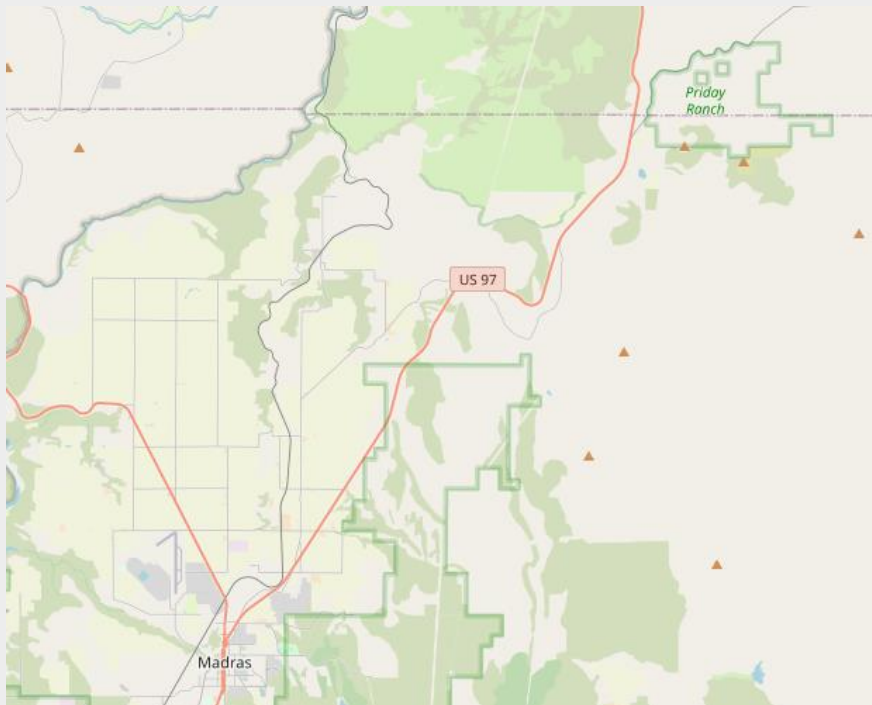


Richardson Ranch (Priday Agate Beds), Madras, Oregon



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Die in Sammlerkreisen weltweit bekannte ehemalige Priday Ranch wird seit fast 50 Jahren von der Familie Richardson betrieben. Das Grundstück beherbergt zahlreiche Fundstellen, vor allem von Lithophysenachaten, aber auch Gangachate, Opale und Jaspis. Generationen von „Rockhounds“ durften hier gegen Entrichtung einer geringen Gebühr nach Rohsteinen graben. Für viele Sammler begann die lebenslange Liebe zu den Achaten beim Sammeln auf dieser Ranch. Im Jahr 2019 wurde die Ranch vor allem aufgrund von Nachfolgeproblemen in der Familie Richardson für Sammler leider geschlossen. Nur mehr das große Rock Shop am Eingang zur Ranch ist weiter geöffnet.

Besonders berühmt sind herrliche Plume-Achate in den Lithophysenzentren („Plume Bed“), aber auch die interessanten Moosachate vom „Moss Bed“ und die bekannten blauweißen Achate vom „Blue Bed“ können Sammler immer wieder begeistern.

Known among collectors around the world, the former Priday Ranch has been run by the Richardson family for almost 50 years. The property is home to numerous deposits, mainly thunderegg agates, but also vein agates, opal and jasper. Generations of rockhounds were allowed to dig for rough stones here for a small fee. For many collectors, the lifelong love for agates began while collecting on this ranch.

In 2019, mainly due to succession issues in the Richardson family, the ranch was sadly closed to collectors. Only the large rock shop at the entrance to the ranch is still open. Particularly famous are magnificent plume agates in the thunderegg centers ("plume bed"), but also the interesting moss agates from the "moss bed", and the well-known blue-white agates from the "blue bed" can still inspire collectors.



Richardson Ranch. 2008. Franz Zenz photos.



