

Diamond Information

Carat is the weight of a diamond, carat is abbreviated as "ct".

Carat weight is also expressed as "points" or "pts" to describe diamonds which weigh less than 1ct.

One carat diamond equals 0.2 grams and/or 100 points. A five carat diamond equals 1 gram.

1ct = 100 pts


























3/4 ct = 75 pts

1/2 ct = 50 pts

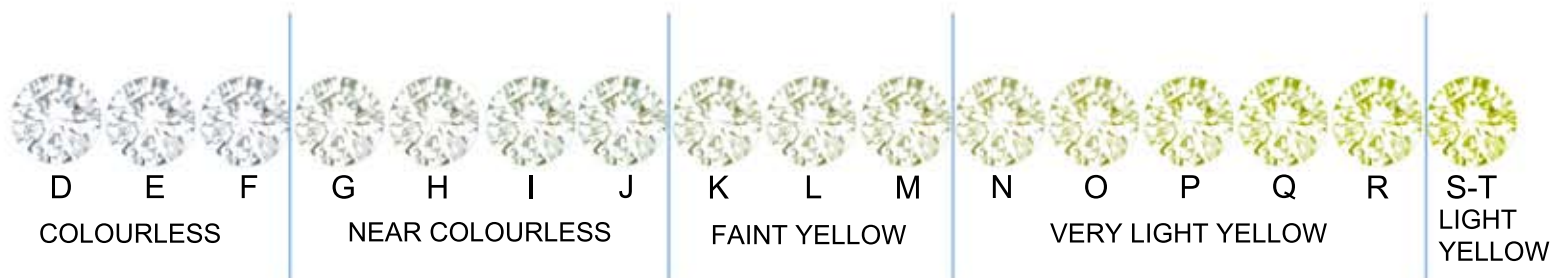
1/4 ct = 25 pts

Therefore a .50 carat diamond can be called either 50 points or 1/2 of a carat.

Two diamonds of equal weight can have different values depending on their cut, clarity and colour.

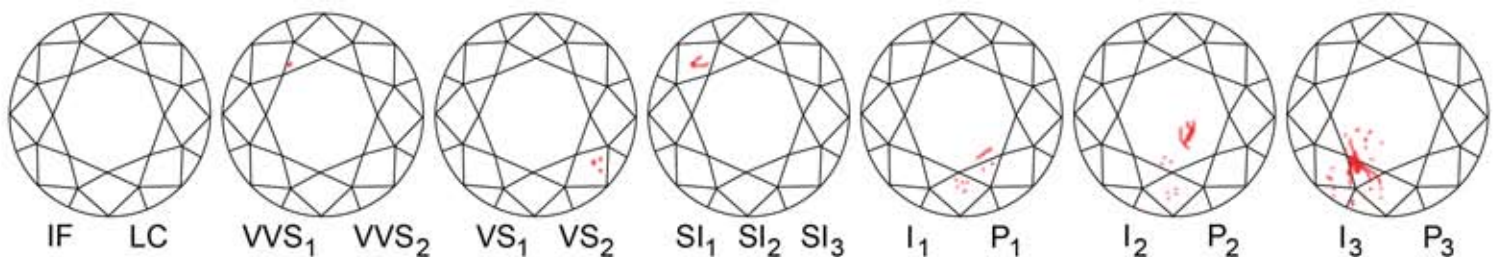
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 .20ct/20pts 3.8mm	 .25ct/1/4ct 4.1mm	 .30ct/30pt 4.5mm	 .40ct/40pt 4.8mm	 .50ct/1/2ct 5.2mm
 .65ct/65pt 5.6mm	 .75ct/3/4ct 5.9mm	 .85ct/85pts 6.2mm	 1ct 6.5mm	 1.25ct 7mm
 1.5ct 7.4mm	 1.75ct 7.8mm	 2ct 8.2mm	 2.25ct 8.6mm	 2.50ct 9.0mm
 3ct 9.3mm	 4ct 10.2mm	 5ct 11.0mm	 6ct 11.7mm	 7ct 12.4mm

Colour- white diamonds are graded according to their inner body hue using a white to yellow scale, the whiter the diamond the higher the price.

