



Zodiac - Inspired Jewellery: Aquarius

The "Age of Aquarius" is upon us, and gemstone lovers born between January 20 and February 18 can adorn themselves with beautiful pieces that capture the spirit of the sign.

Keeping in mind that our stargazing is all in the name of fun, we did some zodiac-inspired sleuthing. We found that Aquarians are thought to be witty, clever, altruistic, inventive, and original.

Here are some stunning pieces that remind



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Opal seems like an ideal gemstone for the water-bearing myths associated with the sign. This 5.31 ct opal cabochon from Mexico looks like a droplet reflecting the sun, sky, clouds, and trees.



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Sherris Cottier Shank's 1994 AGTA Cutting Edge Award winning The Waterfall Suite is a fitting piece of décor for the art-collecting Aquarian. These sizable Ukrainian aquamarines (left to right: 475.27 ct, 386.69 ct, 159.56 ct) mounted on onyx bases, were carved from impressively large rough. They resemble frozen waterfalls clinging to a mountainside. This unique interpretation should delight an Aquarian.



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Jewellery designer Todd Reed captured the movement and colour of water in his one-of-a-kind brooch by using druzy agate, sapphires, and blue chalcedony. The piece will delight creative and clever Aquarians – traits of those born under the sign.



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Hollywood set designer and jewellery artist Tony Duquette had a unique creative vision, and his one-of-a-kind pieces seem perfect for Aquarians who prize originality. His "Fantastic Cross," 18k gold brooch/pendant, fits the description: it incorporates shark's teeth, turquoise, variscite, chrysocolla, cultured pearls and enamel.

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Courtesy of a private collector.

Since Aquarians prize originality, they would want to stand out at a party. Cartier's diamond, emerald, and feather aigrette (headdress), circa 1925, would make an unforgettable first impression.



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Aquarius is a water sign, so Aquarians should love these one-of-a-kind black jade, opal, diamond, agate, and gold earrings by Gregory Morin. Starfish clinging to pylons is Morin's witty response to the American Jewelry Design Council's call for its members to make a piece based on the theme of "water."

If you look for jewellery that captures the spirit of your sign, the options can be endless. For a fun twist, see if friends and family can figure out the secret meaning in the pieces that you're wearing.



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