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The new masters and reigning champions who marked the year in jewels.

The Major Breakthrough ana khouri high jewelry

It was the diamond and Paraiba tourmaline torque du jour of Paris Couture! The Brazilian designer Ana Khouri had already established herself as a skilled sculptor of metal and stones with ear cuffs and a Mirian semicircle ring that have become modern classics, but the Harmony High Jewelry Collection of diamonds and rare stones she showed this year at the Musée des Arts Décoratifs signaled the evolution of a rising talent into a celebrated member of the establishment. FROM TOP: ANA KHOURI DIAMOND AND EMERALD EVA NECKLACE (\$461,000); DIAMOND AND PARAIBA TOURMALINE PHILIPA NECKLACE (\$824,000), ANAKHOURI.COM



Was it the most expensive jewel ever worn to the Academy Awards? Worth a reported \$30 million, it's likely that Lady Gaga's Tiffany diamond necklace claims that title. (The previous record was held by Titanic actress Gloria Stuart's \$20 million Harry Winston blue diamond, inspired by the movie's Heart of the Ocean.) But that was actually not why this particular diamond necklace sent jewelry experts into a frenzy on Oscar night. The 128-carat fancy yellow Tiffany diamond had been worn publicly by only two other people. One of them was Audrey Hepburn. When Lady Gaga emerged on the red carpet wearing it, with that McQueen dress and black leather gloves, history was made.



1957 Mrs. E. Sheldon Whitehouse was the first to wear the diamond in public, at the Tiffany Feather Ball, in Newport, Rhode Island.



1961 Audrey Hepburn wore it at the center of a Jean Schlumberger Ribbon Rosette necklace, in publicity photos for *Breakfast at Tiffany's*.

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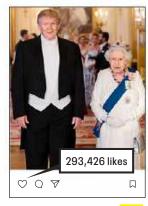
Rarely seen outside its vitrine at Tiffany's Fifth Avenue flagship, the canary diamond graced the Oscars stage when Lady Gaga won for cowriting the hit song "Shallow."

The ultimate getting-ready selfie: a white

bathrobe and a 128-carat diamond.

The Jewels that Broke the Internet

What makes a piece of jewelry go viral? We like to think it's some combination of star power, cultural cred, and just really good design. But a little bit of mystery helps too. From a surprising moment on the red carpet to the instant we saw J.Lo's emerald-cut diamond engagement ring from Alex Rodriguez, we scoured the internet and consulted experts like Marion Fasel, founder of online jewelry magazine the Adventurine. The proof is in the likes.



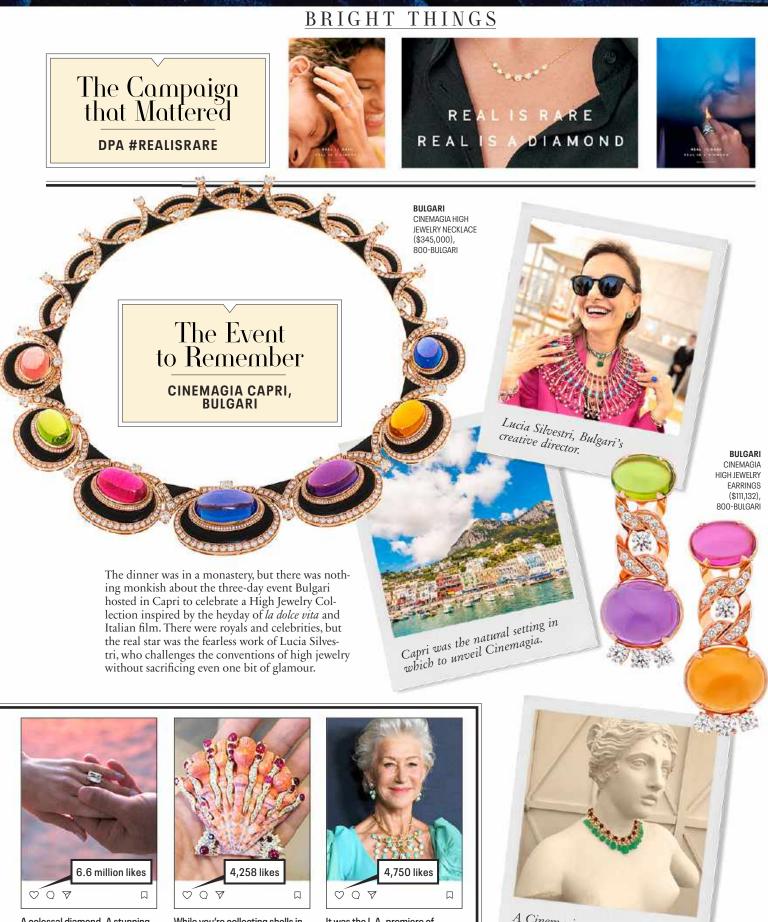
Burmese rubies are said to ward off evil. Queen Elizabeth wasn't shading Trump, but the internet sure wished otherwise.



