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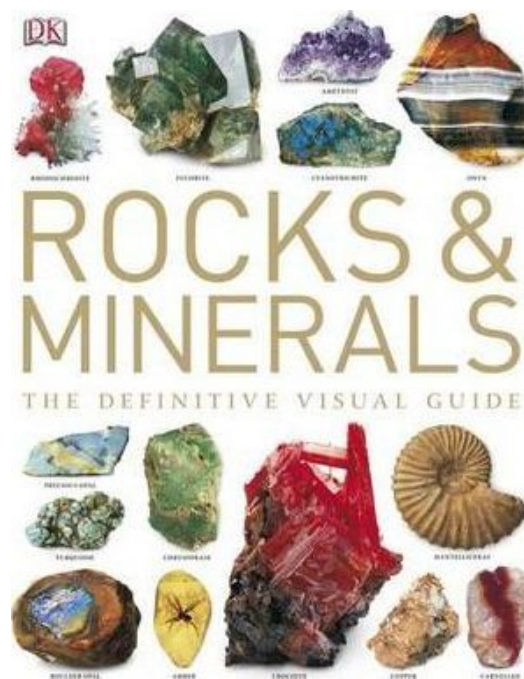
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Book Synopsis:

Explore the treasures of the Earth with this guide to rocks and minerals, including crystals, gemstones, and fossils - ideal for every rockhound and budding gemmologist. From primeval origins to their astonishing modern-day uses and appeal, this is the ultimate portrait of Earth's geological riches - rocks, minerals, crystals, and gems. Also included is a look at other precious materials often prized for their beauty, such as amber, coral, ivory, and fossils. Learn how to identify more than 450 rock and mineral specimens through stunning photographs and detailed characteristics. Discover more about rocks and minerals through the folklore and historical artefacts, and find out the fascinating stories behind the world's natural treasures, including the Hope diamond and the Great Mogul emerald. Plus, pick up practical advice on rock and mineral collecting, including how to cut, polish, and display your finds. Rocks and Minerals was produced in association with the Smithsonian Institution in Washington DC, the world's largest museum complex, ensuring the guide's accuracy.

Additional Info:

About Ronald Bonewitz

Over a long and varied career, Ronald Bonewitz has been a geologist, prospector, miner, and gem cutter, in addition to working as a pilot and flying instructor. Still a consultant, collector, cutter, and dealer in gems, minerals, and fossils, Dr Bonewitz has also written extensively on ancient history and mythology. Other books for DK include Rock and Gem and Nature Guide: Gems.

Review quote

As one has come to expect of a Dorling Kindersley publication, it's peppered with beautiful, glossy pictures - the rock, mineral, gem and fossil photographs are of such good quality you feel you could lift them off the page - and is laid out for easy reference. * Geographical *