# Manicouagan Clay



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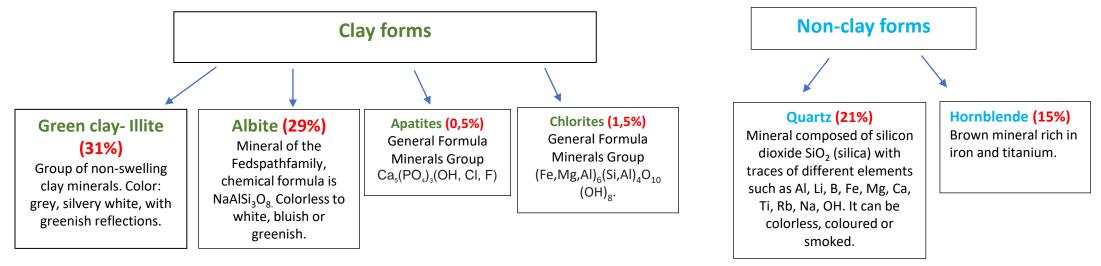
### Manicouagan Clay

- Extracted under the bog in the Manicouagan Peninsula (Quebec-Canada), along the St. Lawrence River.
- Chemical and mineralogical composition of Manicougan Clay is explained by erosion and sediment deposition, transported by the Manicouagan River and the Outarde River to the peninsula.



## Mineral structure of Manicouagan Clay

• Clay forms and non-clay forms



#### Chemical composition

An oxide (metallic ou non-metallic) is un chemical compound resulting from the association of an oxygen atom and an atom of another element (metallic ou non-metallic).

Silicon dioxide- Silica - SiO<sub>2</sub>- (59,80%) The most abundant oxide in the earth's crust. Cosmetic applications: abrasive agent, absorbent agent, opacifier...

Aluminum oxide -Alumina – Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (16,20%) The 2nd most abundant oxide in the earth's crust Cosmetic applications: abrasive agent, absorbent agent, opacifier..

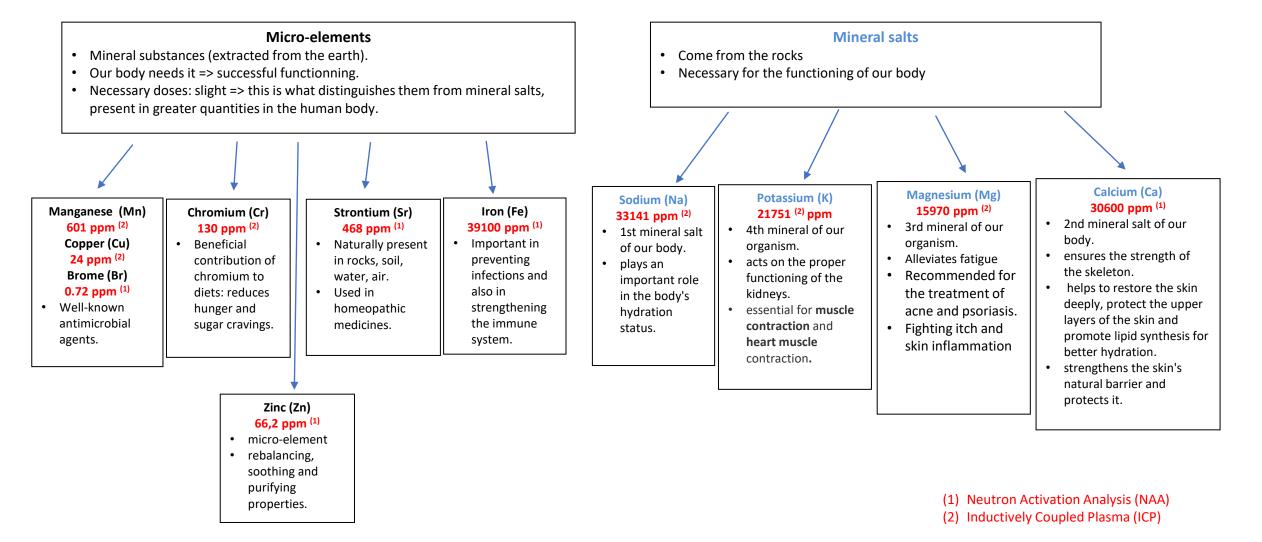
#### Iron oxide (III) – Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (6,25%)

Also called ferric oxide, hematite or Indian red. It is a 100% natural red pigment that has excellent UV resistance.

Calcium oxide- CaO (3,92%)<br/>Cosmetic application : pH<br/>stabilizer.Sodium oxide-Na2O (3,80%)<br/>Cosmetic application : pH<br/>stabilizer.Magnesium oxide - Magnesia - MgO (3,34%)<br/>Cosmetic applications: absorbent agent, pH<br/>stabilizer, opacifier.Potassium oxide- K2O (2,81%)<br/>Cosmetic application : pH<br/>stabilizer.

**Titanium dioxide – TiO**<sub>2</sub> (0,66%) Cosmetic applications: opacifier, UV absorber, white colorant. Phosphorus pentoxide-  $P_2O_5(0,21\%)$ Cosmetic application : pH stabilizer. Manganese dioxide- MnO (0,09%) Cosmetic application: UV absorber Chromium oxide- Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (0,02%) Cosmetic application: green colorant

#### The beneficial chemicals elements



#### Organic matter

