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Sotheby's presents the second-largest fancy vivid pink diamond at auction

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An image of the Williamson Pink Star diamond. Image credit: Sotheby's

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Auction house [Sotheby's](#) has unveiled one of the world's most saturated pink diamonds and announced that the jewel could sell for over \$21 million in an upcoming Hong Kong auction.

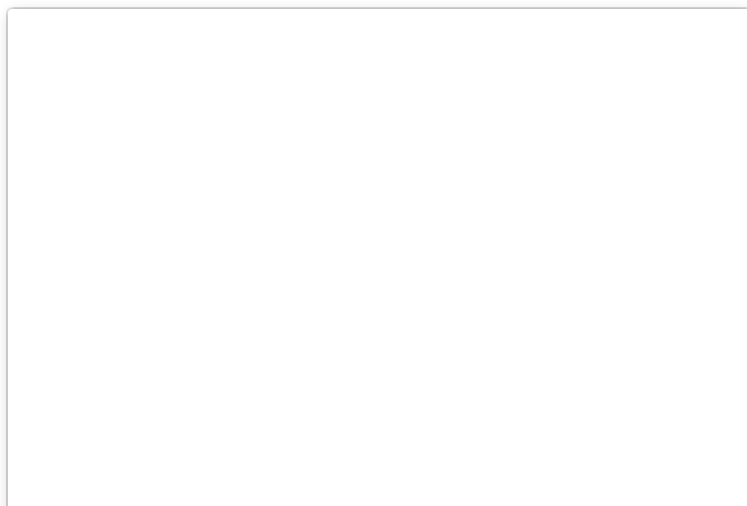
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The Williamson Pink Star was cut into a cushion shape from a 32-carat rough pink diamond from the Williamson Mine in Tanzania. It is the second-largest internally flawless fancy vivid pink diamond to ever appear at auction, and weighs in at a whopping 11.15 carats.

Move over Pink Panther

Pink diamonds weighing over 10 carats are incredibly hard to find and they fall into the ranges of faint pink to fancy pink.

The Williamson Pink Star is named in tribute to two other enormous pink diamonds. The Pink Star and the Williamson stone, a 23.6 carat diamond gifted to England's Queen Elizabeth.



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An image of a woman holding the Williamson Pink Star diamond

The original Pink Star, which was mined by De Beers in South Africa, weighed 59.6 carats and was rated a vivid pink. Contrastingly, the Williamson Pink Star has an even higher colored diamond rating of fancy vivid pink, speaking to the stone's incredibly uncommon color saturation.

Traveling exhibition dates for the diamond are Dubai, Sept. 5 to 6; Singapore, Sept. 9 to 11; Taipei, Sept. 16 to 18; Taichung, Sept. 21 to 22; Hong Kong, Oct. 2 to 5.

Last year during the annual cherry blossom season in Hong Kong, British auction house Christie's made history and sold the largest purple-pink diamond to be offered at auction. The Sakura diamond was internally flawless and weighed in at 15.81 carats ([see story](#)).

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