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Mineral Spotlight: Heliodor

This week's mineral of the week and the last of the Spring 2023 semester is heliodor! Heliodor is a member of the beryl family of minerals and has distinct crystals that are columnar hexagonal prisms. Impurities in beryl form the different colors . Heliodor is typically a yellow, golden yellow, or greenish yellow color.

Some of the best specimens of Heliodor come from the Ural Mountains in Russia. In the United States, notable amounts of heliodor can be found in North Carolina.

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