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## **The Turquoise Ring**

She wears this huge turquoise rock on her middle finger. It is encased in beautiful artisanal silver. But every time she wears it and hits me, the impact is double what it would be if she did not have the ring on. Although her fingers are filled with other rings, that turquoise ring always leaves welts on my body. She knows not to hit my face or anything visible. I hurl closely together to minimize the impact. I hurl into a small ball trying to make myself as invisible as possible, but my back feels each strike. One time, the artisanal silver caught my skin, and tore through an old scar. It ripped my skin to the bone, blood splashing, dripping all over my clothes. Left a mark for anyone to see and she never wore that ring again. And I never wore turquoise or look at jewelry the same way.

*Daphnie Sicre*