

## NATURAL DIAMOND

## GCAL 343160088

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## 4C's GRADING

1.08 Carat Weight Color Clarity VS1 8X Cut

Certificate No. GCAL 343160088 Identification **Natural Diamond** Shape and Cutting Style Marquise Brilliant Measurements 10.60 x 5.54 x 3.36mm Fluorescence None Girdle Thin to Sl. Thick, Faceted Culet None GCAL 8X 343160088 Inscription

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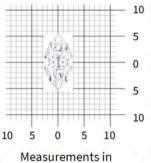
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## **Laser Inscription**



Illustration depicts approx. girdle appearance

## **Actual Size**



# millimeters (mm)

## **Photomicrographs**





Actual photographs of the crown and pavilion of this diamond. View hi-resolution photos at GCALUSA.com

Clarity Characteristics and Locations

Star.Table Crystals

**Pinpoint** Bezel **8**\(\infty\) is the ultimate achievement in precision diamond cutting. Only extraordinarily brilliant and beautiful diamonds achieve **EXCELLENT** grades in all **EIGHT** aspects of CUT quality assessment.



## **Optical Brilliance**

is the overall return of white light to the viewer. It is measured to the thousandth decimal place and is represented in this image. The white areas indicate light return / brilliance, and the dark-blue areas indicate light loss.



### Fire

results when white light travels through a diamond and is dispersed into its rainbow of spectral colors. These flashes of color contribute to sparkle and are best viewed as the diamond moves.



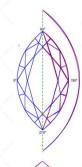
### Scintillation

is the flashes of white light, or sparkle, produced when light is reflected from a diamond as it moves. This image shows the light returned from a single beam of light when your diamond is rotated in nine positions.



## **Optical Symmetry**

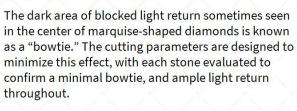
is visualized in this photograph of your diamond taken in a specific colored lighting environment. The evenness of the pattern illustrates the precision and uniformity of facet shapes and alignment.



## **Shape Aesthetics**

analyzes features unique to this Marquise:

The outline and axis symmetry of every 8X<sup>®</sup> marguise diamond is assessed to confirm that the stone has a balanced tapered ellipse shape, with each curved side cascading elegantly to pointed tips. The axis symmetry images shown here are part of this assessment.

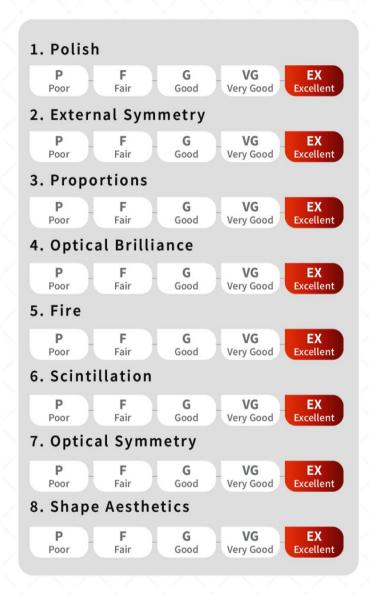




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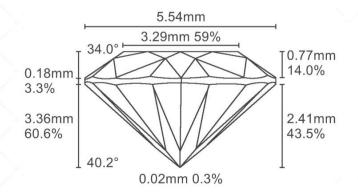
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## **Proportion Diagram**

Optical scanning technology measures each facet and angle to produce an accurate, to-scale diagram of this diamond.



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#### **DIAMOND SHAPES**























#### **CARAT WEIGHT SIZES**

Carat Weight	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	0.75	0.50	0.25
Approx. Size								
Diameter	9.20mm	8.60mm	8.00mm	7.30mm	6.40mm	5.80mm	5.10mm	4.10mm

#### DIAMOND CLARITY GRADING SCALE

	FL	IF	VVS1	WS2	VS1	VS2	SI1	SI2	l1	12	13
FLAWLESS - INTERNALLY FL.		VERY VERY SLIGHTLY INCLUDED		VERY SLIGHTLY INCLUDED		SLIGHTLY INCLUDED		INCLUDED / PIQUE			

#### DIAMOND COLOR GRADING SCALE



D - Z DIAMOND COLOR GRADING SCALE

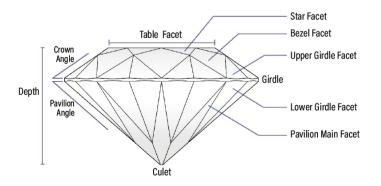
#### DIAMOND FLUORESCENCE GRADING SCALE



#### DIAMOND POLISH & SYMMETRY GRADING SCALE

EXCELLENT	VERY GOOD	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	

#### BRILLIANT CUT DIAGRAM



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# GUARANTEED CERTIFICATE



NATURAL DIAMOND



is the highest achievement in precision diamond cutting. The **GCAL 8X™** Ultimate Diamond Cut Grading System encompasses all aspects of diamond CUT quality assessment. Your diamond has achieved grades of Excellent in all eight aspects of CUT quality assessment. As a result, this diamond is recognized for its extraordinary brilliance and beauty.

#### PHYSICAL EXCELLENCE

The first three of the 8X grading factors analyze the exactness of the physical surface, the facet shapes, as well as the angles. This includes the Polish, External Symmetry and Proportions.

Decades of meticulous mathematical calculations have determined the narrow proportion ranges required to produce superior cut diamonds. Each shape has been studied individually to find the most aesthetically pleasing parameters. Some of the factors considered are listed below.

To view the proportion specifications for each shape, please visit our website GCALUSA.com

Table % Lower Girdle Facet Length

Depth % Star Length

Girdle Thickness Crown Angle/Height

Pavilion Angle/Height Culet Size

#### LIGHT PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE

The next three of the 8X grading factors are Brilliance, Fire, and Scintillation, which analyze the light handling ability of your diamond. The combination of these factors is the essence of what makes any diamond visibly shine, dance and sparkle from across a room. Fire and Scintillation are graded while the diamond is in motion and interacting with light. View the Fire and Scintillation videos of this diamond at GCALUSA.com or by scanning the QR code on this certificate.

#### OPTICAL EXCELLENCE

The last two 8X grading factors consider optical excellence. These factors scrutinize the craftsmanship, the precise alignment of the crown and pavilion facets, the shape outline, and the length-width ratio, ensuring the diamond achieves aesthetic perfection.

Grading scales for each of the 8X grading factors can be viewed at GCALUSA.com

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