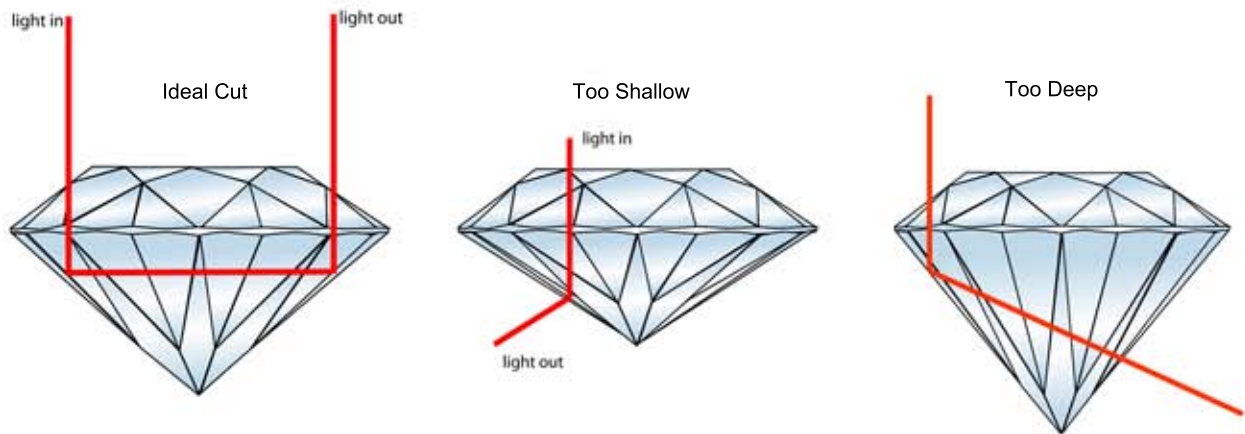
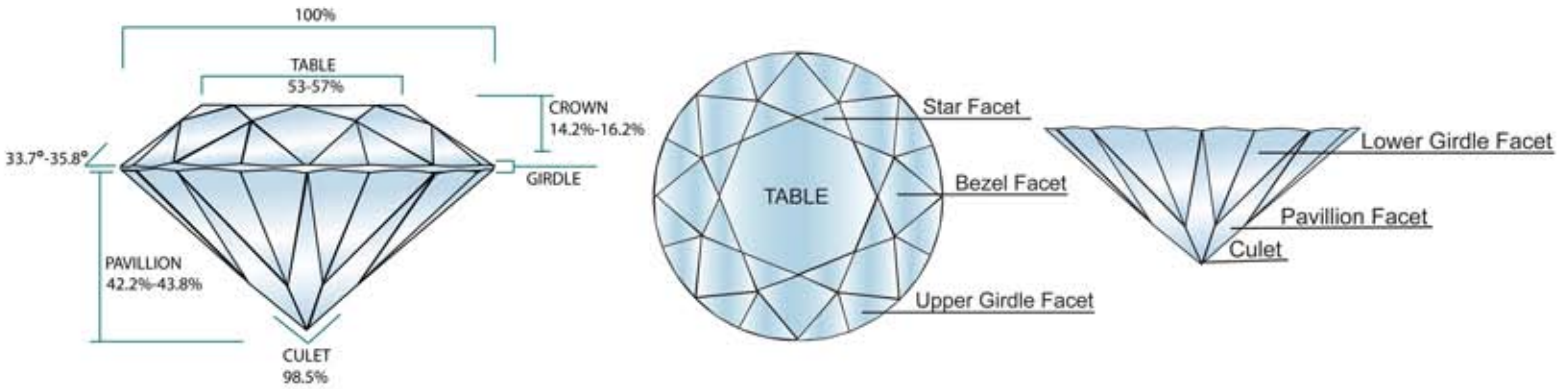


(Fancy Coloured Diamonds - unlike colourless and near-colourless diamonds which are valued for their lack of colour, fancies are valued for the intensity of their colour).

Clarity is based on the fact that diamonds contain inclusions and the fewer inclusions the finer the clarity and the more valuable the stone.



Cut does not refer to the shape of a diamond but the proportions of depth and width and the symmetry and uniformity of its facets. The proportions of width and depth have a large impact on diamond brilliance.



Diamond Shapes

