

## Madagascar alexandrite

Chrysoberyl found in the Ilakaka deposit include vivid yellow-green and of the cat's eye variety and small quantities of alexandrite with a very good color change. Occasional large alexandrite crystals of gem quality were recovered in Lake Alaotra.

### Locality details

Country	Madagascar
Region	Fianarantsoa
Province	Horombe, Ranohira
Locality	Ilakaka
Latitude	-22.6833
Longitude	45.2167
Altitude	2526
Time zone	UTC+3

### Locality maps

Map

Satellite



See Alexandrite Tzarstone collectors guide, Madagascar alexandrite, Ilakaka, <http://www.alexandrite.net/viewpage.html?id=ALXS-001-00012> (Information about Madagascar alexandrite findings and mining in Ilakaka, Madagascar.) (as of ).

In recent years, it has become more difficult to get information on the mine situation in Myanmar (formerly Burma), because the country has become so closed. There are many new small private mines, which appear northeast of Mandalayr. To the west of Mogok, near the Kabaing granite intrusions, many pegmatites and some hydrothermal veins occur, especially in the Sakangyi and Barnardmyo areas. From there occasional finds of yellow chrysoberyl and alexandrite have been reported in recent years.

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