Pass on the \$120,000 banana. This Suzanne Syz asparagus bracelet is the real status produce.



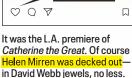
An iconic necklace that Cartier made for María Félix in 1975 gets an upgrade: 46.45 carats of rare cabochon-cut emeralds.



A colossal diamond. A stunning sunset. How could J.Lo and Alex Rodriguez's engagement reveal not break the internet?



a jar, Verdura is <mark>encasing them in gold,</mark> 24 cabochon and faceted rubies, and 98 diamonds.



A Cinemagia necklace adds flair to the island's statuary.

The Auction Heard Round the World

MAHARAJAS & MUGHAL MAGNIFICENCE

\$3.015M

An antique spinel, pearl, and emerald necklace, 17th century.



Price realized for an antique diamond and enamel peacock aigrette by Mellerio dits Meller.



S339K A diamond and emerald bead brooch from Bhagat went for double its estimate of \$100,000-\$150,000.

\$1.575M

An emerald-, ruby-, and diamond-set gold state pen case and inkwell from central India, late 16th century.

\$975K

The Patiala ruby choker, an Art Deco diamond and natural pearl necklace by Cartier, belonged to the maharaja of Patiala. Model Teresa Lourenco-Antebi wears an antique diamond and spinel sarpech and an antique diamond and emerald necklace. Photographed by Claiborne Swanson Frank for Christie's.

> "Jewelry sale of the century" is a daunting phrase, and yet it is how many described last June's auction of 400 gemstones and jeweled objects from the Al-Thani collection at Christie's New York. Five hundred years of history were on display—some of the most important pieces commissioned by noble families of India as well as rare examples from the great European jewelry houses (particularly Cartier). The yield was as impressive as the Golcondas: \$109.3 million, second-highest ever for a private jewelry sale.

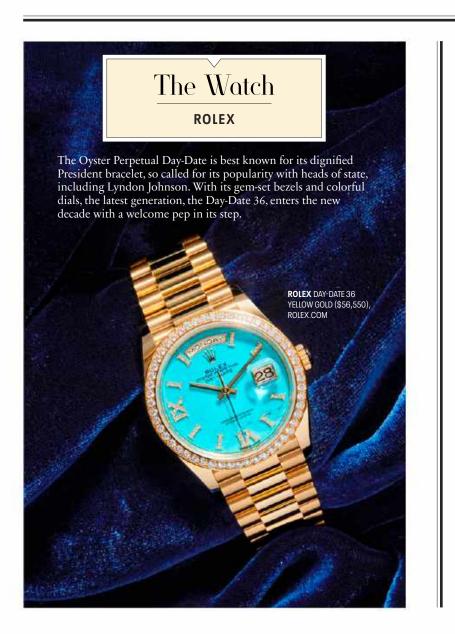
5550K A diamond, cacholong, sapphire, and titanium

sapphire, and titanium brooch by JAR, Paris, 2013.

A Belle Epoque devant-de-corsage brooch by Cartier, Paris, 1912.



ELENA VOTSI CHAIN (\$4,970). CHARMS, FROM LEFT: GUITA M CHARM (\$2,640); ELIE TOP CHARM (\$8,305); TEN THOUSAND THINGS ROSE QUARTZ CHARM (\$350); LITO PENDANT (\$8,160); NANCY NEWBERG POLISHED RUTHENIUM CHARM (\$3,520); SUZANNE SYZ LIFESAVER CHARM (\$7,405); VRAM CHARM WITH HEART-SHAPED RUBY (\$3,960); ELENA VOTSI EROS HEART (\$17,050); BEA BONGIASCA CHARM WITH WHITE ENAMEL (\$2,510); MARK DAVIS YELLOW HEART CHARM (\$1,090); ELIE TOP CHARM (\$7,940); TEN THOUSAND THINGS CHARM (\$275); SILVIA FURMANOVICH CHARM WITH LABRADORITE SCARB (\$4,400); SYLVA & CIE CHARM (\$38,940); MICHELLE FANTACI KEY CHARM (\$1,660); STEPHANIE WINDSOR CHARM (\$1,420); MARIA CANALE (\$1,100); TARA HIRSHBERG HALO HEART CHARM (\$2,660); MARLO LAZ CHARM (\$4,590); FEDERICA RETTORE CHARM WITH LIGHT BLUE AND PINK ENAMEL (\$6,040); CHRISTINA ALEXIOU HEART WITH TOURMALINE HEART AND TOURMALINE (\$4,520). AVAILABLE AT: MUSE SHOWROOM, 212-463-7950



