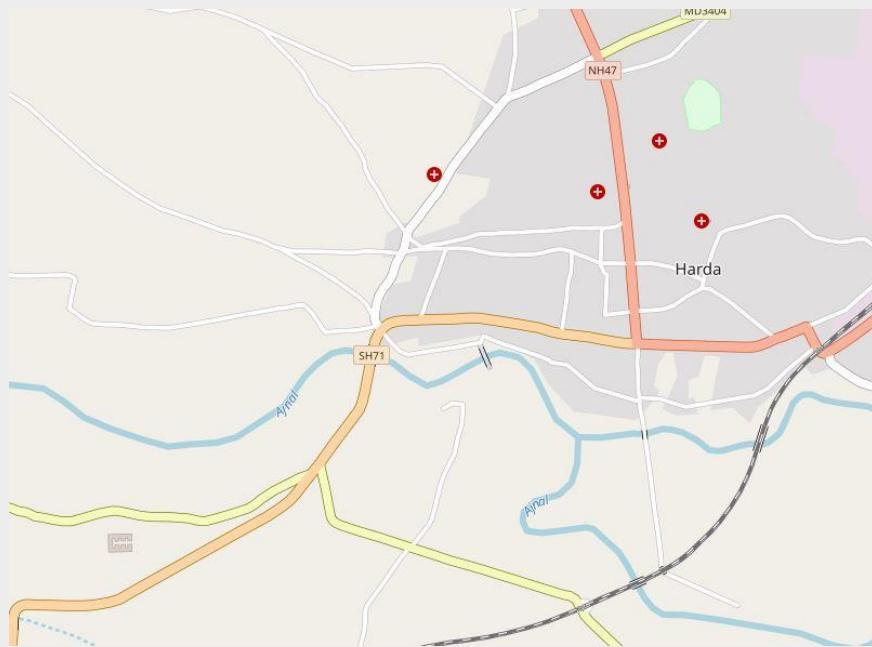


## Harda, Madhya Pradesh



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In Madhya Pradesh werden mitunter ausgezeichnete Achate mit Dendriteneinschlüssen gefunden. Um die genaue Lage der wohl mehreren alluvialen Fundorte wird in der Regel ein großes Geheimnis gemacht. Ein Fundbereich liegt wahrscheinlich westlich von Harda. Auch der Ort Banda wird oft als Fundort genannt. Meist per Hand werden große Löcher ausgehoben, bis die achatführenden Schichten erreicht sind, woraus dann die Rohachate aus dem oft fest verbackenen ehemaligen Flussgeröll gewonnen werden. Die Qualität und der optische Eindruck der Dendriteneinschlüsse im klaren Chalcedon ist nicht selten atemberaubend. Geschliffene Hälften sind eher selten zu erhalten, meist werden die Rohsteine bereits in Indien zu Cabochons verschliffen. Das Material wurde früher von der Firma Indus Valley Commerce vertrieben, gegenwärtig ist der rührige indische Händler Tarun Adlakha Hauptanbieter auf diversen Mineralienbörsen weltweit.

