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## Canadian Titanite Update

A very Happy New Year to you!

Some great new pieces are on the website today in the [Canadian Titanite Update \(click here\)](#).

These titanite crystals are remarkable for their quality and sharpness.

Among the most highly-prized minerals in the Bancroft Area and other regions of the Grenville Province, truly excellent quality specimens are elusive, both locally and on the international market.

One reason for this is that titanite is very brittle. Its wedge-shaped crystals feature long, thin edges that are easily broken, cracked and chipped, by natural processes and also by collectors. Another complicating factor is that titanite crystals from the Grenville are very often incompletely formed or heavily contacted, having often formed contemporaneously with other neighbouring minerals.

The crystals in this update have a black appearance at first glance, but on close inspection of the crystal edges under bright light you can see that they are in fact the deepest reddish-brown colour.

For all new specimens at McDougall Minerals, see [New Specimens](#).

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Hope you enjoy these specimens!

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