Über Vintage

Jewellery - Ceramics - Art glass

Product Care

Vintage Jewellery

These are genuine pieces of vintage jewellery. Any signs of age are part of its unique character and should not be considered as imperfections. Please preserve their charm by handling with care and avoiding contact with liquids and perfume. Store flat and away from sunlight when not in use.

Cleaning Vintage Costume Jewellery

Costume jewellery must be treated very gently, the composition of rhinestones is much different than precious or semi-precious stones and thus commercial cleaners are not made for them. Never, immerse your rhinestones in any kind of liquid. Many rhinestones have foil backs to simulate gems and this backing can and <u>will</u> come off or become damaged with any kind of moisture.

The best way to clean up a piece that may be dusty is to use a very soft cloth or a very soft brush and gently run it over the entire piece to shine up the stones. Do this over a tray lined with a cloth so that if there are any loose rhinestones you can find them again!

<u>Never</u> use commercial jewellery cleaners, the chemicals are much too harsh. You risk ruining the entire piece should you do this.

The real dangers to vintage costume jewellery are makeup and perfumes. Apply all these before you put on your jewellery to avoid the exposure of these agents to your pieces.

Store your jewellery flat and out of direct sunlight.

With proper care you can enjoy your vintage jewellery for a lifetime.

Vintage Ceramics

These are genuine pieces of vintage ceramics signed or unsigned.

Any signs of age are part of their unique character and should not be considered as imperfections.

All chips, cracks or nibbles will be mentioned.

Crazing

Crazing looks like a network of fine cracks on the surface of a material, for example in a glaze layer. Crazing may appear in some vintage pieces. This is not necessarily an indication of damage. According to the Antique Central website, crazing is more likely due its age and is the result of contraction and expansion due to humidity and temperature changes, over many years.

None of the pieces have been cleaned. If you wish to clean them yourself, here are some guidelines.

Never immerse the item in water, due to its age it may not be fully waterproof and may have porous sections. Just use a soft cloth to remove any surface dust.

Never put it in a dish washer.

Vintage Art Glass

These are genuine pieces of vintage Art glass signed or unsigned.

Any signs of age are part of their unique character and should not be considered as imperfections.

All chips, cracks or nibbles will be mentioned.

None of the pieces have been cleaned. If you wish to clean them yourself, here are some guidelines.

Glass is usually waterproof but due to its age and more delicate nature Art glass is generally best cleaned with a soft cloth to remove surface dust.

Never put it in the dishwasher.

<u>Never</u> leave water inside glass objects for long periods e.g. vases, as they may be left with blooming, this is an opaque white residue, that is almost impossible to remove.