PREVENTING PERSONAL THEFT

DON'T GIVE THIEVES THE KEY TO YOUR JEWELLERY

The theft of your gold or jewellery can be a distressing event. The chance that this will ever happen to you is quite small, but you should be aware of what you can do to keep your property safe.



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Keep your jewellery safe

- Don't leave it on display in your home. Thieves are known to target bedrooms and lofts
- Invest in a safe securely fixed to a brick wall or use a bank safety deposit box to store high value items
- Be discreet if wearing jewellery in public
- Photograph each piece of valuable gold or jewellery, keep a written description and get a valuation from your insurance company in case it is stolen
- Make sure your jewellery is property marked with a product suitable for jewellery. Visit **www.securedbydesign.com** for more information.

Keep thieves out

- Lock all external windows and doors including rear and side entrances when you go out
- Review your current home security arrangements to ensure that they are adequate. For more information visit **www.met.police.uk/crimeprevention**
- Consider joining your local Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. Visit: **www.neighbourhoodwatch.net**
- Be aware that thieves sometimes ring the doorbell to check whether someone is in. If someone unexpected comes to your door and you are suspicious, call 999 and give details such as a description of them, their car and licence plate. They may ask for someone you don't know or offer services such as gardening as an excuse.

For more information visit **www.met.police.uk/crimeprevention** or contact your local Safer Neighbourhoods Team, contact details on our website **www.met.police.uk**

If you have any information on any crime, and you would prefer not to speak to police you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on **0800 555 111**, or visit: **www.crimestoppers-uk.org**

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In an emergency dial 999. For all other enquiries call our non-emergency number **101** or visit our website **www.met.police.uk/crimeprevention**