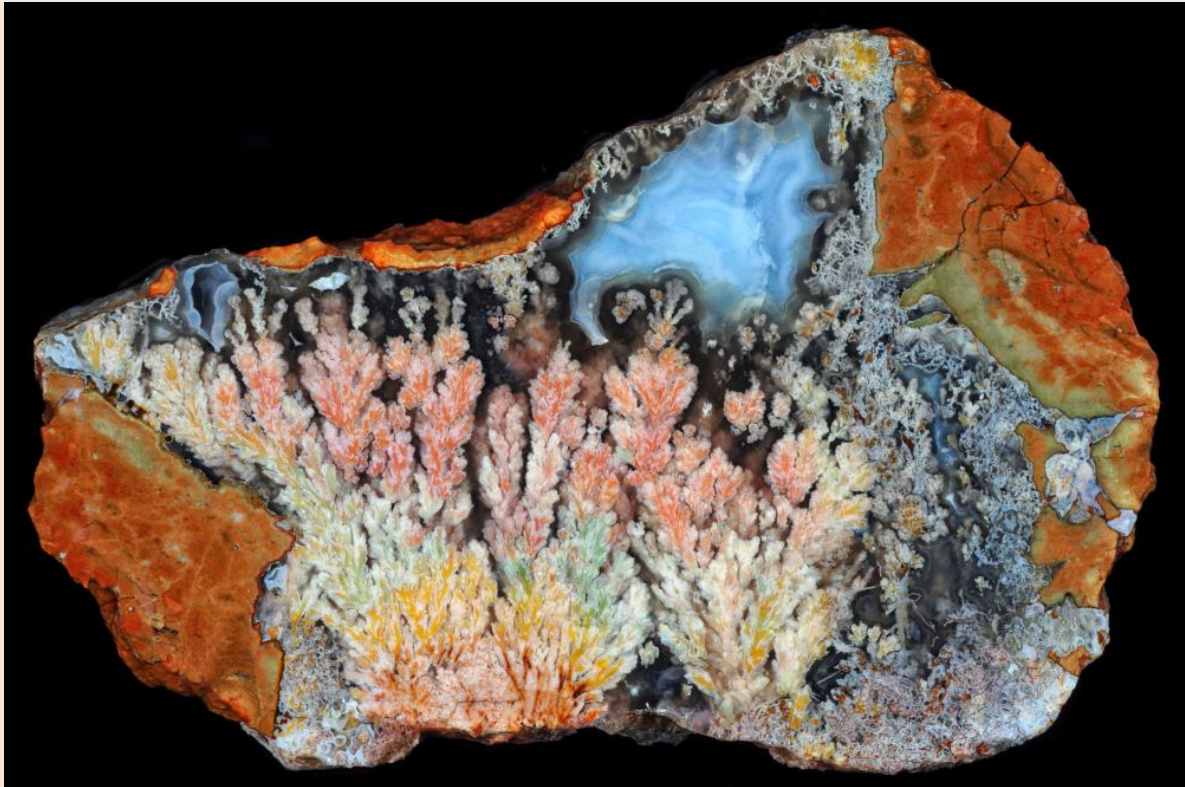
Richardson Ranch. Oben/Above: Rock Shop. Unten/Below: Moss Bed. 2008. Johann Zenz photos.



Richardson Ranch, Blue Bed. 2008. Johann Zenz photos.



Richardson Ranch, Pony Butte Bed. 2008. Johann Zenz photos.



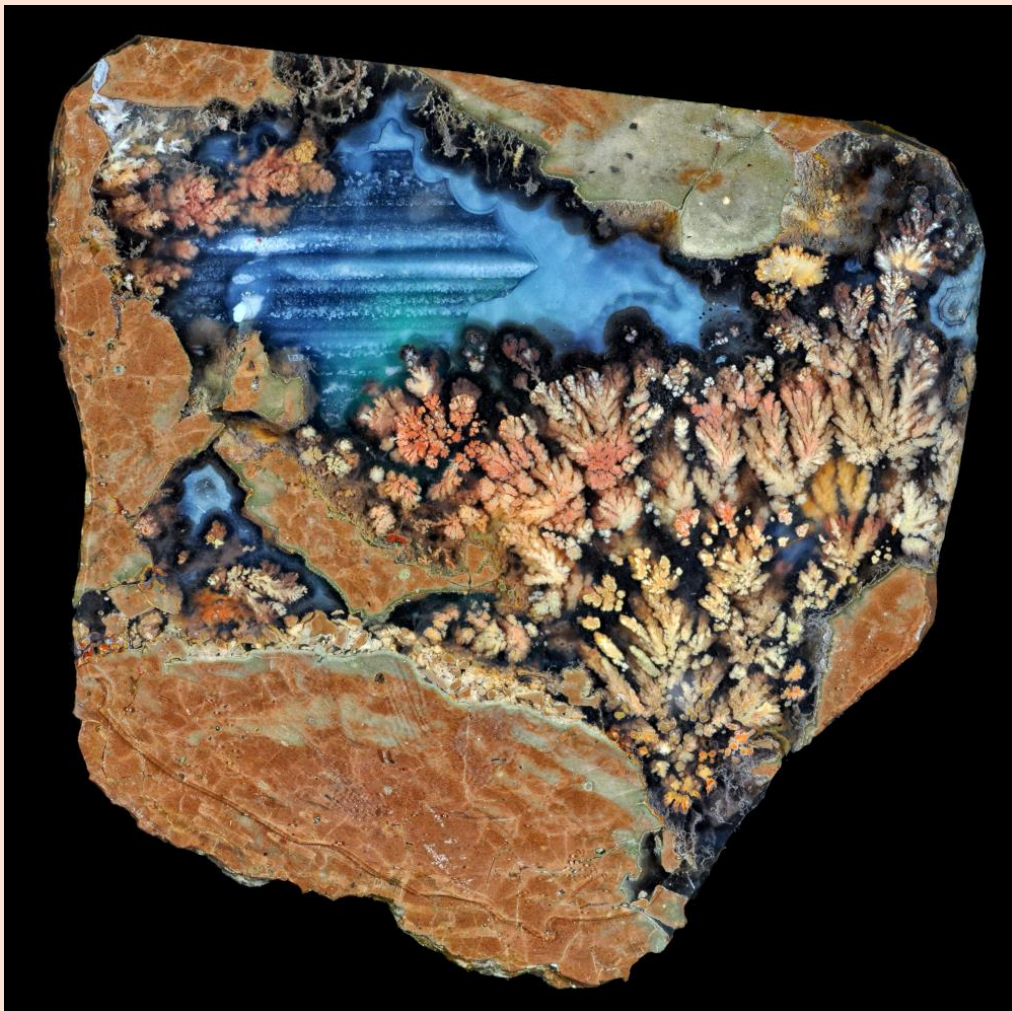
Friday Plume. 6.8 cm. Pat McMahan collection & photo.



