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DESCRIPTION

This beautiful cushion shaped pendant from Mills Jewelers in Lockport is designed in 14k White Gold on an 18 inch cable chain with a bezel set center Rhodolite cushion shaped faceted stone. The center stone is surrounded by round accenting diamonds weighing a total of 1/8 carat. The value of this pendant is listed at \$519.00

Rhodolite is the name used to describe the lovely pinkish, purplish or lavender Red Garnets which are a mixture of Almandite and Pyrope. This name was first used in the late 1800's to describe the new rhododendron shade of Garnets discovered in Cowee Creek, at Mason Mount in North Carolina. They were thought to be exclusive to this original find but similar varieties have since been found in Sri Lanka, Madagascar, Zimbabwe, & Tanzania. The gem is an uncommon member of the Garnet family of which there are 20 different species. Rhodolite Garnets are not as dark or orangey red as the more common Mozambique Garnet. It is one of the few colored stones that is not treated to improve the color or appearance. The beauty of Rhodolite comes from nature. Due to its status as a garnet, the stone can be used as the birthstone for January & the astrological sign of Aquarius, although it may not be recognized as such. It can also serve the 2nd wedding anniversary stone. The same folklore attributed to other garnets apply to Rhodolite. These include the belief that the stone will protect travelers, a benefit that would certainly fit with today's on-the-go society. It has also been used as a talisman against evil spirits and protector against nightmares. Rhodolite has been rediscovered in recent years as a new fashion star in the designer jewelry world. Its characteristic blush has given it a distinctive appeal. This beautiful feminine color is a unique addition to your gem collection that will compliment grays, dark blues or subdued greens. In fact, Rhodolite will add natural beauty to accessorize most pastel colors. Enjoy the exclusivity of this relatively unknown gem.

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