

Garronite group - $\text{Na}_2\text{Ca}_5\text{Al}_{12}\text{Si}_{20}\text{O}_{64} \cdot 27\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Hardness: 4–5. Cleavage: No data. Easily attacked by acids (intolerant to HCl but use warm acetic acid to remove calcite). Derust with oxalic acid. Remove manganese hydroxides/oxides with ascorbic acid. Treat as phillipsite.

A series of related zeolites, expected to have similar properties. Data given for garronite-(Ca).

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