



Interesting History of Amethysts (Paperback)

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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Word Origin and History of Amethyst: Noun - 1) a purple or violet quartz, used as a gem; 2) a purplish tint. Adjective - 1) having the color of amethyst; 2) containing or set with an amethyst or amethysts. Violet quartz, late 13th century, ametist, from Old French ametiste (Modern French amethyste) and directly from Medieval Latin amatistus, from Latin amethystus, from Greek amethystos amethyst , literally not intoxicating , from a- not + methyskein make drunk , from methys wine (see mead); based on the stone s ancient reputation for preventing drunkenness, which was perhaps sympathetic magic suggested by its wine-like color. People wore rings made of it before drinking. Spelling restored from Middle English ametist. // Mrs Rowson; Miscellaneous Poems; 1804 Mrs Rowson writes: Beside a spring, whose clear translucent wave / O er variegated pebbles softly crept, / O er which the lovelorn willow wept, / Deep in a coral rock, was form d a cave. / There Nature still in sportive mood / Had deck d the grot with spar s, and gems, and ore:...



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