

Christie's Online Jewelry Sale Scores Nearly \$7M



A 50.06-carat diamond was the star of the most recent online jewelry sale at Christie's, bringing in \$2.6 million.

The price for the cushion modified brilliant-cut, D-color, VS1-clarity, type IIa diamond was within its \$2 million to \$4 million presale estimate, Christie's said last week. In total, the Jewels Online New York sale, which ran from November 28 to December 8, garnered \$6.8 million, with 98% of items on offer finding buyers.

Here are the rest of the top five from the auction:



A diamond Panthère ring from Cartier bearing a cushion-cut, 4.70-carat, purplish-pink sapphire went for \$69,300, beating its \$60,000 high estimate.



This Bulgari Serpenti bracelet with 446 round diamonds weighing between 18 and

20 carats sold for \$88,200, far surpassing its \$60,000 upper price tag.



Christie's offered this bracelet from the collection of *Sports Illustrated* journalist Virginia Kraft Payson without reserve. The piece, which has pear-shaped Colombian and Zambian emeralds, as well as marquise and round diamonds, fetched \$40,320, just above its \$40,000 low estimate.



Another piece offered without reserve was this ring, also from the collection of Virginia Kraft Payson. It features a round brilliant-cut, 5.17-carat, I-color, VS2-clarity diamond, and exceeded its \$60,000 high price, realizing \$81,900.

Main image: The 50.06-carat diamond. (Christie's)