Friday Plume. 9 cm. Pat McMahan collection & photo.



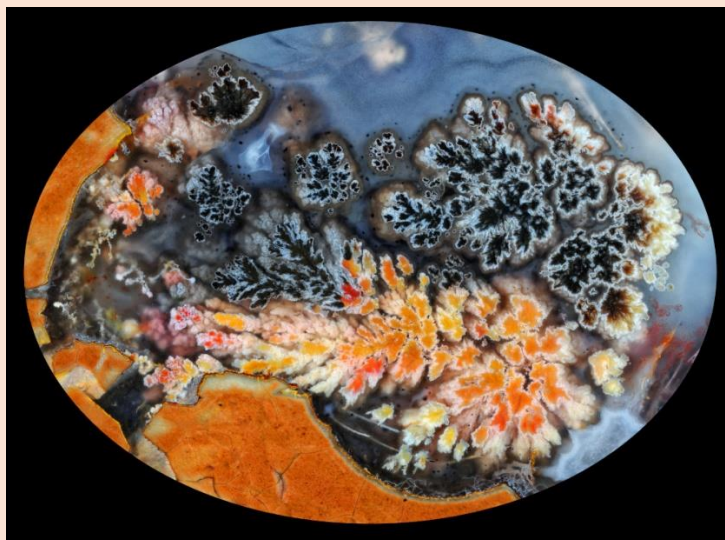
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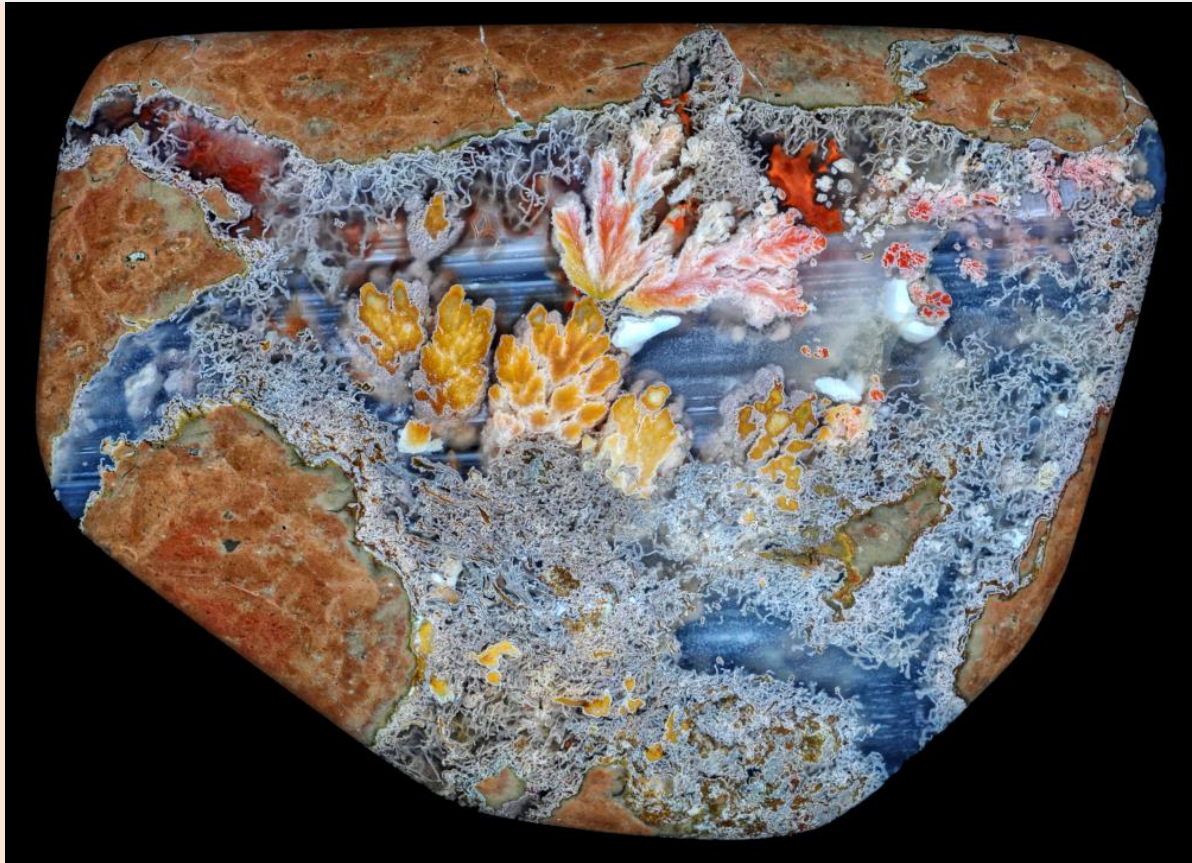
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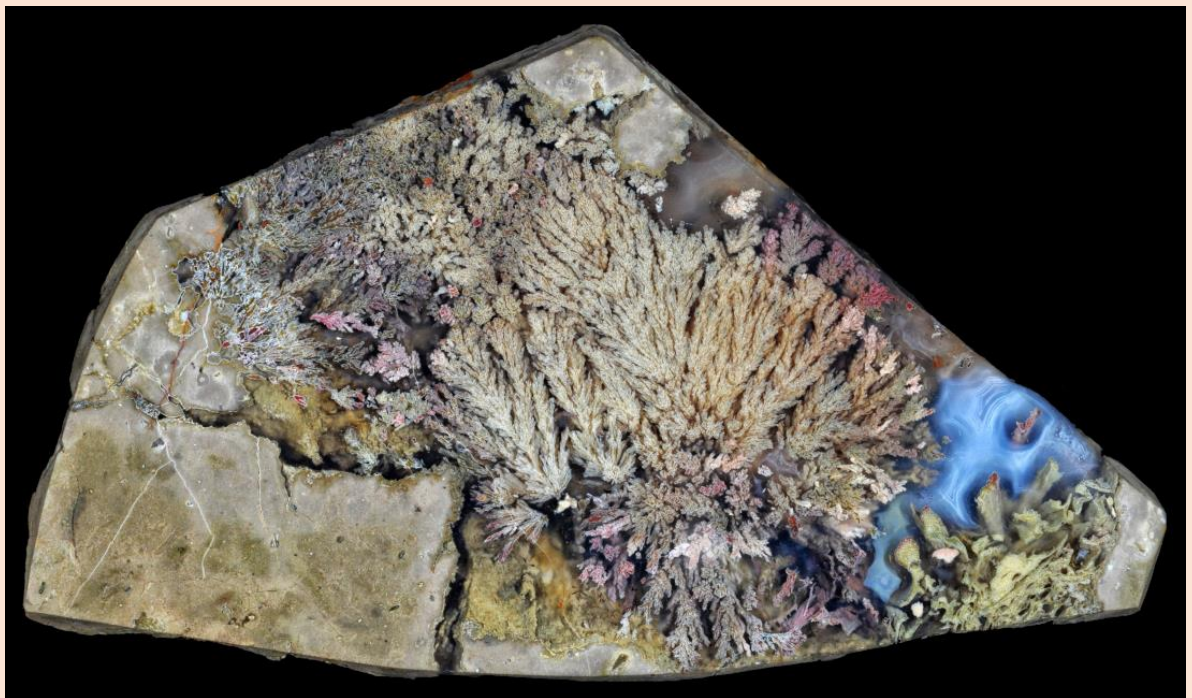