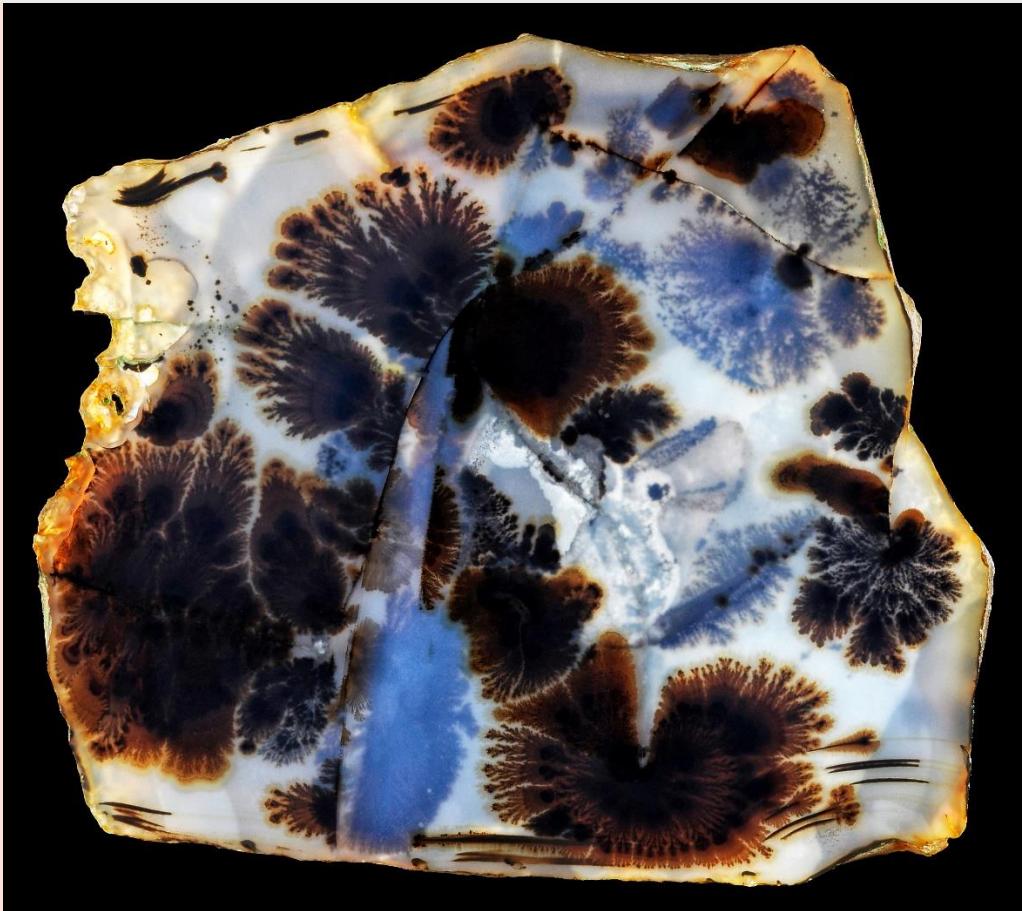
In Madhya Pradesh sometimes excellent agates with dendrite inclusions are found. About the exact location of the probably several alluvial deposits usually a big secret is made. One finding area is probably west of Harda. The village of Banda, however, is also often mentioned as a place of discovery. Mostly large holes are excavated by hand until the agate-bearing stratum is reached, from where the rough agates are extracted from the often firmly cemented former river debris. The quality and the optical impression of the dendritic inclusions in clear chalcedony is sometimes breathtaking. Cut halves are rather rare to obtain, mostly the rough stones are already cut in India to cabochons. The stones were once marketed by the company Indus Valley Commerce. Currently Tarun Adlakha from India offers this material for sale at worldwide Gem and Mineral Shows.



