

# Rock & Mineral Pronouncement Guide

Acicular	uh-SICK-you-lur	Diorite	DIE-oh-rite	Plutonic	ploo-TAHN-ick
Actinolite	ak-TIN-oh-lite	Dolomite	doe-luh-mite	Plumose	PLOO-mose
Adamantine	Ad-uh-MAN-teen	Drusy	DROO-z	Porphyry	POR-fuh-ree
Adularescence	AJ-uh-ler-ESS-ence	Dumortierite	du-MORT-ee-uh-rite	Prehnite	PRAY-nite
Alabaster	al-uh-BASS-turr			Proustite	PROOS-ite
Albite	AL-bite	Enargite	en-AR-jite	Pseudomorph	SUDE-uh-morf
Alexandrite	al-egg-ZAN-drite	Epidote	EPP-ih-dote	Psilomelane	siil-LOM-uh-lane
Almandite	AL-mun-dite	Erythrite	ERR-uh-thrit	Pumice	PUMM-iss
Amethyst	AM-uh-thihst			Pyroxene	pei-ROCKS-seen
Amigdaloidal	uh-MIG-duh-LOID-ull	Fluorescence	fluer/flor-ESS-ents	Pyrolusite	PIE-ro-LEW-site
Analcite	ah-NAL-site	Fluorite	FLOO-ur-rite		
Andalusite	an-duh-LEW-site	Fulgerite	FULG-your-ite	Realgar	ree-AL-garr
Anglesite	ANG-luh-site			Reniform	REN-uh-form
Apatite	APP-uh-tite	Gabbro	GAB-roe	Resinous	REZ-uh-nuhss
Apophyllite	ah-POF-ih-lite	Galena	Guh-LEE-nuh	Reticulated	ruh-TICK-u-late-ed
Aragonite	uh-RAG-uh-nite	Gangue	gang	Rhodochrosite	ROE-doe-KRO-site
Argentite	AR-jen-tite	Gastrolith	GAS-troh-lite	Rhyolite	RYE-O-lite
Asbestos	as-BEST-us	Genthite	GENN-thite	Rubellite	REW-buh-lite
Augite	AW-jite	Geode	JEE-ode	Rutile	ROO-TEEL
Autunite	aw-TUN-ite	Glauberite	GLOB-ur-ite		
Aventurine	ah-VEN-chu-reen	Glauconite	GLAW-kuh-nite	Saganite	SAJ-eh-nite
Azurite	AZZ-your-ite	Gneiss	nice	Scheelite	SHEE-lite
		Goethite	guh/guhr-tite	Schist	shist
Barite	BEAR-ite	Goshenite	GO-shun-nite	Salenite	Sell-eh-nite
Basalt	buh-SALT	Granite	GRANN-it	Serpentine	SIR-pen-TEEN
Bauxite	BAWK-site	Graphite	GRAFF-ite	Siderite	SID-uh-rite
Becquerelite	BECK-er-lite	Gypsum	JIP-sum	Siliceous	suh-LISH-us
Benitoite	beh-NEE-toe-ite			Sillimanite	SILL-uh-muh-nite
Beryl	BEHR-uhl	Halite	HAY-lite	Smithsonite	SMITH-son-ite
Biotite	BY-oh-tite	Hematite	HEM/HEEM-uh-tite	Sodalite	SO-duh-lite
Botryoidal	bah-tree-OY-dull	Hewlendite	HEW-lun-dite	Sphalerite	SFAL-uh-rite
Breccia	BRETCH-ee-uh	Hyalite	HIGH-uh-lite	Spinel	spuh-NELL
Brucite	BREW-site			Spodumene	SPOO-you-meen
		Ilmenite	ILL-muh-nite	Staurolite	STAWR-uh-lite
Cabochon	KAB-oh-shon	Itacolumite	IT-uh-COLL-you-mite	Steatite	STEE-TITE
Calcite	KAL-site			Stephanite	STEFF-uh-nite
Calamine	KAL-eh-mine	Kyanite	KY-uh-nite	Stibnite	STIB-nite