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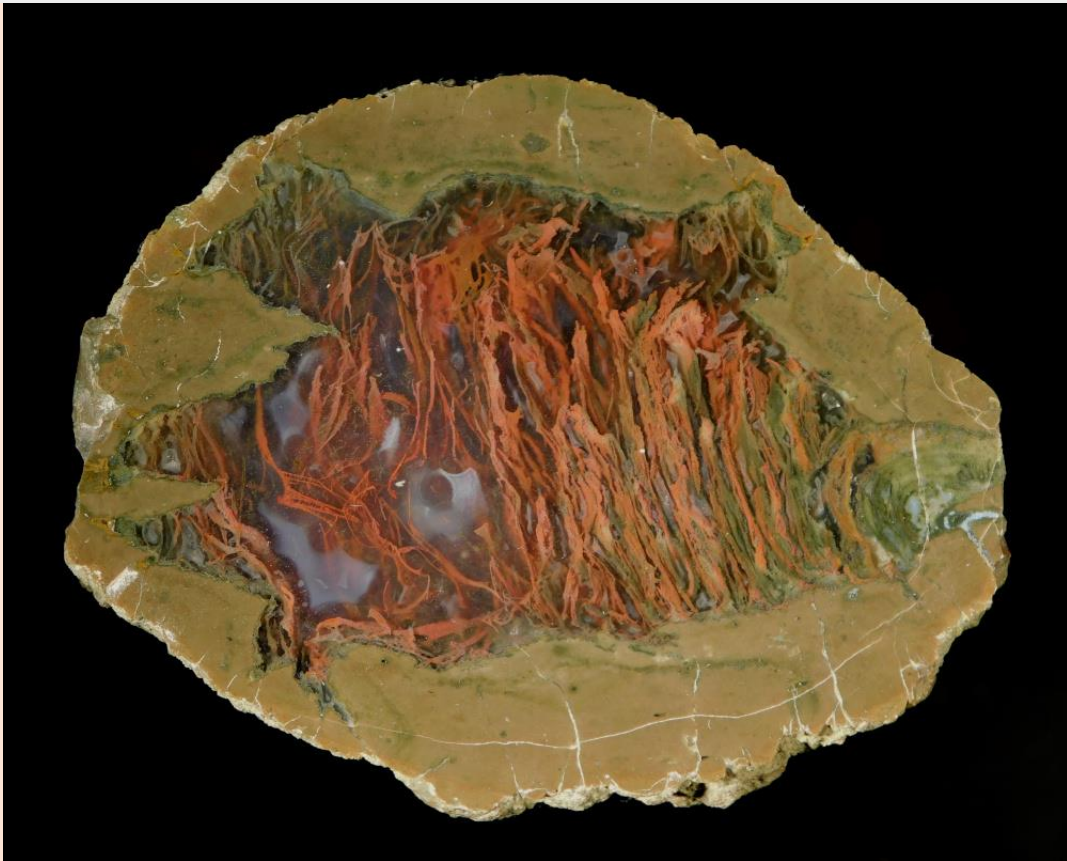
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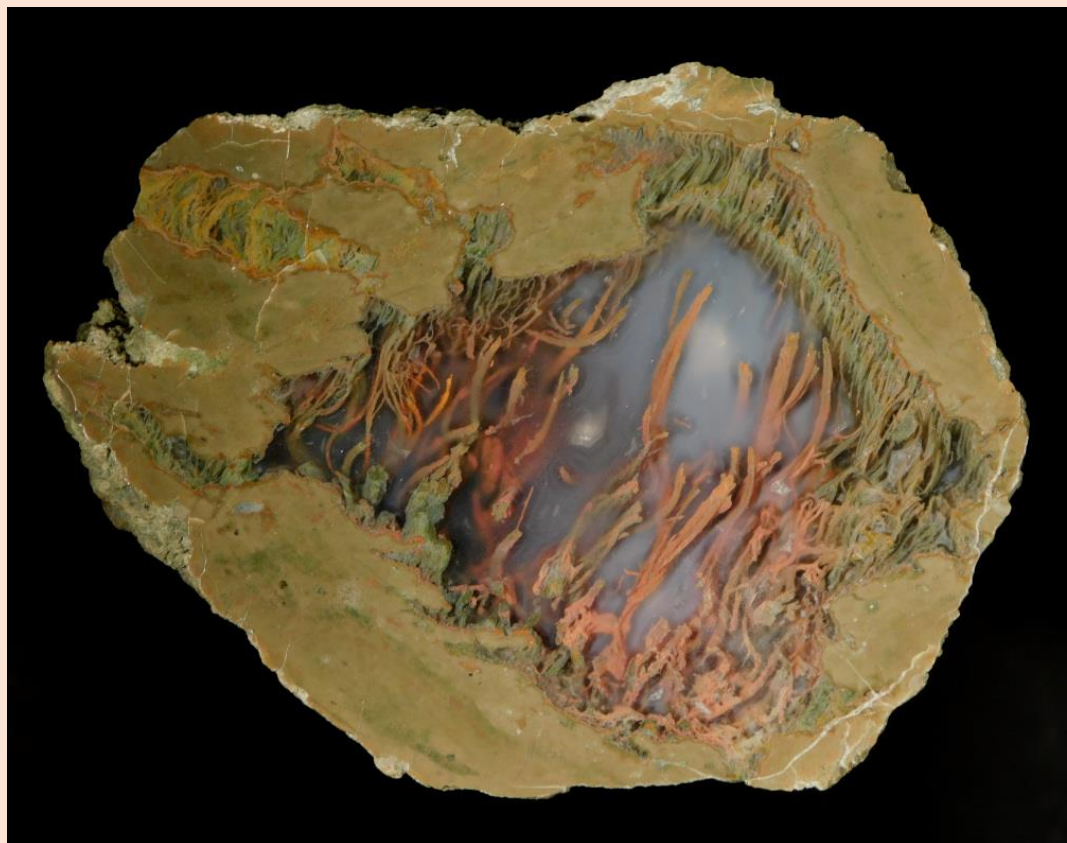
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Plume-Achat / Plume Agate. Flat Bed. 9 cm. Pat McMahan collection & photo.



