What is 625 gold?

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Gold tells a story, not just of luxury, but of legacy. At **PureJewels**, we craft each piece with the intention to honour your journey. Whether you're selecting gold for sentiment, style, or investment, understanding its purity is essential.

One of the more historic and lesser-known types is **625 gold**. But what does it mean? And is it still used today? Let us guide you.

What Does 625 Gold Mean?

625 gold signifies that the metal is composed of **62.5% pure gold**, with the remaining **37.5% made up of alloy metals** such as copper or silver. This is equivalent to **15 carat gold (15ct)**.

The "625" mark means there are **625 parts per thousand** of fine gold in the alloy.

Is 625 Gold Still Used?

While **625 gold is real and valuable**, it is **largely obsolete today**. It was once popular in the **United Kingdom during the Victorian and Edwardian eras**, before being officially replaced in 1932 by the now-standard **14ct (585)** and **18ct (750)** gold.

As a result, **15ct gold is now considered antique**, and pieces marked "625" are often found in heritage jewellery or as collectable heirlooms.

Key Characteristics of 625 (15ct) Gold

- **Gold Purity**: 62.5% pure gold
- **Carat**: 15ct
- **Hallmark**: “625” or “15ct”
- **Tone**: Richer than 14ct, slightly paler than 18ct
- **Current Status**: Mostly vintage or antique jewellery
- **Value**: Valuable for both gold content and collectibility

How Does 625 Gold Compare to Other Purities?

Gold Type	Purity	Carat	Use Case	Availability
625	62.5%	15ct	Antique jewellery	Rare, discontinued
585	58.5%	14ct	Modern, durable wear	Widely used
750	75%	18ct	Fine jewellery	Common in luxury
916	91.6%	22ct	Bridal, heritage	Popular in Asian & UK

At **PureJewels**, we specialise in **18ct and 22ct gold**, chosen for their richness, resonance, and enduring beauty.

Is 625 Gold Valuable?

Yes, **625 gold carries both intrinsic and historical value**. If you own a piece marked “625” or “15ct,” you likely have an **antique or vintage item**, which may be of interest to collectors or dealers.

If you're considering selling, insuring, or restoring such a piece, we recommend a **professional valuation**, a service we’re pleased to offer at PureJewels with complete discretion and care.

Final Thoughts: The Legacy of 625 Gold

Though no longer produced, **625 gold remains a meaningful part of goldsmithing history**. It represents a time when jewellery was crafted not just to adorn, but to endure. And at **PureJewels**, we celebrate that legacy through every piece we create.

If you’re inspired by antique design or hold a piece of 15ct gold, know that it’s a testament to a forgotten standard, yet never out of style.

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