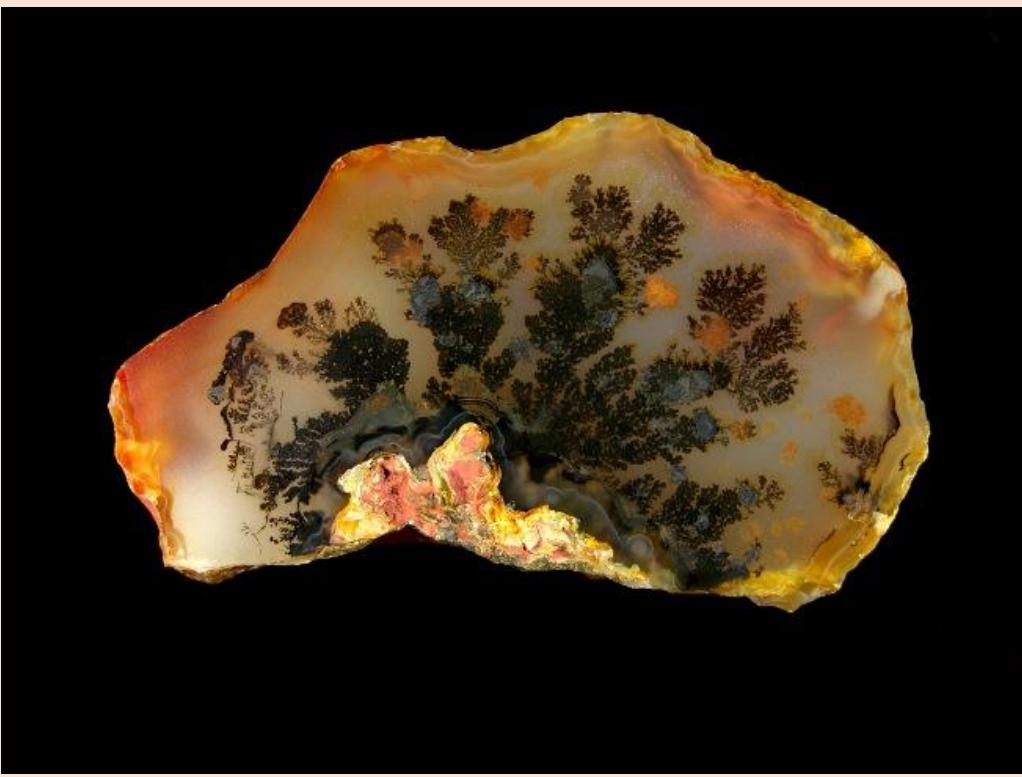
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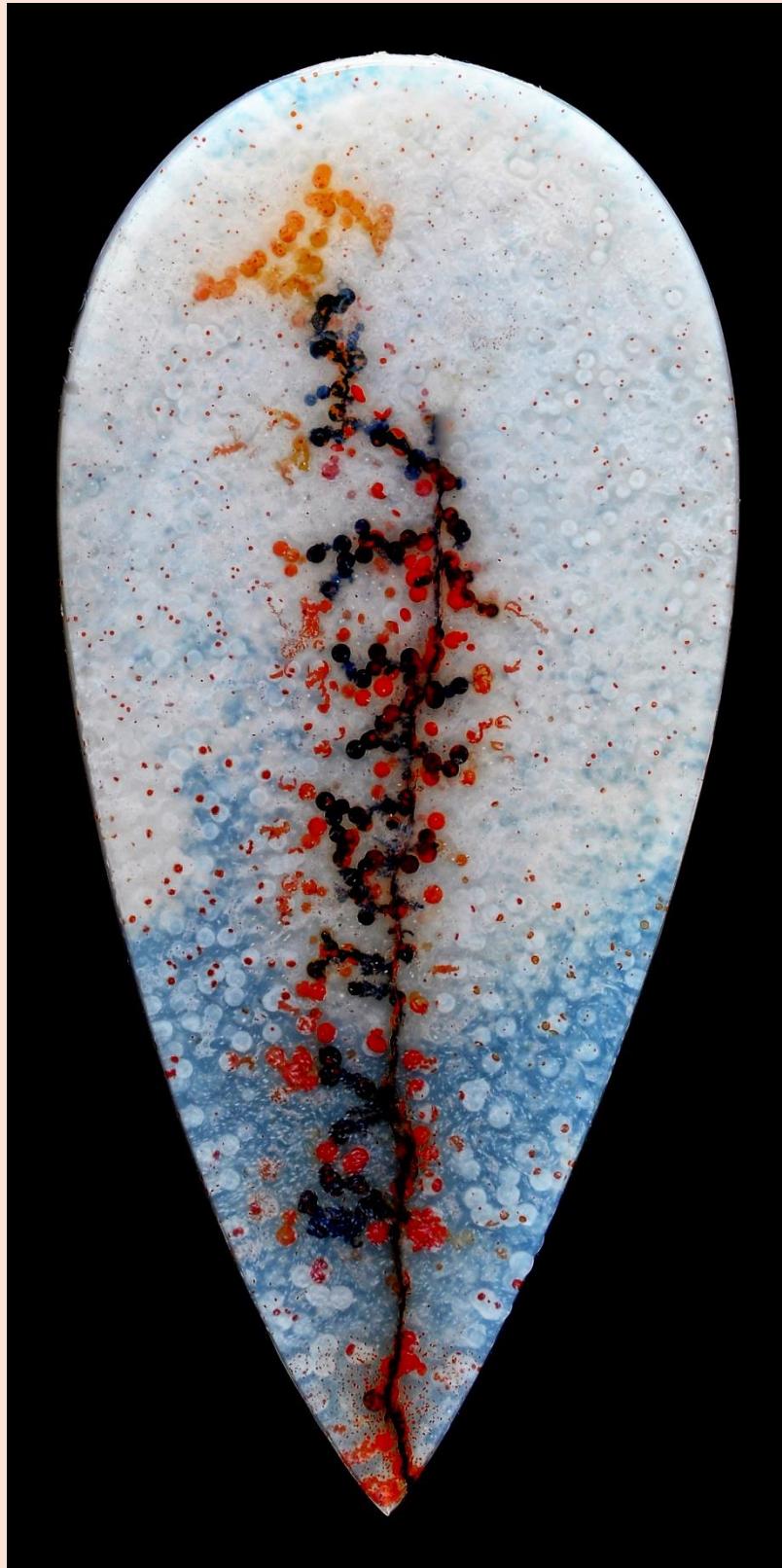
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15.5 