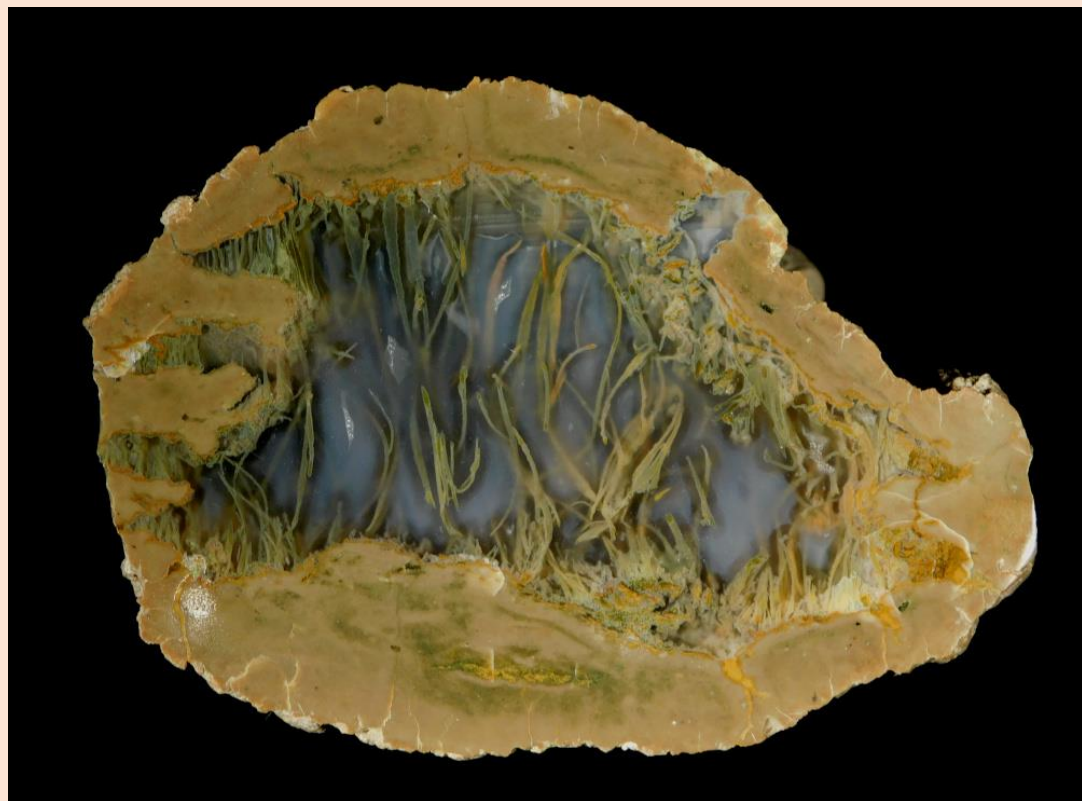
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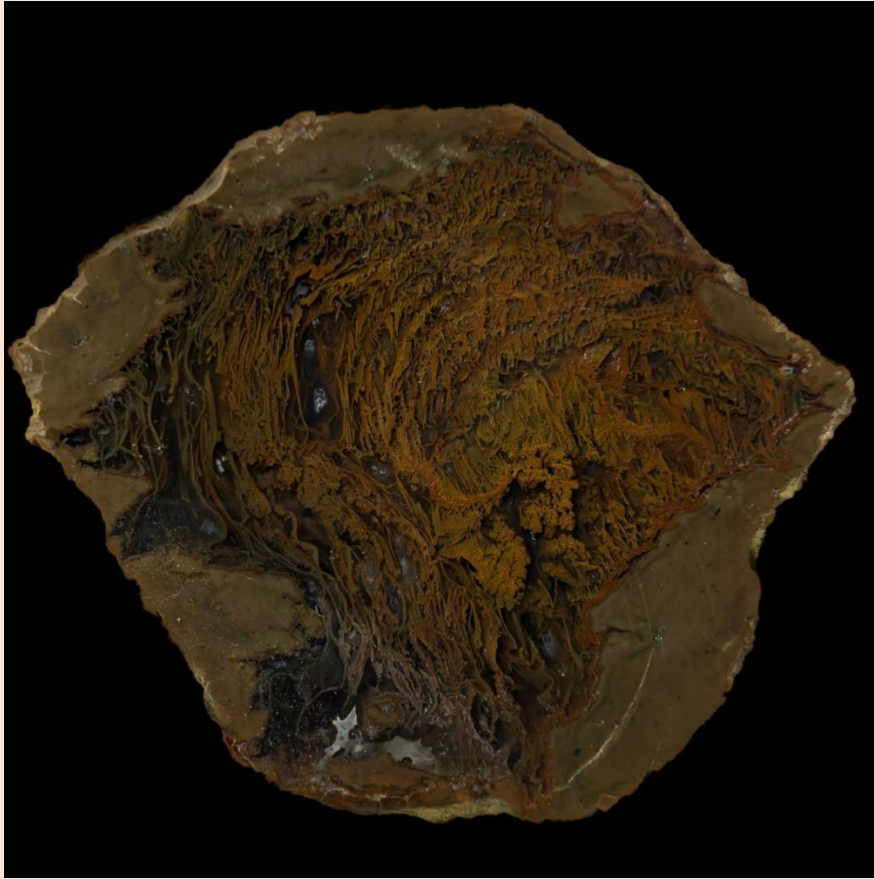
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