

11300 Red Jasper

Red Jasper is an amorphous quartz, colored red by iron (III). Glass-like transparency and high brilliance in historical dye films is frequently produced by Red Jasper. Sometimes in analysis the pigment might have been confounded with Realgar.

In small occurrences Red Jasper is fairly common. In the Alps there is a modification, called radiolarian rock. The frequency of use probably depended upon the hardness of the mineral.