cm. Pat McMahan collection & photo.



9.5 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



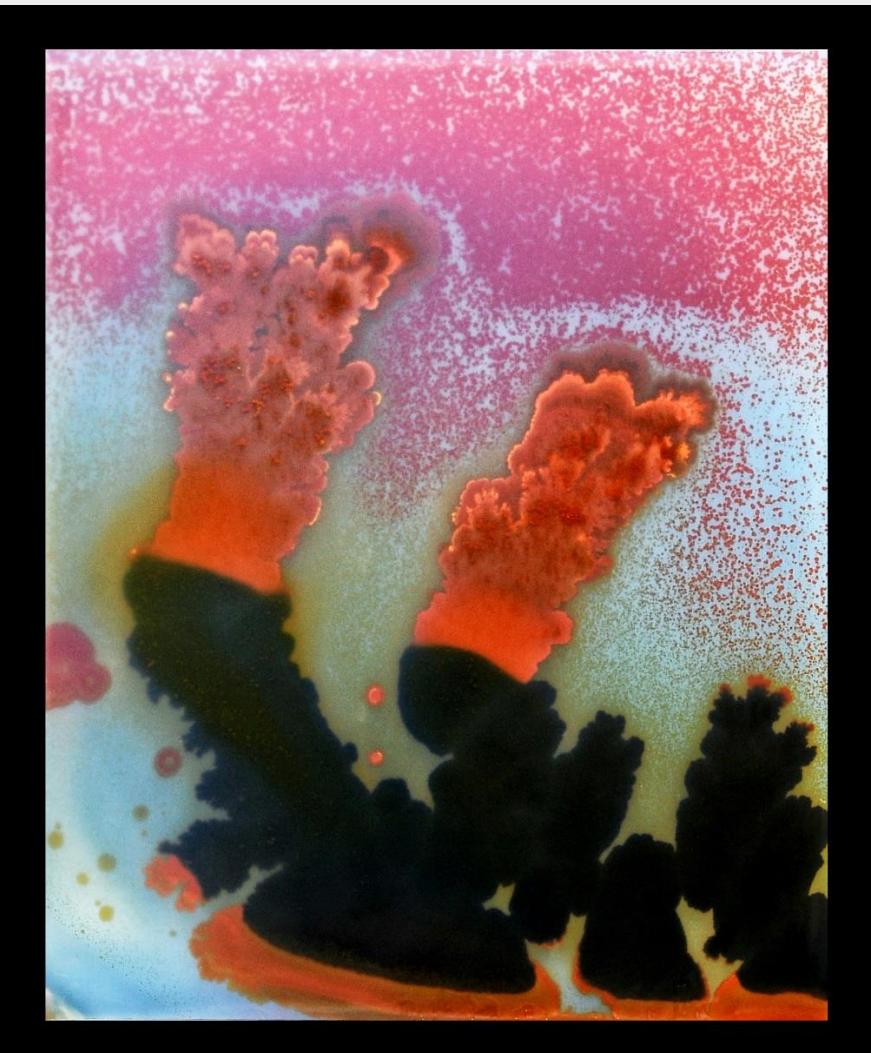
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