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## New Diopase from Altyn-Tyube

I've added excellent new diopase specimens from Kazakhstan in this [Diopase Update \(click here\)](#). These beautiful specimens were mined in 2015, and acquired from the team currently conducting specimen mining at Altyn Tyube soon afterward.

Diopase was first described from Altyn Tyube, the type locality for diopase, in the nineteenth century. Altyn Tyube is a remarkable deposit in the Steppes, far from everywhere. It was first worked for copper thousands of years B.C., and it is interesting to note that there are very few copper minerals at the locality – diopase with occasional minor malachite and cuprite.

Hope you enjoy them!

## Canadian and US Dollar

The currency disparity remains significant in favour of the U.S. dollar these days. My usual reminder - prices on the website are in Canadian dollars (if you are thinking in - or used to browsing online minerals in - US dollar terms).

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