Pros and Cons of Tantalum Rings

Camera A

Long gone are the days when there were only three choices of metal for your wedding band.

Camera B

Today there is a plethora of materials, which may seem overwhelming for the ring purchasing novice.

Camera A

HAVE NO FEAR! Manly Bands has got your back by breaking down the benefits of different material options out there, so you don't have to. Today we are talkin' about TANTALUM

Intro Splash

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Welcome back Manly Bands Fam. And if this is your first time here, welcome!

B-Roll of an assortment of MB rings still life

On this channel I share tips to help you make the best decision when buying your unique men's wedding band.

Camera B

Or if you're looking for some men's rings that are the opposite of boring, stay tuned.

Camera A

You don't have to be getting married - hey maybe it's time for an *upgrade* or you just dig cool rings - all of the above - we've got you.

B-Roll Silver and Gold rings

When we think about shopping for rings the materials that are most popular are silver and gold.

Camera B

BRO TALK - (IMPROV - compared to vanilla friends. Talk about being the center of the next conversation)

B-Roll of Tantalos feeding his baby to Zeus

Named after the Greek Mythology character Tantalos who tried to feed his baby to the God Zeus,

B-Roll of Anders Ekeberg with New Kids on the Block members' image with their heads Photoshopped with rings on them.

Tantalum was discovered in 1802 by Anders Ekeberg. It's a natural metal that is the popular new kid on the block in the ring world.

Camera A

There are a lot of benefits about Tantalum that make it a serious contender to other materials. For example,

B-Roll of The Invincible still life

The INVINCIBLE may look like it was forged in the pits of Tartarus with its unique stone pattern but what most people don't know that Tantalum is it is super strong.

Camera B

(BRO TALK - (referencing something super strong.)

B-Roll of various Tantalum rings

It is highly resistant to scratches and breakage plus it is home grown.

Camera B

Wait, does tantalum grow? Is it a fruit or a vegetable? Either way, It's strong and natural, like me!

Camera A

Another benefit is that Tantalum is safe to wear on the job.

B-roll of The Suave still life

If you are sporting The Suave you can relax as Tantalum will not react to any other metals, and will not dissolve if it comes in contact with corrosive materials

B-Roll of Korey eating cereal with ketchup

like the ketchup that Korey was using on his cereal this morning. (flash back)

Camera A + overlay of a '67 mustang and Korey wearing a flowery garden hat holding gardening tools.

Although Tantalum is a super durable metal, I still recommend wearing a silicone band when changing out the carburetor on your 67 mustang or planting those vibrant Tulips in your man garden.

B-Roll of assortment of metal rings

Every material other than silicone is rigid and does not have any give to it.

B-Roll of man putting on a silicone band and showing it's stretchiness

A silicone band is an affordable option that moves with your finger, has a bit of stretchiness to it

B-Roll of keys scratching up the silicone ring

and if it gets all scratched up to hell you won't feel the burn in your wallet to replace it.

B-Roll of unboxing the new clamshell case with a Best Man inside along with a Tantalum ring.

That's why we send The Best Man for free with every order here at Manly Bands. You are not only saving \$30 but possibly extending the shine and sparkle of your badass band.

Camera B

Personally I like that Tantalum has several looks to it.

B-Roll of The Idol, The Protagonist, and the Spaceman

If you like natural gunmetal colors you may want The Idol, The Protagonist, or the Spaceman.

B-Roll of The Mason and The Wolf

You can also go for a Tantalum band that's a bit darker like The Mason, or The Wolf.

B-Roll of The Oak, The Vesuvius and The Protector

Plus we have Tantalum bands with unique inlays such as The Oak, The Vesuvius, and The Protector.

Camera B

If the durability, design, color and inlay options were not enough, Tantalum can also be resized.

Camera A

Just like Tantalum's cousin Gold, Tantalum is malleable, so it can be stretched or compressed. (insert joke about stretchiness)

Camera B

So depending on the design of your ring, the band could be stretched up to one size. Just like my sweat pants after thanksgiving.

Camera A

With all the benefits of Tantalum it makes a lot of sense why this metal is gaining in popularity.

B-Roll of a confused Korey with an overlay of a dollar sign and a flexing arm

Historically the only concerns anyone had about choosing Tantalum has come down to strength and price.

B-Roll Tantalum mining

Tantalum is a material found in nature and not grown in a lab.

B-Roll of chart showing Tantalum increasing in value over time

And tantalum keeps growing in popularity while being in limited supply.

Camera B

So following the supply and demand model, the price of Tantalum is going to keep increasing.

Camera A

But is it a bad thing to know that the ring that is a symbol of your devotion to the love of your life increases in value?

Camera B

I don't think so.

B- Roll Tantalum Still life vs Tungsten Still Life

As for strength, Tantalum is often compared to the hardest ring material there is: Tungsten.

Camera A - with a Fun fact graphic on left side and the MOHS graphic on the right Fun Fact: Tantalum scores high on the MOHS scale, a scale that measures the hardness of minerals, but it is not as high as Tungsten. But what Tantalum lacks on the MOHS scale makes up for it when you consider that Tantalum will not shatter under pressure.

Camera B - Slide to the right to reveal a bullet point on Tantalums benefits

To recap why Tantalum is so awesome: It is popular, easily washable, high on the mohs scale, it's a natural material, highly corrosion-resistant, hypoallergenic, increases in value and can be resized depending on the design.

Camera A

Just like all metals, it all comes down to your taste, budget, and lifestyle.

B-Roll of happy Customer Service team members

And if you still are not sure which metal type is right for you our amazing Customer Happiness Support Team is more than happy to help you find the best fit.

Camera B

You can find them LIVE on our website chatbox. Or even reach out to us on social media. Our team is super knowledgeable, and just the greatest human beings on the planet.

Camera A with graphics for the material comparison chart, Popular tungsten ring video and ring size video

Still curious about other materials? I have a link to a document that compares all our materials in the description below. Plus you can check out one of our most popular videos about Tungsten Rings right over here. (points right) And if you are dragging your feet picking your ring because you still don't know your ring size then check out this video over here. (points left) Till next time, Archie out.