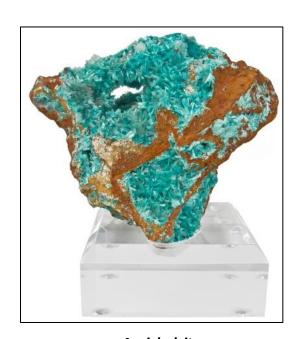
$\textbf{Aurichalcite on Limonite} \ [(\mathsf{Zn},\mathsf{Cu})_{5}(\mathsf{CO}_{3})_{2}(\mathsf{OH})_{6}]$

A zinc-copper carbonate, Aurichalcite occurs as sky-blue to teal crust aggregates in oxidized zone deposits. Because Aurichalcite is a weathered product of zinc-rich ores, it can serve as a guide to discovering larger zinc deposits. Its pearly, silky luster makes Aurichalcite a visually alluring mineral, although its softness (Mohs hardness of 1-2) prevents it from being faceted into jewelry. Due to its fragility, specimens should be rarely handled.



Aurichalcite B32



Aurichalcite P7