

# Jade

Jade is a hard, compact mineral that is often used to make jewellery and carved ornaments. The colour of Jade varies from white to dark green. One variety of Jade is Jadeite, a silicate of sodium and aluminium. It is rare and mainly mined in Burma and China. Nephrite (Jade) is more common and is a silicate of calcium, iron and magnesium. It is mined in New Zealand, Alaska and Wyoming.

1. Locate the geographical locations mentioned above on an atlas.
2. Is Jade still mined in these areas?
3. Are there any other locations in the world where Jade is mined that are not mentioned above?
4. What is Jadeite?

Research the history of jade on the Internet. Write a report of your findings or give an oral report.