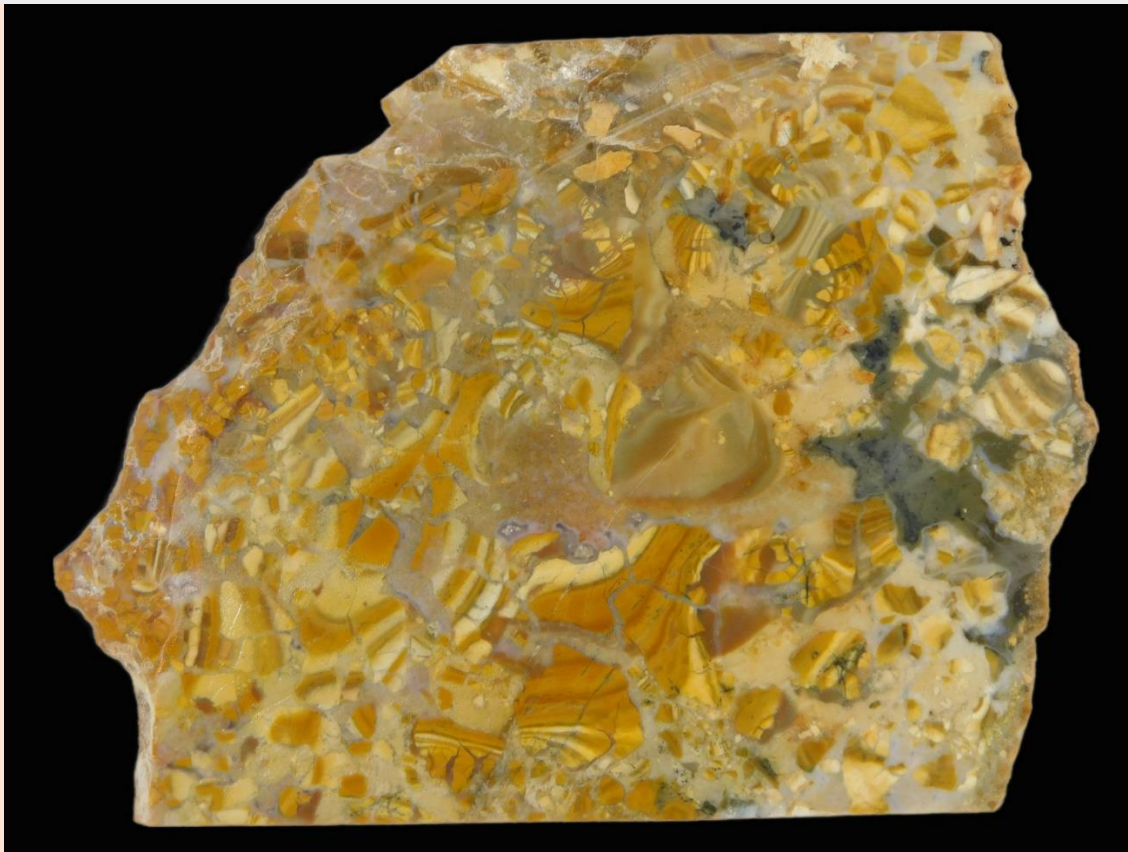
8.5 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



Gangachate im Jaspis / Vein agates in jasper. 21 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



