

# How To Protect Your Jewelry

Get an appraisal to make sure you know how much it's worth.

Every 2-3 years if you have items

- Worth \$100,000 or more
- Containing diamonds of 3 carats or more

Every 3-5 years for the collection

Use a professional jeweler with a Graduate Diamond or gemologist certification.

## Make it hard for burglars

### House Tips

#### Tip 1

The first place burglars look is a jewelry box in the master bedroom or bathroom. Put your fine jewelry in a bank vault or in-house safe in an inconspicuous place.

#### Tip 2

Store jewelry in multiple safes in different places in the house.

68%

Burglars look for jewelry.\*

10 min

How long a burglar typically spends in a house.\*\*

60%

Burglars avoid houses with alarms.\*  
Connect your safe to your home alarm system.

30 min

How long the body and door of a TL-30 rated safe will successfully resist entry when attacked with common mechanical and electronic tools.

## Keep Track of It

Over 50% of jewelry claims are because a piece was lost or misplaced not stolen.

Every 1-2 years, restring pearl necklaces that are worn regularly to prevent them from breaking.

### Traveling Tips:

- Check for loose stones before leaving
- Make a list of items and keep them with you at all times
- Pack them in non-descript packaging
- Keep it in the hotel safe, not in-room safe
- Don't wear them to the pool, beach, skiing or biking

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\*Source: "Understanding decisions to burglarize from the offender's perspective,"

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte Department of Criminal Justice & Criminology, December 2012

\*\* "10 Surprising Home Burglary Stats and Facts," The SafeWise Report, [www.safewise.com](http://www.safewise.com), September 13, 2016