

Recommended Polishes For Lapidary Materials

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[Ed. note: I found this list of recommended polishes in some old files recently. It was compiled by Ben Schmidt at least 10 years ago and given to me for my own use. Ben was an excellent cutter and so I thought I would share the list with you.]

Key: **CO** - Cerium Oxide, **CH** - Chrome Oxide, **DI** - Diamond, **LA** - Linde A, **TO** - Tin Oxide

Actinolite: TO	Dioptase: CO	Quartz: CO, TO
Agate: CO, TO	Diorite: CO, TO, LA, CH	Rhodochrosite: TO, LA, CH
Alabaster: TO	Enstatite: TO	Rhodonite: CO, LA, CH
Amozone: TO	Epidote: TO	Ruby: DI Rutile: LA
Amber: TO	Euclase: TO	Sapphire: DI
Amblygonite: TO	Feldspar: CO, TO	Scapolite: CO
Andalucite: TO	Fluorite: TO, CH	Scheelite: CH
Apatite: LA, CH	Garnet: CO, TO, LA, DI, CH	Serpentine: TO, LA, CH
Aventurine: TO	Goldstone: CO, TO	Smithsonite: TO
Azurite: TO, CH	Hematite: CO	Sodalite: CO
Apophyllite: CH	Hickoryite: LA	Sosolite: CO
Aragonite: CH	Howlite: CO, TO, LA, CH	Spinel: TO, LA, DI
Axinite: CO	Hypersthene: TO	Spahlerite: CH
Barite: CH	Jadeite: CO, TO, LA, CH	Spodumene: TO
Benitoite: CO	Jasper: CO, TO, LA, CH	Sunstone: TO
Beryl: CO, TO, DI	Kyanite: TO Labradorite: TO, CH	Thompsonite: CO
Bloodstone: LA	Lapis Lazuli: TO, LA, CH	Tiger-eye: CO, TO, LA
Brazilianite: TO	Lepidolite: CH	Titanite (sphene): TO
Calcite: TO, CH	Limestone: CO, TO, LA, CH	Topaz: TO, LA, DI
Cassiterite: TO	Malachite: TO, LA, CH	Tourmaline: TO, LA, DI
Celestite: CH	Moonstone: TO	Turquoise: CO, TO, LA
Cerossite: CH	Nephrite: TO, LA, CH	Unakite: CO
Chrysoberyl: DI	Obsidian: TO, CH	Varicite: CO, TO, LA
Coral: TO	Onyx: CO, TO, CH	Vesuvianite: CO
Corundum: DI	Opal: CO, TO	Williamsite: LA
Cubic Zirconia: DI	Peridot: TO, LA, DI	Wonderstone: TO, LA,
Danburite: TO	Petrified Wood: CO, TO, LA, CH	Wulfenite: CH
Datolite: TO	Phenacite: TO	Zircon: TO
Diopside: CH	Pollucite: TO	Zoisite: CO