

unique jewelry by
sherry cordova





Sherry Cordova Jewelry

One-of-a-kind art jewelry aesthetically influenced by nature and geometry

Artist Statement

Sensations from my travels around the world are incorporated into pieces as the main inspiration, and are often used as the centerpiece of the design. Many pieces are inspired from the peaceful, fragile, and varied beauty found in my explorations beneath the world's seas.

As an avid SCUBA diver, on many occasions I have witnessed first hand how the removal of coral and shells from live reefs and 'dead' beaches can harm fragile marine ecosystems. I love the sea and understand the desire to have mementos and jewelry that evokes vivid memories of beautiful scenes and experiences. My solution is to travel with molding compound. Relaxing on exotic beaches, I mold the dead washed-up coral and shells around me. I return the coral and shells in the condition I found them, and only take my molds and memories with me when I leave the beach.

I return home anxious to turn the impressions of coral into organically textured jewelry to wear and share. Each piece of finished jewelry elicits both an acute sense of nature and a good feeling that the marine environment was not harmed in the making of the jewelry.

The Creative Process: Left and Right Brain

Traditionally artistic inspiration is thought to come mainly from the left brain. Creativity coming from both the left and right brain guide my design styles. Left brain pieces such as the odes to coral are very organic, with the recycled glass often determining the overall shape. As seen in the "Scratch" and "Filigree within Mesh" rings, designs driven by the right brain are geometric and have clean lines.

Description of the Jewelry Lines

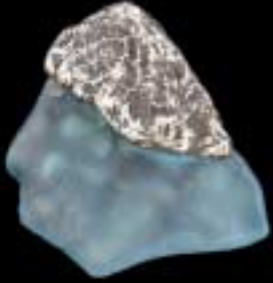
Left Brain

Color is introduced in this line with sea glass, recycled glass, patina, and an occasional stone. Shapes are very organic. Translucent glass and fine silver molded by coral shapes are omnipresent. Sterling silver is used where needed for strength, such as in necklace chains and pendant bales.

Right Brain

Colored gemstones provide contrast and a sense of luxury in this line of jewelry. Shapes are controlled and deliberate, even if the result sometimes has an organic influence. Sterling and fine silver are used in this line also, with the fine silver mainly occurring in the filigree work.

LEFT BRAIN



Bora Bora Pendant

Coral imprinted fine silver and recycled glass

35 x 33 x 10 mm
SOLD



Three All the Way Pendant

Fine silver and recycled glass; oxidized.

56 x 35 x 12 mm



de Corail Pendant

Coral imprinted fine silver and recycled glass

39 x 23 x 8 mm
SOLD



Coral on Anchor Pendant

Coral imprinted fine silver and recycled glass

72 x 39 x 14 mm



O Necklace

Fine silver; oxidized.

32 x 32 x 8 mm



Verre et Tube Necklace

Coral imprinted tube of fine silver hanging via fine silver strand from blue recycled glass.

34 x 19 x 16 mm



Ancien Earrings

Fine silver, sterling silver french earring wire; oxidized. Pair.

25 x 19 x 3 mm drop



Holy Choker Necklace

Sterling silver; cast.

48 x 39 x 3 mm

LEFT BRAIN



Autrefois Marron Pendant

Coral imprinted fine silver and recycled glass

38 x 31 x 7 mm



Coral Shard Earrings

Fine silver; oxidized.
Sterling silver hoops.

14 x 12 x 4 mm drops,
12 mm hoops



Fragments Pendant

Coral imprinted fine silver, sterling silver filigree; fabricated, oxidized.

29 mm diameter



Coral Oval Earrings

Fine silver; oxidized.
Sterling silver hoops.

18 x 15 x 4 mm drops,
12 mm hoops



Bulbous Ring

Fine silver.

Size 8.5



Free Form Pendant

Fine silver

41 x 33 x 15 mm



Surrounded Pendant

Fine silver, recycled glass; oxidized.

52 x 37 x 8 mm



Holy Necklace

Sterling silver; cast.

37 x 28 x 4 mm

LEFT BRAIN



Coral Cookie Pendant

Fine silver, lab grown stones.

39 x 37 x 10 mm



Brain Coral Pendant

Fine silver, cubic zirconia; oxidized.

25 x 20 x 17 mm



Green Goddess Pendant

Fine silver; oxidized.

30 x 30 x 10 mm



Tablette d'Argent Necklace

Fine silver, recycled glass.

42 x 25 x 13 mm



Coral Head with C Glass

Fine silver, recycled glass. Oxidized.

35 x 25 x 12 mm



Grapes of Wrath Pendant

Fine silver; oxidized.

39 x 39 x 10 mm



Nacre Ring

Fine silver. Oxidized, polished.

Size 10



Cubist Cross Pendant

Fine silver; oxidized.

39 x 27 x 9 mm

RIGHT BRAIN



Scratch Ring

Sterling silver; cast, etched, oxidized.

Size 5.75



Carousel Pendant / Pin

Fine and sterling silver filigree with 8mm trillion cut amethyst.

33 x 33 x 13 mm



Filigree within Mesh Ring

Fine silver filigree, sterling silver; cast, filigreed, spot oxidized.

Size 6.25



Cordoban Pendant / Pin

Fine and sterling silver filigree with 2.04 ct garnet

33 x 33 x 13 mm



Patch of Forest Ring

Sterling silver; cast.

Size 9.5



Octopus Pendant

Sterling silver; cast.

26 x 32 x 8 mm



Snakeskin Ring

Sterling silver; cast.

Size 10



Purple Lace Pendant

Blue luna agate and sterling silver; filigree, fabricated, oxidized.

46 x 46 x 11 mm

Suggested Retail Prices valid for orders placed through 31 Dec 2005

Left Brain	Suggested Retail Price (\$US)	Comments
Bora Bora Pendant	112	
De Corail Pendant	76	
O Necklace *	94	
Ancien Earrings (pair)	70	
Three All the Way Pendant	148	
Coral on Anchor Pendant	112	
Verre et Tube Necklace *	106	
Holy Choker Necklace	128	
Autrefois Marron Pendant	110	
Fragments Pendant	185	
Bulbous Ring	40	
Surrounded Pendant	182	
Coral Shard Earrings (pair)	68	
Coral Oval Earrings (pair)	68	
Free Form Pendant	122	
Holy Necklace	128	
Coral Cookie Pendant	92	
Green Goddess Pendant	94	
Coral Head with C Glass	76	
Nacre Ring	40	
Brain Coral Pendant	86	
Tablette d' Argent Necklace*	92	
Grapes of Wrath Pendant	86	
Cubist Cross Pendant	86	

* shipped with polished 16" sterling silver 2mm thick snake chain

Right Brain		
Scratch Ring	62	
Filigree within Mesh Ring	76	
Patch of Forest Ring	62	
Snakeskin Ring	62	
Carousel Pendant / Pin	135	
Cordoban Pendant / Pin	135	
Octopus Pendant	98	
Purple Lace Pendant	215	

Sterling Silver Snake Chain Necklace, 2mm thick		
16" polished	20	
18" polished	24	
20" polished	27	
16" patinated	22	
18" patinated	26	
20" patinated	29	

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