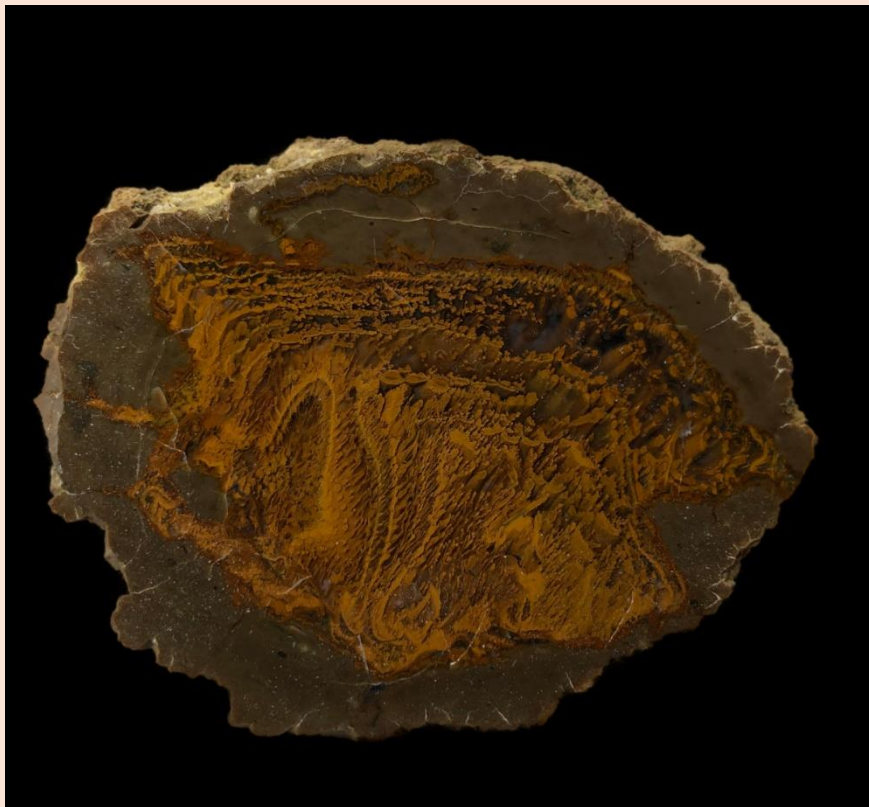
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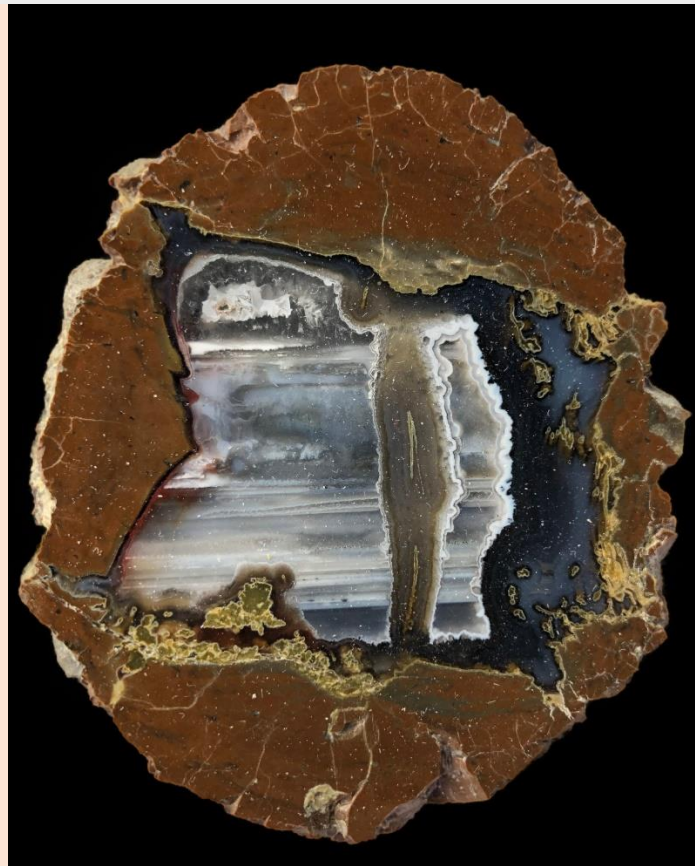
Moss Bed. 7.2 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