17 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



12.5 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



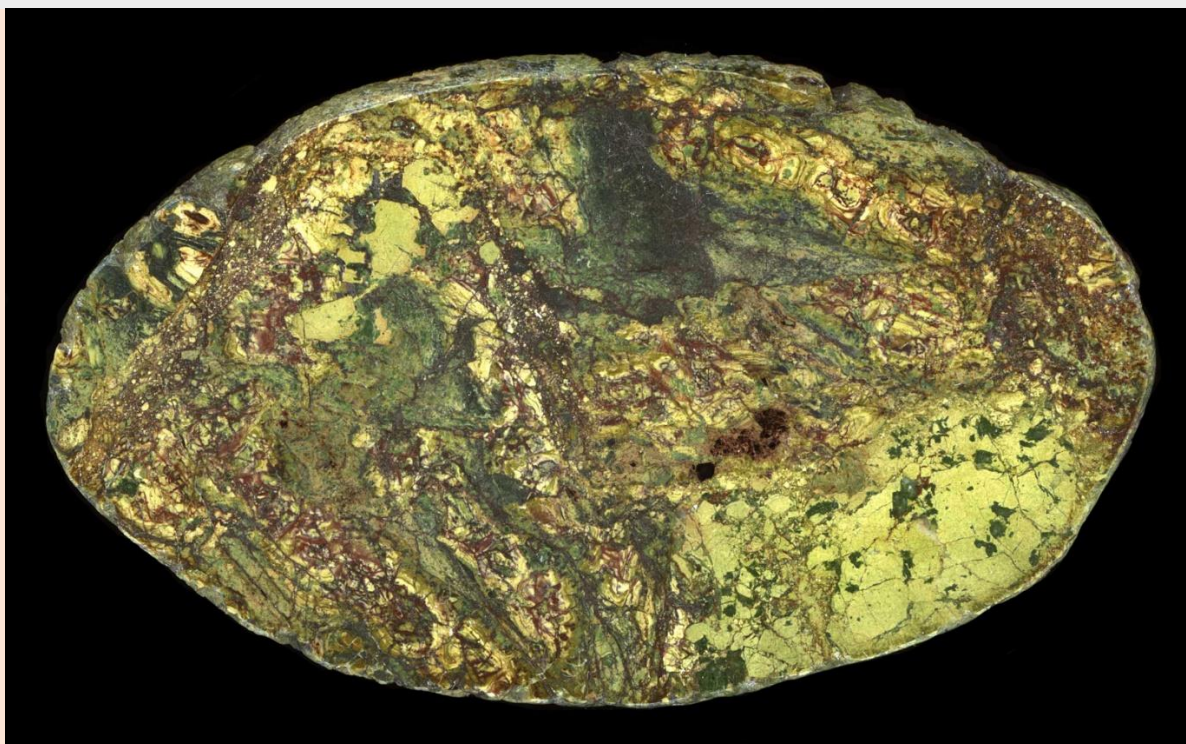
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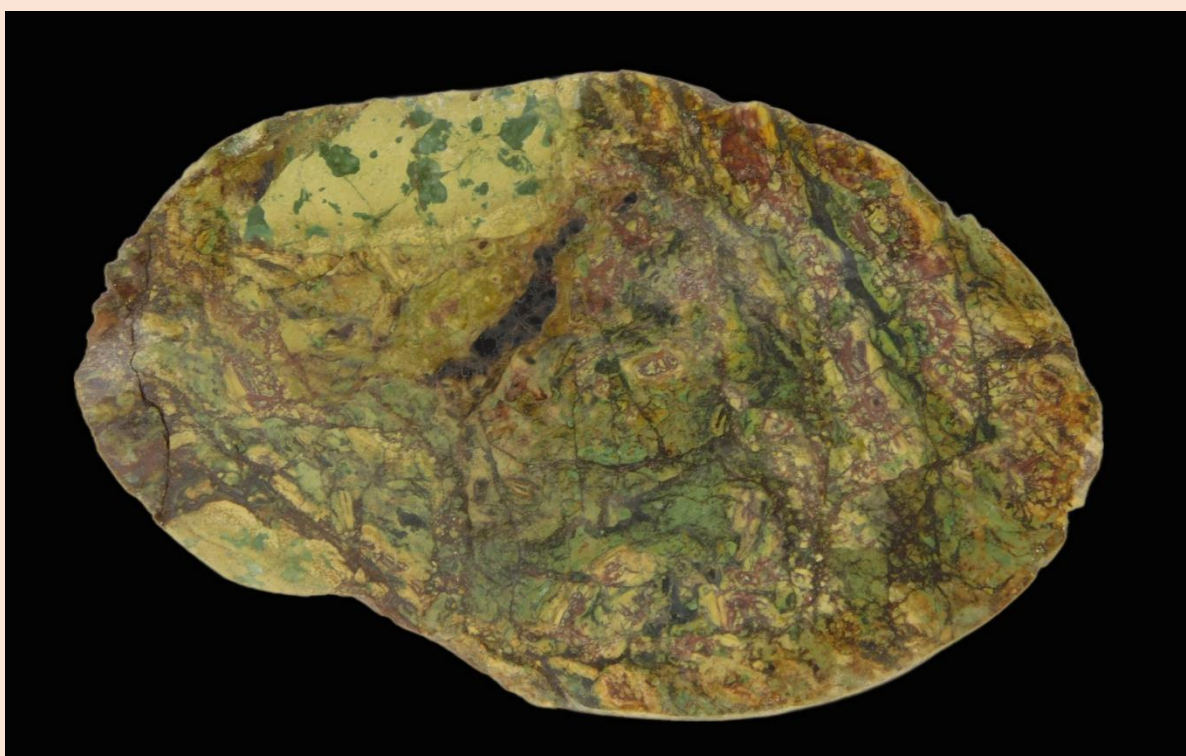
9 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



6.5 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



8 cm. Hans Gamma collection & photo.