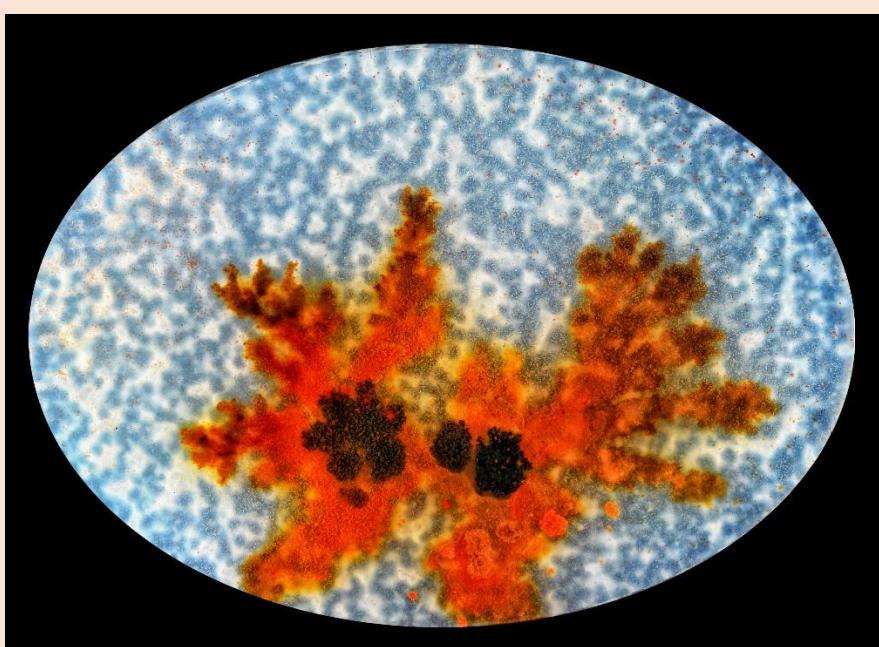
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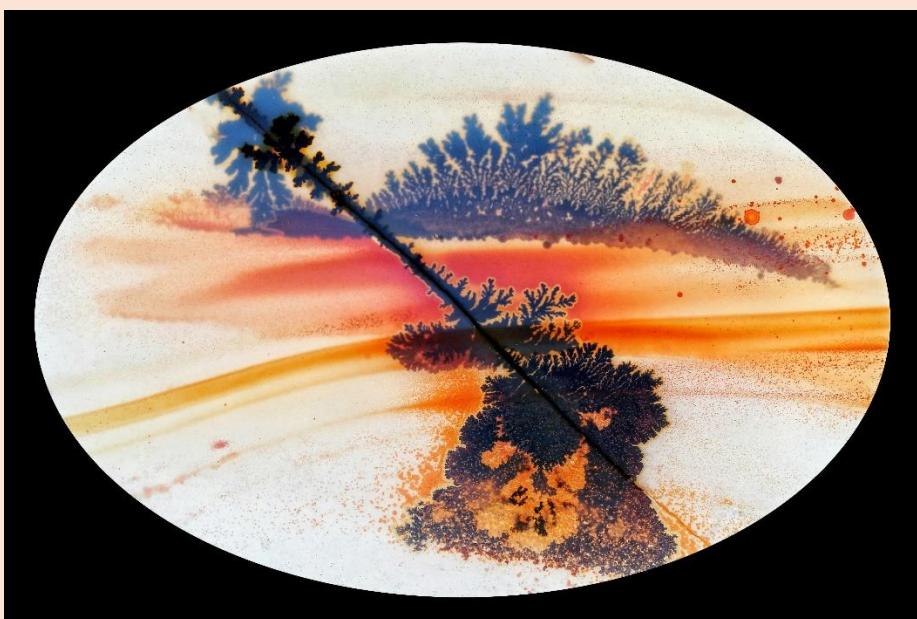
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