Calcareous	kal-KARW-ee-us			Stilbite	STILL-bite
Carnelian	car-NEEL-yun	Lamellar	luh-mell-ur	Syenite	SIGN-uhn-nite
Cassiterite	kuh-SIT-un-rite	Lapis Lazuli	LAP-iss-LAZ-you-lee	Sylvanite	SILL-vah-nite
Cavansite	kuv-AN-site	Laumontite	LAW-mun-tite		
Celestite	suh-LES-tite	Lepidolite	luh-PID-uh-lite	Tantalite	TAN-tuh-lite
Cerussite	suh-RUS-ite	Limonite	LIME-uh-nite	Tetrahedrite	TET-ruh-HEE-drite
Cervantite	sur-VAN-tite	Luminescence	lew-muh-NESS-ense	Thulite	THEW-lite
Chabazite	KAB-uh-zite			Torbernite	TAWR-burn-ite
Chalcanthite	kal-KAN-thite	Malachite	MAL-uh-kite	Tourmaline	TOOR-muh-leen
Chalcedony	kal-SED-n-ee	Malleable	MAL-lee-uh-bul	Trachyte	TRAY-kite
Chalcocite	KAL-ko-site	Manganapatite	mang-gan-AP-uh-tite	Trona	TROE-nuh
Chalcopyrite	kal-ko-PIE-rite	Micaceous	my-KAY-shuhs	Troosite	TRUE-site
Chalcotrichite	kal-KO-TREEK-ite	Microcline	MY-kro-kline	Turquoise	TURR-koyz
Chert	churt	Mimetite	MIM-uh-tite		
Chiaistolite	ky-AS-toe-lite	Muscovite	MUSS-koh-vite	Ulexite	YOU-luck-site
				Unakite	YOU-nuh-kite
Chrysoberyl	KRISS-uh-behr-uhl	Natrolite	NAY-tro-lite	Uranite	you-RAJ-nuh-nite
Chrysocolla	KRISS-uh-COLL-ah	Nepheline	NEFF-uh-liin	Uranophane	you-RAN-oh-fane
Chrysoprase	KRISS-oh-praze	Nicolite	NICK-oh-lite	Uvarovite	you/oo-VAR-uh-vite
chrysotile	KRISS-oh-till	Novasculite	noh-VACK-you-lite		
Cinnabar	SIN-uh-bahr			Vanadinite	vuh-NADE-uh-nite
Citrine	SIT-reen	Obsidian	ob-SIDD-ee-un	Variscite	VAR-ih-site
Clarkeite	KLARRK-ite	Oligoclase	OH-iik/AHL-lh-go-klays	Vitrous	VITT-ree-us
Conchoidal	kon-KOY-dul	Oolitic	oh-uh-LIT-ick	Vermiculite	vuhr-MICK-you-lite
Conglomerate	kon-GLOMM-urr-it	Olivine	OLL-uh-veen	Wavellite	WAVE-uh-lite
Corundum	kuh-RUN-dum	Orpiment	OR-puh-mint	Wernerite	WER-ner-ite
Covellite	ko-VELL-ite	Orthoclase	OR-tho-klays	Willemite	WILL-uh-mite
Cristobalite	kriss-TOE-buh-lite			Wilberite	WILL-er-ite
Crocoite	KROW-koh-ite	Pectolite	PECK-toh-lite	Wolframite	WOOL-fruh-mite
Cuprite	Q-prite/KOO-prite	Pegmatite	PEG-muh-tite	Wulfenite	WOOL-fuh-nite
		Peridot	PERR-ih-doh/dot		
Datolite	DAT-oh-lite	Phosphorescence	FOSS-fuh-RESS-ince	Zeolite	ZEE-oh-lite
Dendrite	DEN-drite	Piezoelectric	pee-A-zoh-e-LECK-trick	Zincite	ZING-idte
Diabase	DIE-ah-base	Pisolithic	PEA-so/pie-suh-lit-ick	Zircon	ZER-kahn
Dioptase	dir-OPP-tase	Plagioclase	PLAJ-ee-uh-klase		