The Future

They're bright, fearless, and highly collectible. They're the designers to watch from our 2020 class. And there's something else these talents have that's always in short supply: a point of view, the kind that keeps us intrigued.

SARAH HO

The London jeweler's romantic, highly personal designs stand out thanks to rare materials like pink Persica conch pearls. SARAH HO "FLARE" RUBELLITE RING WITH RED ENAMEL (\$10,500), SHOJEWELLERY.COM

DAVID MICHAEL

The 15 bespoke designs twin brothers David and Michael Robinson make each year in their Australian studio are voraciously collected. DAVID MICHAEL JEWELS BERYL, SAPPHIRE, AND DIAMOND EAR PENDANTS, 212-570-6900

LOREN NICOLE

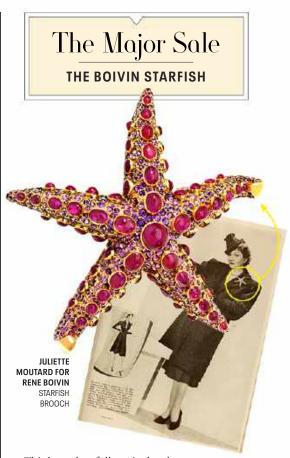
A former archaeologist, Loren Teetelli works exclusively in 22K gold, just like the ancients. **LOREN NICOLE** AMULET RING: TAWARET (\$11,280), MUSEUMSTORE.HMNS.ORG

EMMANUEL TARPIN

At 25 he set up his atelier. At 27 he became the first artist in residence at de Grisogono. More is in store, no doubt.

DE GRISOGONO X EMMANUEL TARPIN EARRINGS IN 18K WHITE GOLD WITH WHITE AND BLACK DIAMONDS (\$103,100), DEGRISOGONO.COM CARTIER MAGNITUDE HIGH JEWELRY NECKLACE AND EARRINGS, 800-CARTIER

The Tutti Frutti. The Reine Makeda. The Coloratura. Since its founding in 1847, Cartier has been at the forefront of innovative high jewelry beloved by queens, maharajas, heiresses, and movie stars. The maison's latest collection, Magnitude, is another stunning display of jewelrymaking and also an exaltation of an approach rarely seen in high jewelry: the marriage of high and low. Colombian emeralds are paired with rock crystal; purple sapphires and garnets surround a volcanic matrix opal; rubies play with amazonite; brilliant-cut diamonds encircle a cabochon-cut rutilated quartz. Now, *this* is how you mix things up. Jewelers worship juxtapositions like these; Cartier pioneered them, and this collection proves the company is not resting on its laurels.



This brooch, a fully articulated sea creature of rubies and amethysts four inches across, was produced for Claudette Colbert at René Boivin in 1937. On June 20 it was announced that it had been acquired for Boston's Museum of Fine Arts from dealer Lee Siegelson. It is believed that four Starfish were created; the brooch is the subject of a book, *Diving for Starfish*, that chronicles the pieces' many lives and many owners. The one now owned by the MFA has been certified as Colbert's. It's a legend in the jewelry world. "How many jewels have this kind of charisma?" Siegelson asks.



The original status adornment remains a fixation millennia after the Egyptians first idolized its spiritual qualities. Irene Neuwirth uses floral motifs in her designs, and Prounis channels the boat-shaped forms of antiquity. VRAM's sculptural rings are for everyday and elevated wear, while the oversize links of Pomellato's Iconica collection redefine power dressing.