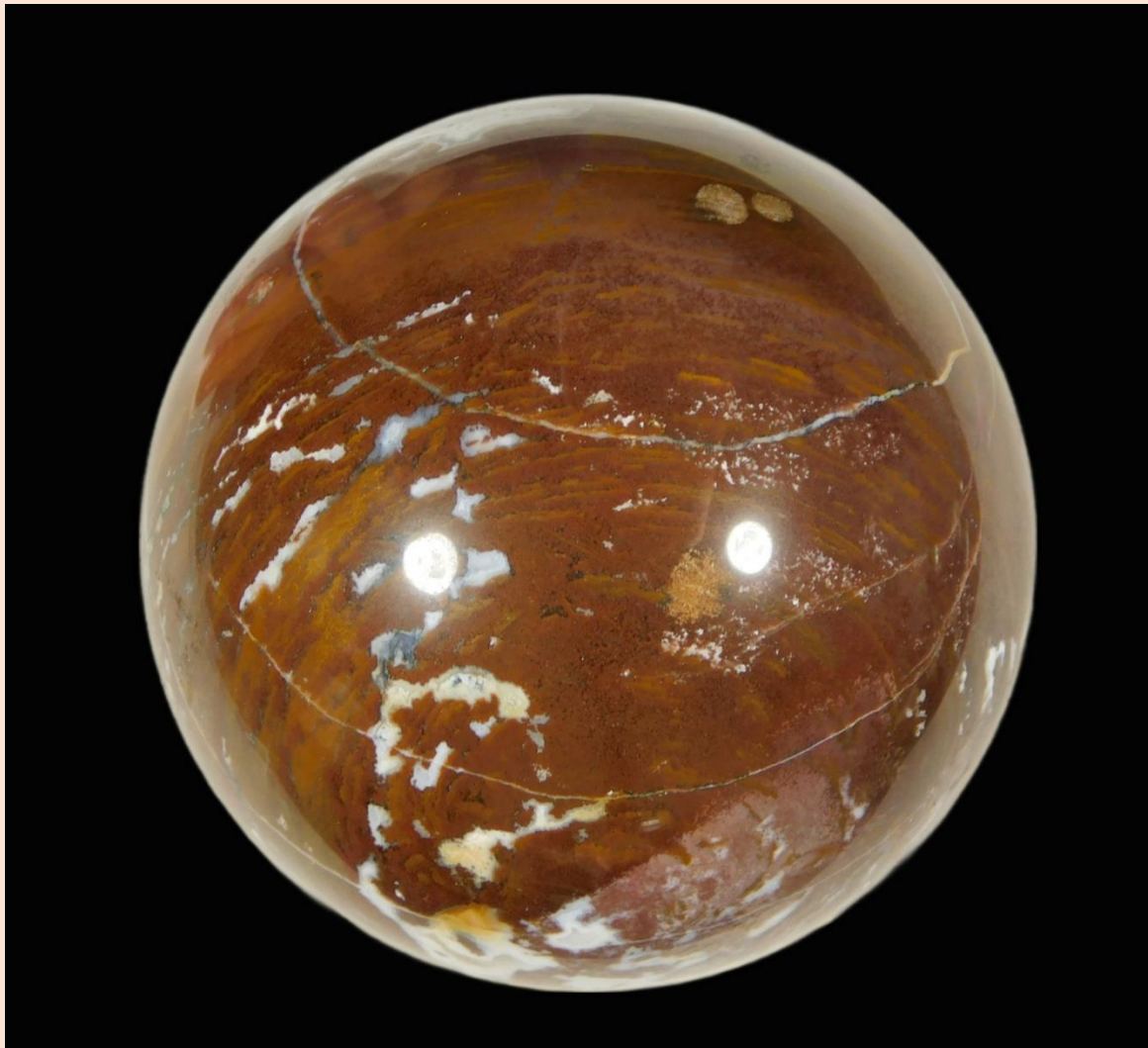
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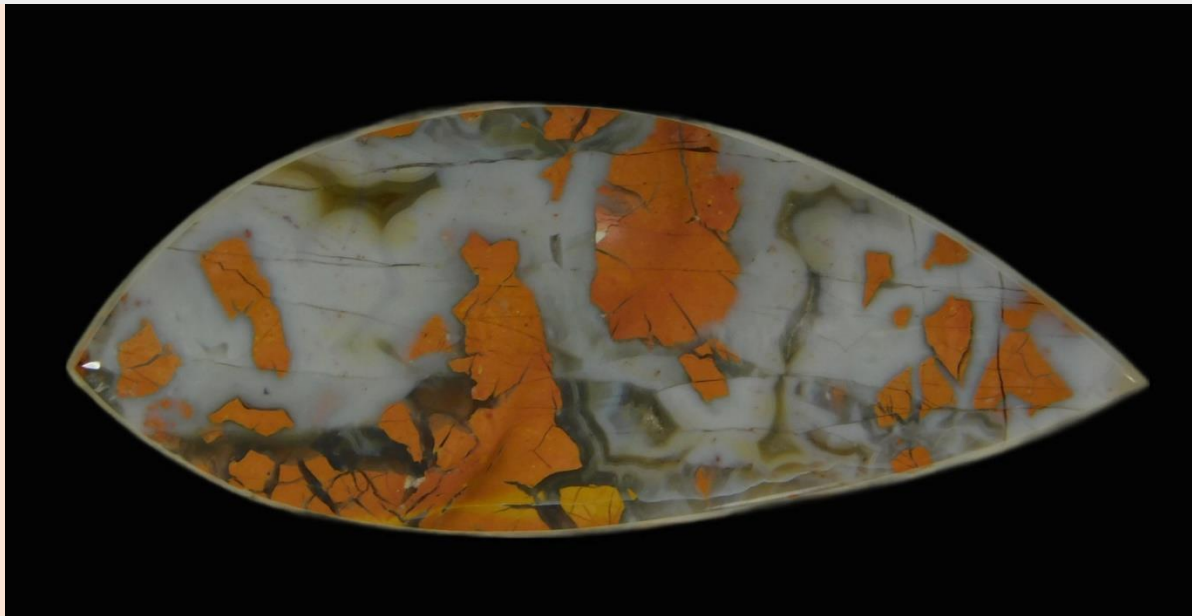
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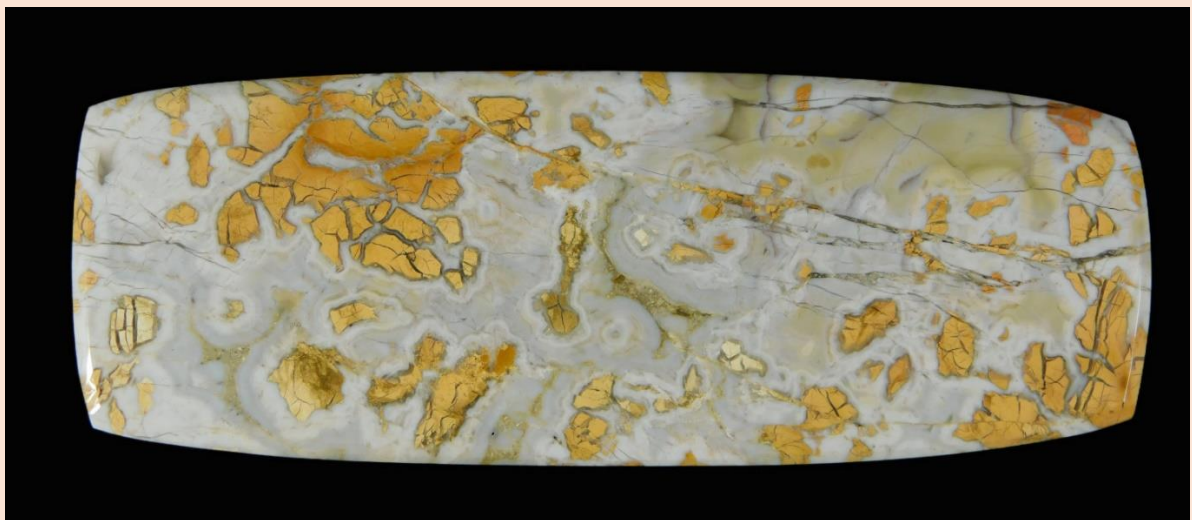
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Hans Gamma collection & photo.**



**Jaspiskugel / Jasper sphere. 6.5 cm.
Johann Zenz collection & photo.**



Cabochon. 4 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



Cabochon. 9.8 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.

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