

COMMERCIAL NAME COUNTRY + STATE, PROVINCE	COLOURS	PETRO- GRAPHIC TYPE	GEOLOGICAL AGE	WATER ABSORPTION IN WEIGHT	OTHER NAMES AND VARIETIES	SIMILAR STONES
<u>ABSOLUTE BLACK</u> <i>India, mainly Andhra Pradesh</i>	black	gabbro group - probably dolerite	Archean - Proterozoic	0.05-0.15%	ABSOLUTE BLACK INDIA, approximately JET BLACK, INDIAN BLACK, not quite correct BLACK ABSOLUTE, varieties: PREMIUM BLACK, WARANGAL BLACK, KHAMMAM BLACK, CHAMRAJNAGAR BLACK (Karnataka)	BELFAST BLACK South Africa, NERO ZIMBABWE, SWEDISH BLACK Sweden, IMPERIAL BLACK Australia, and all stones with names: ABSOLUTE BLACK, NERO ASSOLUTO
<u>ACADEMY BLACK</u> <i>USA, California</i>	black, grey	gabbro group - norite	Jurassic	0.1-0.15%	ACADEMIA BLACK	IMPALA BLACK South Africa, partially CAMBRIAN BLACK Canada, BRAZILIAN BLACK and JET MIST - USA
<u>AFRICAN RED</u> <i>South Africa, Gauteng</i>	red, dark grey	granite	Proterozoic	0.2-0.25%	ROSSO AFRICA, ST. JOHNS RED, incorrect name AFRICA RED	RUBY RED, INDIAN RED and JHANSI RED India
<u>ALMOND MAUVE</u> <i>China, Fujian</i>	pink-violet, greenish, brown, ivory	quartz syenite to quartz monzonite (varieties up to granite)	Jurassic - Cretaceous	0.15-0.4%	G611, G3511, HUBEI RED; varieties: MISTY MAUVE (G634, incorrect: MYSTIC MAUVE), MAJESTIC MAUVE (G664), G687 (PEACH FLOWER), maybe G667 (PEACH PURSE)	partially LAOSHAN RED China, VIOLETTA Saudi Arabia, FLOWER OF UKRAINE Ukraine
<u>AMADEUS</u> <i>Finland, Mikkeli</i>	green-black, light greenish, red	gneiss with garnet and cordierite	Proterozoic	0.1-0.15%		partially TROPICAL GREEN (India)
<u>AMAZON STAR</u> <i>Brazil, Rondonia</i>	brown (redish), bluish, grey, black	porphyritic granite with hornblende	Archean - Proterozoic	(0.1-0.2%)	AMAZON BLUE, probably BLUE CARMEL, BLUE CARMEL, AZUL CARMEL, AZUL CARMEL	SAPPHIRE BLUE, ENGLISH BROWN
<u>AMERICAN BLACK</u> <i>USA, Pennsylvania</i>	black, grey	gabbro - maybe dolerite	Triassic - Jurassic boundary	0.1-0.15%	GEM MIST, probably EBONY MIST, not correct: JET MIST	JET MIST Virginia, partially ACADEMY BLACK - USA, IMPALA BLACK South Africa
<u>ANGOLA BLACK</u> <i>Angola</i>	black, dark grey	gabbro group		(0.1-0.2%)	NERO ANGOLA, BLACK ANGOLA, incorrect: BLACK PEARL	BLACK PEARL India, CAMBRIAN BLACK Canada
<u>ASA BRANCA</u> <i>Brazil, Ceara</i>	white, grey, black	alkali granite	Proterozoic	(0.25-0.4%)	ASA BRANCO, BRANCO CEARA, BIANCO TAPAI0, VENUS WHITE	partially BLANCO CRISTAL and BRANCO BERROCAL Spain
<u>ATLANTIC GREEN</u> <i>Canada, Quebec</i>	green, grey	charnockite group (monzonite composition)	Proterozoic	0.1-0.3%	VERT ATLANTIQUE	partially VERDE MARE South Africa, BALTIC GREEN Finland, VERDE LABRADOR Brazil

<u>AUTUMN BROWN</u> <i>Canada, Quebec</i>	brown, dark grey	charnockite group (or syenite group - quartz monzonite)	Proterozoic	0.15%	variety: NEWTON; AUTUMN BROWN is also US granite and Indian sandstone	POLYCHROME and CALEDONIA Canada, CRYSTAL BROWN South Africa, partially TROPIC BROWN Saudi Arabia
<u>AZUL ARAN</u> Spain, Cataluna	grey, bluish, brown	granite group - pegmatite	Carboniferous (Permian)	0.3-0.35%	AZUL D'ARAN	partially ARAN WHITE and BIANCO ROMANO Brazil, AZUL PLATINO Spain
<u>AZUL BAHIA</u> Brazil, Bahia	blue, white, black	sodalite syenite	Archean to Proterozoic	0.05-0.1%	AZUL DA BAHIA, BAHIA BLUE	partially BLUE KING Zambia, SODALITE BLUE, AZUL BARRACUDA Brazil
<u>AZUL MACAUBAS</u> Brazil, Bahia	light blue with blue waves	quartzite	Proterozoic	0.1%	AZUL MACAUBA, varieties: AZUL IMPERIAL, AZUL BOQUIRA	partially CARIBBEAN BLUE Sweden
<u>AZUL PLATINO</u> Spain, Extremadura	grey, bluish	granite	Carboniferous	0.2%		partially AZUL ARAN Spain, BLUE CRYSTAL Australia, CHIMA BLUE India