

Pyrargyrite - Ag_3SbS_3

Hardness: 2.5. Cleavage: Distinct/good. May be sensitive to thermal shock. Avoiding sonication sometimes recommended. Insoluble in water, Soluble in acids. Derust with tartaric acid. Avoid oxalic acid. Photosensitive. May be sensitive to atmospheric oxygen. Treat like proustite.

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