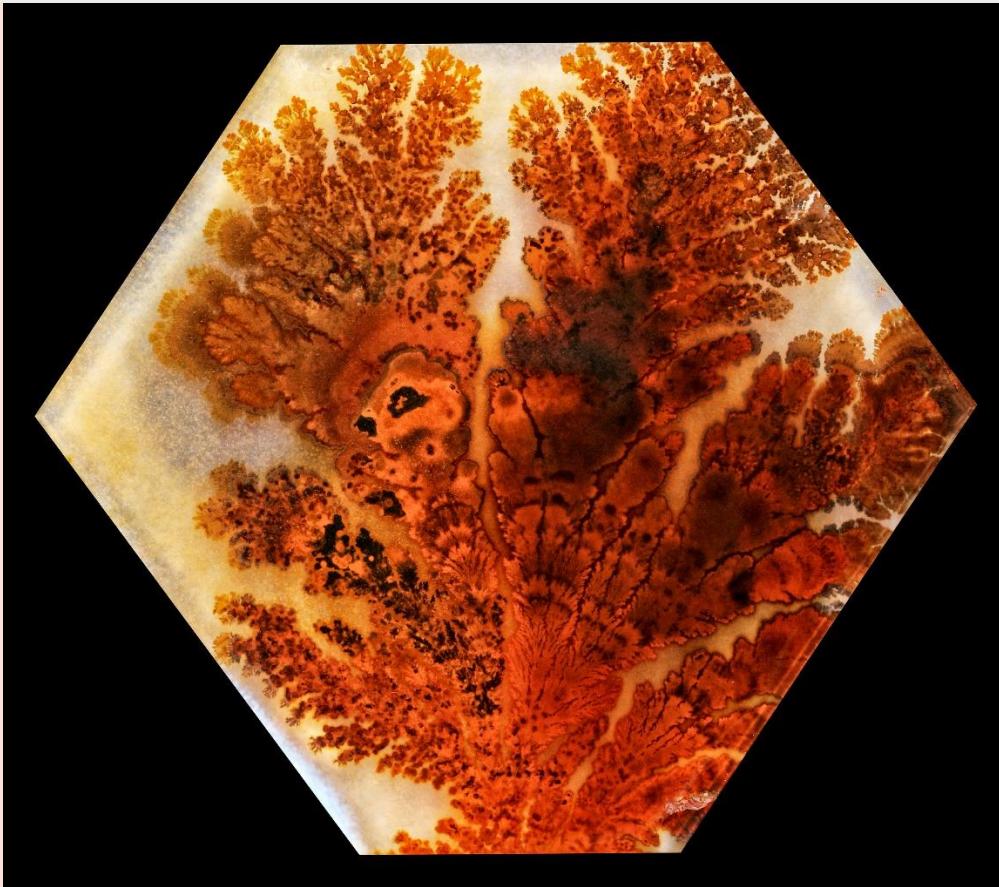
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13.7 cm. Pat McMahan collection & photo.



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