VRAM CHRONA HYPER BAND RING (\$3,800), VRAMJEWELRY.COM

The Collection

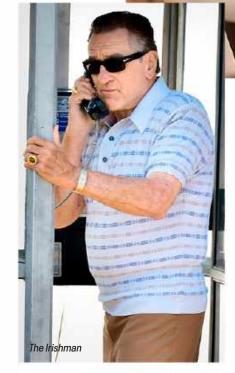
CARTIER MAGNITUDE

PROUNIS 22K GOLD GRANULATED BOAT-SHAPED HOOPS (\$6,280), PROUNISJEWELRY.COM IRENE NEUWIRTH SUPER BLOOM EARRINGS WITH FULL CUT DIAMONDS IN 18K YELLOW GOLD (\$31,980), IRENENEUWIRTH.COM POMELLATO ICONICA BAVAROLE NECKLACE IN 18K ROSE GOLD (\$60,000), POMELLATO.COM

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The Jewels of Stage and Screen

Leave it to critics to debate whether Robert De Niro or Joe Pesci was the true star of *The Irishman*; as far as *T*&*C* is concerned it was the jewelry—from pinkie rings to gold chains that truly stole the show. And that wasn't the year's only instance of upstaging jewelry. From Adam Sandler's turn as a Diamond District screwup in *Uncut Gems* to Helen Mirren's tour de force Catherine the Great, the year's most talked-about performances featured cameos no pun intended—by blockbuster bling. Up next is Broadway's Six, a musical about Henry VIII's bejeweled but doomed wives.









The Crown

BRIAT THINGS

The Innovators

DAVID YURMAN

One great piece is admirable; decades of them is extraordinary. True mavericks, the Yurmans celebrate 40 years of jewels and constant evolution with their 57th Street flagship. DAVID YURMAN ARTIST SERIES NECKLACE WITH TURQUOISE STONES AND PAVE RUBIES, DAVIDYURMAN.COM

DANIEL BRUSH



A master class in ingenuity and imagination, his new Rizzoli monograph *Jewels Sculpture* should be required reading for anyone looking to design outside the box. DANIEL BRUSH EMPRESS DOWAGER NECKLACES, SIEGELSON.COM

LOUIS VUITTON



Francesca Amfitheatrof's debut collection was inspired by "legends and audacity." Her evocative necklaces referencing medieval armor had plenty of both. LOUIS VUITTON LE ROYAUME SAPPHIRE AND DIAMOND NECKLACE (\$2,208,000), LOUISVUITTON.COM

SABBA

Alessandro Sabbatini, 31, is a jewelry prodigy whose elaborate earrings and bracelets are a symphony of superlative stones, hundreds of them at a time. He's in demand because he makes only 40 pieces a year.

SABBA CHRYSOPRASE, CORAL, AND DIAMOND EAR PENDANTS (\$145,000), 212-772-2440



The Champion jordan roth

In a year that saw the grand return of the time-honored tradition of men wearing jewelry (see: kings and maharajas and J.P. Morgan and Diplo and Timothée Chalamet and Justin Theroux), Tony-winning producer Jordan Roth stands out as a leader of the charge. "Jewelry has become a very meaningful part of my fashion pal-ette to paint my story," he wrote after host-ing opening night at Saks Fifth Avenue's new jewelry floor, the Vault. "To express who I am and how I feel, both to you and to myself." He has done exactly that while supporting such independent talents as the Paris wunderkind Emmanuel Tarpin and the Brazilian genius Silvia Furmanovich, while also showcasing a taste for legends like Belperron and David Webb. And all the while sharing the sheer joy that comes with wearing a great piece of jewelrv.

"Giving me life": what jewelry does for Jordan Roth. From top: David Webb necklace and Zac Posen dress (worn backward); Kris Ruhs necklace and Norma Kamali jumpsuit; vintage Boucher necklace from Kentshire Galleries and Richard Quinn coat; Silvia Furmanovich wood jewelry and bag, with Valentino jacket and pants.



CENTER: DAVID WEBB PISCES BRACELET WITH CABOCHON EMERALDS AND RUBIES, DIAMONDS, AND LIGHT BLUE ENAMEL (\$116,000), DAVIDWEBB.COM. CLOCKWISE FROM TOP RIGHT: SOLANGE AZAGURY-PARTRIDGE 18K YELLOW GOLD NECKLACE WITH DIAMONDS AND GREEN GLASS ENAMEL, SOLANGE.CO.UK; NINA RUNSDORF PHOENIX FAN EARRINGS IN WHITE GOLD WITH SLICE DIAMONDS AND RED ENAMEL (\$67,500), NINARUNSDORF .COM; ALLCE CICOLINI 22K GOLD SUMMER SNOW STAR SAPPHIRE RING WITH CHAMPAGNE DIAMOND AND VITREOUS ENAMEL (\$15,000), MANNAZCOLLECTION.COM; MONICA RICH KOSANN BLUE ENAMEL VERMEIL OVAL .COKET (\$615), WHITE ENAMEL VERMEIL LOCKET WITH BLUE SAPPHIRE (\$590), AND RED ENAMEL VERMEIL ROUND LOCKET (\$535), MONICARICHKOSANN.COM; SIG WARD 18K YELLOW GOLD TANZANITE ENAMEL RING (\$4,620), SIGWARDJEWELRY.COM; BEA BONGIASCA 9K YELLOW GOLD SINGLE CURI VINE EARRINGS WITH MARQUISE AND DROP CUT ROCK CRYSTAL AND WHITE ENAMEL (\$1,450), MODAOPERANDI.COM



