

**Name:** *Conus pennaceus elisae* (f) (Kiener, 1845).

**Location:** Oahu, Hawaii(exact locale given to winner).

**Grade:** FINE+++ (W/OPERCULUM).

**Size:** 33.55mm. (By Digital Caliper).

**Notes:** LARGE GEM SELF-COLLECTED ON OAHU(WITH VISITING COLLECTOR DR PHIL NUDELMAN). THIS IS THE TRUE HAWAIIAN ELISAE. VELIGER DROPS WITHIN 24HRS OF EGG HATCHING SO VERY ISOLATED(PER FRANK PERON) COMPARED TO THE AFRICAN FORMS WHICH STAY SUSPENDED IN THE PLANKTONIC STAGE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN FOR 30 DAYS(PER ROCKEL). HARD TO GET NOW ESPECIALLY THIS SIZE AND IT'S THE RARE OAHU FORM WHICH GREATLY DIFFERS FROM THE KAUAI FORM. ONLY FOUND A HANDFUL OF THESE ON OAHU.

73 \$, May 11





