

《捷克博物馆5000件珍藏宝石仅400件真货》

国家博物馆的藏品居然多数是假货？捷克博物馆让人大跌眼镜！



Diamonds and other precious stones forming part of a Czech National Museum collection thought to be worth millions of pounds have been exposed as fakes during a routine audit.

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The inspection of supposed 5-carat diamonds and a 19-carat sapphires has left curators scratching their heads as to how the real things went missing over the last 50 years.

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Around half the museum's collection, acquired by the museum during communist times, has already been found to be fake.

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The museum is now trying to discover if it was victim of con artists during the acquisitions, or even if the apparent heist was an inside job sometime in the last five decades.

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The collection was located at different sites over the years, but since 2011 has sat in a secure depository on the outskirts of Prague, Mr Macek told The Telegraph.

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One sapphire that cost CZK200,000 in the 1970s, and would be worth tens of millions today, said Ivo Macek, director of the Museum of Natural History, which houses the collection.

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“A diamond was confiscated by the government in the 1950s, and handed to the National Museum in the 1960s” he explained. “The sapphire was bought from a Prague antique shop in 1978.”

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Just 400 of the museum's 5,000 precious stones and minerals have been audited thus far, but all the most valuable have been checked. The full audit will take until 2020.

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