Remember when cameos were old-fashioned? Well, this year Rihanna released a collection, and it was time to reconsider. Amedeo Scognamiglio first launched the cameo revolution when he brought the centuries-old craft into the future with "See No Evil" and skull ring cameos. And last spring Liz Swig collaborated with artists Cindy Sherman and Catherine Opie on a series of whimsical pieces now available through Gagosian Gallery. Sylva & Cie presented their cameos at the Las Vegas Couture show, and Hemmerle showed theirs at the Plaza Athénée and Sotheby's London. And did you know cameos were the first campaign buttons? "Leaders often had cameos of themselves made and then gave them to loyal supporters. Elizabeth I did this often," says Thomas Holman of London gallery Wartski. A revival, then, perfectly timed to an election year.



The Colored Stones

These designers are the names to know for white diamonds, but this year they proved they have just as much flair and swagger when they go for bold, romantic colors. The one-of-a-kind rings in the Winston Candy collection feature rare stones, like pink spinels and Mandarin garnets, that honor the spirit of statement 1950s cocktail rings. Lugano, meanwhile, masterfully mixed such materials as abalone, diamond, and tsavorite to create an iridescent pastel dream. And Chanel brought a Russian-style tiara back into the spotlight.



HARRY WINSTON We can't decide what we love

We can't decide what we love more: the 13.51-carat tsavorite garnet at the center or the halo of gems surrounding it. HARRY WINSTON WINSTON CANDY RING, HARRYWINSTON.COM

CHANEL

The Kokoshnik tiara makes a stunning comeback in whimsical shades. CHANEL FINE JEWELRY BLE MARIA TIARA (\$413,800), CHANEL.COM

LUGANO DIAMONDS

Alighting on your finger, this butterfly ring would take flight in any setting. LUGANO DIAMONDS ABALONE BUTTERFLY RING, LUGANODIAMONDS.COM



During the high-stakes search for the perfect engagement ring, it's easy to forget that buying jewelry, especially bridal jewelry, is one of the most romantic things a couple will ever do. These standouts—Jessica McCormack, De Beers, and Roberto Coin—prove that singular design and one-of-a-kind details make the magic last forever.



JESSICA McCORMACK For modern heirlooms to pass

down through generations, she's the one you call. JESSICA MCCORMACK WHITE AND YELLOW GOLD HEART DIAMOND RING, JESSICAMCCORMACK.COM



DE BEERS For the bride who wants a classic diamond, you go to the mothership. DE BEERS JEWELLERS AURA PEAR CUT RING (\$8,600), DEBEERS.COM



ROBERTO COIN The brand's latest collection, Princess Flower, is its most romantic yet. ROBERTO COIN WHITE GOLD AND DIAMOND ROYAL PRINCESS FLOWER BAND (\$4,980), ROBERTOCOIN.COM



Diamonds are revered for their hardness—the word comes from an ancient Greek term meaning unbreakable—but in 2019 five designers found remarkable ways to give the stones the illusion of softness, movement, and flexibility. The result: sheer brilliance.



MESSIKA

Marquise, pear, and brilliantcut diamonds are crafted entirely by hand to form a pair of delicate angel wings. **MESSIKA PARIS** ANGEL TOI & MOI RING (\$27,880), MESSIKA.COM

REPOSSI

Inspired by the tattoos of Northern African nomads, the Berbere choker is a minimalist centerpiece. **REPOSSI** BERBERE WHITE GOLD AND WHITE AND YELLOW DIAMOND CHOKER (\$700,000), 212-753-4000

FERNANDO JORGE

Laid-back sensuality infuses the Brazilian designer's work. And that's before he throws in lots of diamonds. FERNANDO JORGE HIGH BRILLIANT GALAXY EARRINGS (\$157,000), FERNANDOJORGE.CO.UK

