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### **Nuggets of News and Knowledge**

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Whether you are new to gold prospecting or an experienced old-timer, whether you have just started swinging a metal detector or have been digging targets for years, get the most out of treasure hunting with these nuggets of news and knowledge— tips, ideas, new products and more!



### **Spring 2020 Gold and Treasure Shows**

The 2020 Gold Prospector's Association of America's Gold & Treasure Show circuit is planned to be better than ever this year! With \$110,000 in prizes, several dozen

vendors
demonstrating
equipment,
informative
seminars, and
100 feet of gold
panning troughs
salted with real
gold (keep all
you find!), you



won't want to miss bringing the family to a weekend show this spring. Saturday hours 10 am - 5 pm and Sundays 10 am - 4 pm in these cities:

• Pomona, CA: February 15-16

• Albuquerque, NM: February 29-March 1

• Phoenix, AZ: March 7-8

Vancouver, WA: March 21-22Sacramento, CA: March 14-15

• Butte, MT: April 4-5

• Concord, NC: April 25-26

Rapid City, SD: April 18-19Columbus, OH: May 2-3

• Milwaukee, WI: May 16-17

• Columbus, GA: May 23-24

Get more details here.

#### **Built It Yourself Hand Dredge Kit**

# Nugget of Knowledge

# Have You Heard of Mossy Gold?

Anyone who prospects for gold knows how elusive it can be. Even when you're for certain on "good ground," you can end the day with not much to show for your efforts. On the other hand, you may have a really great day and recover some of the shiny stuff, only to return to the same spot at a later date and find nothing. Often, the amount of gold you recover changes when you use a different piece of equipment or a different accessory. Sometimes it's the weather that exposes or releases gold after a flood or storm. The environment can change, but sometimes the positive difference can be new places to look for gold. Besides hiding in the usual places in streams and on dry land—in crevices, of plants and trees, in

Gold can hide down in the deepest part of a crack or crevice or behind a boulder and often is best reached with a hand dredge, also called a "sucker gun" or "suction gun." This gold prospecting tool is ideal for working below the water line when a motorized dredge cannot be used. It helps you get the gold out of some really tight spaces, and is quite handy when you're prospecting along a river. If you've found



a rich spot that is hard to access, consider the X-Stream Hybrid Pro Hand Dredge Kit. Although this hand dredge is also available to ship fully assembled (\$157.98), if you're more of a do-it-yourself type, get the Kit instead and build your own and save over \$50! Shop Hand Dredges and Kits here.

#### Portable Highbanker Trommel SHIPS FREE!



Ready to take your gold recovery to the next level? It's simple—run more material, get more gold... FASTER! If you already have rich, gold-bearing dirt and it's just a matter of being able to process it quicker than what you're doing now, then it's time to step up your efforts a notch with this versatile gold mining machine that's a classifier, highbanker, and trommel all in one! Want one lightweight machine that will do it all? Check out this portable highbanker trommel with FREE SHIPPING!

#### Fun and Effective Gold Claw / Pocket Pan Kit

tailings piles — have you ever considered looking for gold in MOSS? Yes, the kind of ordinary moss that thrives in wet conditions! Article continues here...

#### **Sluice Setter**



The Sluice Setter Digital
Pitch Gauge is for gold
miners who realize the
importance of consistently
getting the correct pitch on
their sluice box. This varies
based on the water volume,
water speed, and amount
and type of material you run.
Once you figure out what
pitch keeps all the gold but
doesn't clog up the box,
you'll want to confirm the
pitch every time you reset.
Handy \$29.95 sluice setter
here.

### Desert Fox Gold Panning Machine



If you don't have the muscle power or time, let a spiral panning machine help you separate the gold from your concentrates and black sand much more quickly and easily! The Desert Fox Automatic Gold Panning Machine is designed to conserve water and will operate on just three gallons. It sets up quickly



The original Gold Claw pan is a true gold panning break through... and now it's even better with the addition of a smaller Pocket Pan included in the kit. Just like the original larger version, the Pocket Pan is made in the USA from rugged Tritan plastic, which is virtually indestructible. When you purchase a Gold Claw Original & Pocket Pan Kit, you get: Original Gold Claw gold pan (12 inches wide x 10 inches tall x 2.75 inches deep), smaller Pocket Pan, practice paydirt (contains 5 to 10 flakes of

real gold!), a snuffer bottle to easily suction the gold from the pan to the vial, and a small empty vial in which you can display and keep your newly discovered gold! Watch the Gold Claw pan in action here.

#### **Get Organized with Heavy Duty Tool Bags**

Don't you hate when you can't find what you need quickly and easily? This rugged 5 piece set of 20 oz. cotton canvas tool bags with handles keeps all your small prospecting items and tools organized out in the field or at home. With 5 colors. you can designate each for a specific purpose so you don't lose those extra small parts! Also ideal for organizing



your office, art supplies, tools, vehicles, and junk drawer at home and in the garage. The possibilities for use are endless! One piece construction means no bottom seam to rip open! Set includes 1 each desert tan, olive drab, gunmetal gray, raspberry red, plum purple. 12.5 inches long x 7 inches tall. Add tool bag set for \$23.98 to your next order.

#### Stroll Through Downtown Auburn, California

and easily and can run 70 pounds of concentrates in an hour-- it's both a separator and a concentrator in one self-contained panning machine. Recovers an amazing amount of flour gold so you never lose even the smallest pieces (which all add up!). Operates on any 12-volt automotive battery or even a 35 watt solar panel (not included). Variable speed SHIPS FREE!

## Rock Tumbler with Grit Kit



It takes years and years for nature and its elements—dirt, rock, water, and sand—to smooth a rock's surface. But a rock tumbler can get you those same results in considerably less time. Whether you're just getting started in the hobby of lapidary, or you've been polishing rocks for decades, you'll find rock tumbling equipment and accessories here.

# Considering a Big Purchase?



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California State Highway 49, also known as the Gold Rush Highway, winds its way through a nine-county area that in the mid 1800s was home to more than 2,500 gold mining camps. Most of those camps disappeared after the gold ran out, but a few communities survived and even thrived. Auburn is one such city, and is worth a stop to stroll through its Old Town.

Auburn was put on the map in 1849 by Claude Chana, who is credited with making the first gold discovery in this area. The



Frenchman originally worked as a cooper for John Sutter when James Marshall discovered gold in nearby Coloma, the birthplace of the California Gold Rush. Like many other men bitten by the gold bug, the Frenchman quit his job at Sutter Mill to search for the shiny stuff. But unlike many men, his gamble paid off and he quickly recovered \$25,000 worth of gold in Auburn Ravine. Chana is memoralized by a monument you'll see upon entering Old Town from Interstate 80. The sculptor, Dr. Kenneth Fox, was a local dentist in Auburn and is famous for his large concrete statues. Article continues here...

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