

MICKEY MOUSE RING

This is a Zuni Channel Inlay ring made in 1950. It is made of the tradition Zuni materials: sterling silver, red coral, black jet, white mother of pearl and turquoise. The artist's initials "MP" are on the reverse as is the location, "Zuni."

Each of the stones in the ring have a traditional meaning for the Zuni:

Red Coral symbolizes Mother Earth

Turquoise symbolizes Father Sky

Black Jet and White Mother of Pearl symbolize the dualities of life

In addition, the order of the materials on the ring is traditional

Red Coral is below.

Turquoise is above.

The dualities exist between the two.

This is a traditional Zuni cultural view.