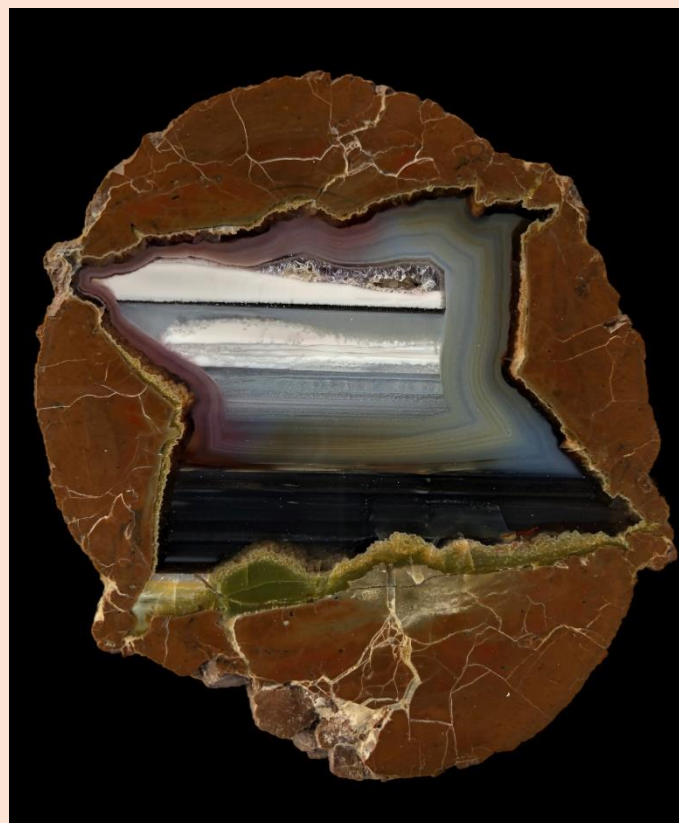
Moss Bed. 8.5 cm. Thorsten Jacob collection & photo.



