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 DESIGN UPDATE**

Negative Space Jewelry - Stylish Look, Less Metal, Lower Cost



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Did You Know?

A relatively new jewelry category appealing to young women all over the country is called an ear climber or ear vine. This latest must-have accessory is a chic alternative to yesteryear's bigger, bolder ear cuffs and has been spotted on celebrities like Halle Berry, Jennifer Lawrence, and Miley Cyrus. Ear climbers can be edgy or elegant. They come in all sizes, shapes, metals, plain, adorned with gemstones or pearls, and will compliment any outfit.

JANUARY BIRTHSTONE

Garnet
 Rich, wine-red is the traditional color of classic garnet. But that's only the beginning of the rainbow hues of this sparkling gem which also symbolizes fidelity for those of January birth. Treasured since antiquity, garnets are both durable and richly colored. They come in every color except blue.

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Negative space is simply the open area that is a basic part of many jewelry designs. And today, you'll be seeing more and more negative space in the most exciting and creative designs for all types of jewelry. And with good reason!

Because of the rising price of precious metals, leading designers are working overtime to create inspired pieces of jewelry that use significantly less karat gold, sterling silver, and platinum. The result is a wide array of contemporary jewelry that is light, airy, and very sophisticated, while at the same time being very affordable.

Eye-catching designs for the newest rings, bracelets, pendants, necklaces, pins, and earrings include cutout patterns, openwork, filigree, and woven styles with a wide choice of dramatic textures, finishes and gemstone ornamentation.



BIRTHSTONE OF THE MONTH: Garnet 

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