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Richard here from Mineral of the Month Club with details on our November featured mineral: Hübnerite, Mundo Nuevo mine, La Libertad Department, Peru. We're very excited about this month's featured mineral! And we're happy to be back on schedule!

The fall version of the West Coast Gem & Mineral was cancelled this year, and the promoter has found another venue in the same area for next year's show. That means we are done with shows for the year and can look enjoy sleeping in our own beds for the next (almost) three months, until we leave for Tucson towards the end of January! We love the shows, but we also love being able to stay home for a while. We ran short on time to put together an offer Sheet for you; we'll plan on sending it towards the middle of the month.

As you'll discover when you read your November write-up, Hübnerite is a rare tungsten-containing mineral of the Wolframite group, and should be spelled properly with an umlaut. Our specimens come from a classic locality for hübnerite, and many of the specimens have formed with beautiful needle quartz crystals, as you'll see from the photos below. We grouped the pieces according to the size of the hübnerite crystals, and we have excellent quality specimens in all Groups, with fine metallic luster, sharp faces, and well-formed terminations:

Gold-level Hübnerites are available for \$26.50. They have a small hübnerite crystal on matrix about 3" by 2" with needle quartz.

**Group 1 Hübnerites** are the smaller crystals, about .5" tall and .375" across on average, as seen in the photo below. Matrix pieces about 3.5" by 2.5" are available for \$40, \$50 and \$60, and matrix pieces about 4" by 4" are available for \$50, \$60, and \$70. The higher-priced pieces will have more hübnerites on them. All have lots of beautiful needle quartz, too.

**Group 2 Hübnerites** are larger crystals, at least .75" to 1" and slightly larger, again with the gorgeous needle quartz, as seen in the photos. These are on matrix about 3" by 4" to 4" by 4" and are available for \$100, \$125, \$150, \$200, \$250, and \$300. We can send you photos of the best piece available in your price range if you wish.

**Group 3 Hübnerites** are the largest crystals, however, THEY HAVE LITTLE OR NO OF THE LOVELY NEEDLE QUARTZ CRYSTALS. We have pieces like the one seen in the photo, with crystals as long as 2" to 3", for \$100, \$125, \$150, and \$200, The biggest, best piece in the lot contains a number of long crystals with some needle quartz, and we're asking \$650 for it. Again, we would be happy to send you photos of the pricier pieces, or to send you a piece on approval so you can examine it.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to place an order. Thanks very much!

Richard

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