Lab-Grown Emerald: Beautiful Green, More Options

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There's something special about emerald green. Whether you like a rich, deep shade or a clearer, brighter look, the color can make a simple ring or pendant stand out.

If you love emeralds but don't want to spend what a high-quality natural stone may cost, **lab-grown emerald** is another option worth considering.

What is a lab-grown emerald?

Lab-grown emerald is emerald grown in a laboratory instead of forming underground. Like natural emerald, it belongs to the **beryl** mineral family and has the chemical formula Be3Al2Si6O18.

The green color is associated mainly with trace elements such as chromium and vanadium in the crystal. Lab-grown emerald isn't green glass or another mineral made to resemble emerald. It has the same defining mineral identity as natural emerald, though individual stones can have different growth features and appearances.

Why do people choose lab-grown emeralds?

For many people, it's about getting the emerald-green look they love while keeping more of their budget for the jewelry itself.

A natural emerald may carry a high price because of a rare combination of color, clarity, size and natural origin. With a lab-grown emerald, you can often explore attractive color and clarity options at a more accessible price.

That doesn't mean every lab-grown emerald is perfectly clear or looks the same. Some have visible internal features, and cut quality can make a big difference. When comparing stones, look at the

green color, transparency and overall appearance rather than assuming a laboratory-grown stone will always be flawless.

Natural emeralds have their own appeal, especially if origin and rarity matter to you. Lab-grown emeralds are another way to enjoy emerald jewelry.

Is lab-grown emerald good for everyday wear?

Emerald has a **Mohs hardness of 7.5–8**, which gives it reasonable resistance to scratches. It's suitable for many jewelry designs, but it needs more care around impacts than ruby or sapphire generally does.

At a glance	Lab-grown emerald
Mineral family	Beryl
Composition	Be3Al2Si6O18
Mohs hardness	7.5–8
Typical refractive index	Around 1.577–1.583 for emerald generally; individual lab-grown stones may vary
Popular uses	Rings, earrings and pendants

Hardness is about scratching, not whether a gemstone can crack when hit. The stone's internal features and the setting both matter.

If you're choosing an emerald ring for frequent wear, ask about designs that protect the corners and keep the stone from sitting too high above your finger.

Which emerald greens can you explore with us?

Our two lab-grown emerald color options are called **Zambia Emerald** and **Colombia Emerald**.

Both are **lab-grown emerald (beryl)** made using a hydrothermal growth process. Their names refer to color styles, **not** the countries where the stones were mined. These are laboratory-grown stones.

Hydrothermal growth uses a hot, pressurized water-based environment to grow emerald crystals. It's not a surface coating or a process for coloring glass.

Which shape is right for you?

The classic **emerald cut** has long, clean facets that show off the stone's green color and transparency. An **oval** can feel softer and more elongated, while a **cushion cut** brings rounded corners and a more traditional look.

The best choice is the one that suits your style and how you plan to wear the piece. If you have a particular shade, size or shape in mind, send us the details and we'll check what options are available.

How should you care for your emerald?

Use lukewarm water, mild soap and a soft cloth or brush for gentle cleaning. Avoid hard knocks, sudden temperature changes and harsh chemicals. Store it separately from harder gemstones.

Because emeralds can have internal features or treatments, don't use ultrasonic or steam cleaning unless a qualified jeweler has checked your particular stone.

Frequently asked questions

Is lab-grown emerald actually emerald?
Yes. It is emerald (beryl) grown in a laboratory rather than mined from the earth.

Will a lab-grown emerald be perfectly clear?
Not necessarily. Clarity varies, and some stones show internal features. Choose based on the look of the actual stone.

Can I wear an emerald ring every day?
You can, with care and a protective setting. Take it off for heavy work and avoid impacts.

Does “Colombia Emerald” mean it came from Colombia?
No. That's the name of one of our color options. The stone itself is lab-grown emerald.

Can I choose a specific green shade?

Tell us what color and size you're looking for. We'll help you explore the options for your design.