

## Citrine - November



### **Citrine**

Named from the French term for lemon (citron), citrine is recognized by its sunny yellow to golden color and is readily available and affordable.

Although the darker orangy brown to reddish orange color, called Madeira citrine, has traditionally been the most valued, recently the bright “lemon” color has been

more popular.

In ancient times, citrine was carried as protection against snake venom and evil thoughts.

Currently, most citrine is mined in Brazil, particularly the state of Rio Grande do Sul. It is also mined in Bolivia.

Citrine has a hardness of 7 on the Mohs scale. It’s durable and great for everyday wear.

Clean citrine with mild dish soap: use a toothbrush to scrub behind the stone where dust can collect.

Citrine jewelry should be kept away from prolonged exposure to strong light or heat.