



# Pink Banded Agate

Gemstone Family - Quartz

Chakras - Heart (4th), Sacral (6th)

Colour - Pink with soft pink and white banding

Found in - Germany (Idar-Oberstein area), Brazil, Egypt, Italy, Madagascar, Mexico and Scotland

Element - Associated with Earth

Also known as - "Protector of Children"

Meaning - Agate is named after the Achates River (now known as the Dirillo River) on the island of Sicily, Italy, whose upper waters were an ancient source of this gemstone.

Birthstone Month - September

Zodiac Sign - Gemini, Scorpio, Capricorn

Chemical Composition - SiO<sub>2</sub>

Hardness on the Mohs scale - 7 (1 being softest, 10 being hardest)

Physical Healing Properties - Strengthens the immune system, helps in healing the liver and pancreas, improves concentration

Emotional Healing Properties - Heals emotional disease, transforms negativity, relieves distress, soothes anger, boosts confidence and support, promotes unconditional love

Spiritual Properties - Strengthens the bond between parent and child, balances yin and yang energies, brings calmness to the user

Legend has it that... In Medieval times, the belief surrounding agate properties was that it could deliver a plentiful harvest if tied to the horns of an oxen. Ancient Egyptians believed agate provided protection against natural disasters like lightning, protection from thirst and as having the ability to deliver powers of speech