NIKOS KOULIS

The Greek designer translates the splendor of the Aegean into gold and diamonds. **NIKOS KOULIS** FEELINGS RIVIERA NECKLACE IN WHITE DIAMONDS AND DIAMOND PAVE AND BLACK ENAMEL (\$106,320), NIKOSKOULIS.GR

GRAFF

Swirls and doodles are encrusted in diamonds for this collection inspired by the works of Cy Twombly. **GRAFF** INSPIRED BY TWOMBLY EARRINGS (\$90,000), GRAFF.COM

BRIGHT THINGS



The Stor Stone ruby / van cleef & arpels

Burmese rubies are the unicorns of the gem world, rare and more valuable than diamonds—and, from 2003 to 2016, banned in the U.S. It took Van Cleef & Arpels 10 years to complete its Treasure of Rubies collection, and it's studded with 60 gobstobbers like the Rubis flamboyant, the Etoffe mystérieuse ring, and the Eventail souvèrain bracelet.





Monique Péan uses only recycled 18K gold. Bulgari relies on the Kimberley Process to prevent the trade of conflict diamonds. Gucci and Pomellato are all part of the Kering Responsible Gold Framework, which ensures ethical production practices and invests in small-scale mining communities. Industrywide, the tide is turning. And it's only the beginning.



$\frac{BRIGHT}{DRIVERSHIP} THINGS$

GOLDEN HOUR Not only do bright yellow sapphires glow with warmth, they're said to attract prosperity. That's why Robert Procop's mesmerizing pendant will be an heirloom for generations to come. ROBERT PROCOP GOLDEN SUNDROP, 64.72-CARAT YELLOW SAPPHIRE NECKLACE WITH DIAMONDS SET IN GOLD AND PLATINUM, SAKS FIFTH AVENUE, NYC, 212-753-4000

OVER THE RAINBOW

The mosaic of vibrant gems in these showstopping earrings showcase the beauty and range of natural gemstones, and David Webb is the master of mixing colorful jewels. **DAVID WEBB** EARRINGS WITH RUBELITES, BLUE AND YELLOW SAPPHIRES, CHROME TOURMALINES, CITRINES, AND DIAMONDS (\$255,000), SAKS FIFTH AVENUE, NYC, 212-753-4000

Dreaming IN COLOR

From azure to sunburst yellow, the best new jewelry and watches are awash in radiant color at Saks Fifth Avenue.

IN BLOOM

It's easy to lose track of time gazing at this hypnotic mother-ofpearl floral dial, which is grounded in scintillating emeralds and framed in diamonds. **CHOPARD** L'HEURE DU DIAMANT WHITE GOLD WATCH WITH DIAMONDS AND EMERALDS ON AN ALLIGATOR STRAP (\$79,200), SAKS FIFTH AVENUE, NYC, 212-753-4000

SEA OF BLUE

Lose yourself in this ocean of turquoise, which delivers a pleasing pop of color perfect for any occasion. **PIAGET** EXTREMELY PIAGET 18.5-CARAT TURQUOISE AND TANZANITE RING SET IN WHITE GOLD (\$22,000), SAKS FIFTH AVENUE, NYC. 212-753-4000

GO AHEAD, BLUSH

First designed in 1912, this curvaceous Vacheron Constantin packs a serious mechanical movement but still looks fresh and stylish with a pink gold case and pink alligator strap.

VACHERON CONSTANTIN MALTE MANUAL-WIND PINK GOLD WATCH ON AN ALLIGATOR STRAP (\$18,600), SAKS FIFTH AVENUE, NYC, 212-753-4000

GARDEN VARIETY

A collectors piece, this Roger Dubuis watch features Grand Feu enamel with blue flowers dancing around a mother-ofpearl dial and encircled with a ring of diamonds. **ROGER DUBUIS** BLOSSOM VELVET GOLD WATCH WITH SCULPTED GRAND FEU ENAMEL FLOWERS AND DIAMONDS ON A SATIN FINISH STRAP (\$83,500), SAKS FIFTH AVENUE, NYC, 212-753-4000

ROCK CANDY

Whether you crave one statement gem or want to build a

with its alluring purple, blue, and pink notes.

collection, if you're a gem lover you need a luscious spinel,

JARED LEHR RING WITH AN 11.28-CARAT SPINEL SURROUNDED BY DIAMONDS

AND MULTICOLOR SPINELS (\$44,000), SAKS FIFTH AVENUE, NYC, 212-753-4000