



Brice GOBIN (1971)

“...When we have great treasures right under our eyes we do not see them and do you know why? Because Men do not believe in treasures...”

- Paulo Coelho, The Alchemist.

Brice Gobin comes from a family that has been in the Gems and Minerals business for 4 decades. He is world known as the person that travels to the source of production in order to only acquire unique, exceptional and rare Gem & Mineral specimens. Brice is the link between the hand of the miner and his clientele.

Brice Gobin's passion for gems, minerals and natural sciences began in the mid 70's, at a very early stage of his life. His late father, a renowned mineral dealer and collector took Brice to visit the National History Museum in Paris when he was 5 years old. That visit forever sealed his passion for Gems & Minerals.

*This passion for minerals has taken Brice around the world to exotic mining localities. **Being the one who travels to the source to bring to market fine Gems & Minerals has become his “signature”.***

1990. *Brice started his professional career out from his father's shadow. His first jump into the action on his own was mostly in Africa...**Congo, Morocco, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe...***

Early 2000's. *Aquamarines and tourmalines from the mines in **Pakistan and Afghanistan** have always been among Brice's favorite gems and minerals. Brice travelled numerous times to the Karakorum Mountains, in the Cashmere region. In the last decade, dozens of iconic specimens from Pakistan or Afghanistan have been brought to the light by Brice's endeavors. Some of the best Aquamarine specimens in the world and Topazes reached the market through his efforts.*

2001. *Brice's thirst of discovery did not stop in Africa and Pakistan. He travelled frequently to **China**. Brice made dozens of trips to the mines with a team of miners to extract some of the highest quality Gem & Mineral specimens from that region of the planet.*

2008. *After having left Africa for a few years, his passion for **Tanzania** pulled him back. The desire to find tanzanite specimens became a new challenge for Brice. Tanzanite, one of the most beautiful gemstones the world has known was something the mineral collecting world was anxious to place on their shelves. Brice again wanted to bridge the gap. Few specimens were on the market in 2006. Brice decided to focus on the region to see what could be done to help change this deficiency. In 2008, Brice made his first trip to Tanzania and landed at Kilimanjaro airport.*

Brice became enchanted with the region and its incredible blue gem. He has since been travelling to Tanzania five times a year sourcing some of the finest Tanzanite Gems & specimens produced from the region.

Over the last 20 years, Brice's experience, knowledge, reputation and network around the globe, allowed him to bring to market hundreds of spectacular Gems & Mineral specimens coveted by the World's top collectors and Natural History Museums.

My quest? "Seeking for the ultimate Gems & Minerals from the World!"

