

Mineral names that are not species

| "Mineral" Name | Photos On mindatnh | Not a Mineral species because... | NH Species examples |
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| Adularia | Y | A variety of potassium feldspar | Orthoclase |
| Amazonite | Y | A variety of microcline | Microcline |
| Amethyst | Y | A variety of quartz | Quartz - purple or lavender |
| Amphibole | | A mineral group name | Actinolite, magnesio & ferro hornblende, anthophyllite |
| Aquamarine | Y | A variety of beryl | Beryl |
| Andesine | | A variety of albite | – no photos on mindatnh |
| Asbestos | | A group of certain silicate minerals | – no photos on mindatnh |
| Biotite | Y | A group (or sub-group) name for black mica | phlogopite |
| Byssolite | Y | Mass of fibers of an amphibole species. | Actinolite |
| Bytownite | | A variety of anorthite (Feldspar group) | Anorthite |
| Chalcedony | Y | A variety of quartz | Quartz |
| Citrine | | A variety of quartz | Quartz – yellow quartz |
| Cleavelandite | Y | A variety of albite | Albite |
| Chiastolite | Y | A variety of andalusite | Andalusite |
| Crocidolite | Y | A Variety of riebeckite | Riebeckite |
| Cymatolite | Y | A mixture of muscovite and albite | Muscovite |
| Cyrtolite | Y | A variety of zircon | Zircon |
| Danaite | | A cobalt rich variety of arsenopyrite | Arsenopyrite |
| Dendrite | Y | A mineral forming branching fern-, or treelike patterns | |
| Feldspar | | A mineral group name | Albite, microcline, orthoclase, anorthite |
| Ferrisicklerite | Y | An alteration of triphylite. A valid species until recently | See triphylite |
| Fuchsite | | A variety of muscovite | Muscovite - greenish |
| Garnet | Y | A mineral group name | Almandine, grossular, spessartine, andradite |
| Goshenite | | A variety of beryl | Beryl – no photos on mindatnh |
| Heliodor | | A variety of beryl | Beryl - yellow |
| Hessonite | | A variety of grossular | Grossular - gemmy |
| Hornblende | | A mineral group name | Magnesio-hornblende, magnesio-hornblende |
| Hyalite | Y | A variety of opal | Opal |
| Iolite | Y | A variety of cordierite | Cordierite – clear to pale lavender |
| Illite | | A variety of muscovite | – no photos on mindatnh |
| Indicolite | Y | A variety of elbaite | Blue tourmaline – usually elbaite |
| Jasper | Y | A variety of quartz | Non-crystalline quartz |
| Kunzite | | A variety of spodumene | Spodumene – transparent pinkish |

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| Labradorite | Y | A variety of anorthite | Anorthite |
| Mica | Y | A mineral group name | Muscovite, but term also used for black mica |
| Morganite | | A variety of beryl | Beryl, clear to white. – no photos on mindatnh |
| Oligoclase | | A variety of albite | Albite – no photos on mindatnh |
| Perthite | Y | An intergrowth of albite and a K feldspar | Albite + K spar |
| Pinite | Y | Fine-grained pseudomorphs of aluminosilicate minerals | Altered cordierite |
| Plagioclase | | A feldspar group name | Feldspar group minerals |
| Pyroxene | | A mineral group name | Diopside, augite |
| Sericite | Y | A term for a fine-grained white or greenish mica | In NH, an alteration of schorl to muscovite |
| Serpentine | | A mineral group name | – no photos on mindatnh |
| Sicklerite | Y | Alteration of lithiophilite. A valid species until recently | See lithiophilite |
| Steatite | Y | A variety of talc | Talc |
| Tourmaline | Y | A mineral group name | Schorl, dravite, elbaite |
| Wad | | Term used for various black mineral substances | – no photos on mindatnh |