

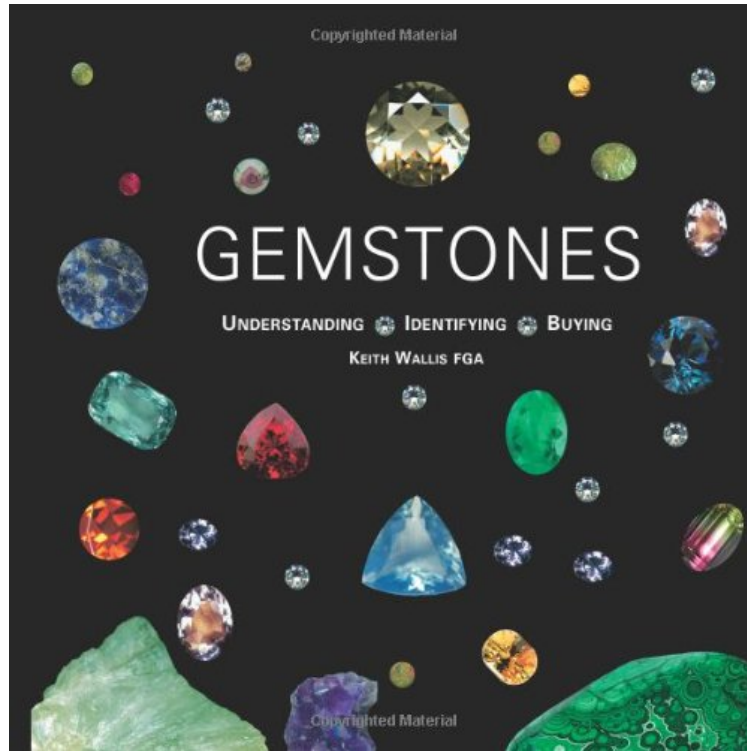
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About the Author Keith Wallis, a qualified gemmologist, is a firm believer in demystifying the complexities of the world of gemstones.