

## 11400 & 11401 **Mountain Crystal**

Formula:  $\text{SiO}_2$ , pure Quartz

white crystalline powder, 80 - 150  $\mu$  (11400) and extra fine 0 - 63  $\mu$  (11401)

In impure form quartz is found as pollution in nearly all earth colors. Rock crystal was used only very rarely as filler, since the difficulties of pulverizing are very high. As a waste product in jewelry production from rock crystal however always small quantities were available for painting.

Mountain Crystal is found in the whole Alps in small quantities.

The high transparency and brilliance of the small Mountain Crystal bits is lost when it is ground too fine. Mountain Crystal received special attention in anthroposophic medicine and painting, and also in the painting in the Himalayas.