CARING FOR YOUR JEWELRY

Tess Headley® jewelry is made of precious metals including 18 karat gold, platinum and sterling silver. The sterling we use is a special alloy that is highly resistant to oxidation. However, all sterling will eventually tarnish, especially if it comes in contact with chemicals or even fumes. We suggest regularly using your Sunshine polishing cloth, included with your purchase, to bring out the luster on all of your jewels of all metals.

CARE OF STONES

First and foremost: Tess says: always protect your jewelry from contamination from lotions, oils, sunscreen, hairspray or any chemicals.

Natural TURQUOISE is a delicate and porous material. Direct contact with lotions or oils such as sunscreen, makeup or hairspray may permanently darken or discolor the stones.

PEARLS are organic, and especially subject to discoloration and damage. Pearl necklaces are traditionally strung on a silk cord which, if soaked in water, may stretch or weaken. Therefore, simply hand-wipe your pearls with a slightly damp cloth and most importantly, protect them from contamination in the first place.

We do not recommend using home ultrasonic cleaners on anything but diamonds. Colored stones may be damaged by these powerful machines. Usually wiping with a damp cloth is sufficient, but if necessary, you can use a soft baby's toothbrush with warm water with just a drop of liquid dish soap on any of our jewels, making sure they are well rinsed in clear water.