Moss Bed. 7.5 cm. Thorsten Jacob collection & photo.



Red Bed. 8 cm. Thorsten Jacob collection & photo.



Red Bed. 8 cm. Thorsten Jacob collection & photo.



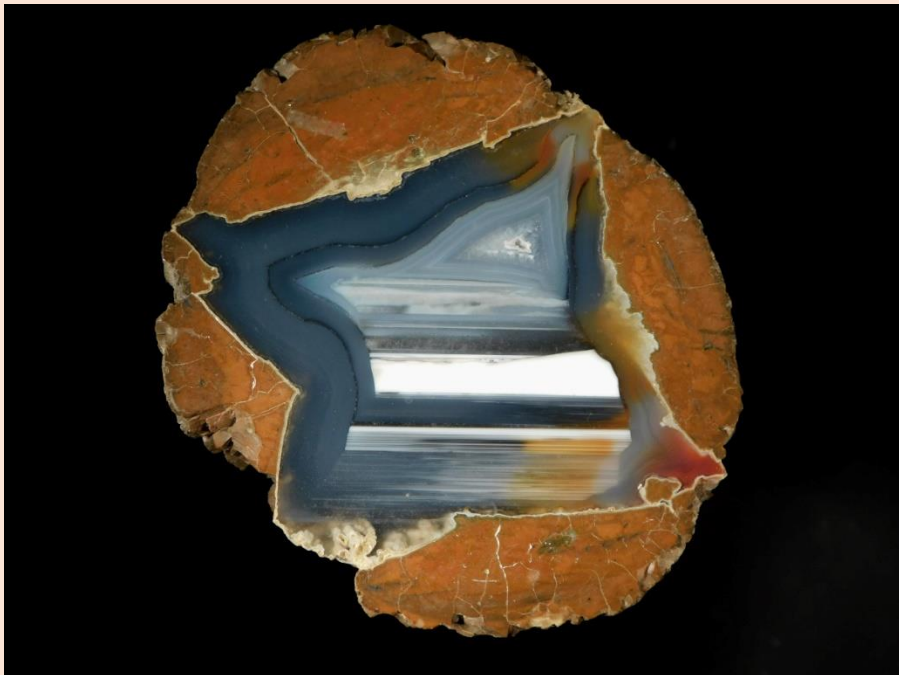
Blue Bed. 17 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



"Geist" / "Ghost". Blue Bed. 12 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



Blue Bed. 9.5 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.



Blue Bed. 8 cm. Johann Zenz collection & photo.

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