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Sunrise shell hawaii

We ship anywhere in the world within 2 business days of ordering! Kauai Sunrise Shells aka Langford Pectens speak directly to the hearts of those who know and understand the beauty and spirit of Hawaii. Sunrise Hawaiian shells are found in remote locations in the deep waters off the coast of Kauai Garden Island. While they are found in all hawaiian islands, including Maui and Oahu, the Sunrise shells found on Kauai are thought to be of the best quality and widest variety of color. The exact dive locations vary throughout the year and are closely held secrets. Depending on weather and ocean conditions, shells may or may not be present. On a good day, a diver can find up to a cup of coffee full of shells, most of which will be covered with sediment and often calcified residues. The cleaning process The shells are individually cleaned by hand in a tedious multi-step process. They are first soaked in a secret sauce cleaning solution and thoroughly rinsed in clean water. The shell is then cleaned by hand using a rigid wire brush to eliminate the accumulation of calcification/sediment existing in the grooves/channels of each shell. The shell then went over with a thin dental photo and each groove, nook and nook that continues to hide dirt, calcium or other residue is carefully pic'd more. When the shell is as clean as humanly clean as possible, the shell is rinsed and well dried with a hairdryer. A small amount of all-natural mineral oil is then applied and rubbed deep into the pores on both sides of the shell. And here it is - A beautiful Hawaiian sunrise shell has emerged! The two sides of a natural pair are never identical and are often completely different in color. Above is a natural pair consisting of one side that is a rare red and white striped dented side and its opposite half is a classic yellow smooth side. The tiger stripes on both halves are clearly visible and the wings are intact and symmetrical. The quality and value of each Hawaiian Sunrise Shell is determined by a variety of factors: is the shell free of holes, cracks and blemishes? Is the shape symmetrical? Are the two wings intact and balanced? Are the basic tiger bands distinct and visible on both sides? Is it a scum or a removed loo shell? In its natural state, each pair of shells consists of a dented side (or joints) and a smooth side. The bumpy side is always up and smooth side always face down. Size: Large shells in good condition are rare, while earrings and small pendant-sized shells are becoming increasingly popular. Color: Some prefer the classic colours of sunrise - orange, yellow, pink and white, while others look for hard-to-find reds and blues, rare white albinos or green moonrise colouring. All copyrighted Sunrise Shells of Kauai content. All rights reserved. (1,397 results, with Etsy Ads sellers promoting their items our paid advertising platform. Ads are displayed to you based on a number of factors such as relevance and the amount sellers pay per click. Find out more.) SUNRISE SHELLS are unique in its original color and amazing details with natural colors and never stained or painted. These shells are found only in Hawaii and nowhere else in the world, making them an exclusive gift from Hawaiian waters. I dive for these deep water scallops at over 100 feet, collecting dead shells and never take live specimens. Each shell is meticulously cleaned and the yarn wrapped in sterling silver or 14kt gold filling. When you ordered, you will choose your own shell from the vast selection of shells currently in the collection - each independently unique of its kind. Often referred to as Hawaii Diamonds, these shells are truly part of Hawaiian culture and history. Hawaiian legend suggests that sunrise shells were the exclusive property of the Hawaiian royal families and that the commoners were not allowed to keep or wear them, but instead were ordered to look for shells for chiefs and their families. These beautiful shells were considered sacred and to grant special blessings to the bearer, of which only Hawaiian kings and queens, princes and princesses were worthy. When you choose a sunrise shell from Flotsam and Co. you buy not only from the artist, but also from the diver. In size (\$55-135), you can choose the color of your choice when ordering. Sunrise shell earrings are popular jewelry among local Hawaiian women. Photo courtesy of Micah Camara via flickr. Hawaiian Sunrise Shells are a beautiful sight to see. Each has unique splashes of pink, red, orange, yellow and purple shades, similar to what you would see during a real Hawaiian sunrise. In fact, it is assumed that their common name may have arisen because of this asset or perhaps because they were once abundantly found on the shores in places like Ke'e Beach on Kauai at sunrise. Due to their increased consumer demand, however, now they are usually found only at depths of about 10 to 30 feet where collectors must dive for them. What makes these beauties even more unique is that they are endemic to Hawai'i and are only found in the waters surrounding the islands. The legends surrounding these shells claim that, in the past, they were worn only by ali'i (Hawaiian royalty), although there was no real evidence to prove it. The top necklace The moon-raising shell while the bottom features a beautiful sunrise shell. Photo courtesy of Coco Zickos and Halelea Gallery on Kauai. Scallops, known as Langford Pectens, are selling for a nice penny these days because of their mass appeal that has increased their value, some selling for about \$200 a pop. They become even more valuable when they have notes of green and blue. These shells of the same species are called because of their even less common and darker appearance. This huge range of color variations is based on different factors such as what ocean depths the creatures lived in and what foods they may be exposed to. A variety of beautiful sunrise pendant necklaces found on Kauai and Halelea Gallery on Kauai. Shells are most often sold as jewellery - as pendants on necklaces, as well as decorative earrings, rings or bracelets. They can be found in places around the islands and vary in prices depending on their condition and colors. It is imperative that consumers buy only from legitimate outlets, as most artists will ensure that their shells were uninhabited when they were picked; this helps prevent the collapse of this unique species. So if you happen to walk along one of the beaches on the North Shore of Hawai'i at sunrise, especially on Kauai or Oahu, and you see a spark of red or orange in the sand, you might just have stumbled upon one of these treasures; consider it your lucky day. A little boy finds an early morning sunrise shell at Lumahai beach, Kauai. Photo courtesy of Jessica Merz via flickr. Flickr.

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