



Welcome to JPC Minerals

JPC Minerals is a speciality INDUSTRIAL MINERALS trading and services company

Products	Industries	Services
Chrome ore	Refractory	"Mine to Doorstep"
Zircon	Ceramics	Packing, bulking, shipping
Wollastonite	Foundry	Freight, road transport, logistics
Kaolin	Glass	Customs
	Plastics & Paints	

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What we do

We are a privately-owned international trading company, established in 1986, located in Brussels (Belgium), specialized in the global trade and sale of industrial mineral products with particular emphasis on the basic raw materials used in the production of ceramics, glass, refractories, foundry products, plastics and polymers.

Based on our management's thirty years experience in the field of global trading in metals and minerals and on a wide network of privileged sources and reliable associates in the main mineral producing countries, we offer our suppliers and customers the necessary support when it comes to buying and selling minerals, coupled with intimate knowledge of the logistics required to perform and optimize these activities.

Thanks to our long exposure to the various qualities of minerals currently available on the market and required by the above-mentioned consuming industries, we have the capability to compare the grades and qualities most adapted to the required applications in these industries.

We are constantly upgrading our knowledge by regular visits to both the traditional and new mineral sources and by attending the specialized conferences and colloquiums covering this market both from quality and marketing viewpoints. It offers our customers the guarantee to receive the best possible quality and logistical assistance when discussing their raw material needs with us.

Our reputation in the market is a further guarantee to our suppliers and customers that their requirements will be met and that they will always have a reliable business partner in the negotiations of their contracts and orders.

We supply our minerals and ores in raw form or custom-processed, both bulk or packed to suit our customers requirements. We handle shipping and local transports upon request, always in collaboration with well-known first class ocean freight and haulage companies.

We look forward to being at YOUR service to buy or sell the minerals of the non-exhaustive list you will find on this website. Don't hesitate to contact us with your needs or questions. We will be glad to assist at any time.

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Who we are

Our Managing Director, Jean Pierre COLLART, a Belgian citizen, is the owner and trading executive of our company. Fluent in French, English, Dutch, German, and some knowledge in Spanish, Jean Pierre has been in the metals and minerals trading business for over 30 years.

He was first exposed to international trading by working in management positions for some of the largest international trading groups in the field including ICC, SGM (Société Générale des Minerais), C. Tennant, Sons and Cie of New York, Leo Raphaely & Sons Pty Ltd, Socotroisem (MMM).

Having traded for many years first in non-ferrous metals and ores and thereafter in industrial minerals, Jean Pierre decided in 1986 to establish JPC MINERALS S.A. with the aim to supply the refractory industry with a wide range of its basic raw materials needs (calcined bauxite, andalusite, chamotte, mullite, chromite, etc..).

He then went to further develop the company's activity by adding exclusive marketing or agency arrangements for some large mineral producers (kaolin, zircon, wollastonite, chromite). This opened up huge opportunities for JPC Minerals to penetrate the vast ceramic, glass, and foundry industries.

During his career Jean Pierre covered many geographical areas with our products and he obviously has the right experience to expand our activity even further, always attentive to add new minerals to our list of trading items, but without neglecting the traditional products we deal in on a daily basis.





Products

CHROME ORE - Chemical composition Cr_2O_3 and FeO – ore used in the production of chromium metal, ferro-chrome, foundry moulding sands, refractories, green glass, chromic acids. Available in the form of lumps, powder, sand, raw or processed into various sizes. Also called “Chromite”. To find out more about chromite ore, click [here](#).

ZIRCON - Chemical composition $\text{ZrO}_2 + \text{HfO}_2 + \text{SiO}_2$ – comes chiefly from natural beach sands, having refractory properties it is mainly used in ceramics (as opacifier), firebricks for glass industry, and mold facing sand in foundries. To find out more about zircon, click [here](#).

WOLLASTONITE - Chemical composition $\text{SiO}_2 + \text{CaO}$ – natural calcium metasilicate with acicular structure with particular aspect ratios making it suitable for substitute of asbestos in fibre cement. Wollastonite is non-carcinogenic. Main applications are in plastics and polymers as a reinforcing agent, and in paints as a white filler, as well as in ceramic bodies, frits and glazes due to its whiteness resulting from its pure chemical composition and its combined calcium and silica. It is resistant to fire and an excellent insulating material. It also finds large volume applications in casting powders for the metallurgy. To find out more about wollastonite, click [here](#).

KAOLIN - Chemical composition $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 + \text{SiO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ – pure natural form of hydrated aluminium-silicate clay – also called “China clay” – main uses are manufacturing of ceramic bodies, chinaware, sanitary ware, porcelain, electric insulators and filler in pigments and paints. Kaolin is also used as a coating and filling agent in paper. To find out more about kaolin, click [here](#).





Services

“MINE TO DOORSTEP” - we offer package deals including the various steps of the transactions between the source and the consuming market, as such avoiding unnecessary and time-consuming work to both our suppliers and customers.

PACKING, BULKING, SHIPPING - we sub-contract these important elements of our trade to first-class companies specialised in these services.

FREIGHT, ROAD TRANSPORT, LOGISTICS - we either make our own arrangements as Principals for these services or we propose to our business partners to deal directly with a number of servicing companies with whom we have close and privileged relationships.

CUSTOMS - upon demand we handle administration and documentation of custom clearing and import formalities on behalf of our suppliers and customers.





Minerals		Grade	Applications
CHROME ORE (Chromite)		Metallurgical	Ferro-alloys Refractories
		Chemical	Chrome chemicals Glass
		Foundry	Steel castings Refractories
ZIRCON	Sand	Premium Grade	Ceramics Glass
		Standard Grade	Refractories Castings
	Silicate	Flours & Micronised	Ceramics Glass
WOLLASTONITE		Powder	Ceramic glazes and frits Ceramic bodies Casting fluxes and slags Rubber, paints, Plastics
		Acicular Grade	Fibre cements Break linings and clutches
KAOLIN		Ceramic Grade	Ceramic bodies Ceramic frits, glazes Sanitary ware
		Calcined Grade	Plastics, Polymers Ceramics Fillers





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