

Third Place Winner

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Petoskey Stones

Petoskey stones are made from reefs of Hexagonaria coral which is found in northern Michigan. This coral was created in a warm salty sea environment 350 million years ago. Petoskey stones have been scattered around Michigan by glacier periods covering northern Michigan. Hexagonaria coral means 6 sided coral.

Petoskey stones are named after a son of an Indian chief named Petosegay. He was a famous chief so they named a city for him and its name was Petoskey.

Petoskey stones are made into a variety of things like jewelry, statues, cement products. That is what I know about petoskey stones.